# Final Determination of Compliance

# Marsh Landing Generating Station

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# 1. Introduction

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District) is issuing a Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC) for the Marsh Landing Generating Station; a proposed 760-megawatt natural gas fired electric power generation facility that would be located near Antioch, CA. The Final Determination of Compliance sets forth the District's analysis as to how the facility would comply with applicable air quality regulatory requirements, as well as permit conditions to ensure compliance. The Air District has previously published a Preliminary Determination of Compliance for public review and comment, and has reviewed and considered all comments received from the public before issuing this Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC).

The proposed Marsh Landing project is a simple-cycle "peaker" power plant, meaning that it will be used to meet demand for electrical power during short-term "peaks" in demand. The proposed project consists of four Siemens SGT6-5000F simple-cycle gas turbines, two natural gas fired preheaters, and associated equipment. The proposed power plant would operate up to 20% of the year depending on the demand for electricity in the region. The California Independent System Operator (Cal ISO) would be responsible for dispatching the plant to meet electrical demand. The project utilizes simple-cycle turbines that are designed as a firm supply of power for when renewable energy sources such as wind power are not available. The project will provide standby power capacity for grid stability and the plant is using simple-cycle turbines for this purpose. The simple-cycle turbines are well suited for peaking power plants that may not run for an extended period of time since this type of unit does not have a steam turbine that would need to be kept warm to avoid equipment damage.

The Marsh Landing Generating Station would be constructed adjacent to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, an older facility which is scheduled to be retired when the Marsh Landing Generating Station is complete. While the Contra Costa Power Plant is comprised of seven units, as of 2008, five of the units have been retired. The remaining two units, Units 6 and 7, were constructed in 1964. Mirant Delta has agreed to retire Contra Costa Units 6 and 7 on April 30, 2013 subject to certain regulatory approvals. The existing Contra Costa Power Plant has a once-through cooling system, which draws cooling water from the San Joaquin River and then discharges it back into the river after use. The new Marsh Landing Generating Station would be a simple-cycle facility that would not use river water for cooling or process water requirements.

The Marsh Landing project would be sited adjacent to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant at 3201 Wilbur Avenue in unincorporated Contra Costa County, near the City of Antioch. The two sites will be operated as separate and independent facilities, although they have the same ultimate corporate parent, Mirant Corporation. Mirant has agreed to retire the Contra Costa Power Plant on April 30, 2013. The proposed Marsh Landing facility is scheduled to start commercial operation on May 1, 2013. More detail about the proposed facility is provided in Section 3 below ("Project Description").

This FDOC describes how the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would comply with applicable federal, state, and Air District regulations. These regulations include the Best Available Control Technology and emission offset requirements of the District New Source

Review (NSR) requirements contained in District Regulation 2, Rule 2. This document also includes permit conditions necessary to ensure compliance with applicable rules and regulations, air pollutant emission calculations, and a health risk assessment that estimates the impact of emissions from the project on public health.

This FDOC was prepared in accordance with District Regulations 2-2-404 through 2-2-406, which set forth the procedural requirements for the issuance of NSR permits, and District Regulations 2-3-403 and 2-3-404, which apply the requirements specifically to power plant permits. The Final Determination of Compliance is based on a Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) that the District published in March of 2010, which set forth the District's proposed analysis for this project. The District received several comments on the PDOC, which the District has reviewed and considered in developing this FDOC. The public comments received are contained in Appendix E, and the District's responses to the comments are contained in Appendix F.

The remainder of this document is organized as follows. Section 2 provides an overview of the legal framework for power plant permitting in California and describes how members of the public can learn about the project and provide input to the District and the California Energy Commission. Section 3 then proceeds to describe the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station project, and Section 4 details the project's air emissions. Sections 5 and 6 then describe the "Best Available Control Technology" and emissions offset requirements for the project and how the proposed facility would comply with them. Section 7 addresses two federal permitting requirements, the "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" requirement and the "Non-Attainment New Source Review" requirement for fine particulate matter, and explains how this facility is not subject to those requirements. Section 8 presents the results of the Health Risk Screening Analysis the District has conducted for the project, which found that the health risks from the project would be less than significant. Section 9 addresses other applicable legal requirements for the proposed project. Section 10 sets forth the permit conditions for the project. Section 11 concludes with the District's Final Determination of Compliance for the project.

Please note that the District has made several revisions in the Final Determination of Compliance from what it initially proposed in the Preliminary Determination of Compliance, based on new information and comments received. Specifically, the amount of $NO_x$ that would be emitted during turbine startups and shutdowns has been increased based on new information from the applicant's equipment suppliers showing that (i) the amount of $NO_x$ the turbines will emit in coming up to full load and in shutting down will be slightly greater than the initial estimate that the District had when it prepared the PDOC and (ii) the Selective Catalytic Reduction system will not be up to temperature and operating effectively immediately when the turbines reach full load as the District believed when it prepared the PDOC, but will instead take up to 28 minutes to reach operating temperature and begin effectively removing $NO_x$. Based on this new information, the FDOC contains revisions to the following permit limits for the simple-cycle gas turbines: the startup $NO_x$ lb per 30 minute event limit has been revised from 18.6 lb/event to 36.4 lb/event, the shutdown $NO_x$ lb per 15 minute event limit has been revised from 13.1 lb/event to 15.1 lb/event, and the annual $NO_x$ limit for the permitted equipment has been revised from 71.763 tons per year to 78.571 tons per year. The increase in the annual $NO_x$ emissions from the facility will also require additional offsets to be surrendered by the applicant (Please see Section

6 for additional discussion of offsets). The changes to the startup and shutdown limits are discussed in detail in Section 5.7. The changes to the startup and shutdown $NO_x$ limits for the simple-cycle gas turbines also required revision of the maximum daily $NO_x$ permit limits for permitted equipment associated with the project. In addition, the District is also adding a restriction on commissioning activities that would limit operating more than two turbines at any one time for commissioning activities without abatement equipment. Finally, the District has added permit condition language (see Part 17e) that will allow the District to require the installation of an ammonia continuous emission monitor (CEM) on one gas turbine in the future. The ammonia monitor will only be required if an adequate Quality Assurance/Quality Control protocol for the CEM has been established. All of these changes are described in more detail in the relevant portions of this document and in the District's responses to comments received.

# 2. The Power Plant Permitting Process and Opportunities for Public Participation

The California Energy Commission (Energy Commission or CEC) is the primary permitting authority for new power plants in California. The California Legislature has granted the Energy Commission exclusive licensing authority for all thermal power plants in California of 50 megawatts or more. (*See* Warren-Alquist State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Act, Cal. Public Resources Code §§ 25000 *et seq.*) This licensing authority supersedes all other local and state permitting authority. The intent behind this system is to streamline the licensing process for new power plants, while at the same time providing for a comprehensive review of potential environmental and other impacts.

As the lead permitting agency, the CEC conducts an in-depth review of environmental and other issues posed by the proposed power plant. This comprehensive environmental review is the equivalent of the review required for major projects under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and the Energy Commission's license satisfies the requirements of CEQA for these projects. This CEQA-equivalent review encompasses air quality issues within the purview of the Air District, and also includes all other types of environmental and other issues, including water quality issues, endangered species issues, and land use issues, among others.

The Air District collaborates with the Energy Commission regarding the air quality portion of its environmental analysis and prepares a "Determination of Compliance" that outlines whether and how the proposed project will comply with applicable air quality regulatory requirements. The Determination of Compliance is used by the Energy Commission to assess air quality issues of the proposed power plant. This document presents the District's Final Determination of Compliance. The District has solicited and considered public input on the Preliminary Determination of Compliance, and is issuing a Final Determination of Compliance for use by the Energy Commission in its CEQA-equivalent environmental review. The CEC will then conduct its environmental review, and at the end of that process, it will decide whether to issue a license for the project and under what conditions.

Both the Energy Commission licensing process and the District's Determination of Compliance process relating to air quality issues provide opportunities for public participation. For the District's Determination of Compliance, the District publishes its preliminary determination – the PDOC – and invites interested members of the public to review and comment on it. This public process allows members of the public to review the District's analysis of whether and how the facility will comply with applicable regulatory requirements and to bring to the District's attention any area in which members of the public believe the District may have erred in its analysis. This process helps improve the District's final determination by bringing to the District's attention any areas where interested members of the public disagree with the District's proposal at an early enough stage that the District can correct any deficiencies before making the final determination. The Energy Commission provides similar opportunities for public participation, and publishes its proposed actions for public review and comment before taking any final actions.

The District published its Preliminary Determination of Compliance in March of 2010. The public comment period for the PDOC was noticed in the Contra Costa Times on March 29, 2010 and the comment period ended on April 30, 2010. Comments were received from four commenters and are presented in Appendix E.

At this time, the Air District is publishing its Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC) for the project. The District has considered comments received on the PDOC from the public in determining whether to issue a Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC) and on what basis. All comments received during the comment period were considered by the District and addressed as necessary in the Final Determination of Compliance.

The power plant approval process also provides opportunities for members of the public to participate in person in public hearings regarding this project. Members of the public will be afforded an opportunity to participate in public hearings regarding the project at the Energy Commission as part of the Commission's environmental review process. The public hearings before the Energy Commission will encompass all aspects of the project, including air quality issues and all other environmental issues.

Interested members of the public are invited to learn more about the project as part of the public review process. Detailed information about the project and how it will comply with applicable regulatory requirements are set forth in subsequent sections of this document. All supporting documentation, including the permit application and data submitted by the applicant and all other information the District has relied on in its analysis, are available for public inspection at the District Headquarters, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA, 94109. This FDOC and the supporting documentation are also available on the District's website at www.baaqmd.gov/. The public may also contact Mr. Lusher for further information, (415) 749-4623, blusher@baaqmd.gov. **Para obtener información en español, comuníquese con Brenda Cabral en la sede del Distrito, (415) 749-4686,** bcabral@baaqmd.gov.

In addition to the Air District's permitting process involving air quality issues, interested members of the public are also invited to participate in the Energy Commission's licensing proceeding, which addresses other environmental concerns including those that are not related to air quality. For more information, go to the following CEC website: www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/index.html. The public may also contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's office at:

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Toll-Free in California: 1-800-822-6228
E-mail: PublicAdviser@energy.state.ca.us

# 3. Project Description

The Marsh Landing Generating Station will be a proposed 760-megawatt "peaker" power plant to be located adjacent to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant near Antioch, CA. The facility would consist of four Siemens SGT6-5000F natural gas fired simple-cycle combustion turbines with a nominal electrical output of 190 MW. Each set of two turbines will also be equipped with a small natural gas fired preheater, or "dewpoint" heater, that heats the incoming natural gas above the dew point. This section describes the proposed project's function as a simple-cycle "peaker" power plant, describes where it would be located and how it would be operated, and provides details about project ownership and the specific equipment being proposed for the project.

## 3.1 The Marsh Landing Generating Station: A Simple-Cycle "Peaker" Power Plant

The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would be a "peaker" plant, meaning that it is designed to provide electricity to the grid at times of peak demand. Peaking power plants are power plants that generally run only during periods of high demand for electricity, most often during the summertime when air conditioning use is at its highest and typically in the late afternoon when people are returning from work and many businesses remain open. The proposed power plant would operate up to 20% of the year depending on the demand for electricity in the region. The California Independent System Operator (Cal ISO) would be responsible for dispatching the plant to meet electrical demand.

The proposed project uses a "simple-cycle" design, meaning that it uses natural gas combustion turbines only, without additional generating equipment, to make electricity. This design is different than a "combined-cycle" design, in which waste heat in the turbine exhaust is used to create steam in a heat-recovery steam generator, which powers a steam turbine to generate additional electricity. The simple-cycle design is especially well suited for peaking power plants because the turbines can be started up very quickly when demand requires it. With combined-cycle turbines, startups take longer because the heat recovery boilers and steam turbine take additional time to come up to operating temperature. Simple-cycle turbines are also well suited to peaking applications because peakers, by their nature, are not called upon to run for extended periods of time. This is an important consideration because simple-cycle turbines are inherently less efficient than combined-cycle turbines, which recover some of the heat from the turbine exhaust that would otherwise be wasted. Since peaker plants are operated for a relatively small number of hours per year, this energy penalty – which translates into additional fuel used to generate the same amount of power – is not as much of a concern.

As a peaker plant, the facility will also help to ensure a reliable supply of power as California transitions to a greater supply of renewable power sources such as solar and wind power. As a peaker plant, the project will help provide on-demand standby power capacity for grid stability. The simple-cycle turbines have a very short startup time and can come on-line very quickly to fill in during times when solar energy sources or wind power are not available. As the California Energy Commission has recognized, "some efficient, dispatchable, natural-gas-fired generation

will be necessary to integrate renewables into California's electricity system and meet the state's [Renewable Portfolio Standard] and [Greenhouse Gas] goals."[1] Peaker plants fired by clean-burning natural gas are well suited to filling this need.

The proposed Marsh Landing will function as a replacement for the existing Contra Costa Power Plant (also known as the "Mirant Delta" facility). The existing Contra Costa Power Plant is an older facility which was built in 1964 and is scheduled to be retired when the Marsh Landing facility is complete. The new Marsh Landing facility will replace the existing facility and will use modern state-of-the-art generating equipment. In addition, the new Marsh Landing facility will help to eliminate the once-through cooling system at the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, which draws cooling water from the San Joaquin River and then discharges it back into the river after use. The new Marsh Landing facility will be a simple-cycle facility that does not use river water for cooling or process water requirements. Mirant Delta, LLC, the owner of the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, has applied to have a legally binding permit condition included in its existing permit documents that requires the existing facility to shut down and permanently retire the Units from service on April 30, 2013.[2] The proposed Marsh Landing facility is scheduled to start commercial operation the next day, on May 1, 2013. The interconnection request for the Marsh Landing facility assumes that the Contra Costa Power Plant will retire, and therefore evaluates only the net increase in capacity associated with Marsh Landing. This effectively means that the Marsh Landing facility would take over transmission capacity on the system that is currently utilized by the Contra Costa Power Plant.

### 3.2 Project Location

The proposed Marsh Landing facility would be located adjacent to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant on a 27-acre industrial site on Wilbur Avenue, one mile northeast of the City of Antioch, on the southern shore of the San Joaquin River. The project site is located in unincorporated Contra Costa County, although it is in the process of being incorporated into the City of Antioch. Highway 4 and the Antioch Bridge are just east of the site. Immediately south,

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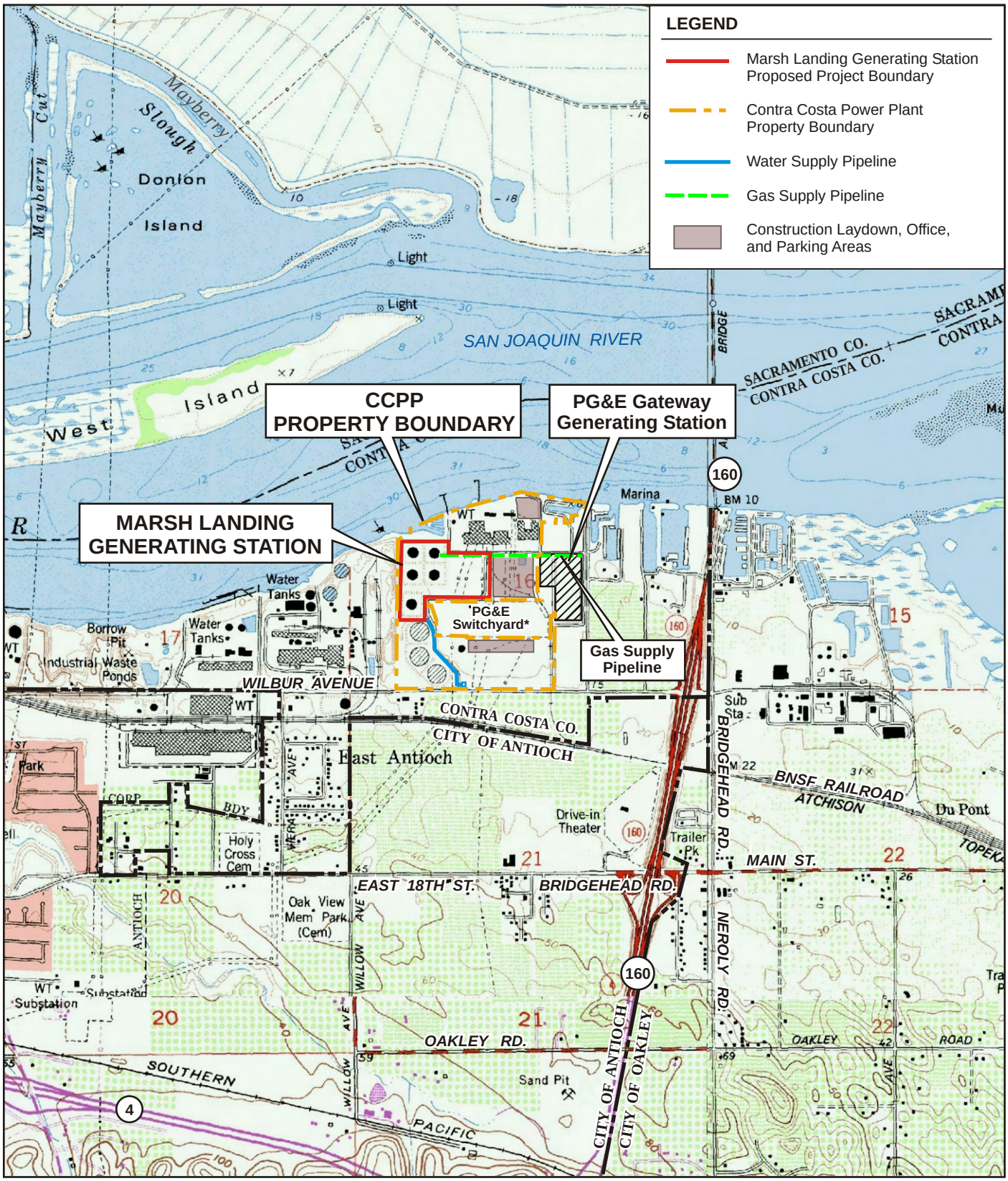
[1] California Energy Commission, *Final Commission Decision, Avenal Energy, Application for Certification* (08-AFC-01), Kings County (Dec. 16, 2009) p. 112, Finding of Fact no. 23 (available at: www.energy.ca.gov/2009publications/CEC-800-2009-006/CEC-800-2009-006-CMF.PDF).

[2] Mirant Delta, LLC, has agreed to include the following enforceable permit condition in its air permits: "Subject to: (i) receipt of final, non-appealable California Public Utilities Commission approval of the Tolling Agreement for Units 6 and 7 at the Contra Costa Power Plant by and between Mirant Delta, LLC and Pacific Gas and Electric Company and dated as of September 2, 2009, as amended from time to time, without material condition or modification unacceptable to either party thereto in its sole discretion; and (ii) the receipt of all other approvals and consents from the relevant local, state and federal governmental agencies (including but not limited to the California Independent System Operator) necessary for the shutdown and permanent retirement from service of Units 6 and 7; Mirant Delta, LLC will shut down and permanently retire Units 6 and 7 from service at 2400 PDT on April 30, 2013." Mirant Delta has submitted an application for an amendment to its Air District permit to incorporate the foregoing permit condition. Please see letter dated May 11, 2010 from Tom Bertollini of Mirant to Craig Ullery of BAAQMD.

west and east of the site are existing industrial facilities, including a Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) Substation and the Gateway Generating Station, as well as a recreational marina, open space and additional industrial land uses. The proposed site is currently occupied by five above-ground fuel storage tanks associated with the existing Contra Costa Power Plant site. The proposed project location is identified on the Project Location Map below. An aerial view of the project site and a plot plan of the proposed Marsh Landing facility are also provided.

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USGS Topographic Maps, 7.5 Minute Series:
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Brentwood, California, 1978

* The PG&E Switchyard and PG&E Gateway Project are not part of the Mirant Property.

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## PROJECT LOCATION MAP

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**AERIAL VIEW OF PROPOSED PROJECT**

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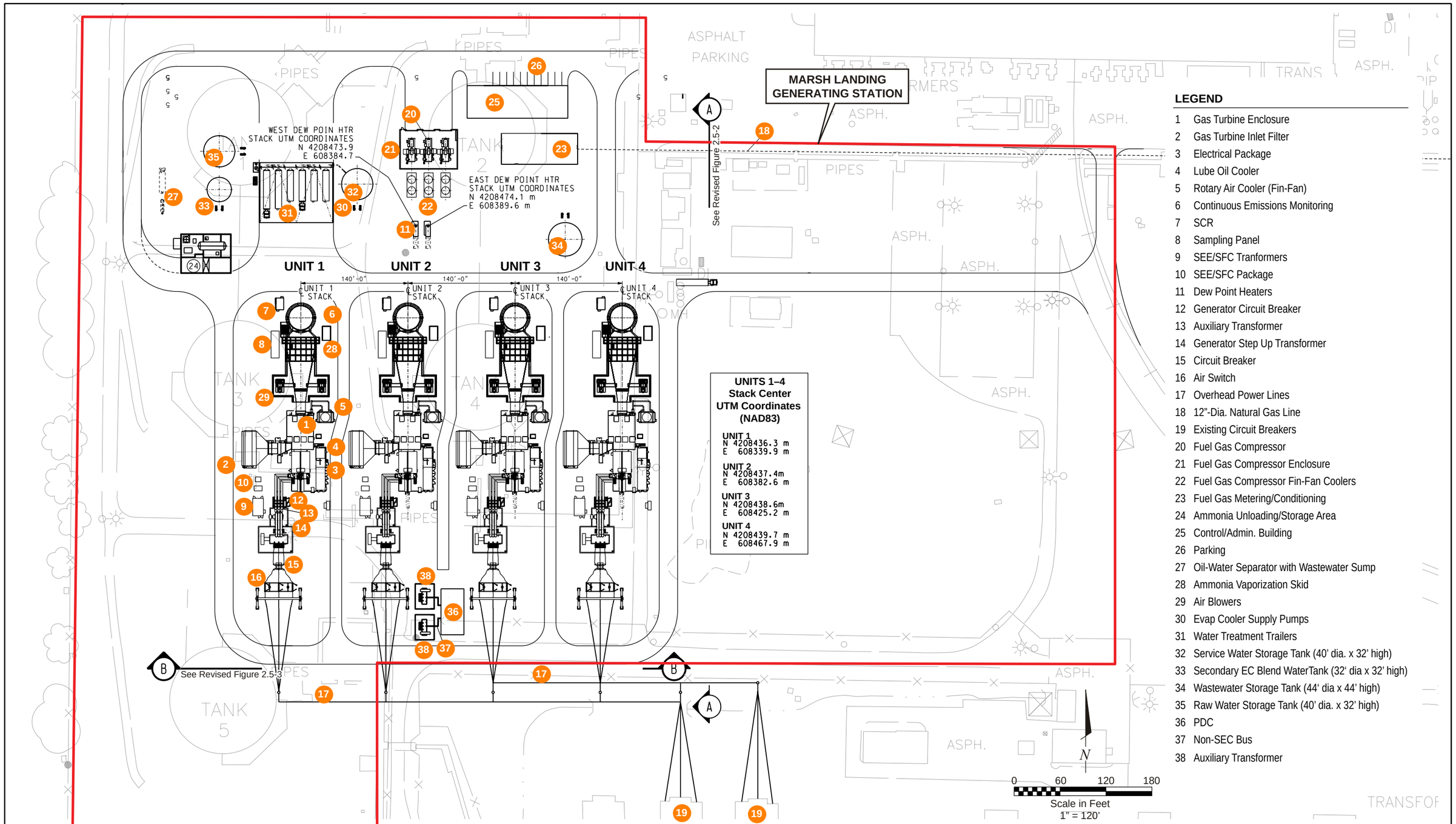


## LEGEND

1 Gas Turbine Enclosure
2 Gas Turbine Inlet Filter
3 Electrical Package
4 Lube Oil Cooler
5 Rotary Air Cooler (Fin-Fan)
6 Continuous Emissions Monitoring
7 SCR
8 Sampling Panel
9 SEE/SFC Tranformers
10 SEE/SFC Package
11 Dew Point Heaters
12 Generator Circuit Breaker
13 Auxiliary Transformer
14 Generator Step Up Transformer
15 Circuit Breaker
16 Air Switch
17 Overhead Power Lines
18 12"-Dia. Natural Gas Line
19 Existing Circuit Breakers
20 Fuel Gas Compressor
21 Fuel Gas Compressor Enclosure
22 Fuel Gas Compressor Fin-Fan Coolers
23 Fuel Gas Metering/Conditioning
24 Ammonia Unloading/Storage Area
25 Control/Admin. Building
26 Parking
27 Oil-Water Separator with Wastewater Sump
28 Ammonia Vaporization Skid
29 Air Blowers
30 Evap Cooler Supply Pumps
31 Water Treatment Trailers
32 Service Water Storage Tank (40' dia. x 32' high)
33 Secondary EC Blend WaterTank (32' dia x 32' high)
34 Wastewater Storage Tank (44' dia x 44' high)
35 Raw Water Storage Tank (40' dia. x 32' high)
36 PDC
37 Non-SEC Bus
38 Auxiliary Transformer

Source:
CH2MHill Lockwood Greene; General Arrangement Marsh Landing Generating Station,
Siemens Simple Cycle SGT6-5000F Equipment Layout;
Drawing No: MR-GA-ML-01-26 (Rev. H, 08/27/09)

**GENERAL PLOT PLAN**

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## 3.3 How the Project will Operate

The proposed facility will generate electric power for the grid using simple-cycle combustion turbines. The combustion turbines generate power by burning natural gas, which expands as it burns and turns the turbine blades which in turn rotate an electrical generator to generate electricity. The main components of a turbine consist of a compressor, combustor, and the exhaust section of the turbine. The compressor compresses combustion air to the combustor where the fuel is mixed with the combustion air and burned. Hot exhaust gases then enter the power turbine where the gases expand across the turbine blades, rotating a shaft to power the electric generator.

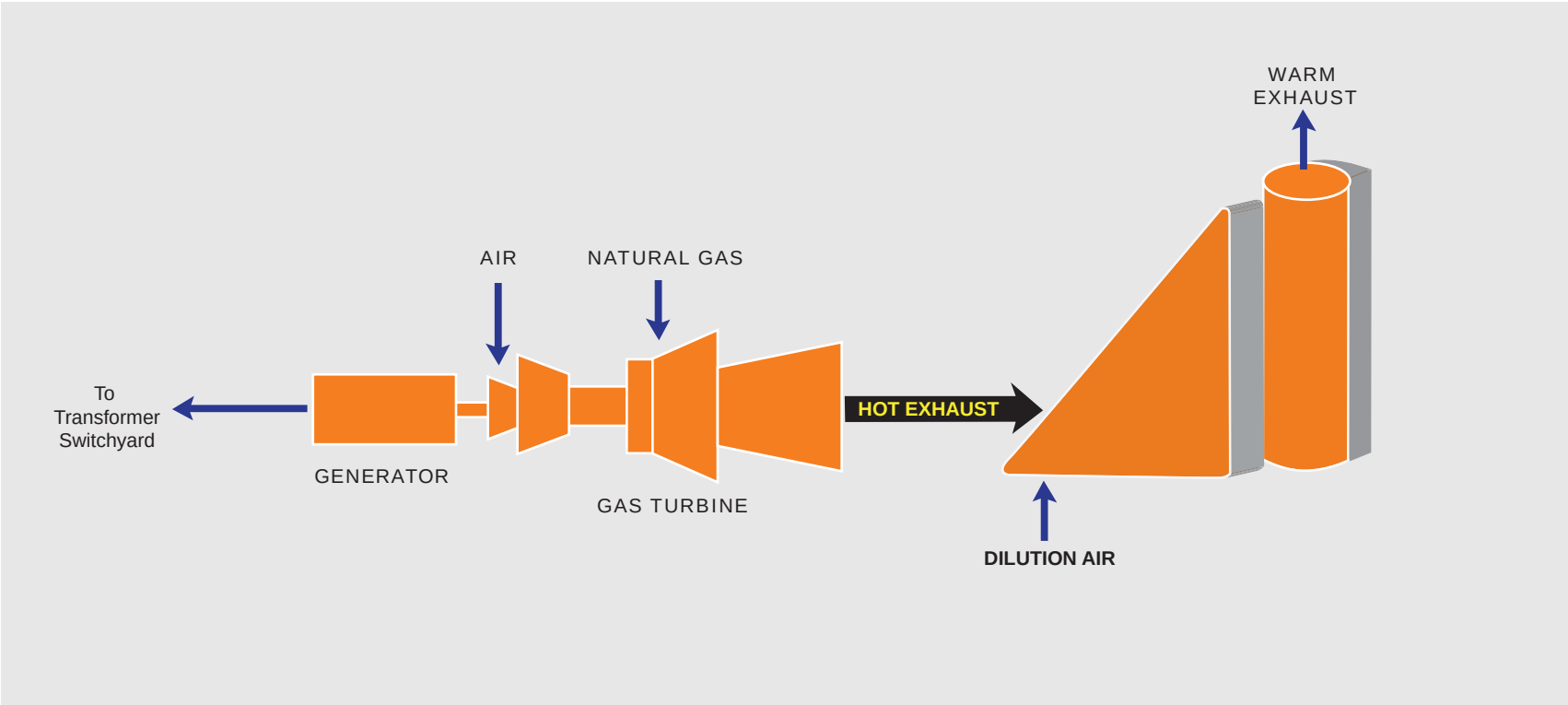
After exiting the combustion turbines, the hot exhaust gases are then sent through the post-combustion emissions controls prior to being exhausted at the stack. The post-combustion emissions controls consist of a Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) unit to reduce oxides of nitrogen in the exhaust and an oxidation catalyst to reduce organic compounds and carbon monoxide in the exhaust.

SCR injects ammonia into the exhaust stream, which reacts with the $NO_x$ and oxygen in the presence of a catalyst to form nitrogen and water. A small amount of ammonia is not consumed in the reaction and is emitted in the exhaust stream as what is commonly called “ammonia slip”.

An oxidation catalyst oxidizes the carbon monoxide and unburned hydrocarbons in the exhaust gases to form $CO_2$.

The schematic diagram below illustrates how a simple-cycle gas turbine power plant such as the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station works.

The facility expects each gas turbine to operate a maximum of 1752 hours/year or nominally 20% of the year. A conservative estimate of startups and shutdowns for each gas turbine is 167 per year. Each gas turbine is not expected to startup and shutdown more than three times per day. A maximum startup duration would be 30 minutes and a maximum shutdown duration would be 15 minutes. The 30 minutes is a maximum startup duration that is required to warm up the SCR unit ($NO_x$ abatement system) prior to normal operations. Emission rates of other pollutants, such as CO and POC, may be at normal operating levels after 11 minutes of the startup period. Air emissions from normal operations, startups, and shutdowns are discussed in detail in Section 5.




**SIMPLE CYCLE FLOW DIAGRAM**

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**FIGURE 2**

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## 3.4 Project Ownership

The Marsh Landing Generating Station would be owned by Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC (Applicant), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Mirant Corporation. The adjacent Contra Costa Power Plant is owned by a separate Mirant Corporation subsidiary, Mirant Delta, LLC. Although Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC, and Mirant Delta, LLC, have a common ultimate corporate parent, the two sites will be operated as separate and independent facilities and the District is treating them as separate facilities for purposes of air quality regulations. This issue is described in further detail below in Section 7.

## 3.5 Equipment Specifications

The equipment that Mirant has identified for use at the Marsh Landing Generating Station consists of the following:

S-1 Combustion Turbine Generator #1, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-1 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-2 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-2 Combustion Turbine Generator #2, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-3 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-4 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-3 Combustion Turbine Generator #3, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-5 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-6 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-4 Combustion Turbine Generator #4, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-7 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-8 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-5 Natural Gas-fired Fuel Preheater, 5 MMBtu/hr (HHV) (Exempt from Air District Permit requirements per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114)

S-6 Natural Gas-fired Fuel Preheater, 5 MMBtu/hr (HHV) (Exempt from Air District Permit requirements per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114)

# 4. Facility Emissions

This section describes the air pollutant emissions that the Marsh Landing Generating Station will have the potential to emit, as well as the principal regulatory requirements to which the emissions will be subject. Detailed emission calculations, including the derivations of emission factors, are presented in the appendices.

## 4.1 Criteria Pollutants

A "criteria" air pollutant is an air pollutant that has had a National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) established for it by the U.S. EPA. There currently are 7 criteria pollutants: sulfur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide, carbon monoxide, ozone, lead, particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter (PM 10), and particulate matter less than 2.5 microns in diameter (PM 2.5). Precursor organic compounds (POC) are compounds that are precursor to ozone.

### 4.1.1 Hourly Emissions from Gas Turbines

The Marsh Landing Generating Station's generating equipment will have the potential to emit up to the following amounts of POC and criteria air pollutants per hour, as set forth in Table 1. These are the maximum emission rates for these pollutants from each turbine during normal steady-state operations, and will be limited by enforceable permit conditions.

**TABLE 1. STEADY-STATE EMISSIONS RATES**

| **Pollutant** | **One Simple-Cycle Turbine Emissions Rate (lb/hr)** |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 20.83 |
| CO | 10.00 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 2.90 |
| $PM_{10}/PM_{2.5}$ | 9.00 |
| $SO_x$ (as $SO_2$) Maximum[a] | 6.21 |
| $SO_x$ (as $SO_2$) Average[b] | 1.41 |

[a] Maximum $SO_x$ emissions based on 1 grain sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas.
[b] Average $SO_x$ emissions based on 0.25 grains sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas and an average annual firing rate of 1997 MMBtu/hour.

Note that particulate matter from natural gas combustion sources normally has a diameter less than one micron.[3] The particulate matter will therefore be both $PM_{10}$ (particulate matter with a diameter of less than 10 microns) and $PM_{2.5}$ (particulate matter with a diameter of less than 2.5 microns). $PM_{2.5}$ is a subset of particulate matter that has recently come under heightened regulatory scrutiny, and the District is in the process of developing regulations specifically

[3] *See* AP-42, Table 1.4-2, footnote c, 7/98 (available at www.epa.gov/ttnchie1/ap42/ch01/final/c01s04.pdf).

directed to controlling $PM_{2.5}$. Those regulations are not in place yet, but for this facility the District's existing $PM_{10}$ regulations will be equally effective in controlling $PM_{2.5}$ as well because all of the PM emissions from this facility will be both $PM_{2.5}$ and $PM_{10}$.

### 4.1.2 Emissions during Gas Turbine Startup, Shutdown, and Tuning Operations

Maximum emissions during turbine startups and combustor tuning operations, when the turbines are at low load where they are not as efficient and when emissions control equipment may not be fully operational, are summarized in Table 2. (These operating scenarios are discussed in more detail in Sections 5.7, below.) Table 2 shows the startup emissions limits and tuning emission limits for each turbine. The startup and shutdown limits have been revised from the PDOC limits. The $NO_x$ startup limit has been revised from 18.6 lb per 30-minute event to 36.4 lb per 30-minute event. The $NO_x$ shutdown limit has been revised from 13.1 lb per 15-minute event to 15.1 lb per 15-minute event.

**TABLE 2: GAS TURBINE EMISSIONS DURING STARTUP AND TUNING OPERATIONS**

| Pollutant | Simple-Cycle Startup Emissions Rates (lb/event)[a] | Simple-Cycle Startup (lb/hour)[b] | Simple-Cycle Tuning Emissions Rates (lb/event)[c] | Simple-Cycle Tuning (lb/hour) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 36.4 | 45.1 | 640 | 80 |
| CO | 216.2 | 541.3 | 3600 | 450 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 11.9 | 28.5 | 240 | 30 |
| $PM_{10}/PM_{2.5}$ | 4.5 | 9.0 | 72.0 | 9.0 |
| $SO_x$ (as $SO_2$) | 3.11 | 6.21 | 49.68 | 6.21 |

[a] Startups not to exceed 30 minutes.
[b] Worst case hourly emissions assume 2 startups and one shutdown in one hour.
[c] Tuning events not to exceed 8 hours.

Maximum emissions during gas turbine shutdowns (also discussed in detail in Section 5.7) are summarized in Table 3.

**TABLE 3. MAXIMUM EMISSIONS PER SHUTDOWN**

| Pollutant | Simple-Cycle Shutdown Emissions Rate (lb/shutdown)[a] |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 15.1 |
| CO | 111.5 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 5.4 |
| $PM_{10}/PM_{2.5}$ | 2.25 |
| $SO_x$ (as $SO_2$) | 1.55 |

[a] Shutdowns not to exceed 15 minutes.

### 4.1.3 Daily Facility Emissions

Maximum daily emissions of regulated air pollutants emissions for the Marsh Landing Generating Station are set forth in Table 4 below. The values in Table 4 for $NO_x$ have been revised from the PDOC values based on the increase in $NO_x$ startup and shutdown permit limits. The Table shows emissions both from the Gas Turbines and from the natural gas fired preheaters, which are exempt from District regulatory requirements because of their small size.

These daily emission rates are used to determine what sources at the facility are subject to the requirement to use "Best Available Control Technology" pursuant to District New Source Review regulation (NSR; Regulation 2, Rule 2). Pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-301.1, any new source that has the potential to emit 10 pounds or more per highest day of POC, $NO_x$, $SO_2$, $PM_{10}$, or CO is subject to the BACT requirement for that pollutant.

**TABLE 4. MAXIMUM DAILY REGULATED CRITERIA AIR POLLUTANT EMISSIONS FOR FACILITY.**

| | **Pollutant (lb/day)** | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Source** | **Nitrogen Oxides (as $NO_2$)** | **Carbon Monoxide** | **Precursor Organic Compounds** | **Particulate Matter ($PM_{10}$)** | **Sulfur Dioxide** |
| One Simple-Cycle Unit (No Tuning)[a] | 616.93 | 1214.60 | 119.04 | 216.0 | 149.04 |
| Four Simple-Cycle Units (No Tuning)[a] | 2467.70 | 4858.40 | 476.14 | 864.00 | 596.16 |
| Total including equipment exempt from Air District Regulations[b] (No Combustor Tuning) | 2472.07 | 4866.55 | 476.79 | 864.70 | 596.42 |
| One Simple-Cycle Unit Combustor Tuning[c] | 1090.29 | 4734.60 | 335.84 | 216.00 | 149.04 |
| Four Simple-Cycle Units (One Unit Tuning)[d] | 2941.06 | 8378.40 | 692.94 | 864.00 | 596.16 |
| Total including equipment exempt from Air District Regulations[b] (with Combustor Tuning) | 2945.43 | 8386.55 | 693.59 | 864.70 | 596.42 |

[a] $NO_x$, POC, CO and $PM_{10}$ emission rates based on three startups and three shutdowns per day, with the balance at normal operations. See Appendices for emissions calculations.

[b] The two natural gas fired preheaters are exempt from Air District Regulations. See District Regulation 2-2-214.

[c] $NO_x$, POC, CO and $PM_{10}$ emission rates based on three startups and three shutdowns per day, with 8 hours of combustor tuning, and the balance at normal operations. Each turbine allowed 16 hours combustor tuning per year. See Appendix A for emissions calculations.

[d] $NO_x$, CO and POC maximum daily is based on one simple-cycle unit combustor tuning and three simple-cycle turbines in normal operations.

As Table 4 shows, the gas turbines will emit over 10 pounds per highest day of $NO_x$, CO, POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_2$, and are required to use Best Available Control Technology per Regulation 2-2-301 to limit emissions of these pollutants. The Air District's analysis of the Best Available Control Technology emission limits for this equipment is described below in Section 5.

The remaining equipment at the facility is not subject to the BACT requirement in District Regulation 2, Rule 2. The natural gas fired preheaters are exempt from District permitting per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114. Each preheater will also not emit over 10 pounds per highest day of any pollutant.

4.1.4 Annual Facility Emissions

The maximum annual emissions of regulated air pollutants for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station project are set forth in Table 5 below. The values for $NO_x$ in Table 5 have been revised from the PDOC values based on the increase in $NO_x$ startup and shutdown limits for the gas turbines. Table 5 shows the annual emissions from the facility, both from the gas turbines and from the exempt natural gas preheaters. These emissions reflect the 20 percent annual capacity factor proposed by the applicant. Annual facility emissions are used to determine whether the facility will need to offset its emissions with Emissions Reduction Credits under District Regulations 2-2-202 and 2-2-203. Offsets are required for $NO_x$ and POC emissions over 10 tons per year, and for $PM_{10}$ and $SO_2$ emissions over 100 tons per year.

**TABLE 5. MAXIMUM ANNUAL CRITERIA AIR POLLUTANT EMISSIONS FOR THE FACILITY.**

| | **$NO_2$ (ton/yr)** | **CO (ton/yr)** | **POC (ton/yr)** | **$PM_{10}$ (ton/yr)** | **$SO_2$ (ton/yr)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **One Simple-Cycle Gas Turbine** | 19.643 | 34.643 | 3.553 | 7.884 | 1.235 |
| **All Four Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines** | 78.571 | 138.572 | 14.210 | 31.536 | 4.941 |
| **Total subject to Air District Regulations** | 78.571 | 138.572 | 14.210 | 31.536 | 4.941 |
| **Total including exempt natural gas preheaters** | 78.730 | 138.870 | 14.234 | 31.561 | 4.947 |

Notes: See Appendices for Emission Calculations.

These annual emissions rates show that the facility will be required to offset its emissions of $NO_x$ and POC under District Regulation 2-2-302, because emissions will be over 10 tons per year (and for $NO_x$ will have to provide credits at a ratio of 1.15 tons of credits per 1 ton of emissions, because emissions will be over 35 tons per year). The facility will not be required to offset its $PM_{10}$ and $SO_2$ emissions under District Regulation 2-2-303 because emissions will be less than 100 tons per year.

## 4.2 Toxic Air Contaminants

Toxic Air Contaminants (TACs) are a subset of air pollutants that can be harmful to health and the environment even in very small amounts. Table 6 provides a summary of the maximum annual facility toxic air contaminant (TAC) emissions from the project.

**TABLE 6. MAXIMUM FACILITY TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANT (TAC) EMISSIONS**

| Toxic Air Contaminant | Project lb/hour | Project lb/year | Acute Risk Screening Trigger Level (lb/hr) | Chronic Risk Screening Trigger Level (lb/yr) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 0.00110 | 1.92 | None | 0.63 |
| Acetaldehyde | 11.05 | 2301 | None | 38 |
| Acrolein | 0.595 | 294 | 0.0055 | 14 |
| Ammonia | 123 | 216043 | 7.1 | 7700 |
| Benzene | 0.221 | 202 | 2.9 | 3.8 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.000195 | 0.342 | None | None |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 0.000120 | 0.210 | None | 0.0069 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 0.000098 | 0.171 | None | None |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.000095 | 0.166 | None | None |
| Chrysene | 0.000218 | 0.381 | None | None |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 0.000203 | 0.356 | None | None |
| Ethylbenzene | 0.282 | 271 | None | 43 |
| Formaldehyde | 39.98 | 7785 | 0.12 | 18 |
| Hexane | 2.24 | 3920 | None | 270000 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.000203 | 0.356 | None | None |
| Naphthalene | 0.0143 | 25.1 | None | None |
| Propylene | 6.66 | 11664 | None | 120000 |
| Propylene Oxide | 0.413 | 723 | 6.8 | 29 |
| Toluene | 0.848 | 1074 | 82 | 12000 |
| Xylene (Total) | 0.225 | 395 | 49 | 27000 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | 20.77 | 9097 | 0.26 | 39 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 0.000394 | 0.691 | None | 0.0069 |
| Specified PAHs | 0.00113 | 1.98 | None | None |

Notes: Total of Hazardous Pollutants listed in Section 112(b) of the Federal Clean Air Act = 8.5 tons/year. Section 112(b) list does not include ammonia, propylene, or sulfuric acid mist. The project is not a major source of hazardous air pollutants under the Clean Air Act. Emissions from the exempt natural gas fired preheaters are included. Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) impacts are evaluated as Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents.

The following compounds are PAHs.

| PAHs | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|

| | |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

Table 6 is also a summary of the emissions used as input data for air pollutant dispersion models used to assess the increased health risk to the public resulting from the project. The ammonia emissions shown are based upon a worst-case ammonia emission concentration of 10 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ from the gas turbine SCR systems. The detailed emission calculations for the project are presented in Appendix A. The chronic and acute screening trigger levels shown are per Table 2-5.1 of Regulation 2, Rule 5.

If emissions are above certain established screening levels prescribed in Table 2-5-1 of Regulation 2, Rule 2, a health risk assessment is required. Where no acute trigger level is listed for a TAC, none has been established for that TAC. Based on the information contained in Table 6, a health risk assessment is required by District Regulation 2, Rule 5. The health risk assessment is conducted to determine the potential impact on public health resulting from the worst-case TAC emissions from the project.

The results of the health risk assessment are discussed in full in Section 8 of this document. Briefly, the health risk assessment found a maximum increased cancer risk of 0.03 in one million for the maximally exposed individual near the facility. Under District Regulation 2-5, these carcinogenic risk levels are less than significant because they are less than 1.0 in one million. The highest chronic non-cancer hazard index for the project is 0.003 and the highest acute non-cancer hazard index for the project is 0.3. These non-cancer risks are less than significant under District Regulation 2-5 because they are less than 1.0.

# 5. Best Available Control Technology (BACT)

The District's New Source Review regulations require the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station to utilize the "Best Available Control Technology" ("BACT") to minimize air emissions, as discussed in more detail below. This section describes how the BACT requirements will apply to the facility.

## 5.1 Introduction

District Regulation 2-2-301 requires that the Marsh Landing Generating Station use the Best Available Control Technology to control $NO_x$, CO, POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_x$ emissions from sources that will have the potential to emit over 10 pounds per highest day of each of those pollutants. Pursuant to Regulation 2-2-206, BACT is defined as the more stringent of:

(a) "The most effective control device or technique which has been successfully utilized for the type of equipment comprising such a source; or

(b) The most stringent emission limitation achieved by an emission control device or technique for the type of equipment comprising such a source: or

(c) Any emission control device or technique determined to be technologically feasible and cost-effective by the APCO, or

(d) The most effective emission control limitation for the type of equipment comprising such a source which the EPA states, prior to or during the public comment period, is contained in an approved implementation plan of any state, unless the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the APCO that such limitations are not achievable. Under no circumstances shall the emission control required be less stringent than the emission control required by any applicable provision of federal, state or District laws, rules or regulations."

The type of BACT described in definitions (a) and (b) must have been demonstrated in practice and is referred to as "BACT 2". This type of BACT is termed "achieved in practice". The BACT category described in definition (c) is referred to as "technologically feasible/cost-effective" and it must be commercially available, demonstrated to be effective and reliable on a full-scale unit, and shown to be cost-effective on the basis of dollars per ton of pollutant abated. This is referred to as "BACT 1". BACT specifications (for both the "achieved in practice" and "technologically feasible/cost-effective" categories) for various source categories have been compiled in the BAAQMD BACT Guideline.

The simple-cycle turbines are subject to BACT under the District's New Source Review regulations (Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 301) for $NO_x$, CO, POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_x$ because each unit will have the potential to emit more than 10 pounds per highest day of those pollutants. The following sections provide the basis for the District BACT analyses for this equipment.

## 5.2 Best Available Control Technology for Oxides of Nitrogen ($NO_x$)

Oxides of Nitrogen ($NO_x$) are a byproduct of the combustion of an air-and-fuel mixture in a high-temperature environment. $NO_x$ is formed when the heat of combustion causes the nitrogen molecules in the combustion air to dissociate into individual nitrogen atoms, which then combine with oxygen atoms to form nitric oxide (NO) and nitrogen dioxide ($NO_2$). This reaction primarily forms NO (95% to 98%) and only a small amount of $NO_2$ (2% to 5%), but the NO eventually oxidizes and converts to $NO_2$ in the atmosphere. $NO_2$ is a reddish-brown gas with detectable odor at very low concentrations. NO and $NO_2$ are generally referred to collectively as "$NO_x$".[4] $NO_x$ is a precursor to the formation of ground-level ozone, the principal ingredient in smog.

The Air District has examined technologies that may be effective to control $NO_x$ emissions in two general areas: combustion controls that will minimize the amount of $NO_x$ created during combustion; and post-combustion controls that can remove $NO_x$ from the exhaust stream after combustion has occurred.

***Combustion Controls***

The formation of $NO_x$ during combustion is highly dependent on the primary combustion zone temperature, as the formation of $NO_x$ increases exponentially with temperature. There are therefore three basic strategies to reduce thermal $NO_x$ in the combustion process:

- Reduce the peak combustion temperature
- Reduce the amount of time the air/fuel mixture spends exposed to the high combustion temperature
- Reduce the oxygen level in the primary combustion zone

It should be noted, however, that techniques that control $NO_x$ by reducing combustion temperatures may involve a trade-off with the formation of other pollutants. Reducing combustion temperatures to limit $NO_x$ formation can decrease combustion efficiency, resulting in increased byproducts of incomplete combustion such as carbon monoxide and unburned hydrocarbons. (Unburned hydrocarbons from natural gas combustion consist of methane, ethane and precursor organic compounds.) The Air District prioritizes $NO_x$ reductions over carbon monoxide and POC emissions, however, because the Bay Area is not in compliance with applicable ozone standards, but does comply with carbon monoxide standards. The Air District therefore requires applicants to minimize $NO_x$ emissions to the greatest extent feasible, and then

[4] $NO_x$ can also be formed (1) when a nitrogen-bound hydrocarbon fuel is combusted, resulting in the release of nitrogen atoms from the fuel (fuel $NO_x$) and (2) $NO_x$ can be formed by organic free radicals and nitrogen in the earliest stages of combustion (prompt $NO_x$). Natural gas does not contain significant amounts of fuel-bound nitrogen, therefore thermal $NO_x$ is the primary formation mechanism for natural gas fired gas turbines. References to $NO_x$ formation during combustion in this analysis refer to "thermal $NO_x$", $NO_x$ formed from nitrogen in the combustion air.

optimize CO and POC emissions for that level of $NO_x$ control. This is a trade-off that must be kept in mind when selecting appropriate emissions control technologies for these pollutants.

The Air District has identified the following available combustion control technologies for reducing $NO_x$ emissions from the combustion turbines.

**Steam/Water Injection:** Steam or water injection was one of the first $NO_x$ control techniques utilized on gas turbines. Water or steam is injected into the combustion zone to act as a heat sink, lowering the peak flame temperature and thus lowering the quantity of thermal $NO_x$ formed. The injected water or steam exits the turbine as part of the exhaust. The lower peak flame temperature can also reduce combustion efficiency and prevent complete combustion, and so carbon monoxide and POC emissions can increase as water/steam-to-fuel ratios increase. In addition, the injected steam or water may cause flame instability and can cause the flame to quench (go out). Water/steam injection in the combustion turbines used in conjunction with Low-$NO_x$ burners can achieve $NO_x$ emissions as low as 25 ppm @ 15% $O_2$.[5]

**Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors:** Another technology that can control $NO_x$ without water/steam injection is Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustion technology. Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors reduce the formation of thermal $NO_x$ through (1) "lean combustion" that uses excess air to reduce the primary combustion temperature; (2) reduced combustor residence time to limit exposure in a high temperature environment; (3) "lean premixed combustion" that reduces the peak flame temperature by mixing fuel and air in an initial stage to produce a lean and uniform fuel/air mixture that is delivered to a secondary stage where combustion takes place; and/or (4) two-stage rich/lean combustion using a primary fuel-rich combustion stage to limit the amount of oxygen available to combine with nitrogen and then a secondary lean burn-stage to complete combustion in a cooler environment. Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors can achieve $NO_x$ emissions as low as 9 ppm.[6]

**Catalytic Combustors:** Catalytic combustors, marketed under trade names such as XONON™, use a catalyst to allow the combustion reaction to take place with a lower peak flame temperature in order to reduce thermal $NO_x$ formation. XONON™ uses a flameless catalytic combustion module followed by completion of combustion (at lower temperatures) downstream of the catalyst. Catalytic combustors such as XONON™ have not been demonstrated on large-scale utility gas turbines such as the Siemens F Class or GE Frame 7FA. The technology has been successfully demonstrated in a 1.5 megawatt simple-cycle pilot facility, and it is commercially available for turbines rated up to 10 megawatts, but it is not currently available for turbines of the size proposed for the Marsh Landing.

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[5] M. Schorr, J. Chalfin, GE Power Systems, "Gas Turbine NOx Emissions Approaching Zero – Is it Worth the Price?", 9/99, pg. 2

[6] J. Kovac, :Advanced SGT6-5000F Development", Power-Gen International 2008-Orlando, Florida, Siemens Energy Inc., See pg 8.

***Post-Combustion Controls***

The Air District has identified the following post-combustion controls that can remove $NO_x$ from the emissions stream after it has been formed.

**Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR):** Selective catalytic reduction injects ammonia into the exhaust stream, which reacts with the $NO_x$ and oxygen in the presence of a catalyst to form nitrogen and water. $NO_x$ conversion is sensitive to exhaust gas temperature, and performance can be limited by contaminants in the exhaust gas that may mask or poison the catalyst. A small amount of ammonia is not consumed in the reaction and is emitted in the exhaust stream as what is commonly called "ammonia slip". The SCR catalyst requires replacement periodically. SCR is a widely used post-combustion $NO_x$ control technique on utility-scale gas turbines, usually in conjunction with combustion controls.

**Selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR):** Selective non-catalytic reduction involves injection of ammonia or urea with proprietary conditioners into the exhaust gas stream without a catalyst. SNCR technology requires gas temperatures in the range of 1400° to 2100° F[7] and is most commonly used in boilers because combustion turbines do not have exhaust temperatures in that range. Selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR) requires a temperature window that is higher than the exhaust temperatures from utility combustion turbine installations.

**EMx™:** EMx™ (formerly SCONOx™) is a catalytic oxidation and absorption technology that uses a two-stage catalyst/absorber system for the control of $NO_x$, CO, VOC and optionally $SO_x$ emissions for gas turbine applications. A coated catalyst oxidizes NO to $NO_2$, CO to $CO_2$, and VOCs to $CO_2$ and water, and the $NO_2$ is then absorbed onto the catalyst surface where it is chemically converted to and stored as potassium nitrates and nitrites. A proprietary regenerative gas is periodically passed through the catalyst to desorb the $NO_2$ from the catalyst and reduce it to elemental nitrogen ($N_2$). No ammonia is used by the EMx™ process. The EMx™ catalyst requires replacement periodically. EMx™ has been successfully demonstrated on several small combustion turbine projects up to 45 megawatts, and the manufacturer has claimed that it can be effectively scaled up and made available for utility-scale turbines. The District is not aware of any EMx™ installations for the following applications: simple-cycle gas turbine, a peaking unit, or on a gas turbine of this size (190 MW).

[7] NSCR discussion is from Institute of Clean Air Companies website: www.icac.com/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageID=3399.

***Proposed BACT for $NO_x$ for Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines***

***Combustion Controls***

The Applicant has proposed the use of Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors as BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines. Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors are technologically feasible and commonly used at facilities of this type, and they are the most effective technology available for $NO_x$ control. This emissions control technology therefore satisfies the District's BACT requirement.

***Post-Combustion Controls***

The Applicant has proposed the use of Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) as BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines.

Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) can achieve $NO_x$ emissions of 2.5 ppm for simple-cycle turbines. This is the most effective level of control that can be achieved by post combustion controls. There is no $NO_x$ emissions data for an EMx™ installation on a gas turbine of this size and in peaking service. EMx™ may also be able to achieve $NO_x$ emissions of 2.5 ppm for simple-cycle turbines. If the applicant had proposed EMx™ as the post-combustion $NO_x$ controls, then the District would consider the technology as BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines.

In addition to $NO_x$, the District also compared the potential ancillary environmental impacts inherent in SCR and EMx™ to determine whether EMx™ should be considered more "effective" for purposes of the BACT analysis. In particular, the District evaluated the potential impacts from ammonia emissions that would occur from using SCR. The use of SCR will result in ammonia emissions because some of the ammonia used in the reaction to convert $NO_x$ to nitrogen and water does not get reacted and remains in the exhaust stream. The excess or unreacted ammonia emissions are known as "ammonia slip". Ammonia is a toxic chemical that can irritate or burn the skin, eyes, nose, and throat, and it also has the potential for reacting with nitric acid under certain atmospheric conditions to form particulate matter (Secondary PM).

With respect to the potential toxic impacts from ammonia slip emissions, the Air District has conducted a health risk assessment using air dispersion modeling to evaluate the potential health impacts of all toxics emissions from the facility, including ammonia slip. This assessment showed an acute hazard index of 0.3 and a chronic hazard index of 0.003. (*See* Health Risk Assessment in the Appendices.) A hazard index under 1.0 is considered less than significant. This minimal additional toxic impact of the ammonia slip resulting from the use of SCR is not significant and is not a sufficient reason to eliminate SCR as a control alternative.

The District also considered the potential environmental impact that may result from the use of SCR involves ammonia transportation and storage. The proposed facility will utilize aqueous ammonia in a 19% (by weight) solution for SCR ammonia injection, which will be transported to the facility and stored on-site in tanks. The transportation and storage of ammonia presents a risk of an ammonia release in the event of a major accident. These risks will be addressed in a

number of ways under safety regulations and sound industry safety codes and standards. These safety measures include the Risk Management Plan requirement pursuant to the California Accidental Release Prevention Program, which must include an off-site consequences analysis and appropriate mitigation measures; a requirement to implement a Safety Management Plan (SMP) for delivery of ammonia and other liquid hazardous materials; a requirement to instruct vendors delivering hazardous chemicals, including aqueous ammonia, to travel certain routes; a requirement to install ammonia sensors to detect the occurrence of any potential migration of ammonia vapors offsite; a requirement to use an ammonia tank that meets specific standards to reduce the potential for a release event; and a requirement to conduct a "Vulnerability Assessment" to address the potential security risk associated with storage and use of aqueous ammonia onsite. With these safeguards in place, the risks from catastrophic ammonia releases from SCR systems can be mitigated to a less than significant level. The Energy Commission will also be evaluating these risks further through its CEQA-equivalent environmental review process and will impose mitigating conditions as necessary to ensure that the risks are less than significant. For all of these reasons, the potential environmental impact from aqueous ammonia transportation and storage does not justify the elimination of SCR as a control alternative.

Finally, the District also evaluated the potential for ammonia slip to have ancillary impacts on secondary particulate matter. Secondary particulate matter in the Bay Area is mostly ammonium nitrate.[8] The District has historically believed that ammonia was not a significant contributor to secondary particulate matter because the Bay Area is "nitric-acid limited". This means that the formation of ammonium nitrate is constrained by the amount of nitric acid in the atmosphere and not driven by the amount of ammonia in the atmosphere. Where an area is nitric acid limited, emissions of additional ammonia will not contribute to secondary particulate matter formation because there is not enough nitric acid for it to react with.

The District has recently started reconsidering the extent to which this situation is correct, however. This further evaluation has generally confirmed (preliminarily at least) that the Bay Area is in fact nitric-acid limited, although it has shown that secondary particulate formation mechanisms are highly complex and that the District's historical assumptions that ammonia emissions play no role whatsoever in secondary PM formation may, in hindsight, have been overly simplistic. The focus of the Air District's further evaluation has been a computer modeling exercise designed to predict what $PM_{2.5}$ levels will be around the Bay Area, given certain assumptions about emissions of $PM_{2.5}$ and its precursors, about regional atmospheric chemistry, and about prevailing meteorological conditions. This information was used to create a computer model of regional $PM_{2.5}$ formation in the Bay Area from which predictions can be drawn about how emissions of $PM_{2.5}$ precursors will impact regional ambient $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations. The Air District's report on its computer modeling exercise has not been finalized, but the draft report concludes that regional ammonium nitrate buildup is limited by nitric acid, not by ammonia.[9] The draft report does find that the amount of available nitric acid is not uniform but varies in different locations around the Bay Area, and consequently the

[8] *See* BAAQMD, Draft Report, *Fine Particulate Matter Data Analysis and Modeling in the Bay Area* (Draft, Oct. 1, 2009), at p. 8 (Draft $PM_{2.5}$ Modeling Report). The Air District anticipates issuing a final report in the near future.

[9] Draft $PM_{2.5}$ Modeling Report at p. E-3 & p. 30.

potential for ammonia emissions to impact $PM_{2.5}$ formation varies around the Bay Area. Specifically, according to the draft report, the model predicts that a reduction of 20% in total ammonia emissions throughout the Bay Area would result in changes in ambient $PM_{2.5}$ levels of between 0% and 4%, depending on the availability of nitric acid, leaving open the potential that ammonia restrictions could form a useful part of a regional strategy to reduce $PM_{2.5}$.[10] The draft report therefore restates the general conclusion that the Bay Area is nitric-acid limited, although it finds that reductions in the region's ammonia inventory could potentially achieve reductions in $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations in areas that may have sufficient available nitric acid.[11] (The draft report cautions that its assumptions regarding the availability of nitric acid may be misleading, however, because of the preliminary nature of the ammonia emissions inventory used for modeling.) Notably, the model also predicts that the Antioch area where the facility would be located has low levels of available nitric acid, in the vicinity of 0.25 ppb.[12]

The District does not believe that these indications from its draft $PM_{2.5}$ data and modeling analysis provide a sufficient basis to disqualify SCR as a BACT technology at Marsh Landing based on its potential for ammonia slip emissions. As the report itself notes, the District's work in this area is still at a preliminary stage and it is difficult to draw any firm conclusion about secondary PM formation from it at this time. Moreover, secondary particulate formation is a highly complex atmospheric process, making it especially difficult to estimate how a specific facility's ammonia slip emissions might impact ambient PM levels. The District therefore notes the results of its recent work on secondary particulate matter and will be conducting additional work in this area going forward, but has concluded that there is not enough conclusive evidence at this stage that this facility could have a significant particulate matter impacts because of ammonia slip emissions from the SCR system on which to base a BACT determination.

In addition, the District notes that secondary PM formation from ammonia slip is a cold-weather phenomenon that occurs only in the winter. This is because ammonium nitrate volatilizes at higher temperatures and only exists in a particulate phase in cold weather.[13] Moreover, the times when the Bay Area experiences problems with high ambient PM levels in the air are during the winter months (primarily November through February). The Marsh Landing facility will be a peaker plant, however, which operates during periods of peak demand which normally occur during the hot summer months, when air conditioning use is heavy. The District therefore concludes that potential secondary PM formation from ammonia slip would not be a significant concern at Marsh Landing because the facility will operate primarily in weather conditions where ammonium nitrate secondary PM cannot form, and at times of the year when PM pollution is less of a concern.

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[10] Draft $PM_{2.5}$ Modeling Report at pp. E-3 – E-4.
[11] Draft $PM_{2.5}$ Modeling Report at p. 30.
[12] Draft $PM_{2.5}$ Modeling Report, Figure 17, p. 31.
[13] Draft $PM_{2.5}$ Modeling Report at p. 10.

The District also notes that capital cost for EMx™ are significantly higher than that of SCR. Based on information provided by Emerachem (EMx™ manufacturer) in 2008[14] the capital cost for a F-Class gas turbine EMx™ system would be $18,700,000 and SCR would be $7,900,000.

Finally, the District also notes that although the manufacturer claims that EMx™ can be effectively scaled up from the smaller turbines on which it has demonstrated to the larger turbines at the proposed Marsh Landing facility, earlier attempts to demonstrate the technology in practice have not been without problems. For example, the first attempt to scale the technology up from very small turbines (~5 MW) to the 50-MW range was at the Redding Power Plant Unit #5, a 45-MW combined-cycle facility in Shasta County, CA. The Shasta County Air Quality Management District evaluated EMx™ at that facility under a demonstration $NO_x$ limit of 2.0 ppm (equivalent to what SCR can achieve for a combined-cycle unit). After three years of operation, the Shasta County AQMD evaluated whether the facility was meeting this demonstration limit with EMx™, and concluded that "Redding Power is not able to reliably and continuously operate while maintaining the $NO_x$ demonstration limit of 2.0 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$."[15] Although the manufacturer maintains that such problems have been overcome, concerns remain about how consistently the technology would be able to perform if it is further scaled up to 190-MW turbines, especially where it would be the first time the technology would be tried on turbines of this size.

These concerns would be further compounded by the fact that Marsh Landing will be a simple-cycle peaker plant, not a combined-cycle or cogeneration facility like other facilities where EMx™ has been installed. As simple-cycle turbines, the Marsh Landing turbines will have an exhaust temperature that is higher than seen at other facilities that the District is aware of currently using EMx™. The proposed Marsh Landing turbines will operate at temperatures in the range of 750°F to 1000°F, which raises concerns about how easily EMx™ could be applied at Marsh Landing. Furthermore, EMx™ requires steam as part of the catalyst regeneration process. Unlike combined-cycle and cogeneration facilities, simple-cycle facilities like Marsh Landing do not have any steam production. And there is an additional concern involving the damper systems that would be required with EMx™ to ensure proper regeneration gas distribution. Peaker plants require more rapid startups and more frequent load changes than combined-cycle and cogeneration plants, and to the District's knowledge the effectiveness and longevity of these damper systems has not been demonstrated under these conditions.

Given the uncertainties that still remain in understanding how secondary PM formation is impacted by ammonia slip, the significant additional cost that would be necessary to implement EMx™, and the concern that scaling EMx™ up to fit this facility could involve significant implementation problems, the District has concluded that EMx™ should not be required here as a BACT technology. If an applicant proposed the use of EMx™ as BACT for $NO_x$ emissions, then

[14] Attachment in an email dated 9/8/08 from Jeff Valmus of Emerachem to Weyman Lee BAAQMD. Please see pdf file, EMx BACT economic analysis (final)-09072008.pdf.

[15] Letter from R. Bell, Air Quality District Manager, Shasta County Air Quality Management District, to R. Bennett, Safety & Environmental Coordinator, Redding Electric Utility, June 23, 2005.

the District would be willing to consider EMx™ as a BACT control technology for gas turbines. However, the District has not found sufficient basis to require it to be used as BACT instead of SCR.

Based on this review, the District has concluded that SCR meets the District's BACT requirement. The proposed project would therefore comply with BACT for $NO_x$.

***Determination of BACT emissions limit for $NO_x$ for Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines***

The District is also proposing to establish a BACT emissions limit in the permit of 2.5 ppm (averaged over one hour), which is the most stringent limit that has been achieved in practice at any other similar facility and is the most stringent limit that would be technologically feasible.

To determine the most stringent emissions limit that has been achieved in practice, the District evaluated other similar simple-cycle natural gas fired turbines. Common simple-cycle gas turbine units proposed for use for intermediate peaking and peaking power in California are General Electric LMS-100 gas turbines (100 MW) and LM6000 gas turbines (49 MW). Both of these gas turbines are smaller than the 190 MW capacity of the simple-cycle gas turbines proposed for the Marsh Landing Generating Station, but they operate in a similar manner and are appropriate for comparison with this facility. Numerous projects have been permitted with the LMS-100 gas turbines. The LM6000 gas turbines have been installed at numerous sites across the State to provide peaking power.

The District reviewed the $NO_x$ emissions limits of power plants using large turbines in a simple-cycle mode abated by SCR systems. The District also reviewed BACT determinations at the EPA RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse, ARB BACT Clearinghouse and recent projects undergoing CEC licensing. Some of the LMS100 simple-cycle gas turbine permits and LM6000 simple-cycle gas turbine permits with $NO_x$ limits are shown in the Table below.

**TABLE 7. $NO_X$ EMISSION LIMITS FOR LARGE SIMPLE-CYCLE POWER PLANTS USING SCR**

| Facility | $NO_x$ (ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$) |
|---|---|
| Los Esteros Critical Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 5.0 (3-hr) |
| Panoche Energy Center, SJVAPCD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |
| Walnut Creek Energy Park, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |
| Sun Valley Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |
| CPV Sentinel Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |
| Lambie Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |
| Riverview Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |
| Wolfskill Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |
| Goosehaven Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |
| San Francisco Electric Reliability Project, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |
| Pastoria Energy Facility, SJVAPCD<br>GE Frame 7FA 160 MW each | 2.5 (1-hr) |

Notes: GE LMS100 gas turbines (100 MW) and GE LM6000 gas turbines (49 MW) are smaller than the Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines (190 MW).

As the Table shows, emissions of 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ averaged over 1-hour is the most stringent emission limitation that has been determined to be achievable at any similar facility using SCR for $NO_x$ control.

The District examined only simple-cycle turbines in this review because simple-cycle turbines operate differently than combined-cycle turbines and cannot achieve the same $NO_x$ emissions performance as combined-cycle turbines, which are typically capable of meeting a 2.0 ppm limit. Simple-cycle turbines have higher exhaust gas temperatures than combined-cycle turbines because they do not use a heat recovery steam boiler, which removes some of the heat from the exhaust and reduces the exhaust gas temperature. For this facility, the turbine exhaust temperatures from the simple-cycle turbines will exceed 1000 degrees F, according to the permit application. These high exhaust temperatures can damage a standard SCR catalyst. As a result, simple-cycle turbines must use less-efficient high-temperature SCR catalysts, or must introduce a large amount of dilution air to cool the exhaust if they use a standard SCR catalyst. Both of these approaches lead to less efficient SCR performance as compared to a combined-cycle operation. High-temperature catalysts typically have a lower $NO_x$ conversion efficiency as

compared to conventional SCR catalysts operating at a lower operating temperature. These catalysts have $NO_x$ conversion efficiency below 90% at elevated temperatures above 800ºF,[16] whereas standard catalysts have $NO_x$ conversion efficiencies of greater than 90% at 600 to 700ºF.[17] Dilution air fans can be used to cool the exhaust prior to entering the SCR system, but this approach has its own drawbacks. The introduction of dilution air may cool the exhaust into the appropriate temperature window, but there may be exhaust hot spots that lower catalyst $NO_x$ conversion rates. Optimum SCR performance requires uniform temperature profile, flow profile, and $NO_x$ concentration profile across the SCR catalyst face, and introducing large amounts of dilution air disrupts this uniformity. Changing turbine loads also tends to disrupt this uniformity, which makes controlling $NO_x$ more difficult with the simple-cycle peaking turbines proposed for the Marsh Landing facility. The facility will operate in a load-following mode some of the time and this would mean non-steady-state operation where the exhaust temperature, flowrate, and $NO_x$ concentration all vary as the turbine load is changing. For all of these reasons, the District has concluded that the $NO_x$ emissions performance that can be achieved with combined-cycle turbines would not be achievable for simple-cycle turbines. The District has therefore reviewed only simple-cycle turbines in evaluating what emissions limits have been achieved in practice by other facilities. As shown in Table 7, 2.5 ppm is the most stringent emissions limitation that has been achieved by such facilities.

The Air District has therefore determined that 2.5 ppm, averaged over 1-hour, is the BACT emission limit for $NO_x$ for the simple-cycle gas turbines. The Air District is also requiring corresponding hourly, daily and annual mass emissions limits. Compliance with the $NO_x$ permit limits will be demonstrated on a continuous basis using a Continuous Emissions Monitor.

This BACT emissions limit is consistent with the Air District's BACT Guidelines for this type of equipment. District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 does not specify BACT 1 (technologically feasible and cost-effective) for $NO_x$ for a simple-cycle gas turbine with a rated output $\geq$ 40 MW. District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 does specify BACT 2 (achieved in practice) as 2.5 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ averaged over one hour, typically achieved through the use of High Temperature Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) with ammonia injection in conjunction with steam or water injection.

Finally, the Marsh Landing Generating Station is capable of quick starts and also rapidly changing loads to meet electrical system needs. The simple-cycle gas turbines will have the ability to change loads at rates exceeding 25 MW per minute. It is difficult for the $NO_x$ control system to respond to these rapid changes in load (greater than 25 MW per minute). Therefore, the District is imposing a transient load condition that would allow the facility to meet an alternate permit limit of 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ averaged over 3 hours for any transient hour with a change in load exceeding 25 MW per minute. Please see Section 5.7 for additional discussion.

[16] BASF, High Temperature SCR for simple-cycle gas turbine applications, 2007.
[17] BASF, NOxCat™ VNX SCR Catalyst for natural gas turbines and stationary engines, 2009.

## 5.3 Best Available Control Technology for Carbon Monoxide (CO)

Carbon monoxide is a colorless odorless gas that is a product of incomplete combustion. The District is imposing a BACT permit limit of 2.0 ppm CO (averaged over one hour). A 2.0 ppm BACT limit for this facility would be lower than what has been achieved in practice for other similar simple-cycle turbines, and would be the lowest emissions limit that would be technologically feasible and cost-effective. This emissions rate will be achieved through the use of good combustion practices and an oxidation catalyst, which are the most stringent available controls.

The District began its BACT analysis by evaluating the most effective control device and/or technique that has been achieved in practice at similar facilities, or is technologically feasible and cost-effective, pursuant to the District's definition of BACT in Regulation 2-2-206. As with $NO_x$, the Air District has examined both combustion controls to reduce the amount of carbon monoxide generated and post-combustion controls to remove carbon monoxide from the exhaust stream.

### ***Combustion Controls***

Carbon monoxide is formed by incomplete combustion. Incomplete combustion occurs when there is not enough air to fully combust the fuel, and when the air and fuel are not properly mixed due to poor combustor tuning. Maximizing complete combustion by ensuring an adequate air/fuel mixture with good mixing will reduce carbon monoxide emissions by preventing its formation in the first place.

Increasing combustion temperatures can also promote complete combustion, but doing so will increase $NO_x$ emissions due to thermal $NO_x$ formation as described in the previous section. The Air District prioritizes $NO_x$ control over carbon monoxide control because the Bay Area is not in compliance with the federal standards for ozone, which is formed by $NO_x$ emissions reacting with other pollutants in the atmosphere. The Air District therefore does not favor increasing combustion temperatures to control carbon monoxide. Instead, the Air District favors approaches that reduce $NO_x$ to the lowest achievable rate and then optimize carbon monoxide emissions for that level of $NO_x$ emissions.

**Good Combustion Practices:** The Air District has identified good combustion practices as an available combustion control technology for minimizing carbon monoxide formation during combustion. Good combustion practices utilize "lean combustion" – large amount of excess air – to produce a cooler flame temperature to minimize $NO_x$ formation, while still ensuring good air/fuel mixing with excess air to achieve complete combustion, thus minimizing CO emissions. These good combustion practices can be used with the low-$NO_x$ combustion technology selected for minimizing $NO_x$ emissions (Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors).

***Post-Combustion Controls***

The Air District has also identified two post-combustion technologies to remove carbon monoxide from the exhaust stream.

**Oxidation Catalysts:** An oxidation catalyst oxidizes the carbon monoxide in the exhaust gases to form $CO_2$. Oxidation catalysts are a proven post-combustion control technology widely in use on large gas turbines to abate CO and POC emissions.

**EMx™:** EMx™, described above in the $NO_2$ discussion, is a multimedia control technology that abates CO and POC emissions as well as $NO_x$. EMx™ technology uses a catalyst to oxidize carbon monoxide emissions to form $CO_2$, and is therefore also an oxidation catalyst. However, it is not a stand-alone oxidation catalyst since the EMx™ is also a $NO_x$ reduction device. Hence, it is identified as a device separate from the oxidation catalyst. EMx™ has been demonstrated on a 45 MW Alstom GTX 100 combined-cycle gas turbine at the Redding Electric Municipal Plant in Redding, CA, and the manufacturer has indicated that it could feasibly be scaled up to larger size gas turbines as discussed above in the $NO_x$ BACT analysis. The District is not aware of any EMx™ installations on simple-cycle gas turbines, peaker units, or gas turbines of this size (190 MW).

Oxidation catalysts are capable of maintaining carbon monoxide below 2 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ (1-hour average), depending on load and combustor tuning (as emissions from the gas turbines vary greatly depending on these factors).[18] This is the most effective level of control that can be achieved by post combustion controls. There is no CO emissions data for EMx™ installation on a gas turbine of this size and in peaking service. EMx™ may also be able to achieve CO emissions of 2 ppm for simple-cycle turbines. If an applicant proposed the use of EMx™ as BACT for CO emissions, then the District would be willing to consider EMx™ as a BACT control technology for gas turbines. The Air District has determined that the use of good combustion practices and the use of an Oxidation Catalyst is BACT for simple-cycle gas turbines.

Based on the foregoing analysis, the Air District has determined that the combination of good combustion practices to reduce the formation of carbon monoxide during combustion and an oxidation catalyst to remove carbon monoxide from the gas turbines exhaust satisfies the BACT requirement.

[18] Please see the BASF Quote supplied by URS Corporation dated May 29, 2009. Quote is for combined-cycle turbines and indicates CO may be controlled to below 2 ppm for catalyst bed size or 0.9 ppm for another bed size. District believes that the 2.0 ppm level of control may be technically feasible for simple-cycle gas turbines. It is not known if 0.9 ppm level of control is possible for simple-cycle gas turbines (back pressure issues are possible). See discussion of whether 0.9 ppm limit would be cost effective in the Section below.

***Determination of BACT Emissions Limit for Carbon Monoxide (CO) for Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines***

The District is also imposing a CO BACT limit of 2.0 ppm, which is more stringent than what has been achieved in practice at other similar simple-cycle facilities and is the most stringent limit that is technologically feasible and cost-effective.

To establish what level of emissions performance has been achieved in practice for this type of facility, the Air District reviewed the CO emissions limits of other large simple-cycle power plants using oxidation catalyst systems. As with the $NO_x$ comparison set forth in Table 7 above, the District reviewed BACT determinations for CO at the EPA RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse, ARB BACT Clearinghouse and recent projects undergoing CEC licensing.

**TABLE 8. CO EMISSION LIMITS FOR LARGE SIMPLE-CYCLE POWER PLANTS USING OXIDATION CATALYSTS**

| **Facility** | **CO (ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$)** |
|---|---|
| Panoche Energy Center, SJVAPCD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6 (3-hr) |
| Walnut Creek Energy Park, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6 (1-hr) |
| Sun Valley Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6 (1-hr) |
| CPV Sentinel Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6 (1-hr) |
| Lambie Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 6 (3-hr) |
| Riverview Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 6 (3-hr) |
| Wolfskill Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 6 (3-hr) |
| Goosehaven Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 6 (3-hr) |
| Pastoria Energy Facility, SJVAPCD<br>GE Frame 7FA 160 MW each | 6 (3-hr) |
| Los Esteros Critical Energy Facility, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 4 (3-hr) |
| San Francisco Electric Reliability Project, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 4 (3-hr) |

CO permit limit of 4 ppm was the lowest for a simple-cycle gas turbine abated by an oxidation catalyst. The District therefore determined that 4 ppm (3-hour average) is the most stringent emission limitation that has been achieved in practice for this type of facility.

These BACT emissions rates are consistent with the District's BACT Guidelines for this type of equipment. District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 specifies BACT 2 (achieved in practice) for CO for simple-cycle gas turbines with a rated output of $\geq$ 40 MW as a CO emission concentration of $\leq$ 6.0 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ and the use of an oxidation catalyst. This BACT specification is based upon several GE LM6000 gas turbine permits in the Bay Area. BACT 1 (technologically feasible/cost-effective) is currently not specified.

The District also considered whether it would be technically feasible and cost-effective to require the proposed facility to meet an emission limit below the 4.0 ppm that has been achieved by other similar facilities. The District has concluded that the facility should be able to achieve a limit of 2.0 ppm (averaged over one hour), which is consistent with what combined-cycle facilities can typically achieve. As previously discussed, the simple-cycle gas turbines utilize dry low $NO_x$ combustors and are very similar to many combined cycle gas turbines projects. The primary difference is the lack of a heat recovery steam generator and the higher stack exhaust temperatures. The SCR performance may be negatively impacted by the higher exhaust temperatures, but the oxidation catalyst performance will be not be adversely impacted by the higher exhaust temperatures. The 5000 F simple-cycle gas turbines are therefore expected to be able to meet a 2.0 ppm CO permit limit that many combined cycle plants throughout the nation meet.

The District then considered whether it would be technically feasible and cost-effective to require the proposed facility to meet an emission limit below the 2.0 ppm achieved for combined-cycle facilities. The District found that although it may be technically feasible to do so, it would not be cost-effective to do so under the District's BACT cost-effectiveness guidelines given the large costs involved. Additionally, a larger catalyst capable of meeting a CO permit limit below 2 ppm may have other implementation problems such as a high back pressure which could adversely impact turbine operating performance and efficiency.

The Air District evaluated information from the applicant on the costs[19] and emissions reduction benefits of installing a larger oxidation catalyst capable of consistently maintaining emissions below 0.9 ppm. Based on these analyses, the cost of achieving a 0.9 ppm permit limit would be an additional $68,500 per year (above what it would cost to achieve a 2.0 ppm limit), and the additional reduction in CO emissions would be approximately 4.3 tons per year, making an incremental cost-effectiveness value of over $15,900 per ton of additional CO reduction.[20] Moreover, the total cost of achieving a 0.9 ppm CO limit (as opposed to the incremental costs of going from 2.0 ppm to 0.9 ppm) would be over $387,200 per year, and the total emission reductions of a 0.9 ppm limit would be 31.7 tons per year, resulting in a total (or "average") cost effectiveness value of over $12,200.[21] Based on these high costs (on a per-ton basis) and the relatively little additional CO emissions benefit to be achieved (on a per-dollar basis), requiring a 0.9 ppm CO permit limit cannot reasonably be justified as a BACT limit. Requiring controls to meet a 0.9 ppm limit would be far more expensive, on a per-ton basis, than what other similar facilities are required to achieve. The Air District has not adopted its own cost-effectiveness

[19] Please see the BASF Quote supplied by URS Corporation dated May 29, 2009.
[20] *See* Spreadsheet, CO Incremental 031610 BASF, prepared by Brian Lusher BAAQMD.
[21] *See* Spreadsheet, CO Average 031610 BASF, prepared by Brian Lusher, BAAQMD.

guidelines for CO,[22] but a review of other districts in California found none that consider additional CO controls appropriate as BACT where the total (average) cost-effectiveness will be greater than $400 per ton, or where the incremental cost-effectiveness will be over $1,150 per ton.[23] Furthermore, a review of recent CO BACT determinations in EPA's RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse did not reveal any permits that had imposed CO controls at a cost-per-ton in the range that would be required here. The permits in the Clearinghouse going back through 2005 that included cost-effectiveness information showed a limit of 1.8 ppm being imposed based upon an average cost-effectiveness of $1,750 per ton of CO;[24] a limit of 3.5 ppm based upon an average cost-effectiveness of $2,736 per ton and an incremental cost-effectiveness of $5,472 per ton;[25] and a limit of 2.0 ppm an average cost-effectiveness of $1,161 per ton of CO.[26] The District also examined a database of other combustion turbine permitting decisions from around the country maintained by EPA Region 4. This database lists over 800 combustion turbine plants and provides information about how they were permitted and what control technology they use. For many of the plants, the database also provides information about the costs of control technologies that were not selected. The database lists many projects where CO control measures were rejected where they had a cost-effectiveness of less than $2,000 per ton.[27] Based on all of this information, the District has concluded that imposing a CO BACT limit below 2.0 ppm would not be sufficiently cost-effective to be justifiable here.

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[22] Bay Area Air Quality Management District Best Available Control Technology (BACT) Guideline, § 1, Policy and Implementation Procedure, available at: http://hank.baaqmd.gov/pmt/bactworkbook/default.htm.

[23] *Cf.* South Coast Air Quality Management District, *Best Available Control Technology Guidelines*, August 17, 2000, revised July 14, 2006, pg. 29; available at: www.aqmd.gov/bact Part A - Policy and Procedures for Major Polluting Facilities; Memorandum, David Warner, Director of Permit Services, to Permit Services Staff, Subject: "Revised BACT Cost Effectiveness Thresholds", May 14, 2008; available at: www.valleyair.org/busind/pto/bact/bactidx.htm May 2008 updates to BACT cost effectiveness thresholds (Final Staff Report).

[24] U.S. EPA RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse Identification No. GA-0127, for permit issued to Southern Company/Georgia Power, Plant McDonough Combined Cycle, Permit No. 4911-067-0003-V-02-2, issued January 7, 2008.

[25] U.S. EPA RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse Identification No. NV-0035, for permit issued to Sierra Pacific Power Company Tracey Substation Expansion Project, Permit No. AP4911-1504, issued August 16, 2005.

[26] U.S. EPA RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse Identification No. OR-0041, Wanapa Energy Center, Permit No. R10PSD-OR-05-01, August 8, 2005.

[27] *See* EPA Region 4, "National Combustion Turbine List," available at www.epa.gov/region4 /air/permits/national_ct_list.xls. Projects rejecting CO control measures at less than $2,000 per ton include Tenaska Alabama IV Partners (rejecting Catalytic Oxidation at $1506/ton CO); Calpine Blue Heron Energy Center (rejecting Catalytic Oxidation at $1553/ton CO); Columbia Energy (rejecting Catalytic Oxidation at $1611/ton CO); Santee Cooper Rainee Generating Station (rejecting Catalytic Oxidation at $1717/ton CO); Reliant Energy Cardinal Woods River Refinery (rejecting Catalytic Oxidation at $1993/ton CO); and Mid America Cordova Energy Center (rejecting Catalytic Oxidation at $1307/ton CO).

The District has therefore determined that BACT for CO for this facility is the use of good combustion practice with abatement by an oxidation catalyst, and a permit limit of 2 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ averaged over 1-hour. This BACT limit for CO is based on a review of the feasible BACT CO control technologies, a review of comparable permit limits for simple-cycle gas turbines, and the fact that CO emissions from a utility-scale simple-cycle gas turbine equipped with dry low $NO_x$ combustors should be equivalent to a similar utility-scale combined-cycle gas turbine. The 2 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ permit limit for CO is the lowest that the District is aware of for a simple-cycle gas turbine. CO exhaust gas concentrations will be continuously monitored by a continuous emissions monitor while the turbines are in operation.

## 5.4 Best Available Control Technology for Precursor Organic Compounds (POC)

The Precursor Organic Compound (POC) emissions from the simple-cycle gas turbines are subject to District BACT requirements since the potential to emit exceeds 10 pounds POC per highest day. The emissions of POC from combustion sources are products of incomplete combustion like CO emissions. Emissions control techniques for CO are also applicable to POC emissions from combustions sources. The appropriate BACT control device or technique for CO is therefore also the BACT control device or technique for POC.

The Air District has reviewed the available control technologies in the BACT analysis for CO (equally applicable to POC) and determined that good combustion practice and abatement using an oxidation catalyst are the BACT technologies for controlling POC from the proposed simple-cycle combustion turbines at Marsh Landing.

There currently is no BACT 1 (technologically feasible/cost-effective) specification for POC for the simple-cycle turbines in the District BACT guidelines. Currently, District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 specifies BACT 2 (achieved in practice) for POC for simple-cycle gas turbines with an output rating $\geq$ 40 MW as 2.0 ppmv, dry @ 15% $O_2$, which is typically achieved through the use of an oxidation catalyst. This is based upon several LM6000 gas turbine permits which were originally permitted with a POC emission limits in pound per hour or pounds per million Btu equivalent to 2.0 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$.

The District then evaluated what the appropriate BACT emission limit should be for POC. The District reviewed permit limits from similar facilities, as summarized in Table 9.

**TABLE 9. POC EMISSION LIMITS FOR LARGE SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES**

| **Facility** | **POC (ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$)** |
|---|---|
| Panoche Energy Center, SJVAPCD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 2 (3-hr) |
| Walnut Creek Energy Park, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 2 (1-hr) |
| Sun Valley Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 2 (1-hr) |
| CPV Sentinel Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 2 (1-hr) |
| Lambie Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2 (1-hr) |
| Riverview Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2 (1-hr) |
| Wolfskill Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2 (1-hr) |
| Goosehaven Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2 (1-hr) |
| Los Esteros Critical Energy Facility, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2 (1-hr) |
| San Francisco Electric Reliability Project, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2 (1-hr) |
| Pastoria Energy Facility, SJVAPCD<br>GE Frame 7FA 160 MW each | 1.3 (3-hr) |

The Air District has reviewed the POC permit emissions limits for similar facilities shown in Table 9 and determined that 2.0 ppm is the lowest emissions limit that has been achieved in practice for a utility-scale simple-cycle gas turbine abated by an oxidation catalyst. The Pastoria Energy Facility has a lower permit limit for POC, but this facility was never built.

The District then considered whether a lower limit below 2.0 ppm would be feasible at this facility. The District expects the Marsh Landing simple-cycle units that are equipped with dry low $NO_x$ combustors and are abated by an oxidation catalyst to meet the same limits as many new combined-cycle gas turbine projects. The District has determined that the Marsh Landing gas turbines will be able to meet a POC emissions limit corresponding to 1 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ averaged over one hour. This is the most stringent BACT permit limit applied to a simple-cycle gas turbine. The simple-cycle gas turbines will be limited to 2.9 lb/hour or 0.00132 lb/MMBtu in the permit conditions; these values correspond to 1 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$.

The Air District has therefore determined that BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines for POC is the use of good combustion practice and abatement with an oxidation catalyst to achieve a permit limit for each gas turbine of 2.9 lb per hour or 0.00132 lb/MMBtu.

## 5.5 Best Available Control Technology for Particulate Matter (PM)

For emissions of particulate matter (PM), the District is requiring Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors, the use of PUC-quality low-sulfur natural gas, and good combustion practices as BACT control technologies. The District is also imposing a BACT PM emissions limit of 9.0 lb/hr, which corresponds to an emission rate of 0.0041 pounds per MMBtu of natural gas burned (lb/MMBtu). This emissions limit is based on a review of permit limits and emissions data from other similar simple-cycle natural gas fired combustion turbines. The District's BACT determination is explained below.[28]

**Control Technology Review:**

As with the other pollutants addressed above, control technologies for PM can be grouped into two categories: (1) combustion controls, and (2) post-combustion controls.

***Combustion Controls***

- **Good Combustion Practice:** The Air District has identified good combustion practices as an available combustion control technology for minimizing unburned hydrocarbon formation during combustion. Good combustion will ensure proper air/fuel mixing to achieve complete combustion, thus minimizing emissions of unburned hydrocarbons that can lead to formation of PM at the stack.

- **Clean-burning fuels:** The use of clean-burning fuels, such as natural gas that has only trace amounts of sulfur that can form particulates, will result in minimal formation of PM during combustion. The use of natural gas is commercially available and demonstrated for the Marsh Landing Generating Station gas turbines.

- **Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustor:** The use of a Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustor provides efficient combustion to ensure complete combustion thereby minimizing the emissions of

[28] This facility is subject to BACT requirements for $PM_{10}$ only. $PM_{2.5}$, a subset of $PM_{10}$, is regulated under federal requirements in 40 C.F.R. Section 52.21 (PSD) and 40 C.F.R. Part 51, Appendix S (Non-Attainment NSR). The facility is not subject to PSD or $PM_{2.5}$ Non-Attainment NSR permit requirements under Section 52.21 or Appendix S because the facility is not a "major facility" for the purposes of these regulations. The District is therefore not conducting a PSD permitting analysis or an Appendix S permitting analysis for $PM_{2.5}$. For a detailed discussion of the applicability of these federal requirements for $PM_{2.5}$, see Section 7 below. The District notes, however, that for combustion turbines essentially all of the PM emissions are less than one micron in diameter, so it is both $PM_{10}$ and $PM_{2.5}$. (*See* AP-42, Table 1.4-2, footnote c, 7/98 (available at www.epa.gov/ttnchie1/ap42/ch01/final/c01s04.pdf). Moreover, the same emissions control technologies that will be effective for $PM_{10}$ for this facility will also be similarly effective for $PM_{2.5}$. The District's BACT analysis and emissions limit for $PM_{10}$ will also therefore effectively be a BACT limit on $PM_{2.5}$ emissions as well, even though the facility is not subject to the federal $PM_{2.5}$ BACT requirements as discussed in Section 7.

unburned fuel that can form condensable PM. Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors are in wide use on utility scale natural gas fired gas turbines.

***Post-Combustion Controls***

- **Electrostatic precipitators:** Electrostatic precipitators are used on solid fuel boilers and incinerators to remove PM from the exhaust. Electrostatic precipitators use a high-voltage direct-current corona to electrically charge particles in the gas stream. The suspended particles are attracted to collecting electrodes and deposited on collection plates. Particles are collected and disposed of by mechanically rapping the electrodes and plates and dislodging the particles into collection hoppers.

- **Baghouses:** Baghouses are used to collect PM by drawing the exhaust gases through a fabric filter. Particulates collect on the outside of filter bags that are periodically shaken to release the particulates into hoppers.

Good combustion practice, clean-burning fuels, and Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors are common control devices/techniques that are technically feasible for simple-cycle natural gas fired combustion turbines and are often used to control emissions from sources of this type. The District has therefore determined that these technologies are achieved-in-practice and are technically feasible and cost-effective for the Marsh Landing project.

With respect to the add-on controls – electrostatic precipitators and baghouses – these control devices are not achieved-in-practice for natural gas fired combustion turbines and are not technically feasible here. These devices are normally used on solid-fuel fired sources or others with high PM emissions, and are not used in natural gas fired applications which have inherently low PM emissions. The District is not aware of any natural gas fired combustion turbine that has ever been required to use add-on controls such as these. The District also reviewed the EPA BACT/LAER Clearinghouse and confirmed that EPA has no record of any post-combustion particulate controls that have been required for natural gas fired gas turbines. The District has therefore determined that these control devices are not achieved-in-practice for purposes of the BACT analysis.

The District has also determined that these devices would not be technologically feasible/cost-effective here, for similar reasons. If add-on control equipment was installed it would create significant back pressure that would significantly reduce the efficiency of the plant and would cause more emissions per unit power produced. Moreover, these devices are designed to be applied to emissions streams with far higher particulate emissions, and they would have very little effect on the low-PM emissions streams from this facility in further reducing PM emissions.[29] It takes an emissions stream with a much higher grain loading for these types of

[29] For example, if a baghouse were installed on the turbines, the turbine exhaust at the *inlet* to the baghouse would contain less PM than is normally seen in baghouse *output*, after abatement. PM emissions from a baghouse are normally in the range 0.0013 to 0.01 grains per standard cubic foot (*see BAAQMD BACT/TBACT Workbook*, Section 11: Miscellaneous Sources), whereas PM emissions from the proposed Marsh Landing turbines would be 0.00092 gr/dscf (@ 15% $O_2$).

abatement devices to operate efficiently. This low level of abatement efficiency (if any) also means that these types of control devices would not be cost-effective, even if they could feasibly be applied to this type of source. For all of these reasons, post-combustion particulate control equipment is not technologically feasible/cost effective for the proposed Marsh Landing turbines.

The District has therefore determined that low-sulfur natural gas and Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors with Good Combustion Practice are the BACT control technologies for the proposed Marsh Landing facility. For low-sulfur fuel, the highest quality commercially available natural gas is natural gas that meets the California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) regulatory standard of less than 1.0 grains of sulfur per 100 scf. This PUC standard is maximum sulfur content at any point in time.[30] The Air District is therefore imposing a BACT limit for fuel sulfur content of 1.0 grains of sulfur per 100 scf for maximum daily emissions.

This BACT determination is consistent with guidance from the California Air Resources Board in setting BACT for natural gas fired gas turbines.[31] This BACT determination is also consistent with District BACT Guideline 89.1.3, which specifies BACT for $PM_{10}$ for simple-cycle gas turbines with rated output of $\geq$ 40 MW as the exclusive use of clean-burning natural gas with a maximum sulfur content of $\leq$ 1.0 grains per 100 scf.

**Determination of Applicable PM BACT Emissions Limitation:**

The District's BACT regulations require the District to implement BACT either as a control device or technique (Regulation 2-2-206.1 and 2-2-206.3) or as an emission limitation (Regulation 2-2-206.3 and 2-2-206.4). Here, in addition to the determination of what control devices/techniques are BACT for this proposed facility, the District is also imposing a numerical PM BACT emission limitation based on the most stringent emission limitation achieved for a natural gas fired simple-cycle combustion turbine facility such as this one pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-206.2. The District is imposing a PM emissions limit of 9.0 lb/hr, which corresponds to 0.0041 lb/MMBtu of natural gas burned. This limit also corresponds to emissions of 216 pounds per day (per turbine), and 0.0023 grains per dry standard cubic foot (6% $O_2$) or 0.00092 grains per dry standard cubic foot (15% $O_2$). This emissions limit would be more stringent than any other PM emission limitation achieved in practice by any other similar natural gas fired simple-cycle combustion turbine source.

To evaluate whether this limit satisfies the BACT requirement, the District compared it with emission limits and performance data from other natural gas fired simple-cycle combustion turbines. Table 10 below presents PM permit limits for projects similar to the simple-cycle gas

[30] The 1.0 grain per 100 scf PUC standard is the maximum sulfur content of the gas at any point in time. The actual average content is expected to be less than 0.25 grains per 100 scf. The District has based its calculations of annual emissions on this 0.25 grain per 100 scf average sulfur content. Note that a portion of the sulfur contained in natural gas is intentionally added as an odorant to allow for the detection of leaks which would be a safety concern.

[31] Guidance for Power Plant Siting and Best Available Control Technology, California Air Resources Board, Stationary Source Division, September 1999, pg. 34.

turbines proposed for the Marsh Landing Project in descending order by emission rate in lb/MMBtu. Please note that many of the projects in Table 10 are for turbines that are 100 MW or smaller in size. These projects have lower emissions rates in terms of pounds per hour because of their smaller size. To provide a meaningful comparison with the proposed Marsh Landing facility, whose gas turbines would be 190 MW, Table 10 lists the facilities' emissions limits in lb/MMBtu.

**TABLE 10. RECENT BACT $PM_{10}$ PERMIT LIMITS FOR LARGE SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES**

| Facility | $PM_{10}$ (lb/hr) | Size (MMBtu/hr) | $PM_{10}$ (lb/MMBtu) |
|---|---|---|---|
| CPV Sentinel Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6.0 | 875.7 | 0.0069 |
| Panoche Energy Center, SJVAPCD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6.0 | 909.7 | 0.0066 |
| Walnut Creek Energy Park, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6.0 | 904 | 0.0066 |
| Sun Valley Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6.0 | 904 | 0.0066 |
| Lambie Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 3.0 | 500 | 0.0060 |
| Riverview Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 3.0 | 500 | 0.0060 |
| Wolfskill Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 3.0 | 500 | 0.0060 |
| Goosehaven Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 3.0 | 500 | 0.0060 |
| Gilroy Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 | 467.6 | 0.0053 |
| Los Esteros Critical Energy Facility, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 | 472.6 | 0.0053 |
| San Francisco Electric Reliability Project, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 | 487.3 | 0.0051 |
| Pastoria Energy Facility, SJVAPCD<br>GE Frame 7FA 160 MW each | 9.0 | 1791.1 | 0.0050 |
| Renaissance Power LLC, MI-0267, Westinghouse 501F Gas Turbines, 215 MW each | 9.0 | 1900 to 2107 | 0.0043 to 0.0047 |
| Proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station, BAAQMD, Siemens SGT6-5000F Gas Turbines, 190 MW each | 9.0 | 2202 | 0.0041 |

Notes: 1. Renaissance Power has a nominal capacity of 1900 MMBtu/hour, which gives an emission rate of 0.0047 lb/MMBtu. The facility is located in Michigan, however, and at times it operates in very cold temperatures. It therefore has a maximum firing rate at -5$^{o}$F of 2107 MMBtu/hour, which gives an emission rate of 0.0043. The Marsh Landing facility will be located near Antioch, which will not experience such extreme operating conditions.

2. Please note the lb/MMBtu values are not the permit limits and simply allow comparison of limits for different sized units.

3. All of these projects except Renaissance Power are abated by an oxidation catalyst and an SCR system.

4. Please note the Pastoria Energy Facility Simple Cycle Unit was never constructed.

Based on this review of permit limits for similar simple-cycle natural gas fired turbines, the District has determined that no facility has achieved a permit limit that is more stringent than the 9.0 lb/hr limit the District is imposing here, which corresponds to 0.0041 lb/MMBtu.

The District also reviewed PM source test data for a number of comparable facilities. The first data set is for GE LM6000 simple-cycle gas turbines abated by an oxidation catalyst and SCR and is shown in the Table below. The second data set is for the Renaissance Power[32] facility, which utilizes Westinghouse 501F simple-cycle gas turbines with no oxidation catalyst or SCR abatement equipment.

[32] Please see file, Ren Power stack test.pdf. File contains letter to Ms. April Lazzaro of Michigan DEQ dated February 7, 2008 from Renaissance Power, LLC regarding 2007 stack testing results.

## TABLE 11. SUMMARY OF GENERAL ELECTRIC LM-6000 SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINE PARTICULATE EMISSIONS DATA.

| Facility | Test Date | Source | PM lb/hour | PM FH lb/hour | PM BH lb/hour | Front % | Back % | Reported PM lb/MMBtu |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Creed Energy Center | 1/31/2003 | S-1 | 2.18 | 1.05 | 1.13 | 48.2 | 51.8 | 0.0047 |
| Creed Energy Center | 7/6/2006 | S-1 | 1.363 | 0.553 | 0.81 | 40.6 | 59.4 | 0.0028 |
| Creed Energy Center | 5/7/2009 | S-1 | 0.6746 | 0.1948 | 0.4798 | 28.9 | 71.1 | 0.0012 |
| Lambie Energy Center | 1/16/2003 | S-1 | 1.9 | 0.56 | 1.34 | 29.5 | 70.5 | 0.0040 |
| Lambie Energy Center | 7/5/2006 | S-1 | 2.104 | 1.429 | 0.674 | 67.9 | 32.0 | 0.0039 |
| Lambie Energy Center | 5/11/2009 | S-1 | 0.83 | 0.3488 | 0.4807 | 42.0 | 57.9 | 0.0016 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/26-7/27/05 | S-1 | 2.266 | 1.016 | 1.25 | 44.8 | 55.2 | 0.0042 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/26-7/27/05 | S-2 | 0.896 | 0.363 | 0.533 | 40.5 | 59.5 | 0.0016 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/28-7/29/05 | S-3 | 1.44 | 0.578 | 0.862 | 40.1 | 59.9 | 0.0025 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/27-7/29/05 | S-4 | 0.915 | 0.326 | 0.589 | 35.6 | 64.4 | 0.0016 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 9/8/2006 | S-1 | 0.775 | 0.307 | 0.468 | 39.6 | 60.4 | 0.0015 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 9/8/2006 | S-2 | 0.871 | 0.331 | 0.54 | 38.0 | 62.0 | 0.0015 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 9/6-9/7/06 | S-3 | 1.805 | 0.398 | 1.407 | 22.0 | 78.0 | 0.0033 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 9/6-9/7/06 | S-4 | 0.904 | 0.318 | 0.586 | 35.2 | 64.8 | 0.0017 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/25-7/26/07 | S-1 | 1.672 | 0.967 | 0.705 | 57.8 | 42.2 | 0.0030 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/25-7/26/07 | S-2 | 1.429 | 0.541 | 0.888 | 37.9 | 62.1 | 0.0025 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/24-7/25/07 | S-3 | 1.456 | 0.666 | 0.79 | 45.7 | 54.3 | 0.0025 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/24-7/25/07 | S-4 | 1.646 | 0.973 | 0.673 | 59.1 | 40.9 | 0.0027 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/29-5/30/08 | S-1 | 1.4145 | 0.6957 | 0.7189 | 49.2 | 50.8 | 0.0026 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/28-5/29/08 | S-2 | 0.9769 | 0.3191 | 0.6578 | 32.7 | 67.3 | 0.0018 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/28-5/29/08 | S-3 | 1.49 | 0.4393 | 1.0555 | 29.5 | 70.8 | 0.0027 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/29-5/30/08 | S-4 | 2.21 | 1.345 | 0.8629 | 60.9 | 39.0 | 0.0041 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/13-5/14/09 | S-1 | 1.16 | 0.4811 | 0.68 | 41.5 | 58.6 | 0.0020 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/14-5/15/09 | S-2 | 0.969 | 0.4702 | 0.4983 | 48.5 | 51.4 | 0.0018 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/14-5/15/09 | S-3 | 0.864 | 0.4082 | 0.4561 | 47.2 | 52.8 | 0.0016 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/13-5/14/09 | S-4 | 1.04 | 0.3226 | 0.7186 | 31.0 | 69.1 | 0.0019 |
| Riverview | 5/8/2009 | S-1 | 1.469 | 0.789 | 0.68 | 53.7 | 46.3 | 0.0026 |
| Wolfskill | 6/2/2004 | S-1 | 2.15 | 1.3 | 0.85 | 60.5 | 39.5 | 0.0047 |
| Wolfskill | 7/5/2006 | S-1 | 1.9 | 0.582 | 1.319 | 30.6 | 69.4 | 0.0034 |
| Wolfskill | 5/4/2009 | S-1 | 0.81 | 0.29 | 0.52 | 35.8 | 64.2 | 0.0010 |
| Gilroy Energy Center | 7/19/2005 | S-3 | 1.9 | | | | | 0.0029 |
| Gilroy Energy Center | 7/21/2005 | S-4 | 1.7 | | | | | 0.0022 |
| Gilroy Energy Center | 7/21/2005 | S-5 | 1 | | | | | 0.0016 |
| Gilroy Energy Center | 5/23/2006 | S-3 | 1.69 | | | | | 0.0020 |
| Gilroy Energy Center | 5/24/2006 | S-4 | 0.95 | | | | | 0.0010 |
| Gilroy Energy Center | 5/22/2006 | S-5 | 1.41 | | | | | 0.0020 |
| Gilroy Energy Center | 5/23/2007 | S-3 | 1.6 | 0.6132 | 0.9856 | 38.3 | 61.6 | 0.0030 |
| Gilroy Energy Center | 5/24/2007 | S-4 | 1.25 | 0.5443 | 0.7016 | 43.5 | 56.1 | 0.0019 |
| Gilroy Energy Center | 5/25/2007 | S-5 | 1.6 | 0.6769 | 0.9193 | 42.3 | 57.5 | 0.0027 |
| Goosehaven | 1/23/2003 | S-1 | 2.44 | | | | | 0.0050 |
| Goosehaven | 7/6/2006 | S-1 | 2.438 | 1.327 | 1.112 | 54.4 | 45.6 | 0.0040 |
| Goosehaven | 5/6/2009 | S-1 | 0.9716 | 0.1481 | 0.8235 | 15.2 | 84.8 | 0.0017 |
| | | | | | | | Average | 0.0025 |
| | | | | | | | Maximum | 0.0050 |

Notes: All of these facilities use an oxidation catalyst to reduce CO emissions and an SCR system to reduce $NO_x$ emissions, as the proposed Marsh Landing facility will.

**TABLE 12. SUMMARY OF RENAISSANCE POWER SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINE PARTICULATE EMISSIONS DATA.**

| Unit | Test Date | Particulate Emissions (lb/hour) | Reported Particulate Emissions (lb/MMBtu) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Turbine 1 | 7/10/07 | 7.91 | 0.0044 |
| Turbine 2 | 7/16/07 | 8.04 | 0.0044 |
| Turbine 3 | 8/1/07 | 6.19 | 0.0035 |
| Turbine 4 | 7/18/07 | 6.58 | 0.0037 |

Notes: Renaissance Power has higher $NO_x$ and CO limits and is not equipped with this abatement equipment. That facility can therefore achieve slightly lower PM emissions, as the abatement equipment can result in additional PM emissions as discussed below. The PM emissions limit for Marsh Landing is consistent with the Renaissance facility, even with these PM emissions advantages for Renaissance.

The data from these facilities shows that PM emissions from sources of this type can be highly variable. Although in many cases turbines of this type will emit less than 0.0041 lb/MMBtu of PM. The data shows that it would not be possible to impose a limit below 9.0 lb/hr for the Marsh Landing project (corresponding to 0.0041 lb/MMBtu). The facility would not be able to consistently meet a permit limit below 9.0 lb/hr for PM as an enforceable not-to-exceed permit limit. The District therefore concludes that better emissions performance has not been achieved in practice or shown to be technically feasible for this type of equipment.

Finally, the District also evaluated recently permitted combined-cycle facilities, some of which have been permitted with limits below 9.0 lb/hr and below the 0.0041 lb/MMBtu emissions rate that this limit corresponds to. In particular, the District has recently issued a federal "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (PSD) permit with a BACT limit of 7.5 lb/hr for the Russell City Energy Center, a 600-MW combined-cycle natural gas fired facility. The 7.5 lb/hr PSD BACT limit the District established for Russell City corresponds to an emissions rate of 0.0034 lb/MMBtu, which is lower than the permit limit here that corresponds to 0.0041 lb/MMBtu.[33]

The District has concluded that simple-cycle turbines of the type that will be used at the proposed Marsh Landing facility cannot achieve PM emissions as low as combined-cycle turbines such as those used at Russell City and other similar facilities, for several reasons. Simple-cycle turbines have a higher exhaust temperature than combined-cycle turbines, which use a heat recovery boiler to recover some of the waste heat in the turbine exhaust in order to generate additional power. In order for the Marsh Landing to use a standard SCR catalyst, the facility must use dilution air to cool the gas turbine exhaust prior to abatement by the oxidation catalyst and SCR. It should be noted that even with the large amount of dilution air that is added to the exhaust prior to abatement; the catalyst temperatures are still significantly higher for the simple-cycle units when compared to combined cycle units.

[33] *See* Russell City Energy Center PSD Permit (2/4/2010) Condition Part 19(h) available at: www.baaqmd.gov/Home/Divisions/Engineering/Public%20Notices%20on%20Permits/2010/020410%2015487/Russell%20City%20Energy%20Center.aspx.

This difference impacts the amount of PM emitted in the exhaust stream in two ways. First, the dilution air that is added to the exhaust may contain a certain amount of entrained PM, and this PM is ultimately emitted in the exhaust at the outlet of the abatement equipment. The applicant has indicated that it will need to add up to 2.1 million pounds per hour of dilution air, which could add significant amounts of PM to the system exhaust.

Second, the higher exhaust temperatures seen by the oxidation catalyst and SCR system in simple-cycle facilities cause more PM to be formed in the abatement equipment compared with lower-temperature combined-cycle facilities. Data supplied by the applicant's catalyst vendors indicates that the increased catalyst temperatures may cause the conversion of $SO_2$ to $SO_3$ in the exhaust stream to increase from 5 to 10 percent for typical combined-cycle exhaust temperatures to as much as 40 to 50 percent for a simple-cycle system with dilution air for exhaust cooling.[34] This additional $SO_3$ will then convert to $H_2SO_4$ or ammonium sulfate salts, which add to the mass of particulate matter contained in the facility's exhaust stream. For both of these reasons, PM emissions from simple-cycle turbines equipped with oxidation catalysts and SCR systems for $NO_x$ and CO control will inherently have higher PM emissions than combined-cycle turbines. This additional PM can have a substantial impact on PM emissions relative to the PM that is generated by combustion of natural gas in the turbine, since clean-burning natural gas generates very little PM by itself.

The impact of these differences between simple-cycle and combined-cycle turbines can be seen in test data from the different types of equipment. As summarized in Table 11 above, 8 out of the 42 source test results for GE LM6000 simple-cycle turbines show PM emissions that would exceed the 0.0034 lb/MMBtu emissions rate used in establishing the Russell City Energy Center permit limit. Such an emissions rate would not be achievable for the simple-cycle Marsh Landing turbines, and the District has concluded that it is not achieved in practice for purposes of the PM BACT analysis.

In summary, the District has determined that the use of low sulfur natural gas and Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors with Good Combustion Practice is BACT for PM. The District is also imposing a PM BACT emissions limit of 9.0 lb/hour, based on a review of permit limits and source test data from other simple-cycle gas turbines.

### 5.6 Best Available Control Technology for Sulfur Dioxide ($SO_2$)

The potential emissions of $SO_2$ from the simple-cycle gas turbines exceed 10 lb per highest day for each turbine. These sources are therefore subject to District BACT requirements for $SO_2$.

There are two primary mechanisms used to reduce $SO_2$ emissions from combustion sources: (i) reduce the amount of sulfur in the fuel, and (ii) remove the sulfur from the combustion exhaust gases.

[34] Memorandum from Applicant to the District dated February 3, 2010, Subject: Revised Analysis of Expected Sulfate Formation at MLGS (See PM White Paper for BAAQMD 020310).

Limiting the amount of sulfur in the fuel is a common practice for natural gas fired power plants. Such plants in California are typically required to combust only California PUC grade natural gas with a sulfur content of less than 1 grain per 100 standard cubic feet (scf). This control technique has been achieved in practice at other facilities, and it is technologically feasible and cost-effective. The District is therefore requiring the use of PUC-grade natural gas with a sulfur content of less than 1 grain/100 scf as a BACT control technique for $SO_2$.

Add-on controls that remove sulfur from the combustion exhaust, such as flue gas desulfurization, are not feasible for natural gas fired power plants and have not been used at such facilities. These types of control devices are typically installed on coal fired power plants that burn fuels with much higher sulfur contents. There are two main types of $SO_2$ post-combustion control technologies: wet scrubbing and dry scrubbing. Wet scrubbers use an alkaline solution to remove the $SO_2$ from the exhaust gases and may remove up to 90% of the $SO_2$ from the exhaust stream. Dry scrubbers use an $SO_2$ sorbent injected as a powder or slurry to remove the $SO_2$ and the $SO_2$ and sorbent are removed by a particulate control device. The abatement efficiencies vary with different types of dry scrubbing technologies, but are generally lower than efficiencies for wet scrubbing technologies. These technologies are not feasible for combustion sources burning low sulfur content natural gas. The $SO_x$ concentrations in the natural gas combustion exhaust gases are too low (less than 1 ppm) for the scrubbing technologies to work effectively or be technologically feasible and cost effective. These control technologies require much higher sulfur concentrations in the combustion exhaust gases to become feasible as a control technology. For this reason, they have not been used at natural gas fired power plants such as the proposed Marsh Landing facility. As these control technologies have not been achieved in practice at other similar facilities and are not technologically feasible here, the District is not proposing to require them as BACT for this facility.

Fuel sulfur limits are therefore the only feasible $SO_2$ control technology for natural gas combustion sources, and the District is requiring this technology as BACT. The District is imposing BACT permit limits based on the PUC natural gas specification of a maximum of 1 grain of sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas. The permit limits are based on maximum sulfur content of the fuel and are expressed in units of pounds per hour, pounds per unit of natural gas burned (MMBtu), and pounds per day of $SO_2$. The emission calculations are shown in the Appendix A.

This BACT determination is consistent with the District's BACT Guidelines for $SO_2$. District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 specifies BACT 2 ("achieved in practice") for $SO_2$ for simple-cycle gas turbines with an output rating of $\geq$ 40 MW as the exclusive use of clean-burning natural gas with a sulfur content of $\leq$ 1.0 grains per 100 scf.

## 5.7 Best Available Control Technology for Startups, Shutdowns, Combustor Tuning, and Transient Load Conditions

Startup and shutdown periods are a normal part of the operation of natural gas-fired power plants. They involve emissions rates that are greater than emissions during steady-state operation and that are highly variable. Emissions are greater during startup and shutdown for several reasons. One reason is that during startup and shutdown, the turbines are not operating at full load where they are most efficient. Another reason is that the exhaust temperatures are lower than during steady-state operations. Post-combustion emissions control systems such as the SCR catalyst and oxidation catalyst do not function optimally at lower temperatures, and so there may be partial or no abatement for $NO_x$, carbon monoxide and precursor organic compounds for a portion of the startup period.[35] Thus, emissions can be minimized by reducing the duration of the startup sequence and by reducing emissions during the startup sequence.

Simple-cycle turbines have inherently low startup emissions because they can quickly come up to full load. This is one reason that they are used to provide peaking load duty with the capability to rapidly accelerate to synchronous speed, synchronize with the grid, ramp up to 100 percent load, and then down to zero load. Simple-cycle turbines are different in this respect than combined-cycle turbines, which incorporate a heat-recovery steam boiler that recovers some of the waste heat in the turbine exhaust to create steam to generate additional power. The combined-cycle system requires additional steam-generating components, and it takes additional time for this equipment to come up to full operating temperature. Nevertheless, simple-cycle turbines still have startup and shutdown periods in which they are not capable of complying with their steady-state emissions limits.

In addition, the simple-cycle gas turbines may need to perform combustor tuning. This is a regular plant equipment maintenance procedure in which testing, adjustment, tuning, and calibration operations are performed, as recommended by the equipment manufacturer, to insure safe and reliable steady-state operation, and to minimize $NO_x$ and CO emissions. The SCR and oxidation catalyst may not be fully operational during the tuning operation. The applicant has requested that the proposed facility be allowed to conduct up to two 8-hour tuning operations per year per turbine.

Finally, the Marsh Landing Generating Station will be designed for quick starts and also rapidly changing loads to meet electrical system needs. The simple-cycle gas turbines will have the ability to change loads at rates exceeding 25 MW per minute. This ability of the simple cycle gas turbines to change loads rapidly requires a transient load condition permit limit for $NO_x$. It is difficult for the $NO_x$ control system to respond to these rapid changes in load (greater than 25 MW per minute). $NO_x$ emissions from the gas turbines are controlled post-combustion using ammonia injection at the selective catalytic reduction unit. The amount of ammonia to be injected is determined based on turbine operating conditions and the $NO_x$ concentration at the

[35] Note that emission rates of particulate matter and sulfur oxides are not affected by startups and shutdowns and will be the same as for full load operation as during startup and shutdown periods (9 lb/hour for particulate matter, 6.21 lb/hour for $SO_x$ maximum, 1.55 lb/hour $SO_x$ annual average).

stack exhaust. There is an optimal amount of ammonia based on the incoming $NO_x$ and the ammonia injection system provides a slight excess to ensure the $NO_x$ emissions are minimized while ammonia slip levels are also minimized. The gas turbine can change operating conditions much more rapidly than the ammonia injection system can respond due to the lag time in the ammonia injection control system and the $NO_x$ continuous emission monitor. This control system lag and continuous emission monitor (CEM) lag time make meeting the 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ permit limit averaged over one hour much more difficult when the gas turbine is changing loads at rates exceeding 25 MW per minute and will require a transient load permit limit for $NO_x$.

Because emissions are greater during startups, shutdowns, combustor tuning periods, and periods of transient load than during steady-state operation, the BACT limits established in the previous sections for steady-state operations are not technically feasible during these periods. The District is therefore establishing separate BACT limits representing the most stringent emissions limits that have been achieved-in-practice or are technologically feasible/cost-effective for this type of facility. To do so, the Air District has conducted an additional BACT analysis specifically for startups, shutdowns, combustor tuning periods, and periods of transient load.

***Control Devices and Techniques to Limits Startup, Shutdown, Tuning, and Transient-Load Emissions:***

The only available approach to reducing startup, shutdown, tuning and transient-load emissions from simple-cycle turbines is to use best work practices. By following the plant equipment manufacturers' recommendations, power plant operators can limit the duration of each startup, shutdown, and tuning event to the minimum duration achievable. Plant operators also use their own operational experience with their particular turbines and ancillary equipment to optimize startup, shutdown, and tuning emissions. There is no other available control technology or technique beyond implementing best work practices that can further reduce startup, shutdown, tuning, or transient-load emissions from simple-cycle turbines.[36]

[36] The lack of additional control technologies for simple-cycle turbines is different than with combined-cycle turbines. For combined-cycle turbines, there have been several technological advances that have recently been developed, or are currently under development, that will allow those types of turbines to start up more quickly and with fewer emissions. These include startup procedures that heat up the additional steam-generating equipment used in combined-cycle turbines more quickly, allowing them to reach their optimal operating temperature more quickly; and advances that reduce emissions at lower loads where combined-cycle turbines must operate for extended periods while waiting for the equipment to heat up. These types of advances are not applicable to simple-cycle turbines. Simple-cycle turbines do not have any additional steam generating equipment that needs to be warmed up; and they ramp up very quickly to full load at rates as high as 30 MW per minute and do not spend any significant time operating at lower loads during startups.

***Determination of BACT Emissions Limit for Startups, Shutdowns, Tuning Events, and Transient Load Conditions:***

The District has determined time limits and numerical emissions limits for startups, shutdowns, combustor tuning events, and periods of transient load to implement the BACT requirement here. The permit limits for each operating scenario are discussed below.

***Startups***

Startups from simple-cycle gas turbines do not involve extensive emissions due to the short duration of a typical startup and the quick turbine ramp rate that minimizes low-load operation. Siemens, the gas turbine manufacturer for the Marsh Landing project, estimates that a typical startup will take approximately 11 minutes for the turbine to reach full load and normal steady-state operating conditions.[37] However, this estimate of what a typical startup would involve is not a guarantee that every startup will be completed within 11 minutes. Furthermore, for $NO_x$ control the SCR system will not be up to temperature and fully functional by the time the turbine reaches steady-state operating conditions and may take as long as 28 minutes to become operational. The reasons why the SCR system may take this long to begin operating effectively can be seen in the startup timing diagram set forth below, and include the time needed for the equipment to warm up, for ammonia injection to be initiated and for the catalyst to become saturated, and for the $NO_x$ continuous emission monitor (CEM) to stabilize.[38,39] Other factors that can prolong the time needed for the SCR system to begin functioning effectively include: allowance for the CEM system lag of several minutes to relay compliant $NO_x$ and CO CEM readings; allowance for the ammonia injection rate to stabilize with $NO_x$ concentration; allowance for the oxidation and SCR catalysts time to reach normal operating temperature; and allowance for the adjustment of dilution air required to maintain optimum catalyst temperatures. The District therefore estimates that under worst-case conditions it could take the turbines up to 30 minutes to complete their startup to the point where emissions are less than the stringent steady-state $NO_x$ emissions limit of 2.5 ppm. This estimate is based on the timeline provided by the SCR vendor in the startup timing diagram below, which provides for 23 minutes for the SCR system to begin functioning effectively, with another 5 minutes added to account for the variability among individual startups which could lead to a worst-case startup longer than the vendor's 23-minute estimate. The District therefore concluded that under a worst-case scenario the SCR system would not be functioning effectively until the 28$^{th}$ minute of the startup, and then once it is functioning effectively it will take another 3 minutes for $NO_x$ emissions to fall to 2.5 ppm or below. The District is therefore imposing a startup duration limit of 30 minutes to account for the time needed for the SCR system to warm up and function properly.

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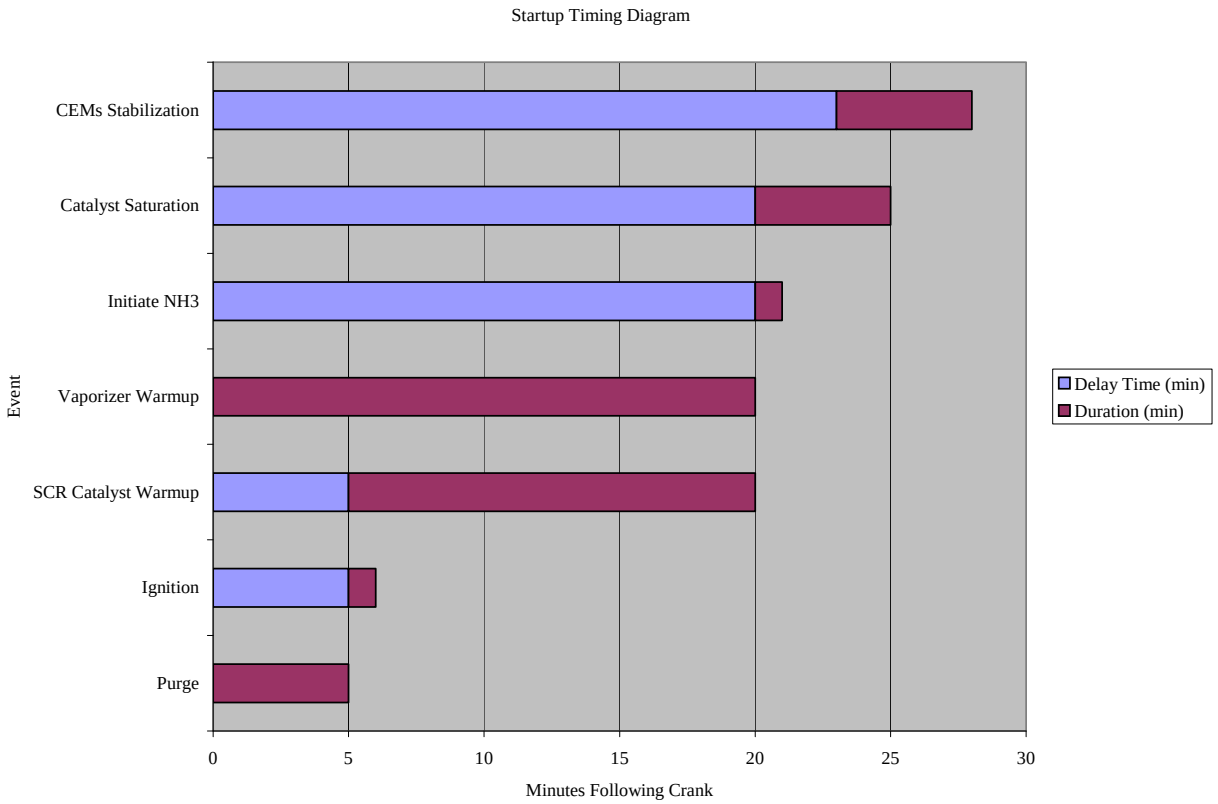
[37] See Appendix D Siemens Emission Estimates.

[38] Please see Letter dated May 11, 2010 from Johnson Matthey to Jon Sacks of Mirant regarding Startup Sequence for Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines.

[39] Please see Letter dated May 11, 2010 from Peerless to Jon Sacks of Mirant regarding Startup Sequence for Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines.




The District is also imposing numerical emission limits for startups for $NO_x$, CO and POC based on this startup scenario. For $NO_x$, the BACT limit is based on the emissions that would occur while the turbine is starting up and ramping up to full load; on the emissions that would occur after the turbine is up to full load and steady-state operating conditions, but while the SCR system is still warming up and is not fully functional; and on the emissions that would occur once the SCR system starts functioning effectively and $NO_x$ emissions are declining towards the 2.5 ppm steady-state limit. The turbine is expected to take 11 minutes to start up and ramp up to full load, and $NO_x$ emissions during this time period are estimated to be 14 pounds, based on the startup estimate from Siemens.[40] At this point, $NO_x$ emissions are expected to be 9 ppm, the emissions rate of the turbine itself in steady-state operation but without abatement by the SCR system. Turbine emissions at 9 ppm would correspond to a mass emissions rate of 75 lb/hour, or 1.25 pounds per minute, and so from minute 12 through minute 27 of the startup (*i.e.* from the time the turbine reaches steady-state operation at 9 ppm to the time the SCR system starts functioning effectively), emissions are expected to be 1.25 pounds per minute. Finally, for the last three minutes of the startup the SCR system will be fully effective and $NO_x$ will be declining rapidly towards 2.5 ppm. This calculation is summarized in the spreadsheet set forth below, which is based on emissions information submitted by the project applicant and reviewed by the District. As the spreadsheet shows, the total $NO_x$ emissions for this worst-case startup scenario would be 36.4 pounds, which is the limit that the District is imposing in the attached permit conditions.

[40] See Appendix D Siemens Emission Estimates.

**NOx** **20.83 lb/hour** **cold temperature mass emission rate for 2.5 ppm NOx**
**75 lb/hour** **cold temperature mass emission rate for 9 ppm NOx (assumed by scaling based on ppm)**

**14 pounds is cumulative NOx emissions during first 11 minutes of startup (to reach 9 ppm)**
**12 pounds is cumulative NOx emissions during a 6 minute shutdown**

**Assume linear decrease in mass emissions of NOx during minutes 28-30 to reach 2.5 ppm**

| | | | | Em Rate @ start of minute (lb/hr) | Em Rate @ end of minute (lb/hr) | Avg rate during minute (lb/hr) | pounds during minute | Event total lb to end of minute | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **First startup** | **11 min** | Min 1-11 | 14 pounds | starting up | | | | 14 | pounds |
| | | Min 12 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 15.25 | |
| | | Min 13 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 16.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 14 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 17.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 15 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 19.00 | pounds |
| | **NO SCR** | Min 16 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 20.25 | pounds |
| | | Min 17 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 21.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 18 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 22.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 19 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 24.00 | pounds |
| | | Min 20 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 25.25 | pounds |
| | | Min 21 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 26.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 22 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 27.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 23 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 29.00 | pounds |
| | | Min 24 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 30.25 | pounds |
| | | Min 25 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 31.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 26 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 32.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 27 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 34.00 | pounds |
| | **SCR** | Min 28 | | 75.00 | 56.94 | 65.97 | 1.10 | 35.10 | pounds |
| | **kicks in** | Min 29 | | 56.94 | 38.89 | 47.92 | 0.80 | 35.90 | pounds |
| | | **Min 30** | | **38.89** | **20.83** | **29.86** | **0.50** | **36.40** | **pounds** |

Please note that this 36.4 pound limit is somewhat higher than the $NO_x$ startup limit the District proposed in the PDOC. The lower number that the District initially proposed was based on old information that it now appears was incorrect. Specifically, the District's initial proposal was based on an estimate from Siemens stating that $NO_x$ emissions from the turbine startup would be 12 pounds, not the 14 pounds that Siemens now states will occur. In addition, the District's initial proposal was based on an estimate from an SCR vendor stating that the SCR system would be up to temperature and fully functional immediately upon completion of the turbine startup (after 11 minutes), which now is clearly not correct.[41] The project applicant submitted comments explaining this situation during the comment period on the PDOC, and in response to those comments the District has revised the $NO_x$ startup limit in the FDOC. Please see the District's response to comment number 5 in the responses to public comments in Appendix F.

For CO and POC, the time needed for the SCR system to warm up and come online is not related to the startup emission rates. To establish emissions limits for CO and POC, the District therefore used the emissions estimates from Siemens for turbine startups for the first 11 minutes of the startup, and then assumed emissions at normal steady-state emissions for the balance of the 30-minute startup period. CO and POC emissions during turbine startups are expected to be 213 pounds and 11 pounds, respectively, according to Siemens.[42] With the balance of the startup period at normal steady-state emissions, total emissions during the startup period would come to 216.2 pounds of CO, and 11.9 pounds of POC, which the District has determined represent BACT limits on the emissions from startups.

The BACT limits for startup emissions are summarized in Table 13 below:

**TABLE 13. STARTUP EMISSION LIMITS FOR A 30-MINUTE STARTUP**

| **Pollutant** | **Maximum Startup Emissions (pounds per turbine per startup)** |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 36.4 |
| CO | 216.2 |
| POC | 11.9 |

In order to further ensure that these limits represent BACT, the District compared startup emission limits from Marsh Landing to similar facilities (Simple Cycle F-Class gas turbines) such as the simple cycle GE Frame 7FA gas turbine (160 MW) that was proposed for the Pastoria Energy Facility. The Pastoria II simple cycle gas turbine startup permit limits for $NO_x$, CO, and POC are: 80 lb/event, 902 lb/event, and 16 lb/event respectively. The permit allows a maximum time for a startup of 1 hour. The hourly emissions for Marsh Landing based on the permit limits in Table 13 with an additional 30 minutes of normal operation are: 29 lb/hour, 221.2 lb/hour, and 13.4 lb/hour. The Marsh Landing gas turbines have a more stringent startup

[41] Please see Letter dated October 14, 2009 from Mitsubishi to Robert E. Smith of CH2M Hill regarding Mirant Marsh Landing SCR System.
[42] See Appendix D Siemens Emission Estimates.

limit of 30 minutes compared to one hour for the Pastoria II gas turbine. Emissions from a 30-minute startup with the balance of the hour at normal full load operation are less than the maximum lb/event permit limits for the Pastoria II project.

In addition, in order to protect hourly air quality standards, the District is also imposing an additional hourly limit for operating hours during which startups occur. This limit is based on a reasonable need for the facility to start up twice in a one-hour period, which is not unforeseeable given the facility's operation as a peaker facility. The District is basing this permit limit on two turbine startups lasting 11 minutes each and with the emissions profile set forth in the Siemens original emissions estimates dated March 27, 2008 (*i.e.*, 12 pounds $NO_x$, 213 pounds CO, and 11 pounds POC), one shutdown lasting 6 minutes and with the emissions profile from the original Siemens estimates dated March 27, 2008 (i.e., 10 pounds $NO_x$, 110 pounds CO, and 5 pounds POC), and the remainder of the hour with emissions within the steady-state BACT emissions limits. The $NO_x$ maximum hourly limit was not revised with the new $NO_x$ emissions information provided by Siemens for startup and shutdown. The applicant has agreed to use the $NO_x$ CEM to ensure that the 45.1 lb per hour limit is not exceeded. These maximum hourly emissions for hours with startups are summarized in Table 14 below.

**TABLE 14. MAXIMUM HOURLY PERMIT LIMITS FOR HOURS WITH STARTUPS**

| **Pollutant** | **Maximum Startup Emissions (lb/hour)** |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 45.1 |
| CO | 541.3 |
| POC | 28.5 |

The Air District has concluded that using best work practices, the proposed simple-cycle gas turbines will be able to meet the startup permit limits shown above. The basis for these limits is emissions information provided by the gas turbine supplier Siemens and abatement equipment information provided by the potential SCR vendors.

***Shutdowns***

Siemens, the gas turbine manufacturer, supplied the following emission estimates for a typical shutdown occurring over 6 minutes.[43]

[43] See Appendix D Siemens Emission Estimates. Note that in the PDOC the District relied on an earlier estimate from Siemens that shutdowns would involve 10 pounds of NOx emissions during a 6-minute shutdown. The applicant submitted comments during the comment period on the PDOC noting that Siemens has revised its $NO_x$ shutdown estimates, and the District is now using this updated estimate (there has been no change in CO or POC estimates). This change is discussed further in response to comment number 5 in the responses to public comments in Appendix F.

**TABLE 15. SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES SHUTDOWN EMISSION ESTIMATES**

| Pollutant | Typical Shutdown - Estimated Emissions (pounds per turbine per shutdown) |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 12 |
| CO | 110 |
| POC | 5 |

The Air District is imposing maximum pound-per-event limits for shutdowns. The District estimates over the 30-year life of the facility that a given shutdown may take as long as 15 minutes to allow the gas turbine time to ramp down from full load operation and allow time for the turbine to decelerate after fuel flow stops. Each shutdown would be limited to a maximum of 15 minutes for a worst-case shutdown.

The District then conservatively estimated the emissions during a 15-minute shutdown using an approach similar to the approach for estimating maximum startup emissions above. The District conservatively assumed that emissions that the typical shutdown emissions as summarized in Table 15 occur would over the first 6 minutes of the shutdown, and that the rest of the 15 minute shutdown period had emissions at normal steady-state emissions rates. These are the worst-case pound-per-event values for the simple-cycle gas turbines during a shutdown.

**TABLE 16. SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES SHUTDOWN PERMIT LIMITS**

| Pollutant | Maximum Shutdown Emissions (pounds per turbine per shutdown) |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 15.1 |
| CO | 111.5 |
| POC | 5.4 |

In order to confirm further that these permit limits represent BACT, the District compared shutdown emission limits from Marsh Landing to similar facilities (Simple Cycle F-Class gas turbines) such as the simple cycle GE Frame 7FA gas turbine (160 MW) that was proposed for the Pastoria Energy Facility. The Pastoria II simple cycle gas turbine shutdown permit limits for $NO_x$, CO, and POC are: 80 lb/event, 902 lb/event, and 16 lb/event respectively. The maximum time for a shutdown for Pastoria II was 1 hour. The hourly emissions for Marsh Landing based on the permit limits in Table 16 with an additional 45 minutes of normal operation are: 28.7 lb/hour, 119.0 lb/hour, and 7.6 lb/hour. The Marsh Landing gas turbines have a more stringent shutdown limit of 15 minutes compared to one hour for the Pastoria II gas turbine. Emissions from a 15-minute shutdown with the balance of the hour at normal full load operation are also less than the maximum lb/event permit limits for the Pastoria II project.

Thus, the Air District has concluded that using best work practices, the proposed simple-cycle gas turbines will be able to meet the startup and shutdown permit limits shown above in Table 13, Table 14 and Table 16.

***Tuning Events***

Turbine tuning is required to maintain the gas turbines in optimal operating condition. Tuning events for the simple-cycle gas turbines are expected to take up to 8 hours to complete, may involve operation at low loads where emissions efficiency is compromised, and may require operation without fully operational pollution control equipment such as the SCR system. Tuning events are expected to occur relatively infrequently, and will be limited to two events per year for each gas turbine. The emissions rates provided for tuning events are higher than for normal operations. The applicant and the gas turbine vendor Siemens estimate the tuning emissions will remain below the levels shown in Table 17.[44] The $NO_x$ emission rate is based on 9.6 ppm after SCR abatement and corresponds to 80 lb/hour of $NO_x$. This $NO_x$ estimate assumes the gas turbine will emit $NO_x$ at a maximum of 15 ppm unabated during tuning and that the SCR would never let the $NO_x$ concentration exceed 9.6 ppm. The CO concentration was estimated to be a maximum of 90 ppm during tuning and this corresponds to an emission rate of 450 lb/hour. The POC concentration was estimated to be a maximum of 10.3 ppm during tuning and this corresponds to an emission rate of 30 lb/hour. The Air District is requiring emissions during tuning events to comply with the permit limits shown in Table 17 below.

**TABLE 17. SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES COMBUSTOR TUNING PERMIT LIMITS**

| **Pollutant** | **Maximum Per Turbine (lb/hour)** |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 80 |
| CO | 450 |
| POC | 30 |

The District compared tuning emission limits from Marsh Landing to similar facilities (Simple Cycle F-Class gas turbines) such as the simple cycle GE Frame 7FA gas turbine (160 MW) that is part of the Pastoria Energy Facility. The Pastoria II combustor tuning permit limits for $NO_x$, CO, POC are: 300 lb/hour and 600 lb/period; 2414 lb/hour and 2514 lb/period; 48 lb/hour and 96 lb/period. The combustor tuning permit limits for Marsh Landing are lower than the Pastoria II permit limits on a lb/hour basis. The Pastoria II simple cycle gas turbine was never built and it is unknown whether the unit could meet the lb/period limits that are contained in the permit.

[44] Word Attachment (Reply to BAAQMD as amended2.doc) to Email from Mark Strehlow of URS to Brian Lusher of BAAQMD dated 10/13/09.

### *Transient Loads*

As noted above, the simple-cycle turbines at the proposed Marsh Landing facility will need the capability to ramp up and down quickly in order to serve transient demand. Fast ramping makes it more difficult for the SCR system to control $NO_x$ emissions to very low levels. The District is therefore imposing a transient load condition that would allow the facility to meet an alternate permit limit of 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ averaged over 3 hours for any transient hour with a change in load exceeding 25 MW per minute, instead of the one-hour averaging time used for normal operations. This longer averaging time will allow for short-term spikes in turbine emissions resulting from high turbine ramp rates.

### *Conclusion*

The Air District is imposing stringent emission limits for startups, shutdowns, tuning events, and transient load conditions that can reasonably be achieved by the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station, based on a review of the gas turbine supplier's emission estimates. Emissions from specific startup, shutdown and tuning events may be significantly less than the not-to-exceed permit limits, given the great variability of such events. The District is requiring the limits described above as the enforceable BACT limits to ensure that emissions are minimized to the greatest extent feasible while ensuring that the limits are achievable under all operating circumstances.

## 5.8 Best Available Control Technology during Commissioning of Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines

The simple-cycle gas turbines and associated equipment are highly complex and have to be carefully tested, adjusted, tuned and calibrated after the facility is constructed. These activities are generally referred to as "commissioning" of the facility. During the commissioning period, each of the combustion turbine generators needs to be fine-tuned at zero load, partial load, and full load to optimize its performance. The dry-low $NO_x$ combustors also need to be tuned to ensure that the turbines run efficiently while meeting both the performance guarantees and emission guarantees. In addition, the selective catalytic reduction (SCR) systems and oxidation catalysts need to be installed and tuned.

The simple-cycle gas turbines will not be able to meet the stringent BACT limits for normal operations during the commissioning period, for a number of reasons. First, the SCR systems and oxidation catalysts cannot be installed immediately when the turbines are initially started up. There may be oils or lubricants in the equipment from the manufacture and installation of the equipment, which would damage the catalysts if they were installed immediately. Instead, the turbines need to be operated without the SCR systems and oxidation catalysts for a period of time to burn off any impurities that may be left in the equipment. In addition, once all of the pollution control equipment is installed, it needs to be tuned in order to achieve optimum emissions performance. Until the equipment is tuned, it will not be able to achieve the very high levels of emissions reductions reflected in the stringent BACT limits for normal operations.

Because the BACT limits established for normal operations are not technically feasible during the commissioning period, these limits are not BACT for this phase of the facility's operation. Alternate BACT limits must therefore be specified for this mode of operation. To do so, the Air District has conducted an additional BACT analysis specifically for the required commissioning activities.

The only control technology available for limiting emissions during commissioning is to use best work practices to minimize emissions as much as possible during commissioning, and to expedite the commissioning process so that compliance with the stringent BACT limits for normal operations can be achieved as quickly as possible. There are no add-on control devices or other technologies that can be installed for commissioning activities.

To implement best work practices as an enforceable BACT requirement, the Air District is imposing conditions that will require the simple-cycle gas turbines to minimize emissions to the maximum extent possible during commissioning. The Air District is also imposing numerical emissions limits based upon the equipment manufacturer's best estimates of uncontrolled emissions at the operating loads that the simple-cycle gas turbines will experience during commissioning (See Table 19 for Siemens' Commissioning Estimates).[45] The District is also imposing a restriction on commissioning activities that will limit the facility to operating no more than two turbines without abatement equipment at any one time. (This restriction was not in the PDOC; the District has added it in the FDOC in response to comments received from the public.) The permit conditions will limit emissions to below the following levels:

**TABLE 18. COMMISSIONING PERIOD EMISSIONS LIMITS FOR ONE SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINE**

| Air Pollutant | Commissioning Period Emissions Limits for One Simple-Cycle Gas Turbine | |
|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 3,063 lb/day | 188 lb/hr |
| Carbon Monoxide | 33,922 lb/day | 2,405 lb/hr |
| POC | 2,008 lb/day | |
| $PM_{10}$ | 235 lb/day | |
| $SO_2$ | 149 lb/day | |

Notes: Please see Table 19 for manufacturer's commissioning emission estimates. $NO_2$ daily maximum assumes 8 hours of gas turbine testing at 40% load and 16 hours of gas turbine load test. CO, POC, and PM daily maximum assumes 8 hours initial gas turbine testing, 8 hours gas turbine testing at 40% load, and 8 hours gas turbine load test.

Commissioning emissions will also be subject to the annual emissions limits applicable to normal operations. All emissions from commissioning activities will be counted towards the facility's annual limits. Because commissioning is a relatively short-term period, the facility should be able to stay within those limits over the course of the entire year. Counting

[45] See Appendix D Siemens Emission Estimates.

commissioning emissions towards the annual limits will also provide an additional incentive for the facility operator to minimize emissions as much as possible.

The Air District is also imposing permit conditions to minimize the duration of commissioning activities. The conditions require the facility to tune the combustion turbine to minimize emissions at the earliest feasible opportunity; and to install, adjust and operate the SCR systems and oxidation catalysts at the earliest feasible opportunity. The Air District will also limit the facility to only being allowed to have two gas turbines performing commissioning without abatement by SCR and oxidation catalyst systems at one time. The Air District is also limiting the total amount of time that each turbine can operate partially abated and/or without the SCR systems and oxidation catalysts at 232 hours. This limit represents the shortest amount of time in which the facility can reasonably complete the required commissioning activities without jeopardizing safety and equipment warranties. The 232-hour limit is based on the following estimates from Siemens of the time it will take for each specific commissioning activity.

**TABLE 19. COMMISSIONING SCHEDULE FOR A SINGLE SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINE**

| Activity | Duration (hours) | GT Load (%) | Modeling Load (%) | Total Emissions | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | $NO_X$ (lb) | CO (lb) | VOC (lb) | $PM_{10}$ (lb) |
| CTG Testing (Full Speed No Load, FSNL, Excitation Test, Dummy Synch Checks) | 8 | 0 | 0 | 339 | 19,240 | 1,181 | 71 |
| CTG 1 Testing at 40% load | 8 | 0-40 | 40 | 1,507 | 11,662 | 636 | 91 |
| CTG 1 Load Test | 68 | 50-100 | 50-100 | 6,615 | 25,673 | 1,620 | 624 |
| Install Emissions Test Equipment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Emissions Tuning/Drift Testing | 24 | 50-100 | 100 | 1,988 | 5,344 | 286 | 234 |
| RATA/Pre-performance Testing/Source Testing/Drift Testing | 60 | 100 | 100 | 4,970 | 13,360 | 715 | 585 |
| Remove emissions test equipment/install performance test equipment, followed by Water Wash & Performance preparation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Performance Testing | 40 | 100 | 100 | 3,035 | 5,628 | 328 | 365 |
| CAISO Certification | 12 | 50-100 | 100 | 994 | 2,672 | 143 | 117 |
| CAISO Certification if required | 12 | 100 | 100 | 994 | 2,672 | 143 | 117 |
| Total Hours | 232 | | | | | | |

Notes:
$SO_X$ emission during commissioning will not be higher than normal operation
CTG = combustion turbine generator
FSNL = full speed, no load
GT = gas turbine

Compliance with these conditions for the commissioning period will be monitored by Continuous Emissions Monitors that the applicant will be required to install before any commissioning work begins, and through a written commissioning plan laying out all commissioning activities in advance, which the applicant will be required to submit to the Air District for review and approval.

# 6. Requirement to Offset Emissions Increases

District regulations require that new facilities must provide Emission Reduction Credits (ERCs) to offset the increases in air emissions that they will cause. ERCs are generated when old facilities' sources are shut down, or when sources are controlled below regulatory limits. The emissions reductions granted by the District are used to offset the increases from new facilities, so that there will be no overall increase in emissions from facilities subject to this offset program.

Pursuant to Regulation 2-2-302, federally enforceable emission offsets are required for POC and $NO_x$ emission increases from permitted sources at facilities which will emit 10 tons per year or more on a pollutant-specific basis. For facilities that will emit more than 35 tons per year of $NO_x$ offsets must be provided by the applicant at a ratio of 1.15 to 1.0. Pursuant to Regulation 2-2-302.2, POC offsets may be used to offset emission increases of $NO_x$.

The applicable offset ratios and the quantity of offsets required are summarized in Table 20.

## 6.1 POC Offsets

Because the proposed Marsh Landing facility will emit less than 35 tons of POC per year from permitted sources, the POC emissions must be offset at a ratio of 1.0 to 1.0 pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-302. The facility will be required to provide offsets for 14.21 tons per year of POC emissions. The applicant has identified ERCs available for it to use sufficient to offset this level of POC emissions.

## 6.2 $NO_x$ Offsets

Because the proposed Marsh Landing facility will emit greater than 35 tons per year of $NO_x$ from permitted sources, the $NO_x$ emissions must be offset at a ratio of 1.15 to 1.0 pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-302. The facility will emit up to 78.571 tons/yr of $NO_x$, and will therefore be required to provide offsets for 90.357 tons per year of $NO_x$ emissions. The applicant has identified ERCs that are sufficient to offset this level of $NO_x$ emissions. (Note that the amount of $NO_x$ offsets has changed slightly from the PDOC because of the changes in the startup and shutdown $NO_x$ limits addressed in the BACT discussion above.)

## 6.3 $PM_{10}$ Offsets

Because the total $PM_{10}$ emissions from permitted sources will not exceed 100 tons per year, the proposed Marsh Landing facility is not required to offset its $PM_{10}$ emissions under District Regulation 2-2-303.

## 6.4 $SO_2$ Offsets

Pursuant to Regulation 2-2-303, emission reduction credits are not required for the $SO_2$ emission increases associated with this project since the facility's $SO_2$ emissions will not exceed 100 tons per year. Regulation 2-2-303 allows for the voluntary offsetting of $SO_2$ emission increases of less than 100 tons per year. The applicant has opted not to provide such emission offsets.

## 6.5 Offset Package

Table 20 summarizes the offset obligation of the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station. The emission reduction credits presented in Table 20 exist as federally-enforceable, banked emission reduction credits that have been reviewed for compliance with District Regulation 2, Rule 4, "Emissions Banking", and were subsequently issued as banking certificates by the District under the certificates cited in the Tables below. If the quantity of offsets issued under any certificate exceeded 35 tons per year for any pollutant, the application was required to fulfill the public notice and public comment requirements of District Regulation 2-4-405. Accordingly, such applications were reviewed by the California Air Resources Board, U.S. EPA, and adjacent air pollution control districts to insure that all applicable federal, state, and local regulations were satisfied.

As indicated below, Mirant is in possession of valid emission reduction credits to offset the emission increases from the permitted sources for the Marsh Landing project.

**TABLE 20. EMISSION REDUCTION CREDITS IDENTIFIED BY MIRANT**

| | POC[b] (ton/year) | $NO_x$[c] (ton/year) |
|---|---|---|
| Valid Emission Reduction Credits[a] | 77.97 | 485.73 |
| Permitted Source Emission Limits | 14.210 | 78.571 |
| Offsets Required | 14.210[c] | 90.357[d] |

[a]From Banking Certificates 756, 831, 863, 918 (See Table below)

[b]Reflects applicable offset ratio of 1.0:1.0 pursuant to Regulation 2-2-302

[c]Reflects applicable offset ratio of 1.15:1.0 pursuant to Regulation 2-2-302

## TABLE 21. CERTIFICATES HELD BY MIRANT (TON/YR)

| Certificate | 756 | 831 | 863 | 918 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_x$ | 1.173 | 66.060 | 247.500 | 171.000 | 485.733 |
| POC | 0.390 | 72.280 | 5.300 | 0.000 | 77.970 |
| $PM_{10}$ | 6.443 | 202.530 | 25.270 | 0.000 | 234.243 |

## TABLE 22. LOCATION OF CERTIFICATES HELD BY MIRANT

| Current Certificate | Original Certificate | Company | Location | Original Issue Dates |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| #756 | 394 | Hudson ICS | San Leandro | 4/97 |
| #831 | 35 | Crown Zellerbach Corporation | Antioch | 6/84 |
| #831 | 240 | Crown Zellerbach Corporation | Antioch | 7/93 |
| #831 | 106 | Crown Zellerbach Corporation | Antioch | 3/90 |
| #863 | 73 | P G & E | Martinez | 7/87 |
| #863 | 89 | P G & E | Martinez | 7/87 |
| #918 | 35 | Crown Zellerbach Corporation | Antioch | 6/84 |
| #918 | 240 | Crown Zellerbach Corporation | Antioch | 7/93 |
| #918 | 106 | Crown Zellerbach Corporation | Antioch | 3/90 |

Note: The numbers of each certificate change with each transaction in the emissions bank. Certificate numbers below are the original certificate number when the emission reduction was generated.

Certificate 394 was generated from the shutdown of two wood fired boilers.

Certificate 35 was generated from the shutdown of two gas/oil-fired boilers.

Certificate 240 was generated from the shutdown of: two oil fired lime kilns, wood waste boiler, and a black liquor recovery boiler.

Certificate 106 was generated from the shutdown of a black liquor recovery furnace.

Certificate 73 and 89 were generated from the shutdown of three gas/oil fired power plant boilers.

# 7. Federal Permit Requirements

In addition to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District permit requirements in District Regulation 2, Rule 2 and Regulation 2, Rule 3, there are two federal permitting programs that apply to major facilities: (i) the federal "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (PSD) requirements under 40 C.F.R. section 52.21; and (ii) the federal "Non-Attainment New Source Review" (Non-Attainment NSR) requirements for $PM_{2.5}$ sources set forth in Appendix S of 40 C.F.R. Part 51. The District has analyzed these requirements for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station and has determined that neither of these permit requirements applies to this facility because it will not be a major source under either of those programs. The District is therefore not issuing a PSD permit for this facility or including Appendix S $PM_{2.5}$ Non-Attainment NSR requirements in the permit.

## 7.1 Federal "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" Program

### 7.1.1 Applicability of the "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" Requirements

The federal PSD program applies to "major" stationary sources, which are defined as new sources that emit more than 250 tons per year of any PSD pollutant.[46] PSD pollutants are regulated pollutants for which the Bay Area is not in violation of the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for that pollutant. For the Bay Area, PSD pollutants include carbon monoxide, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_2$, among others. Facilities that exceed the federal PSD "major source" threshold for any of these pollutants must apply for and obtain PSD permits before they can commence construction. Although PSD permits are federal permits issued under the authority of EPA Region 9, the District conducts the PSD analysis and issues PSD permits on behalf of EPA Region 9 pursuant to a Delegation Agreement between the District and EPA Region 9.[47]

The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station will not emit more than 250 tons per year of any PSD pollutant, and will not be a "major source" subject to federal PSD requirements. The Air District is therefore not issuing a federal PSD permit for this facility.

[46] *See* 40 C.F.R. § 52.21(b)(1)(i)(b). Note that for 28 specific types of sources, a lower PSD applicability threshold of 100 tons applies pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 52.21(b)(1)(i)(a). Simple-cycle combustion turbines of the type proposed for the Marsh Landing Generating Station are not in any of the categories subject to the 100 ton threshold specified in Section 52.21(b)(1)(i)(a).

[47] The District also has adopted certain elements of the federal PSD regulations into its NSR Rule in Regulation 2, Rule 2. The substance of these requirements in Regulation 2, Rule 2 track the federal requirements.

In reaching this conclusion, the District has considered whether the facility should be treated as a "modification" to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, which is adjacent to the proposed Marsh Landing project location, because the PSD applicability thresholds are different for modifications than for new sources. A "major" facility[48] needs to obtain a federal PSD permit for any "major modification", which is defined as any change in the facility that results in an increase in emissions of any PSD pollutant above certain "significant" emission rates defined in 40 CFR 52.21(b)(23).[49] The Marsh Landing Generating Station will have the potential to emit PSD pollutants above these "significant" emission rates, and so if the new Marsh Landing facility is treated as a "modification" to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, then the PSD requirements apply and the "modification" will have to have a PSD permit before it can be built.

The question of whether the new Marsh Landing facility will be a "modification" to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant depends on whether the two power plants taken together are one single "facility" for purposes of PSD regulation. If they are both part of the same "facility", then the construction of the new Marsh Landing Generating Station would be a "modification" to that "facility". The federal PSD regulations define a "facility" as:

> [A]ll of the pollutant-emitting activities which belong to the same industrial grouping, are located on one or more contiguous or adjacent properties, and are under the control of the same person (or persons under common control) except the activities of any vessel. Pollutant-emitting activities shall be considered as part of the same industrial grouping if they belong to the same "Major Group" (i.e., which have the same first two digit code) as described in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1972, as amended by the 1977 Supplement (U.S. Government Printing Office stock numbers 4101–0066 and 003–005–00176–0, respectively).

(*See* Title 40 CFR § 52.21(b)(6).[50]) The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would be in the same SIC Major Group and would be located on adjacent properties, and so the question of whether they would be a single "facility" depends on whether they are under the control of the same person (or persons under common control).

The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would be owned and operated by Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC, and the Contra Costa Power Plant is owned and operated by Mirant Delta, LLC. These companies are separate corporations, although they are both ultimately owned by Mirant Corporation, their parent corporation. Despite this common ultimate corporate parent, however,

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[48] The Contra Costa Power Plant is a "major source" because it was built before current regulatory requirements were adopted and, as a result, has no annual emission limits. The facility's actual emissions have been well below the "major source" thresholds set forth in Section 52.21(b)(1). *See* Letter dated November 3rd, 2009 from David Farabee of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP to Allan Zabel, Senior Counsel, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. EPA Region IX, and to Alexander Crockett, Assistant Counsel, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, attachment 2.

[49] *See* 40 C.F.R. § 52.21(b)(2) (defining "major modification").

[50] The District has a substantively identical definition of "facility" in its District Regulation 2-2-215.

the facilities will be operated independently. The facilities will have separate control rooms, independent connections to the PG&E natural gas pipeline system, and separate water supplies. Each facility also will have its own independent connection to the electric transmission system, a separate wastewater discharge connection, and separate contracts regarding the sale of its power output. The facilities will also be subject to separate financing arrangements, and these financing arrangements will restrict inter-company dealings between Mirant Delta, LLC, and Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC, (the owners of the two facilities) to terms no more favorable than would be expected with an unaffiliated third party. In addition, none of the operations of either facility will depend in any way on the other, and the facilities are in fact not scheduled to operate commercially at the same time. Mirant Delta, LLC, the owner of the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, has applied to have a legally binding permit condition included in its existing permit documents that requires the existing facility to shut down and permanently retire the Units from service on April 30, 2013.[51] The proposed Marsh Landing facility is scheduled to start commercial operation the next day, on May 1, 2013. The interconnection request for the Marsh Landing facility assumes that the Contra Costa Power Plant will retire, and therefore evaluates only the net increase in capacity associated with Marsh Landing. This effectively means that the Marsh Landing facility will take over transmission capacity on the system that is currently utilized by the Contra Costa Power Plant.

EPA has interpreted independent operations such as these not to be a single "facility" for purposes of PSD permitting under 40 C.F.R. Section 52.21. Since the federal PSD program is EPA's program and the District is required to follow EPA's guidance in interpreting the PSD regulations under Section VII.1. of the Delegation Agreement, the District is treating the proposed Marsh Landing facility as a separate facility from the existing Contra Costa Power Plant.

[51] Mirant Delta, LLC, has agreed to include the following enforceable permit condition in its air permits: "Subject to: (i) receipt of final, non-appealable California Public Utilities Commission approval of the Tolling Agreement for Units 6 and 7 at the Contra Costa Power Plant by and between Mirant Delta, LLC and Pacific Gas and Electric Company and dated as of September 2, 2009, as amended from time to time, without material condition or modification unacceptable to either party thereto in its sole discretion; and (ii) the receipt of all other approvals and consents from the relevant local, state and federal governmental agencies (including but not limited to the California Independent System Operator) necessary for the shutdown and permanent retirement from service of Units 6 and 7; Mirant Delta, LLC will shut down and permanently retire Units 6 and 7 from service at 2400 PDT on April 30, 2013." Mirant Delta has submitted an application for an amendment to its Air District permit to incorporate the foregoing permit condition. Please see letter dated May 11, 2010 from Tom Bertollini of Mirant to Craig Ullery of BAAQMD. This permit condition will impose a legally binding and enforceable obligation to cease operation of the Contra Costa Power Plant upon receipt of the necessary approvals referenced in the condition.

The District is therefore not issuing a federal PSD permit for the Marsh Landing Generating Station. EPA Region 9 has reviewed the situation and has concurred that it is appropriate to treat the two facilities as separate for purposes of PSD permitting.[52] Certainly, EPA would have objected to Mirant's proposal to build this facility without a PSD permit if it believed that the facility is subject to PSD requirements. If EPA did believe that the facility is subject to PSD requirements, allowing it to be constructed without a PSD permit would place EPA in the position of potentially having to take enforcement action after the fact for construction without a valid PSD permit, as EPA is currently doing with another power plant, the Gateway Generating Station. The District does not believe that EPA would allow such a situation to arise. The fact that EPA is aware of Mirant's plans for this facility and is not objecting or taking any action to require Mirant to obtain a PSD permit before construction therefore leads the District to conclude that EPA has determined that the facility is not subject to PSD permit requirements.

The District also notes that treating the Marsh Landing facility as not subject to federal PSD review is consistent with the spirit of the PSD program as applying to only to "major" facilities. The existing Contra Costa Power Plant is considered a "major" facility under the PSD regulations only because it does not have annual emissions limits as a result of its age (it was built in 1964 before modern air pollution control laws were enacted). Its actual emissions are in fact well below the PSD "major" source threshold.[53] If these actual emissions rates were permit limits, then the facility would not be "major" and the new Marsh Landing facility would not be a modification to a "major" source even if the facilities were considered as a single common entity. In addition, the Marsh Landing facility is intended to be a replacement for the existing facility, not an addition to it. They are not anticipated to operate at the same time, and so as a practical matter, it is appropriate to consider their emissions as separate and not to aggregate them for permitting purposes. Furthermore, as discussed in more detail below, the District has evaluated the substantive requirements of the PSD permit program (which in many ways are similar to applicable requirements of District regulations), and has not found any area in which the Marsh Landing facility would be inconsistent with PSD permitting even if it were required

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[52] *See* Letter dated January 8th, 2010 from Gerardo C. Rios of U.S. EPA Region IX to Brian Bateman of Bay Area Air Quality Management District. EPA Region 9 sent this letter to the District in response to a request by Mirant for review of the ownership situation of these two facilities and concurrence by EPA Region 9 that they should be treated as separate "facilities" for purposes of the PSD applicability requirements. *See* Letter from D. Farabee, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, to A. Zabel, EPA Region 9, and A. Crockett, BAAQMD, Nov. 3, 2009. That letter included a White Paper outlining various EPA precedents interpreting the definition of "facility". The District incorporates that analysis of EPA's precedents, as well as EPA's concurrence with Mirant's approach for this specific facility, in this FDOC analysis. *See also* Letter from G. Rios, EPA Region 9, to B. Bateman, BAAQMD, June 7, 2010, and the discussion of PSD applicability in the District's response to Comment No. 12 in the responses to public comments in Appendix F, which the District incorporates herein by reference.

[53] *See* Letter dated November 3rd, 2009 from David Farabee of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP to Allan Zabel, Senior Counsel, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. EPA Region IX, and to Alexander Crockett, Assistant Counsel, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, attachment 2.

here. In particular, the District has evaluated what the air quality impacts of the Marsh Landing facility would be using computer models and has found that it would not cause or contribute to any violation of any National Ambient Air Quality Standard for any PSD pollutant. For all of these reasons, the District concurs that it is appropriate not to require federal PSD permitting review for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station.

### 7.1.2 Protection of National Ambient Air Quality Standards

Although the District has concluded that the Marsh Landing Generating Station is not subject to PSD requirements because it is not a "major" source as defined in the PSD regulations, the District has nevertheless conducted a PSD air quality impacts analysis for the facility as would be required if the facility were in fact a "major" source. Even though it is not legally required under the federal PSD program, the District has undertaken this analysis anyway, for several reasons. First, Mirant's initial application for this project was for a facility that would have been "major" under the PSD program, and so the District initially started considering this analysis as legally required. Mirant subsequently made changes to the project design, so that the project as currently proposed is not major, but the District decided to go forward and complete the analysis anyway. Second, even though the facility will not be "major" and therefore not subject to PSD permitting, questions addressed in the PSD air quality impact analysis will likely be relevant in the context of the CEC's CEQA-equivalent environmental review. For example, even though this project is not subject to PSD, it still will be relevant in the CEQA context whether the facility will cause or contribute to a violation of any National Ambient Air Quality Standard, which is one of the issues addressed in the PSD analysis. The District is therefore providing this information here so that it can be used by the Energy Commission in its licensing process. And third, the information may be of interest to members of the public interested in learning more about this project and what it will entail. The District is therefore providing this analysis for reasons of public information as well.

The Air District has reviewed and verified the ambient air quality impact analysis submitted by the applicant for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station. The results of this analysis are presented in the Summary of Air Quality Impact Analysis for the Marsh Landing Generating Station, set forth in Appendix B.[54] The analysis used sophisticated EPA-approved air pollution models to evaluate the ambient air impacts from air pollutant emissions from the proposed facility. The analysis found that the emissions from the proposed facility would not cause or contribute to air pollution in violation of any applicable National Ambient Air Quality Standard or applicable PSD increment. The analysis examined the potential for impacts to visibility, soils and vegetation resulting from air emissions from the proposed facility and found no significant impacts. The analysis also examined the potential for associated growth from the facility and found that there would be no significant associated growth. The analysis examined the potential for impacts to "Class I" areas, which are areas of special natural, scenic, recreational, or historic value (such as national parks). The analysis found that there would be no significant impact to

[54] Please note that the revised $NO_2$ annual modeling results are summarized in a memorandum from Jane Lundquist to Brian Lusher dated June 1, 2010 in Appendix B and supercede the annual $NO_2$ modeling results contained in the memorandum from Jane Lundquist to Brian Lusher dated March 22, 2010.

Class I areas. Full details are set forth in Appendix B. Based on this analysis, the proposed facility would comply with the air quality impacts analysis requirements in 40 CFR 52.21(k) through (o) if these requirements were applicable to the facility.

### 7.2 Non-Attainment NSR for $PM_{2.5}$

The Bay Area has recently been designated as "non-attainment" of the National Ambient Air Quality Standard for $PM_{2.5}$ (24-hour average).[55] Areas classified as non-attainment are subject to the "Non-Attainment New Source Review" (Non-Attainment NSR) requirements of the federal Clean Air Act. The Clean Air Act requires states to develop Non-Attainment NSR regulations to implement this requirement within 3 years of a non-attainment designation, and the District will be doing so for $PM_{2.5}$ in the months and years to come. In the interim, while the District is working on its own $PM_{2.5}$ Non-Attainment NSR regulations, Non-Attainment NSR for $PM_{2.5}$ is governed by the federal Non-Attainment NSR rule in EPA's Emissions Offset Interpretive Ruling, which is set forth in Appendix S of 40 C.F.R. Part 51 ("Appendix S").

Non-Attainment NSR under Appendix S is a federal permit program and is implemented under the federal regulations set forth in Appendix S. It is not a state law permitting program and it is not implemented under the requirements of District regulations established pursuant to the California Health & Safety Code. The Environmental Protection Agency has determined that the District can impose conditions in its District permits (Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate) that will allow a facility to establish compliance with the federal Non-Attainment NSR requirements for $PM_{2.5}$.[56,57] If the District includes requirements in its District permits pursuant to District Regulation 2-1-403 (Permit Conditions) that satisfy the applicable $PM_{2.5}$ Non-Attainment NSR requirements of Appendix S for a source, EPA has determined that it will treat those conditions as satisfying the federal Appendix S requirements for that source.

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[55] EPA promulgated National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for $PM_{2.5}$ in 1997 (with an update in 2006), and began designating certain regions of the country as non-attainment with those Standards starting in 2005. EPA made a determination as to the region's attainment status with respect to $PM_{2.5}$, which it published on November 13, 2009. EPA determined that the Bay Area is in attainment of the $PM_{2.5}$ NAAQS for the annual standard, and is non-attainment for the 24-hour standard. The EPA's non-attainment determination for the $PM_{2.5}$ 24-hour standard became effective on December 14, 2009 (See Federal Register Friday November 13, 2009, Air Quality Designations for the 2006 24-Hour Fine Particle ($PM_{2.5}$) National Ambient Air Quality Standards).

[56] Letter dated 10/28/09 from Jack Broadbent of BAAQMD to Deborah Jordan U.S. EPA Region IX, Re: Guidance on "Appendix S" Non-Attainment NSR Permitting for $PM_{2.5}$ Source During $PM_{2.5}$ Transition Period.

[57] Letter dated 12/9/09 from Deborah Jordan U.S. EPA Region IX to Jack Broadbent of BAAQMD, Re: Guidance on "Appendix S" Non-Attainment NSR Permitting for $PM_{2.5}$ Source During $PM_{2.5}$ Transition Period.

Under Appendix S, Non-Attainment NSR requirements for $PM_{2.5}$ apply to facilities with $PM_{2.5}$ emissions of more than 100 tons per year. (*See* 40 CFR 51, Appendix S, II.A.4(i)(a) (establishing 100 tpy threshold for regulation of Major Stationary Sources).[58]) The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would emit less than 100 tons per year of $PM_{2.5}$, so the Appendix S Non-Attainment NSR requirements do not apply for this facility.[59] The District is therefore not including conditions in the permit for compliance with Appendix S for $PM_{2.5}$.

[58] The facility will emit less than 100 tons per year of direct $PM_{2.5}$ emissions and less than 100 tons per year of any $PM_{2.5}$ precursors, as defined in Appendix S II.A.31(iii). (*See* Final Determination of Compliance, Table 5).

[59] Note that the same issue regarding whether the new Marsh Landing facility is a separate stand-alone facility or a modification of the existing Contra Costa Power Plant is implicated with respect to Appendix S permitting. But the same analysis described above, under which the facility should be treated as a separate stand-alone facility under EPA guidance, applies and the new Marsh Landing facility should be treated as a separate facility for Appendix S permitting.

# 8. Health Risk Screening Analyses

Pursuant to the BAAQMD Risk Management Regulation 2, Rule 5, a health risk screening must be conducted to determine the potential impact on public health resulting from the worst-case emissions of toxic air contaminants (TACs) from the proposed Marsh Landing project. The potential TAC emissions (both carcinogenic and non-carcinogenic) from the Marsh Landing project are summarized in Table 6 in Section 4.2. **Table 23** presents the Health Risk Assessment Results for the Marsh Landing project. In accordance with the requirements of District Regulation 2, Rule 5 and California Office of Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) guidelines, the impact on public health due to the emission of these compounds was assessed utilizing EPA-approved air pollutant dispersion models.

**TABLE 23. HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT RESULTS**

| Receptor | Cancer Risk (risk in one million) | Chronic Non-Cancer Hazard Index | Acute Non-Cancer Hazard Index |
|---|---|---|---|
| Maximum Values | 0.03 | 0.003 | 0.3 |

The health risk assessment performed by the applicant has been reviewed and verified by the District Toxics Evaluation Section and found to be in accordance with guidelines adopted by Cal/EPA's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), the California Air Resources Board (CARB), and the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA). Pursuant to BAAQMD Regulation 2, Rule 5, the increased carcinogenic risk attributed to this project will not be significant since it is less than 1.0 in one million. The chronic hazard index and the acute hazard index attributed to the emission of non-carcinogenic air contaminants is each less than significant since each is less than 1.0. Therefore, the proposed Marsh Landing facility will be in compliance with District Regulation 2, Rule 5. Please see Appendix C (Memo dated February 24, 2010 prepared by Jane Lundquist, Air Toxics Section) for further discussion.

# 9. Other Applicable Requirements

The following section summarizes the applicable District, state and federal rules and regulations and describes how the Marsh Landing Generating Station will comply with those requirements.

## 9.1 Applicable District Rules and Regulations

**Regulation 1, Section 301: Public Nuisance**

None of the project's sources of air contaminants are expected to cause injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to any considerable number of persons or the public with respect to any impacts resulting from the emission of air contaminants regulated by the District.

**Regulation 2, Rule 1, Sections 301 and 302: Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate**

Pursuant to Sections 2-1-301 and 2-1-302, the applicant has submitted an application to the District to obtain an Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate for all regulated sources at the proposed Marsh Landing facility. Those permits will be issued after the CEC completes its licensing process.

**Regulation 2, Rule 2: New Source Review**

The primary requirements of New Source Review that apply to the proposed Marsh Landing facility are Section 2-2-301; "Best Available Control Technology Requirement", Section 2-2-302; "Offset Requirements, precursor organic compounds and Nitrogen Oxides, NSR", Section 2-2-303, "Offset Requirement, $PM_{10}$ and sulfur dioxide, NSR".

<u>Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 301: BACT</u>

The District has performed a BACT analysis for $NO_x$, CO, POC, $PM_{10}$ and $SO_x$ as shown in Section 5. The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station meets the BACT requirements under Section 2-2-301.

<u>Regulation 2, Rule 2: Sections 302 and 303</u>

The District has presented the offsets for the project for $NO_x$, POC, and $PM_{10}$ as shown in Section 6. The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station meets the offset requirements under Sections 2-2-302 and 2-2-303.

Regulation 2, Rule 2: Sections 304, 305, 306 and 414

The Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) requirements in District Regulation 2, Rule 2 (Sections 304, 305, 306, and 308) are intended to implement the federal PSD requirements in 40 C.F.R. Section 52.21 and track those federal requirements. The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station will not be subject to PSD requirements. Those requirements are discussed in detail in Section 7 above.

**Regulation 2, Rule 3: Power Plants**

Pursuant to Section 2-3-304, the Preliminary Determination of Compliance was subject to the public notice, public comment, and public inspection requirements contained in Sections 2-2-406 and 407. The District has considered all comments received during the comment period and is issuing a Final Determination of Compliance for the project. The Final Determination of Compliance will be relied upon by the CEC in their licensing amendment proceeding. If the CEC grants a license to the project, then the District will issue an Authority to Construct.

**Regulation 2, Rule 5: New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants**

A risk screening analysis was performed to estimate the health risk resulting from the toxic air contaminant (TAC) emissions from the proposed Marsh Landing Generation Station. Results from this analysis indicate that the maximally exposed individual cancer risk is estimated at 0.03 in a million, the chronic non-cancer hazard index at 0.003 in a million, and acute non-cancer hazard index at 0.3 in million. Therefore the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station will be in compliance the requirements of Section 2-5-301. Furthermore, the emission controls (abatement by an oxidation catalyst) are toxic best available control technology (TBACT).

**Regulation 2, Rule 6: Major Facility Review**

Pursuant to Section 404.1, the owner/operator of the Marsh Landing Generating shall submit an application to the District for a major facility review permit within 12 months after the facility becomes subject to Regulation 2, Rule 6. Pursuant to Sections 2-6-212.1 and 2-6-218, the Marsh Landing will become subject to Regulation 2, Rule 6, upon completion of construction as demonstrated by first firing of the gas turbines.

**Regulation 2, Rule 7: Acid Rain**

The Marsh Landing gas turbine units will be subject to the requirements of Title IV of the federal Clean Air Act. The requirements of the Acid Rain Program are outlined in 40 CFR Part 72. The specifications for the type and operation of continuous emission monitors (CEMs) for pollutants that contribute to the formation of acid rain are given in 40 CFR Part 75. District Regulation 2, Rule 7 incorporates by reference the provisions of 40 CFR Part 72.

40 CFR Part 72, Subpart A - Acid Rain Program

Part 72, Subpart A, establishes general provisions and operating permit program requirements for sources and affected units under the Acid Rain program, pursuant to Title IV of the Clean Air Act. The gas turbines are affected units subject to the program in accordance with 40 CFR Part 72, Subpart A, Section 72.6(a).

40 CFR Part 72, Subpart C – Acid Rain Permit Applications

Part 72, Subpart C, requires that the applicant submit a complete Acid Rain Permit application 24 months prior to first firing of the gas turbines.

40 CFR Part 73 – Sulfur Dioxide Allowance System

Part 73 establishes the sulfur dioxide allowance system for tracking, holding, and transferring allowances. The applicant will be required to obtain sufficient $SO_2$ allowances each operating year on March 1st (February 29 of a leap year) of the following year.

40 CFR Part 75 – Continuous Emission Monitoring

Part 75 contains the continuous emission monitoring requirements for units subject to the Acid Rain program. The applicant will be required to meet the Part 75 requirements for monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting of $SO_2$, $NO_x$, and $CO_2$ emissions.

**Regulation 6, Rule 1: Particulate Matter – General Requirements**

Through the use of dry low-$NO_x$ burner technology and proper combustion practices, the combustion of natural gas at the gas turbines and natural gas fired preheaters are not expected to result in visible emissions. Specifically, the facility's combustion sources are expected to comply with Sections 301 (Ringelmann No. 1 Limitation), 302 (Opacity Limitation) with visible emissions not to exceed 20% opacity, and 310 (Particulate Weight Limitation) with particulate matter emissions of less than 0.15 grains per dry standard cubic foot of exhaust gas volume. As calculated in accordance with Section 310, the grain loading resulting from the operation of each gas turbine is 0.00092 gr/dscf @ 15% $O_2$ (0.0033 gr/dscf @ 0% $O_2$). See Appendix A for simple-cycle gas turbine grain loading calculations.

Particulate matter emissions associated with the construction of the facility are exempt from District permit requirements, but are subject to Regulation 6, Rule 1. However, the California Energy Commission will impose requirements for construction activities such as the use of water and/or chemical dust suppressants to minimize $PM_{10}$ emissions and prevent visible particulate emissions.

**Regulation 7: Odorous Substances**

Section 302 prohibits the discharge of odorous substances which remain odorous beyond the facility property line after dilution with four parts odor-free air. Section 303 limits ammonia emissions to 5000 ppm. Because the ammonia slip emissions from the simple-cycle units will be limited by permit condition to 10 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ respectively, the facility is expected to comply with the requirements of Regulation 7.

**Regulation 8: Organic Compounds**

The gas turbines are exempt from Regulation 8, Rule 2, "Miscellaneous Operations" Section 110 since natural gas will be fired exclusively at those sources.

The use of solvents for cleaning and maintenance at the Marsh Landing Generating Station is expected to be at a level that is exempt from permitting in accordance with Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 118. The facility may utilize less than 20 gallons per year of solvent for wipe cleaning per Section 118.9 and remain exempt from permitting requirements. The facility may also utilize a cold cleaner for maintenance cleaning as long as the unit meets the exemption set forth in Section 118.4. The facility may also perform solvent cleaning and preparation using aerosol cans meeting the exemption set forth in Section 118.10. Any solvent usage exceeding the amounts in Section 118 would require a permit. In addition, any solvent usage in excess of a toxic air contaminant trigger level contained in Regulation 2, Rule 5 would require a permit.

**Regulation 9: Inorganic Gaseous Pollutants**

<u>Regulation 9, Rule 1, Sulfur Dioxide</u>

This regulation establishes emission limits for sulfur dioxide from all sources and applies to the combustion sources at this facility. Section 301 (Limitations on Ground Level Concentrations) prohibits emissions which would result in ground level $SO_2$ concentrations in excess of 0.5 ppm continuously for 3 consecutive minutes, 0.25 ppm averaged over 60 consecutive minutes, or 0.05 ppm averaged over 24 hours. Section 302 (General Emission Limitation) prohibits $SO_2$ emissions in excess of 300 ppmv (dry). With maximum projected $SO_2$ emissions of < 1 ppmv, the gas turbines and natural gas fired preheaters are not expected to cause ground level $SO_2$ concentrations in excess of the limits specified in Section 301 and should easily comply with Section 302.

<u>Regulation 9, Rule 7, Nitrogen Oxides and Carbon Monoxide from Industrial, Institutional, and Commercial Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters</u>

The simple-cycle gas turbines are not subject to Regulation 9, Rule 7 requirements.

The natural gas fired preheaters are subject to Regulation 9, Rule 7 requirements. The preheaters are expected to comply with the $NO_x$ emission limit of 30 ppm @ 3% $O_2$ contained in Section 301.1.

The preheaters are expected to comply with the $NO_x$ emission limit of 30 ppm @ 3% $O_2$ and the CO emission limit of 400 ppm @ 3% $O_2$ contained in Section 307.1. The preheaters are required to comply with this limit as specified in the compliance schedule contained in Section 308. The preheaters will meet the emission limits of Section 307.1 upon startup and will satisfy the schedule requirements contained in Section 308 (January 1, 2011 is the earliest effective date).

The preheaters are not subject to Sections 311 and 312.

The preheaters will be required to meet the tune up requirements of Section 313, the registration requirements of 404, and the demonstration of compliance with emission standards contained in Section 405. The facility is expected to meet the recordkeeping requirements contained in Section 503 and follow the tune-up procedures contained in Section 604.

Regulation 9, Rule 9, Nitrogen Oxides from Stationary Gas Turbines

Because each of the combustion gas turbines will be limited by permit condition to $NO_x$ emissions of 2.5 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$, respectively, they will comply with the $NO_x$ limitation in Section 301.2 of 5 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ or 0.15 lb/MW-hr.

## 9.2 Regulation 10: Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources

Generally Regulation 10 incorporates by reference the provisions of Title 40 CFR Part 60. However, the District has not sought delegation of the New Source Performance Standard (NSPS) contained in Subpart KKKK. Subpart KKKK "Standards of Performance for Stationary Gas Turbines" applies to this facility. The gas turbines will comply with all applicable standards and limits required by these regulations. The applicable emission limitations are summarized below:

**TABLE 24. NEW SOURCE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES**

| Source | Requirement | Emission Limitation | Compliance Demonstration |
|---|---|---|---|
| Gas Turbines | Subpart KKKK | 0.43 lb $NO_x$/MW-hr, or<br>15 ppm $NO_x$ as $NO_2$ @ 15%$O_2$;<br>0.9 lb $SO_2$/MW-hr, or<br>0.06 lb $SO_2$/MMBtu maximum<br>No CO limit in Subpart KKKK<br>No PM limit in Subpart KKKK | 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ as $NO_2$ @ 15%$O_2$ Permit Limit;<br><br>0.0028 lb/MMBtu of $SO_2$ Permit Limit |

**40 CFR Part 60 Subpart KKKK**

Section 60.4375 requires submittal of reports of excess emissions and monitoring of downtime for all periods of unit operation, including startup, shutdown, and malfunction. The applicant is expected to maintain adequate records for Subpart KKKK reporting requirements. The gas turbines will be equipped with continuous emissions monitors for $NO_x$. An annual $NO_x$ emission test will not be required for Subpart KKKK as long as a compliant CEM is used to monitor emissions.

No sulfur content monitoring of the natural gas is required by Subpart KKKK if the facility demonstrates the fuel meets the sulfur content requirements contained in Section 60.4365 using the information required by Section 60.4365(a).

**40 CFR Part 63 Subpart YYYY**

Subpart YYYY contains the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs) for Stationary Combustion Turbines. This regulation has been stayed (Federal Register; April 7, 2004, Volume 69, Number 67) for a combustion turbine that is a lean premix gas fired unit or a diffusion flame gas fired unit.

The emissions standards contained in Subpart YYYY have been stayed for natural gas fired combustion turbines. If a gas fired combustion turbine was subject to Subpart YYYY, then it would still need to comply with the Initial Notification requirements in Section 63.6145.

Subpart YYYY does not apply to the Marsh Landing gas turbines since the facility is not a major source of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs). The Marsh Landing emits less than the major HAP thresholds of 10 tons/year of any single HAP, or 25 tons/year of aggregate HAP. Please note that ammonia and sulfuric acid are not considered HAPs.

**Compliance Assurance Monitoring (CAM) – 40 CFR Part 64**

Requirements for enhanced monitoring may apply to facilities that are required to obtain Part 70 (Title V or Major Facility Review) permits. If so, they would apply at the time of issuance of the Major Facility Review permit. Although, these requirements would not apply at the completion of construction, it is prudent to determine at this time if they will apply so that it can be determined whether the monitoring strategy would comply with CAM.

In general, the requirement applies if an emission unit, as defined in Section 64.1, is subject to a federally-enforceable emission limit for a pollutant, has emissions of the pollutant that are greater than the major source thresholds (100 tpy of any regulated air pollutant or 10 tpy of a HAP) and the emissions of that pollutant are abated by a control device. There are several exemptions.

In this case, $NO_x$ and CO are controlled by SCR and a CO catalyst.

Monitoring for the $NO_x$ limits is exempt in accordance with 40 CFR 64.2(b)(iii) because the monitoring is subject to the Acid Rain monitoring requirements in 40 CFR 75.

Monitoring for the CO limits is exempt since the potential to emit of CO for each turbine is less than 100 tons per year.

The potential to emit is calculated using the following parameters:

Hours of operation: 1752 hr/yr
Fuel input: 2202 MMbtu/hr
CO Concentration: 9.0 ppmv (Normal Operation)
lb-mol CO = 28 lb CO
8743 scf flue gas/MMbtu @ 0% $O_2$
30,784 scf flue gas/MMbtu @ 15% $O_2$
386.8 dscf/lbmol

At 4.0 ppm
(2202 MMbtu/hr) (30,784 dscf/MMbtu) (lbmol/386.8 dscf) (4.0 ppm/$10^6$) (28 lb CO/lbmol)
= 19.63 lb CO/hr

At 1752 hours/year
= 17.20 tpy CO/turbine

At 167 Startups (30 min each), 167 Shutdowns (15 min each)

(167 Startups) x (216.2 lb CO/startup) + (167 Shutdowns) x (111.5 lb/shutdown)
= 27.36 tpy CO/turbine

Commissioning Maximum CO ton/year per turbine = 43.13

Total CO = 87.69 tons per year per turbine

## 9.3 State Requirements

The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station will be subject to the Air Toxic "Hot Spots" Program contained in the California Health and Safety Code Section 44300 et seq. The facility will be required to prepare inventory plans and reports as required.

## 9.4 Greenhouse Gases

Climate change poses a significant risk to the Bay Area with such impacts such as rising sea levels, reduced runoff from snow pack in the Sierra Nevada, increased air pollution, impacts to agriculture, increased energy consumption, and adverse changes to sensitive ecosystems. The generation of electricity from burning natural gas produces air emissions known as greenhouse gases (GHGs) in addition to the criteria air pollutants. GHGs are known to contribute to the warming of the earth's atmosphere. These include primarily carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide ($N_2O$,

not NO or $NO_2$, which are commonly known as $NO_x$ or oxides of nitrogen), and methane (unburned natural gas). Also included are sulfur hexafluoride (SF6) from transformers, and hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) and perfluorocarbons (PFCs) from refrigeration/chillers.

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB32) requires the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to adopt a statewide GHG emissions limit equivalent to the statewide GHG emissions levels in 1990 to be achieved by 2020. To achieve this, ARB has a mandate to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective GHG emission reductions.

The ARB is expected to adopt early action GHG reduction measures in the near future to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 2020. ARB has adopted regulations requiring mandatory GHG emissions reporting. The facility is expected to report all GHG emissions to meet ARB requirements.

The facility will also be required to report GHG emissions to CARB, the District, and US EPA. In 2008, the District placed a fee on GHG emissions from large stationary sources of GHGs.

The GHG emissions estimates for Marsh Landing are shown below.

## TABLE 25. MARSH LANDING GHG EMISSIONS

| GHG | Fuel Usage MMBtu/year | Emission Factor (kg CO2/MMBtu) | Emission Factor (g CH4/MMBtu) | Emission Factor (g N2O/MMBtu) | GHG (metric tons/year) | Global Warming Potential | CO2 equivalents (metric tons/year) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gas Turbines | | | | | | | |
| CO2 | 13994976 | 52.87 | | | 739914 | 1 | 739914.4 |
| CH4 | 13994976 | | 0.9 | | 12.60 | 21 | 264.5 |
| N2O | 13994976 | | | 0.1 | 1.40 | 310 | 433.8 |
| Fuel Gas Preheaters | | | | | | | |
| CO2 | 17520 | 52.87 | | | 926 | 1 | 926.3 |
| CH4 | 17520 | | 0.9 | | 0.02 | 21 | 0.3 |
| N2O | 17520 | | | 0.1 | 0.00 | 310 | 0.5 |
| Circuit Breakers | | | | | | | |
| SF6 | | | | | 0.001160 | 23,900 | 27.7 |
| Total | | | | | | | 741540 |

Emission Factors from REGULATION FOR THE MANDATORY REPORTING OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, Appendix A
Title 17 California Code of Regulations, Subchapter 10 Article 2, Sections 95100 to 95133

CO2 Emission Factor from Table 4 Appendix A-6 for Natural Gas with a heat content between 1000 Btu/scf and 1025 Btu/scf
CH4 Emission Factor from Table 6 Appendix A-9
N2O Emission Factor from Table 6 Appendix A-9
Global Warming Potentials from Table 2 Appendix A-4

Applicant estimates SF6 emissions for 6 circuit breakers at 0.425 lb/yr per unit (based on 0.5% leak rate for 85 lb SF6 per unit)

Each SF6 circuit breaker would be equipped with leak detection to minimize emissions.

SF6 = 6 x 0.425 lb/year per unit = 2.55 lb/year of SF6, 1.16 kg/year, 0.00116 metric tons/year of SF6

Marsh Landing has the potential to emit 741,540 metric tons/year of $CO_2$ equivalents using the ARB Mandatory Reporting Rule calculation methodology.

The Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines will have a gross electrical efficiency of 37.8% at 59ºF and a relative humidity of 60%.[60] The Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines will have a heat rate of 9,050 (LHV) Btu/KW-hr at 59ºF and a relative humidity of 60% (See Appendix D pg. 3, Case 10).

The EPA Administrator has recently stated that by April of 2010, the Administrator will take actions to ensure that no stationary sources will be required to get a Clean Air Act permit to cover GHG emissions in calendar year 2010.[61] In addition, in the first half of 2011, only sources required by non-GHG emissions to obtain a permit under the Clean Air Act will need to address their GHG emission in their permit applications. Therefore, the Marsh Landing Generating Station is not required to address GHG emissions under the Clean Air Act at this time.

As the lead agency under the CEQA-equivalent process, the CEC will be required to quantify and assess GHG emissions from the Marsh Landing Generating Station to evaluate the facility's compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations and standards, and the potential impacts and benefits associated with adding Marsh Landing Generating Station to the electricity system.

## 9.5 Environmental Justice

The District is committed to implementing its permit programs in a manner that is fair and equitable to all Bay Area residents regardless of age, culture, ethnicity, gender, race, socioeconomic status, or geographic location in order to protect against the health effects of air pollution. The District has worked to fulfill this commitment in the current permitting action.

The emissions from the proposed project will not cause or contribute to any significant public health impacts in the community. As described in detail above, the District has undertaken a detailed review of the potential public health impacts of the emissions authorized under this permitting action, and has found that they will involve no significant public health risks. The District has found that the maximum lifetime cancer risk associated with the facility is 0.03 in one million, and that the maximum chronic Hazard Index would be 0.003 and the maximum acute Hazard Index would be 0.3. These risk levels are far below what the District, EPA, or any other public health agency considers to be significant. The District anticipates that there will be no significant impacts due to air emissions related to the Marsh Landing after all of the mitigations required by District Rules and the California Energy Commission are implemented. The District does not anticipate an adverse impact on any community due to air emissions from

[60] See email dated 2/22/10 from John Lague of URS to Brian Lusher of BAAQMD (100222 Email from Lague to Lusher.pdf).
[61] Letter dated February 22, 2010 from Lisa Jackson to Senator Rockefeller, Letter summarizes EPA proposals on regulating green house gases.

the Marsh Landing and therefore there is no disparate adverse impact on any Environmental Justice community located near the facility.

# 10. Permit Conditions

The District is imposing the following permit conditions to ensure that the project complies with all applicable District, state, and federal Regulations. The conditions would limit operational parameters such as fuel use, stack gas emission concentrations, and mass emission rates. The permit conditions specify abatement device operation and performance levels. To aid enforcement efforts, conditions specifying emission monitoring, source testing, and record keeping requirements are included. Furthermore, pollutant mass emission limits (in units of lb/hr and lb/MMBtu of natural gas fired) will insure that daily and annual emission rate limitations are not exceeded.

To provide maximum operational flexibility, no limitations are being imposed on the type or quantity of gas turbine start-ups or shutdowns. Instead, the facility would be required to comply with daily and annual (consecutive twelve-month) mass emission limits at all times. Compliance with CO and $NO_x$ limitations would be verified by continuous emission monitors (CEMs) that will be in operation during all turbine operating modes, including start-up, shutdown, combustor tuning, and transient conditions. Compliance with POC, $SO_2$, and $PM_{10}$ mass emission limits would be verified by annual source testing.

In addition to permit conditions that apply to steady-state operation of each gas turbine power train, the District is imposing conditions that govern equipment operation during the initial commissioning period when the gas turbine power trains will operate without their SCR systems and/or oxidation catalysts in place. Commissioning activities include, but are not limited to, the testing of the gas turbines, and adjustment of control systems. Parts 1 through 10 of the permit conditions for the simple-cycle gas turbines apply to this commissioning period and are intended to minimize emissions during the commissioning period.

# Marsh Landing Generating Station Permit Conditions

**Definitions:**

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|---|---|
| Hour | Any continuous 60-minute period |
| Clock Hour: | Any continuous 60-minute period beginning on the hour |
| Calendar Day: | Any continuous 24-hour period beginning at 12:00 AM or 0000 hours |
| Year: | Any consecutive twelve-month period of time |
| Rolling 3-hour period: | Any consecutive three-clock hour period, not including start-up or shutdown periods |
| Heat Input: | All heat inputs refer to the heat input at the higher heating value (HHV) of the fuel, in BTU/scf |
| Firing Hours: | Period of time during which fuel is flowing to a unit, measured in minutes |
| MMBtu: | million British thermal units |
| Gas Turbine Start-up Mode: | The lesser of the first 30 minutes of continuous fuel flow to the Gas Turbine after fuel flow is initiated or the period of time from Gas Turbine fuel flow initiation until the Gas Turbine achieves two consecutive CEM data points in compliance with the emission concentration limits of conditions 17(b) and 17(d). |
| Gas Turbine Shutdown Mode: | The lesser of the 15 minute period immediately prior to the termination of fuel flow to the Gas Turbine or the period of time from non-compliance with any requirement listed in Conditions 17(b) and 17(d) until termination of fuel flow to the Gas Turbine |
| Gas Turbine Combustor Tuning Mode: | The period of time, not to exceed 8 hours, in which testing, adjustment, tuning, and calibration operations are performed, as recommended by the gas turbine manufacturer, to insure safe and reliable steady-state operation, and to minimize $NO_x$ and CO emissions. The SCR and oxidation catalyst are not operating at their design control effectiveness during the tuning operation. |
| Transient Hour: | A transient hour is any clock hour during which the change in gross electrical output produced by the gas turbine exceeds 25 MW per minute for one minute or longer during any period that is not part of a startup, shutdown, or combustor tuning period. |
| Specified PAHs: | The polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons listed below shall be considered to be Specified PAHs for these permit conditions. Any emission limits for Specified PAHs refer to the sum of the emissions for all six of the following compounds<br>Benzo[a]anthracene<br>Benzo[b]fluoranthene<br>Benzo[k]fluoranthene<br>Benzo[a]pyrene<br>Dibenzo[a,h]anthracene |

Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene

| | |
|---|---|
| Corrected Concentration: | The concentration of any pollutant (generally $NO_x$, CO, or $NH_3$) corrected to a standard stack gas oxygen concentration. For emission points P-1 (exhaust of S-1 Gas Turbine), P-2 (exhaust of S-2 Gas Turbine) P-3 (exhaust of S-3 Gas Turbine), P-4 (exhaust of S-4 Gas Turbine), the standard stack gas oxygen concentration is 15% $O_2$ by volume on a dry basis |
| Commissioning Activities: | All testing, adjustment, tuning, and calibration activities recommended by the equipment manufacturers and the MLGS construction contractor to insure safe and reliable steady-state operation of the gas turbines, heat recovery steam generators, steam turbine, and associated electrical delivery systems during the commissioning period |
| Commissioning Period: | The Period shall commence when all mechanical, electrical, and control systems are installed and individual system start-up has been completed, or when a gas turbine is first fired, whichever occurs first. The period shall terminate when the plant has completed performance testing, is available for commercial operation, and has initiated sales to the power exchange. |
| Precursor Organic Compounds (POCs): | Any compound of carbon, excluding methane, ethane, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, carbonic acid, metallic carbides or carbonates, and ammonium carbonate |
| CEC CPM: | California Energy Commission Compliance Program Manager |
| MLGS: | Marsh Landing Generating Station |
| Total Particulate Matter | The sum of all filterable and all condensable particulate matter. |

## SGT6-5000F Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines

### Applicability:

Parts 1 through 10 of this condition shall only apply during the commissioning period as defined above. Unless otherwise indicated, Parts 11 through 40 of this condition shall apply after the commissioning period has ended.

### Conditions for the Commissioning Period for SGT6-5000F Gas Turbines

1. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall minimize emissions of carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides from S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 Gas Turbines to the maximum extent possible during the commissioning period. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)

2. At the earliest feasible opportunity in accordance with the recommendations of the equipment manufacturers and the construction contractor, the owner/operator shall tune the S-1, S-2, S-3

and S-4 Gas Turbines combustors to minimize the emissions of carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)

3. At the earliest feasible opportunity in accordance with the recommendations of the equipment manufacturers and the construction contractor, the owner/operator shall install, adjust, and operate the A-1, A-3, A-5 and A-7 Oxidation Catalysts and A-2, A-4, A-6 and A-8 SCR Systems to minimize the emissions of carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides from S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 Gas Turbines. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)

4. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall submit a plan to the District Engineering Division and the CEC CPM at least four weeks prior to first firing of S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 Gas Turbines describing the procedures to be followed during the commissioning of the gas turbines. The plan shall include a description of each commissioning activity, the anticipated duration of each activity in hours, and the purpose of the activity. The activities described shall include, but not be limited to, the tuning of the Dry-Low-$NO_x$ combustors, the installation and operation of the required emission control systems, the installation, calibration, and testing of the CO and $NO_x$ continuous emission monitors, and any activities requiring the firing of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3 & S-4) without abatement by their respective oxidation catalysts and/or SCR Systems. The owner/operator shall not fire any of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3 or S-4) sooner than 28 days after the District receives the commissioning plan. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

5. During the commissioning period, the owner/operator of the MLGS shall demonstrate compliance with Parts 7, 8, 9, and 10 through the use of properly operated and maintained continuous emission monitors and data recorders for the following parameters and emission concentrations:

   firing hours
   fuel flow rates
   stack gas nitrogen oxide emission concentrations,
   stack gas carbon monoxide emission concentrations
   stack gas oxygen concentrations.

   The monitored parameters shall be recorded at least once every 15 minutes (excluding normal calibration periods or when the monitored source is not in operation) for the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4). The owner/operator shall use District-approved methods to calculate heat input rates, nitrogen dioxide mass emission rates, carbon monoxide mass emission rates, and $NO_x$ and CO emission concentrations, summarized for each clock hour and each calendar day. The owner/operator shall retain records on site for at least 5 years from the date of entry and make such records available to District personnel upon request. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

6. The owner/operator shall install, calibrate, and operate the District-approved continuous monitors specified in Part 5 prior to first firing of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4). After first firing of the turbines, the owner/operator shall adjust the detection range of these continuous emission monitors as necessary to accurately measure the resulting range of CO and $NO_x$ emission concentrations. The type, specifications, and location of these monitors shall be subject to District review and approval. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

7. The owner/operator shall not fire S-1, S-2, S-3, or S-4 Gas Turbine without abatement of nitrogen oxide emissions by the corresponding SCR System A-2, A-4, A-6, or A-8 and/or abatement of carbon monoxide emissions by the corresponding Oxidation Catalyst A-1, A-3, A-5, or A-7 for more than 232 hours each during the commissioning period. The owner/operator shall operate the facility such that simultaneous commissioning of no more than two gas turbines will occur without abatement of nitrogen oxides and CO by its SCR system and oxidation catalyst system. Such operation of any Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4) without abatement shall be limited to discrete commissioning activities that can only be properly executed without the SCR system and/or oxidation catalyst in place. Upon completion of these activities, the owner/operator shall provide written notice to the District Engineering and Enforcement Divisions and the unused balance of the 232 firing hours without abatement shall expire. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)

8. The total mass emissions of nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, precursor organic compounds, $PM_{10}$, and sulfur dioxide that are emitted by the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) during the commissioning period shall accrue towards the consecutive twelve-month emission limitations specified in Part 22. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)

9. The owner/ operator shall not operate the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) in a manner such that the pollutant emissions from each gas turbine will exceed the following limits during the commissioning period. These emission limits shall include emissions resulting from the start-up and shutdown of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4). (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 3,063 pounds per calendar day | 188 pounds per hour |
| CO | 33,922 pounds per calendar day | 2,405 pounds per hour |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 2,008 pounds per calendar day | |
| $PM_{10}$ | 235 pounds per calendar day | |
| $SO_2$ | 149 pounds per calendar day | |

10. Within 90 days after startup of each turbine, the Owner/Operator shall conduct District and CEC approved source tests for that turbine to determine compliance with the emission limitations specified in Part 17. The source tests shall determine $NO_x$, CO, and POC emissions during start-up and shutdown of the gas turbines. The POC emissions shall be analyzed for methane and ethane to account for the presence of unburned natural gas. The source test shall include a minimum of three start-up and three shutdown periods. Thirty working days before the execution of the source tests, the Owner/Operator shall submit to the District and the CEC Compliance Program Manager (CPM) a detailed source test plan designed to satisfy the requirements of this Part. The District and the CEC CPM will notify the Owner/Operator of any necessary modifications to the plan within 20 working days of receipt of the plan; otherwise, the plan shall be deemed approved. The Owner/Operator shall incorporate the District and CEC CPM comments into the test plan. The Owner/Operator shall notify the District and the CEC CPM within seven (7) working days prior to the planned source testing date. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of the source testing date. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

**Conditions for the SGT6-5000F Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4)**

11. The owner/operator shall fire the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) exclusively on PUC-regulated natural gas with a maximum sulfur content of 1 grain per 100 standard cubic feet. To demonstrate compliance with this limit, the operator of S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 shall sample and analyze the gas from each supply source at least monthly to determine the sulfur content of the gas. PG&E monthly sulfur data may be used provided that such data can be demonstrated to be representative of the gas delivered to the MLGS. (Basis: BACT for $SO_2$ and $PM_{10}$)

12. The owner/operator shall not operate the units such that the heat input rate to each Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) exceeds 2,202 MMBtu (HHV) per hour. (Basis: BACT for $NO_x$)

13. The owner/operator shall not operate the units such that the heat input rate to each Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) exceeds 52,848 MMBtu (HHV) per day. (Basis: Cumulative Increase for $PM_{10}$)

14. The owner/operator shall not operate the units such that the combined cumulative heat input rate for the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) exceeds 13,994,976 MMBtu (HHV) per year. (Basis: Offsets)

15. The owner operator shall not operate S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 such that the combined hours for all four units exceeds 7,008 hours per year (excluding operations necessary for maintenance, tuning, and testing). (Basis: Offsets, Cumulative Increase)

16. The owner/operator shall ensure that the each Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4) is abated by the properly operated and properly maintained Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) System A-2, A-4, A-6 or A-8 and Oxidation Catalyst System A-1, A-3, A-5, or A-7 whenever fuel is combusted at those sources and the corresponding SCR catalyst bed (A-2, A-4, A-6 or A-8) has reached minimum operating temperature. (Basis: BACT for $NO_x$, POC and CO)

17. The owner/operator shall ensure that the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4) comply with requirements (a) through (i). Requirements (a) through (f) do not apply during a gas turbine start-up, combustor tuning operation or shutdown. (Basis: BACT and Regulation 2, Rule 5)
    a) Nitrogen oxide mass emissions (calculated as $NO_2$) at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 (exhaust point for S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 Gas Turbine after abatement by A-2, A-4, A-6 and A-8 SCR System) shall not exceed 20.83 pounds per hour or 0.00946 lb/MMBtu (HHV) of natural gas fired. Limits are averaged over one hour except during transient hours where a 3-clock hour average is calculated as the average of the transient hour, the clock hour immediately prior to the transient hour and the clock hour immediately following the transient hour. (Basis: BACT for $NO_x$)
    b) The nitrogen oxide emission concentration at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4 shall not exceed 2.5 ppmv, on a dry basis, corrected to 15% $O_2$, averaged over any 1-hour period except during periods with a transient hour. Limits are averaged over one hour except during transient hours where a 3-clock hour average is calculated as the

average of the transient hour, the clock hour immediately prior to the transient hour and the clock hour immediately following the transient hour. (Basis: BACT for $NO_x$)

c) Carbon monoxide mass emissions at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 10.0 pounds per hour or 0.00454 lb/MMBtu of natural gas fired, averaged over any 1-hour period. (Basis: BACT for CO)

d) The carbon monoxide emission concentration at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 2.0 ppmv, on a dry basis, corrected to 15% $O_2$ averaged over any 1-hour period. (Basis: BACT for CO)

e) Ammonia ($NH_3$) emission concentrations at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 10 ppmv, on a dry basis, corrected to 15% $O_2$, averaged over any rolling 3-hour period. This ammonia emission concentration shall be verified by the continuous recording of the ammonia injection rate to each SCR System A-2, A-4, A-6, and A-8. The correlation between the gas turbine heat input rates, A-2, A-4, A-6, and A-8 SCR System ammonia injection rates, and corresponding ammonia emission concentration at emission points P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4 shall be determined in accordance with Part 27 or District approved alternative method. The APCO may require the installation on one exhaust point (P-1, P-2, P-3, or P-4, at the owner/operator's discretion) of a CEM designed to monitor ammonia concentrations if the APCO determines that a commercially available CEM has been proven to be accurate and reliable and that an adequate Quality Assurance/Quality Control protocol for the CEM has been established. The District or another agency must establish a District approved Quality Assurance/Quality Control protocol prior to the ammonia CEM being a requirement of this part. The ammonia CEM shall be used to demonstrate compliance with the ammonia emission limit contained in this Part for the gas turbine being monitored. The gas turbine with the ammonia CEM shall still be subject to the emission testing requirements in Part 27. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)

f) Precursor organic compound (POC) mass emissions (as $CH_4$) at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 2.9 pounds per hour or 0.00132 lb/MMBtu of natural gas fired. (Basis: BACT for POC)

g) Sulfur dioxide ($SO_2$) mass emissions at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 6.21 pounds per hour or 0.0028 lb/MMBtu of natural gas fired. (Basis: BACT for $SO_2$)

h) Particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter equal to or less than 10 microns ($PM_{10}$) mass emissions at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 9.0 pounds per hour. (Basis: BACT for $PM_{10}$)

i) Total particulate matter mass emissions at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 9.0 pounds per hour. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

18. The owner/operator shall ensure that the regulated air pollutant mass emission rates from each of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) during a start-up or shutdown does not exceed the limits established below. Startups shall not exceed 30 minutes. Shutdowns shall not exceed 15 minutes. (Basis: BACT Limit for Non-Normal Operation)

| Pollutant | Maximum Emissions Per Startup | Maximum Emissions During Hour Containing a Startup | Maximum Emissions Per Shutdown |
|---|---|---|---|
| | (lb/startup) | (lb/hour) | (lb/shutdown) |
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 36.4 | 45.1 | 15.1 |
| CO | 216.2 | 541.3 | 111.5 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 11.9 | 28.5 | 5.4 |

19. The owner/operator shall not perform combustor tuning on each Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, or S-4) more than twice every consecutive 12 month period. Each tuning event shall not exceed 8 hours. Combustor tuning shall only be performed on one gas turbine per day. The owner/operator shall notify the District no later than 7 days prior to combustor tuning activity. The emissions during combustor tuning from each gas turbine shall not exceed the limits established below. (Basis: Offsets, Cumulative Increase)

| Pollutant | Combustor Tuning lb/hour |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 80 |
| CO | 450 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 30 |

20. The owner/operator shall not allow total combined emissions from the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4), including emissions generated during gas turbine start-ups, and shutdowns to exceed the following limits during any calendar day (except for days during which combustor tuning events occur, which are subject to Paragraph 21 below):
    (a) 2468 pounds of $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (b) 4,858 pounds of CO per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (c) 476 pounds of POC (as $CH_4$) per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (d) 864 pounds of $PM_{10}$ per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (e) 596 pounds of $SO_2$ per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)

21. The owner/operator shall not allow total combined emissions from the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4), including emissions generated during gas turbine start-ups, shutdowns, and combustor tuning events to exceed the following limits during any calendar day on which a tuning event occurs:
    (a) 2941 pounds of $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (b) 8,378 pounds of CO per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (c) 693 pounds of POC (as $CH_4$) per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (d) 864 pounds of $PM_{10}$ per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (e) 596 pounds of $SO_2$ per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)

22. The owner/operator shall not allow cumulative combined emissions from the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4), including emissions generated during gas turbine start-ups, combustor tuning, shutdowns, and malfunctions to exceed the following limits during any consecutive twelve-month period:
    (a) 78.57 tons of $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) per year (Basis: Offsets)
    (b) 138.57 tons of CO per year (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (c) 14.21 tons of POC (as $CH_4$) per year (Basis: Offsets)
    (d) 31.54 tons of $PM_{10}$ per year (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
    (e) 4.94 tons of $SO_2$ per year (Basis: Cumulative Increase)

23. The owner/operator shall not allow the maximum projected annual toxic air contaminant emissions (per Part 26) from the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4) combined to exceed the following limits:

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|---|---|
| formaldehyde | 7,785 pounds per year |
| benzene | 202 pounds per year |
| Specified polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) | 1.98 pounds per year |

    unless the following requirement is satisfied:

    The owner/operator shall perform a health risk assessment to determine the total facility risk using the emission rates determined by source testing and the most current Bay Area Air Quality Management District approved procedures and unit risk factors in effect at the time of the analysis. The owner/operator shall submit the risk analysis to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of the source test date. The owner/operator may request that the District and the CEC CPM revise the carcinogenic compound emission limits specified above. If the owner/operator demonstrates to the satisfaction of the APCO that these revised emission limits will not result in a significant cancer risk, the District and the CEC CPM may, at their discretion, adjust the carcinogenic compound emission limits listed above. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)

24. The owner/operator shall demonstrate compliance with Parts 12 through 15, 17(a) through 17(e), 18 ($NO_x$, and CO limits), 19 ($NO_x$ and CO limits), 20(a), 20(b), 21(a), 21(b), 22(a) and 22(b) by using properly operated and maintained continuous monitors (during all hours of operation including gas turbine start-up, combustor tuning, and shutdown periods). The owner/operator shall monitor for all of the following parameters:
    (a) Firing Hours and Fuel Flow Rates for each of the following sources: S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4
    (b) Oxygen ($O_2$) concentration, Nitrogen Oxides ($NO_x$) concentration, and carbon monoxide (CO) concentration at exhaust points P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4.
    (c) Ammonia injection rate at A-2, A-4, A-6 and A-8 SCR Systems

    The owner/operator shall record all of the above parameters at least every 15 minutes (excluding normal calibration periods) and shall summarize all of the above parameters for each clock hour. For each calendar day, the owner/operator shall calculate and record the total firing hours, the average hourly fuel flow rates, and pollutant emission concentrations.

The owner/operator shall use the parameters measured above and District-approved calculation methods to calculate the following parameters:

(d) Heat Input Rate for each of the following sources: S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4

(e) Corrected $NO_x$ concentration, $NO_x$ mass emission rate (as $NO_2$), corrected CO concentration, and CO mass emission rate at each of the following exhaust points: P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4.

For each source and exhaust point, the owner/operator shall record the parameters specified in Parts 24(d) and 24(e) at least once every 15 minutes (excluding normal calibration periods). As specified below, the owner/operator shall calculate and record the following data:

(f) total Heat Input Rate for every clock hour and the average hourly Heat Input Rate for every rolling 3-hour period.

(g) on an hourly basis, the cumulative total Heat Input Rate for each calendar day for the following: each Gas Turbine and for S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 combined.

(h) the average $NO_x$ mass emission rate (as $NO_2$), CO mass emission rate, and corrected $NO_x$ and CO emission concentrations for every clock hour.

(i) on an hourly basis, the cumulative total $NO_x$ mass emissions (as $NO_2$) and the cumulative total CO mass emissions, for each calendar day for the following: each Gas Turbine and for S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 combined.

(j) For each calendar day, the average hourly Heat Input Rates, corrected $NO_x$ emission concentration, $NO_x$ mass emission rate (as $NO_2$), corrected CO emission concentration, and CO mass emission rate for each Gas Turbine.

(k) on a monthly basis, the cumulative total $NO_x$ mass emissions (as $NO_2$) and cumulative total CO mass emissions, for the previous consecutive twelve month period for sources S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 combined.

(Basis: 1-520.1, 9-9-501, BACT, Offsets, NSPS, Cumulative Increase)

25. To demonstrate compliance with Parts 17(f), 17(g), 17(h), 17(i), 20(c), 20(d), 20(e), 21(c), 21(d), 21(e), 22(c), 22(d), 22(e), the owner/operator shall calculate and record on a daily basis, the precursor organic compound (POC) mass emissions, fine particulate matter ($PM_{10}$) mass emissions (including condensable particulate matter), and sulfur dioxide ($SO_2$) mass emissions from each power train. The owner/operator shall use the actual heat input rates measured pursuant to Part 24, actual Gas Turbine start-up times, actual Gas Turbine shutdown times, and CEC and District-approved emission factors developed pursuant to source testing under Part 28 to calculate these emissions. The owner/operator shall present the calculated emissions in the following format:

    (a) For each calendar day, POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_2$ emissions, summarized for each power train (Gas Turbine) and S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 combined

    (b) on a monthly basis, the cumulative total POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_2$ mass emissions, for each year (12-month rolling average) for S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 combined.

    (Basis: Offsets, Cumulative Increase)

26. To demonstrate compliance with Part 23, the owner/operator shall calculate and record on an annual basis the maximum projected annual emissions of: Formaldehyde, Benzene, and

Specified PAH's. The owner/operator shall calculate the maximum projected annual emissions using the maximum annual heat input rate of 13,994,976 MMBtu/year for S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 combined and the highest emission factor (pounds of pollutant per MMBtu of heat input) determined by the most recent of any source test of the S-1, S-2, S-3, or S-4 Gas Turbines. If the highest emission factor for a given pollutant occurs during minimum-load turbine operation, a reduced annual heat input rate may be utilized to calculate the maximum projected annual emissions to reflect the reduced heat input rates during gas turbine start-up and minimum-load operation. The reduced annual heat input rate shall be subject to District review and approval. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)

27. Within 90 days of start-up of each of the MLGS SGT6-5000F units, the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on each corresponding exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, or P-4 to determine the corrected ammonia ($NH_3$) emission concentration to determine compliance with Part 17(e). The source test shall determine the correlation between the heat input rates of the gas turbine, A-2, A-4, A-6, or A-8 SCR System ammonia injection rate, and the corresponding $NH_3$ emission concentration at emission point P-1, P-2, P-3, or P-4. The source test shall be conducted over the expected operating range of the turbine (including, but not limited to, minimum and full load modes) to establish the range of ammonia injection rates necessary to achieve $NO_x$ emission reductions while maintaining ammonia slip levels. The owner/operator shall repeat the source testing on an annual basis thereafter. Ongoing compliance with Part 17(e) shall be demonstrated through calculations of corrected ammonia concentrations based upon the source test correlation and continuous records of ammonia injection rate. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of conducting the tests. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)

28. Within 90 days of start-up of each of the MLGS SGT6-5000F units and on an annual basis thereafter, the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on each corresponding exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4 while each Gas Turbine is operating at maximum load to determine compliance with Parts 17(a), 17(b), 17(c), 17(d), 17(f), 17(g), 17(h), 17(i) and while each Gas Turbine is operating at minimum load to determine compliance with Parts 17(c), and 17(d) and to verify the accuracy of the continuous emission monitors required in Part 24. The owner/operator shall test for (as a minimum): water content, stack gas flow rate, oxygen concentration, precursor organic compound concentration and mass emissions, nitrogen oxide concentration and mass emissions (as $NO_2$), carbon monoxide concentration and mass emissions, sulfur dioxide concentration and mass emissions, methane, ethane, and total particulate matter emissions including condensable particulate matter. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of conducting the tests. (Basis: BACT, Offsets)

29. The owner/operator shall obtain approval for all source test procedures from the District's Source Test Section and the CEC CPM prior to conducting any tests. The owner/operator shall comply with all applicable testing requirements for continuous emission monitors as specified in Volume V of the District's Manual of Procedures. The owner/operator shall notify the District's Source Test Section and the CEC CPM in writing of the source test protocols and projected test dates at least 7 days prior to the testing date(s). As indicated above, the Owner/Operator shall measure the contribution of condensable PM (back half) to any measurement of the total

particulate matter or $PM_{10}$ emissions. However, the Owner/Operator may propose alternative measuring techniques to measure condensable PM such as the use of a dilution tunnel or other appropriate method used to capture semi-volatile organic compounds. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of conducting the tests. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

30. Within 90 days of start-up of the first MLGS SGT6-5000F gas turbine and on a biennial basis (once every two years) thereafter, the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on one of the following exhaust points P-1, P-2, P-3 or P-4 while the Gas Turbine is operating at maximum allowable operating rates to demonstrate compliance with Part 23. The owner/operator shall also test the gas turbine while it is operating at minimum load. If three consecutive biennial source tests demonstrate that the annual emission rates calculated pursuant to Part 26 for any of the compounds listed below are less than the BAAQMD trigger levels, pursuant to Regulation 2, Rule 5, shown, then the owner/operator may discontinue future testing for that pollutant:

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| Benzene | ≤ | 3.8 pounds/year and 2.9 pounds/hour |
| Formaldehyde | ≤ | 18 pounds/year and 0.12 pounds/hour |
| Specified PAHs | ≤ | 0.0069 pounds/year |

(Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)

31. The owner/operator shall calculate the sulfuric acid mist (SAM) emission rate using the total heat input for the sources and the highest results of any source testing conducted pursuant to Part 32. If this SAM mass emission limit of Part 33 is exceeded, the owner/operator must utilize air dispersion modeling to determine the impact (in $\mu g/m^3$) of the sulfuric acid mist emissions pursuant to Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 306. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 306)

32. Within 90 days of start-up of each of the first two MLGS SGT6-5000F gas turbines and on an annual basis thereafter, the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on two of the four exhaust points P-1, P-2, P-3 or P-4 while each gas turbine is operating at maximum heat input rates to demonstrate compliance with the SAM emission rates specified in Part 33. The owner/operator shall test for (as a minimum) $SO_2$, $SO_3$, and $H_2SO_4$. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of conducting the tests. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 306, and Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

33. The owner/operator shall not allow sulfuric acid emissions (SAM) from stacks P-1, P-2, P-3, P-4 combined to exceed 7 tons in any consecutive 12 month period. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 306, and Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

34. The owner/operator shall ensure that the stack height of emission points P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4 is each at least 165 feet above grade level at the stack base. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)

35. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall submit all reports (including, but not limited to monthly CEM reports, monitor breakdown reports, emission excess reports, equipment breakdown reports, etc.) as required by District Rules or Regulations and in accordance with all procedures

and time limits specified in the Rule, Regulation, Manual of Procedures, or Enforcement Division Policies & Procedures Manual. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 403)

36. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall maintain all records and reports on site for a minimum of 5 years. These records shall include but are not limited to: continuous monitoring records (firing hours, fuel flows, emission rates, monitor excesses, breakdowns, etc.), source test and analytical records, natural gas sulfur content analysis results, emission calculation records, records of plant upsets and related incidents. The owner/operator shall make all records and reports available to District and the CEC CPM staff upon request. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 403, Regulation 2, Rule 6, Section 501)

37. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall notify the District and the CEC CPM of any violations of these permit conditions. Notification shall be submitted in a timely manner, in accordance with all applicable District Rules, Regulations, and the Manual of Procedures. Notwithstanding the notification and reporting requirements given in any District Rule, Regulation, or the Manual of Procedures, the owner/operator shall submit written notification (facsimile is acceptable) to the Enforcement Division within 96 hours of the violation of any permit condition. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 403)

38. The Owner/Operator of MLGS shall provide adequate stack sampling ports and platforms to enable the performance of source testing. The location and configuration of the stack sampling ports shall comply with the District Manual of Procedures, Volume IV, Source Test Policy and Procedures, and shall be subject to BAAQMD review and approval, except that the facility shall provide four sampling ports that are at least 6 inches in diameter in the same plane of each gas turbine stack (P-1, P-2, P-3, P-4). (Basis: Regulation 1, Section 501)

39. Within 180 days of the issuance of the Authority to Construct for the MLGS, the Owner/Operator shall contact the BAAQMD Technical Services Division regarding requirements for the continuous emission monitors, sampling ports, platforms, and source tests required by Parts 10, 27, 28, 30 and 32. The owner/operator shall conduct all source testing and monitoring in accordance with the District approved procedures. (Basis: Regulation 1, Section 501)

40. The owner/operator shall ensure that the MLGS complies with the continuous emission monitoring requirements of 40 CFR Part 75. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 7)

# 11. Final Determination

The APCO has made a final determination that the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station power plant, which is composed of the permitted sources listed below, complies with all applicable District, state and federal air quality rules and regulations. The following sources will be subject to the permit conditions and BACT and offset requirements discussed previously.

S-1 Combustion Turbine Generator (CTG) #1, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-1 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-2 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-2 Combustion Turbine Generator (CTG) #2, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-3 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-4 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-3 Combustion Turbine Generator (CTG) #3, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-5 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-6 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-4 Combustion Turbine Generator (CTG) #4, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-7 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-8 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-5 Natural Gas-fired Fuel Preheater, 5 MMBtu/hr (HHV) (Exempt from Air District Permit requirements per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114)

S-6 Natural Gas-fired Fuel Preheater, 5 MMBtu/hr (HHV) (Exempt from Air District Permit requirements per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114)

# 12. Glossary of Acronyms

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| AAQS | Ambient Air Quality Standard |
| ARB | Air Resource Board |
| BTU | British Thermal Unit |
| BAAQMD | Bay Area Air Quality Management District |
| BACT | Best Available Control Technology |
| Cal ISO | California Independent System Operator |
| CAISO | California Independent System Operator |
| CARB | California Air Resources Board |
| CEC | California Energy Commission |
| CEM | Continuous Emission Monitor |
| CEQA | California Environmental Quality Act |
| CO | Carbon Monoxide |
| $CO_2$ | Carbon Dioxide |
| CPUC | California Public Utilities Commission |
| CTG | Combustion Turbine Generator |
| EO/APCO | Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer |
| EPA | Environmental Protection Agency |
| ERC | Emission Reduction Credit |
| FDOC | Final Determination of Compliance |
| FSNL | Full Speed No Load |
| GE | General Electric Company |
| GHG | Greenhouse Gases |
| GT | Gas Turbine |
| MW | Megawatt |
| $NH_3$ | Ammonia |
| $N_2$ | Nitrogen |
| NO | Nitric Oxide |
| $NO_2$ | Nitrogen Dioxide |
| $NO_x$ | Nitrogen Oxides |
| NSR | New Source Review |
| $O_2$ | Oxygen |
| LAER | Lowest Achievable Emissions Rate |
| LLC | Limited Liability Company |
| MLGS | Marsh Landing Generating Station |
| MMBtu | Million Btu |
| NAAQS | National Ambient Air Quality Standard |
| PAH | Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon |
| PDOC | Preliminary Determination of Compliance |
| PG&E | Pacific Gas & Electric Company |
| $PM_{10}$ | Particulate Matter less than 10 Microns in Diameter |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | Particulate Matter less than 2.5 Microns in Diameter |
| POC | Precursor Organic Compounds |

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| ppmvd | Parts Per Million by Volume, Dry |
| PSD | Prevention of Significant Deterioration |
| PUC | Public Utilities Commission |
| RACT | Reasonably Available Control Technology |
| RATA | Relative Accuracy Test Audit |
| SCAQMD | South Coast Air Quality Management District |
| SNCR | Selective Non-catalytic Reduction |
| SCR | Selective Catalytic Reduction |
| SJVAPCD | San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District |
| $SO_2$ | Sulfur Dioxide |
| $SO_x$ | Sulfur Oxides |
| TAC | Toxic Air Contaminant |
| TBACT | Toxics Best Available Control Technology |
| U.S. EPA | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| VOC | Volatile Organic Compounds |

# Appendix A

# Emission Calculations

The following physical constants and standard conditions were utilized to derive the criteria-pollutant emission factors used to estimate and verify criteria pollutant and toxic air contaminant emissions submitted in the permit application. The criteria emission calculations were prepared by the applicant's consultant and are based on a combustion model. The District has verified these values using the calculations shown below. For the toxic air contaminants the District revised the calculation submitted by the applicant.

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| standard temperature[a]: | 70$^{o}$F |
| standard pressure[a]: | 14.7 psia |
| molar volume: | 386.8 dscf/lbmol |
| ambient oxygen concentration: | 20.95% |
| dry flue gas factor[b]: | 8743 dscf/MM Btu |
| natural gas higher heating value: | 1020 Btu/dscf |

[a] BAAQMD standard conditions per Regulation 1, Section 228.

[b] F-factor is based upon the assumption of complete stoichiometric combustion of natural gas. In effect, it is assumed that all excess air present before combustion is emitted in the exhaust gas stream. Value shown reflects the typical composition and heat content of utility-grade natural gas in San Francisco bay area.

Table A-1 summarizes the regulated air pollutant emission factors that were used to calculate mass emission rates for each source. All units are pounds per million Btu of natural gas fired based upon the high heating value (HHV). All emission factors are after abatement by applicable control equipment.

**TABLE A-1**
**CONTROLLED REGULATED AIR POLLUTANT EMISSION FACTORS FOR GAS TURBINES AND HRSGS**

| Pollutant | Source | |
|---|---|---|
| | Simple-Cycle Gas Turbine | |
| | lb/MM Btu | lb/hr |
| Nitrogen Oxides (as $NO_2$) | 0.009460 | 20.83 |
| Carbon Monoxide | 0.004541 | 10.0 |
| Precursor Organic Compounds | 0.001317 | 2.9 |
| Particulate Matter ($PM_{10}$) | 0.00363 | 9.0 |
| Sulfur Dioxide | 0.00282 | 6.21 |
| Sulfur Dioxide (Annual Average)[c] | 0.000705 | 1.41 |

[a] based upon stack concentration of 2.5 ppmvd $NO_x$ @ 15% $O_2$ that reflects the use of dry low-$NO_x$ combustors at the CTG and abatement by the Selective Catalytic Reduction Systems with ammonia injection.
[b] based upon the permit condition emission limit of 2 ppmvd CO @ 15% $O_2$ that reflects abatement by oxidation catalysts.
[c] based upon firing rate of 1997 MMBtu/hour (100% Load, 59ºF)

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**NITROGEN OXIDE EMISSION FACTORS**

The combined $NO_x$ emissions from the simple-cycle gas turbines will be 2.5 ppmv, dry @ 15% $O_2$. This concentration is converted to a mass emission factor as follows:

(2.5 ppmvd)(20.95 - 0)/(20.95 - 15) = 8.80 ppmv $NO_x$, dry @ 0% $O_2$

$(8.80/10^6)$(1 lbmol/386.8 dscf)(46 lb $NO_2$/lbmol)(8743 dscf/MM Btu)

= **0.00915 lb $NO_2$/MM Btu**

**Calculations shown below are based on emission factors submitted by the applicant.**

The $NO_x$(as $NO_2$) mass emission rate based upon the maximum firing rate of the simple-cycle gas turbine is calculated as follows:

(0.00946 lb/MM Btu)(2202 MM Btu/hr) = **20.83 lb $NO_x$(as $NO_2$)/hr**

## CARBON MONOXIDE EMISSION FACTORS

The CO emissions from the simple-cycle gas turbines will be conditioned to a maximum controlled CO emission limit of 2 ppmv, dry @ 15% $O_2$ during all operating modes except gas turbine start-up, shutdown and combustor tuning. The emission factor corresponding to this emission concentration is calculated as follows:

(2 ppmv)(20.95 - 0)/(20.95 - 15) = 7.04 ppmv, dry @ 0% $O_2$

$(7.04/10^6)$(lbmol/386.8 dscf)(28 lb CO/lbmol)(8743 dscf/MM Btu)

= **0.00446 lb CO/MM Btu**

**Calculations shown below are based on emission factors submitted by the applicant.**

The CO maximum mass emission rate based upon the maximum firing rate of the simple-cycle gas turbine is calculated as follows:

(0.00454 lb/MM Btu)(2202 MM Btu/hr) = **10.0 lb CO/hr**

## PRECURSOR ORGANIC COMPOUND (POC) EMISSION FACTORS

The POC emissions from the simple-cycle gas turbines will be conditioned to a maximum controlled emission limit of 1 ppmv, dry @ 15% $O_2$ during all operating modes except gas turbine start-up and shutdown. The POC emission factor corresponding to this emission concentration is calculated as follows:

(1 ppmv)(20.95 - 0)/(20.95 - 15) = 3.52 ppmv, dry @ 0% $O_2$

$(3.52/10^6)$(lbmol/386.8 dscf)(16 lb $CH_4$/lbmol)(8743 dscf/MM Btu)
= **0.00127 lb POC/MM Btu**

**Calculations shown below are based on emission factors submitted by the applicant.**

The POC mass emission rate based upon the maximum firing rate of the simple-cycle gas turbine is calculated as follows:

(0.00132 lb/MM Btu)(2202 MM Btu/hr) = **2.9 lb POC/hr**

## PARTICULATE MATTER ($PM_{10}$) EMISSION FACTORS

The District has determined a $PM_{10}$ emission rate of 9.0 lb/hour corresponds to BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines. This emission rate corresponds to 0.0041 lb per MMBtu.

**SULFUR DIOXIDE EMISSION FACTORS**

The $SO_2$ emission factor is based upon annual average natural gas sulfur content of 0.25 grains per 100 scf and a higher heating value of 1020 Btu/scf.

The sulfur emission factor is calculated as follows:
$SO_2$ lb/hr

Natural Gas 1 grains of S/100 scf for Maximum Hourly

$SO_2$ = (1 gr/100 scf)(lb/7000 gr)(1/1020 BTU/scf)(1 x 10E6 Btu/MMBtu)(64 lb $SO_2$/32 lb S) = 0.002801 lb/MMBtu

Natural Gas 0.25 grains of S/100 scf for Annual Average

$SO_2$ = (0.25 gr/100 scf)(lb/7000 gr)(1/1020 BTU/scf)(1 x 10E6 Btu/MMBtu)(64 lb $SO_2$/32 lb S) = 0.0007 lb/MMBtu

**Calculations shown below are based on emission factors submitted by the applicant.**

<u>Max Hourly $SO_2$</u>

The corresponding $SO_2$ emission rate for the simple-cycle gas turbine firing:

(0.00282 lb $SO_2$/MM Btu)(2202 MM Btu/hr) = 6.21 lb/hr

<u>Annual Average $SO_2$</u>

The corresponding $SO_2$ emission rate for the simple-cycle gas turbine firing:

(0.000705 lb $SO_2$/MM Btu)(1997 MM Btu/hr) = 1.41 lb/hr

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Simple Cycle Gas Turbines

Siemens Provided the Following Information to estimate emissions from the four Simple Cycle Gas Turbines

| | Average | Total lbs per event | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mode | Time (min) | NOx | CO | POC |
| Startup | 11 | 14 | 213 | 11 |

NOx Startup Emissions provided in Siemens Emissions Data dated 3/22/10
CO and POC Startup Estimates provided in Siemens Emisions Data dated 5/8/2008

**Startup Emissions from Worst Case 30 minute Startup**

For CO and POC Emissions One Typical Startup 11 minutes, Balance of 30 min period at Full Load (19 minutes)
For NOx Emissions One Typical Startup 11 minutes, Minutes 12 through 27 Unabated Emission Rate, Minute 28, 29, and 30 with SCR
NOx Emission Rate declines linerarly from 75 lb/hour to 20.83 lb/hour during minutes 28, 29, and 30. See Minute by Minute Spreadsheet

| Pollutant | Maximum (lb/event) | Average Startup (lb/event) | Unabated (lb/hour) | Abated Winter Extreme lb/hour |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| NOx | 36.4 | 14 | 75 | 20.83 |
| CO | 216.2 | 213 | | 10.01 |
| POC | 11.9 | 11 | | 2.90 |
| PM10/PM2.5 | 4.5 | | | 9.00 |
| SO2 | 3.11 | | | 6.21 |

**Startup Emissions for Worst Case Hour Period**

2 Typical Startups (11 min each), Shutdown (6 min), Balance Full Load (32 minutes)

| Pollutant | Maximum lb/hr | Start lb/event | Shutdown lb/event | Winter Extreme lb/hour |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| NOx | 45.1 | 12 | 10 | 20.83 |
| CO | 541.3 | 213 | 110 | 10.01 |
| POC | 28.5 | 11 | 5 | 2.90 |
| PM10/PM2.5 | 9.0 | | | 9.00 |
| SO2 | 6.21 | | | 6.21 |

NOx 45.1 lb/hour was estimated using previous Siemens Emissions estimate of 12 lb per 11 minute startup dated 3/27/08
and 10 lb per 6 minute shutdown dated 3/27/08.
Applicant has agreed to not exceed this hourly maximum value during any hour with a startup.

| Pollutant | Maximum lb/hr | Start lb/event | Shutdown lb/event | Winter Extreme lb/hour |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| NOx | 46.8 | 36.4 | 0 | 20.83 |

NOx lb/hour emission rate = 46.8 for an hour with a 36.4 lb/event startup lasting 30 minutes and the balance
of the hour at 20.83 lb/hour. This could potentially occur during cold ambient conditions (20 deg. F).
Actual emissions may be significantly lower than maximum permitted emissions.
Applicant will use Continuous Emission Monitoring for NOx to maintain complaince with the 45.1 pound per hour limit

**NOx** **20.83 lb/hour** **cold temperature mass emission rate for 2.5 ppm NOx**
**75 lb/hour** **cold temperature mass emission rate for 9 ppm NOx (assumed by scaling based on ppm)**

**14 pounds is cumulative NOx emissions during first 11 minutes of startup (to reach 9 ppm)**
**12 pounds is cumulative NOx emissions during a 6 minute shutdown**

**Assume linear decrease in mass emissions of NOx during minutes 28-30 to reach 2.5 ppm**

| | | | | Em Rate @ start of minute (lb/hr) | Em Rate @ end of minute (lb/hr) | Avg rate during minute (lb/hr) | pounds during minute | Event total lb to end of minute | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **First startup** | **11 min** | Min 1-11 | 14 pounds | starting up | | | | 14 | pounds |
| | | Min 12 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 15.25 | |
| | | Min 13 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 16.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 14 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 17.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 15 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 19.00 | pounds |
| | **NO SCR** | Min 16 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 20.25 | pounds |
| | | Min 17 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 21.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 18 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 22.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 19 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 24.00 | pounds |
| | | Min 20 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 25.25 | pounds |
| | | Min 21 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 26.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 22 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 27.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 23 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 29.00 | pounds |
| | | Min 24 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 30.25 | pounds |
| | | Min 25 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 31.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 26 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 32.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 27 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 34.00 | pounds |
| | **SCR** | Min 28 | | 75.00 | 56.94 | 65.97 | 1.10 | 35.10 | pounds |
| | **kicks in** | Min 29 | | 56.94 | 38.89 | 47.92 | 0.80 | 35.90 | pounds |
| | | **Min 30** | | **38.89** | **20.83** | **29.86** | **0.50** | **36.40** | **pounds** |

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Simple Cycle Gas Turbines

Simens Provided the Following Information to estimate emissions from the four Simple Cycle Gas Turbines

| | Average | Total lbs per event | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mode | Time (min) | NOx | CO | POC |
| Shutdown | 6 | 12 | 110 | 5 |

NOx Shutdown Estimates provided in Siemens Emissions Data dated 3/22/10
CO and POC Shutdown Estimates provided in Siemens Emisions Data dated 5/8/2008

Shutdown Emissions from Worst Case 15 minute Shutdown

Shutdown Limit 15 minutes (6 minute Typical Shutdown, 9 minutes Full Load Operation)

| Pollutant | Maximum lb/event | Shutdown lb/event | Winter Extreme lb/hour |
|---|---|---|---|
| NOx | 15.1 | 12 | 20.83 |
| CO | 111.5 | 110 | 10.01 |
| POC | 5.4 | 5 | 2.90 |
| PM10/PM2.5 | 2.25 | | |
| SO2 | 1.55 | | |

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Maximum Hourly Emission Rates (Normal Operation) for Simple Cycle Gas Turbines

| | Winter Extreme: 20 deg. F | | | Average: 59 deg. F | | | Summer Design: 94 deg. F | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 100% Load | 75% Load | 60% Load | 100% Load | 75% Load | 60% Load | 100% Load | 75% Load | 60% Load |
| Evaporative Cooling | Off | Off | Off | Off | Off | Off | On | Off | Off |
| NOx (lb/hr) | 20.83 | 16.39 | 13.89 | 18.89 | 15.00 | 12.78 | 16.94 | 13.89 | 11.67 |
| CO (lb/hr) | 10.00 | 8.00 | 6.80 | 9.00 | 7.50 | 6.20 | 8.50 | 6.50 | 5.80 |
| VOC (lb/hr) | 2.90 | 2.30 | 1.93 | 2.60 | 2.10 | 1.80 | 2.40 | 1.90 | 1.63 |
| PM10/PM2.5 (lb/hr) | 8.00 | 8.00 | 8.00 | 8.00 | 8.00 | 8.00 | 8.00 | 8.00 | 8.00 |
| SO2 (lb/hr) Maximum | 6.21 | 4.90 | 4.17 | 5.63 | 4.51 | 3.84 | 5.08 | 4.11 | 3.52 |
| SO2 (lb/hr) Average | 1.55 | 1.23 | 1.04 | 1.41 | 1.13 | 0.96 | 1.27 | 1.03 | 0.88 |

Notes:
lb per hour emission rates estimated by Siemens using combustion modeling program.
BAAQMD adjusted PM emissions to a maximum of 9 lb/hour, stack gas emission rate
Maximum SO2 based on 1 grain sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas.
Annual Average based on 0.25 grain sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas.

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Simple Cycle Turbine Emissions

| Condition | Hours | NOx (lb/hr) | NOx lb/year | CO (lb/hr) | CO lb/year | POC (lb/hr) | POC lb/year | PM10/PM2.5 (lb/hr) | PM10/PM2.5 lb/year | SO2 (lb/hr) | SO2 lb/year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Yearly Average: 60 deg. F | 1705 | ~~18.89~~ | ~~32207.45~~ | 9.00 | 15345.00 | 2.6 | 4433.00 | 9 | 15345.00 | 1.41 | 2404.05 |
| | event | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | |
| Startup | 167 | ~~12~~ | ~~2004.00~~ | 213 | 35571.00 | 11 | 1837.00 | | 275.6 | | 43.2 |
| Shutdown | 167 | ~~10~~ | ~~1670.00~~ | 110 | 18370.00 | 5 | 835.00 | | 150.3 | | 23.5 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | | | ~~35881.45~~ | | 69286.00 | | 7105.00 | | 15770.90 | | 2470.75 |
| Total One Turbine (tons/year) | | | ~~17.941~~ | | 34.643 | | 3.553 | | 7.885 | | 1.235 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total All Simple Cycle Units (tons) | | | ~~71.763~~ | | 138.572 | | 14.210 | | 31.542 | | 4.942 |

PM from Startups = 167 events x 11 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour =275.6 lb
PM from Shutdowns = 167 events x 6 min/shutdown x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 150.3 lb

SO2 from Startups = 167 events x 11 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 1.41 lb/hour = 43.2 lb
SO2 from Shutdowns = 167 events x 6 min/shutdown x 1 hour/60 min x 1.41 lb/hour = 23.5 lb

| Condition | Hours | NOx (lb/hr) | NOx lb/year |
|---|---|---|---|
| Yearly Average: 60 deg. F | 1651.8 | 18.89 | 31202.50 |
| | event | (lb/event) | |
| Startup | 167 | 36.4 | 6078.80 |
| Shutdown | 167 | 12 | 2004.00 |
| | | | |
| Total | | | 39285.30 |
| Total One Turbine (tons/year) | | | 19.643 |
| | | | |
| Total All Simple Cycle Units (tons) | | | 78.571 |

Previous NOx estimate at 71.763 tons per year has been revised to 78.571 tons per year. New estimate assumes 30 minute startup for NOx only at 36.4 lb NOx per event.
New estimate assumes 6 minute shutdown for all pollutants with NOx at 12 lb per event.

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Simple Cycle Gas Turbine Maximum Daily Emissions for Normal Operations

| **Condition** | **Hours** | **NOx Emissions (lb/hr)** | **NOx Emissions lb/day** | **CO Emissions (lb/hr)** | **CO Emissions lb/day** | **POC Emissions (lb/hr)** | **POC Emissions lb/day** | **PM10/PM2.5 Emissions (lb/hr)** | **PM10/PM2.5 Emissions lb/day** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Winter Extreme 20 deg. F | 23.15 | ~~20.83~~ | ~~482.21~~ | 10 | 231.50 | 2.9 | 67.14 | 9 | 208.35 |
| | event | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | |
| Startup | 3 | ~~18.6~~ | ~~55.80~~ | 216.2 | 648.60 | 11.9 | 35.70 | | 4.95 |
| Shutdown | 3 | ~~13.1~~ | ~~39.30~~ | 111.5 | 334.50 | 5.4 | 16.20 | | 2.70 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | | | ~~577.31~~ | | 1214.60 | | 119.04 | | 216.00 |
| Total Four Simple Cycle Units | | | ~~2309.26~~ | | 4858.40 | | 476.14 | | 864.00 |

PM from Startups = 3 events x 11 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 4.95 lb
PM from Shutdowns = 3 events x 6 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 2.7 lb

SO2 lb/day = 6.21 lb/hour x 24 hour/day = 149.04 One Unit, 596.16 Four Units

| **Condition** | **Hours** | **NOx Emissions (lb/hr)** | **NOx Emissions lb/day** |
|---|---|---|---|
| Winter Extreme 20 deg. F | 22.2 | 20.83 | 462.43 |
| | event | (lb/event) | |
| Startup | 3 | 36.4 | 109.20 |
| Shutdown | 3 | 15.1 | 45.30 |
| | | | |
| Total | | | 616.93 |
| Total Four Simple Cycle Units | | | 2467.70 |

Previous NOx estimate at 2309.26 lb/day has been revised to 2467.70 lb/day. New estimate assumes 30 minute startup for NOx only at 36.4 lb NOx per event. New estimate assumes 6 minute shutdown for all pollutants with NOx at 15.1 lb per event.

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Simple Cycle Turbine Maximum Daily Emissions with Combustor Tuning

| Condition | Hours | NOx Emissions (lb/hr) | NOx Emissions lb/day | CO Emissions (lb/hr) | CO Emissions lb/day | POC Emissions (lb/hr) | POC Emissions lb/day | PM10/PM2.5 Emissions (lb/hr) | PM10/PM2.5 Emissions lb/day |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Winter Extreme 20 deg. F | 15.15 | ~~20.83~~ | ~~315.57~~ | 10 | 151.50 | 2.9 | 43.94 | 9 | 136.35 |
| | event | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | | (lb/event) | |
| Startup | 3 | ~~18.6~~ | ~~55.80~~ | 216.2 | 648.60 | 11.9 | 35.70 | | 4.95 |
| Shutdown | 3 | ~~13.1~~ | ~~39.30~~ | 111.5 | 334.50 | 5.4 | 16.20 | | 2.70 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Tuning | 8 | ~~80~~ | ~~640.00~~ | 450 | 3600.00 | 30 | 240.00 | 9 | 72.00 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Total One Simple Cycle Unit Tuning | | | ~~1050.67~~ | | 4734.60 | | 335.84 | | 216.00 |
| Total One Simple Cycle Unit No Tuning | | | ~~577.31~~ | | 1214.60 | | 119.04 | | 216.00 |
| Total Four Simple Cycle Units (One Tuning) | | | ~~2782.62~~ | | 8378.40 | | 692.94 | | 864.00 |

PM from Startups = 3 events x 11 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 4.95 lb
PM from Shutdowns = 3 events x 6 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 2.7 lb

SO2 lb/day = 6.21 lb/hour x 24 hour/day = 149.04 One Unit, 596.16 Four Units

| Condition | Hours | NOx Emissions (lb/hr) | NOx Emissions lb/day |
|---|---|---|---|
| Winter Extreme 20 deg. F | 14.2 | 20.83 | 295.79 |
| | event | (lb/event) | |
| Startup | 3 | 36.4 | 109.20 |
| Shutdown | 3 | 15.1 | 45.30 |
| | | | |
| Tuning | 8 | 80 | 640.00 |
| | | | |
| Total One Simple Cycle Unit Tuning | | | 1090.29 |
| Total One Simple Cycle Unit No Tuning | | | 616.93 |
| Total Four Simple Cycle Units (One Tuning) | | | 2941.06 |

Previous NOx estimate at 2783 lb/day has been revised to 2941.06 lb/day. New estimate assumes 30 minute startup for NOx only at 36.4 lb NOx per event.
New estimate assumes 6 minute shutdown for all pollutants with NOx at 15.1 lb per event.

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Grain Loading Calculation for 5000F Simple Cycle Gas Turbines

PM-10/PM2.5 Maximum Emission Rate 9.0 lb/hr
Firing Rate 2202 MMBtu/hr
F-factor 8743 dscf/MMBtu
lb = 7000 grains
Corrected O2 Concentration 15% for gas turbine
Ambient Air O2 Concentration 20.9%

At 15%O2

grains/dscf = (9.0 lb/hr x 7000 grains/lb)/(2202 MMBtu/hr x (8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15))

grains/dscf = 0.00092

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Simple Cycle Unit Heater

| | ppm | lb/MMBtu | Firing Rate MMBtu/hr | lb/hour | lb/day | hours/year | lb/year | ton/year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| NOx | 15 | 0.018 | 5 | 0.091 | 2.18 | 1752 | 159.46 | 0.080 |
| CO | 46 | 0.034 | 5 | 0.170 | 4.08 | 1752 | 297.66 | 0.149 |
| POC | 6.4 | 0.0027 | 5 | 0.014 | 0.32 | 1752 | 23.66 | 0.012 |
| PM10/PM2.5 | | 0.0029 | 5 | 0.015 | 0.35 | 1752 | 25.40 | 0.013 |
| SO2 | | 0.0007 | 5 | 0.004 | 0.08 | 1752 | 6.13 | 0.003 |

Natural Gas 1020 Btu/scf

POC, PM10, and SO2 Emission Factors from Applicants Dew Point Heater Vendor

Both Heaters

| | lb/day | lb/year | ton/year |
|---|---|---|---|
| NOx | 4.37 | 318.92 | 0.159 |
| CO | 8.15 | 595.31 | 0.298 |
| POC | 0.65 | 47.33 | 0.024 |
| PM10/PM2.5 | 0.70 | 50.81 | 0.025 |
| SO2 | 0.17 | 12.26 | 0.006 |

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Commissioning Emissions

| Activity | Duration (hours) | GT Load (%) | Modeling Load (%) | Total Emission | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | $NO_X$ (lb) | CO (lb) | VOC (lb) | PM10/PM2.5 (lb) |
| CTG Testing (Full Speed No Load, | 8 | 0 | 0 | 339 | 19,240 | 1,181 | 71 |
| CTG 1 Testing at 40% load | 8 | 0 - 40 | 40 | 1,507 | 11,662 | 636 | 91 |
| CTG 1 Load Test | 68 | 50 - 100 | 50-101 | 6,615 | 25,673 | 1,620 | 624 |
| Install Emissions Test Equipment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Emissions Tuning/Drift Testing | 24 | 50 - 100 | 100 | 1,988 | 5,344 | 286 | 234 |
| RATA/Pre-performance | 60 | 100 | 100 | 4,970 | 13,360 | 715 | 585 |
| Remove emissions test | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Performance Testing | 40 | 100 | 100 | 3,035 | 5,628 | 328 | 365 |
| CAISO Certification | 12 | 50 - 100 | 100 | 994 | 2,672 | 143 | 117 |
| CAISO Certification if required | 12 | 100 | 100 | 994 | 2,672 | 143 | 117 |
| Total | 232 | | | 20442 | 86251 | 5052 | 2204 |
| Total Hours with Contingency (Total Hours x 1.1) | 255 | | | | | | |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total (tons) | 10.22 | 43.13 | 2.53 | 1.10 |

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| Toxic Air Contaminant | Project lb/hour | Project lb/year | Acute Risk Screening Trigger Level (lb/hr) | Chronic Risk Screening Trigger Level (lb/yr) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 1.10E-03 | 1.92E+00 | None | 6.30E-01 |
| Acetaldehyde | 1.11E+01 | 2.30E+03 | None | 3.80E+00 |
| Acrolein | 5.95E-01 | 2.94E+02 | 5.50E-03 | 1.40E+01 |
| Ammonia | 1.23E+02 | 2.16E+05 | 7.10E+00 | 7.70E+03 |
| Benzene | 2.21E-01 | 2.02E+02 | 2.90E+00 | 3.80E+00 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 1.95E-04 | 3.42E-01 | None | None |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1.20E-04 | 2.10E-01 | None | 6.90E-03 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 9.76E-05 | 1.71E-01 | None | None |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 9.50E-05 | 1.66E-01 | None | None |
| Chrysene | 2.18E-04 | 3.81E-01 | None | None |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 2.03E-04 | 3.56E-01 | None | None |
| Ethylbenzene | 2.82E-01 | 2.71E+02 | None | 4.30E+01 |
| Formaldehyde | 4.00E+01 | 7.78E+03 | 1.20E-01 | 1.80E+01 |
| Hexane | 2.24E+00 | 3.92E+03 | None | 2.70E+05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 2.03E-04 | 3.56E-01 | None | None |
| Naphthalene | 1.43E-02 | 2.51E+01 | None | None |
| Propylene | 6.66E+00 | 1.17E+04 | None | 1.20E+05 |
| Propylene Oxide | 4.13E-01 | 7.23E+02 | 6.80E+00 | 2.90E+01 |
| Toluene | 8.48E-01 | 1.07E+03 | 8.20E+01 | 1.20E+04 |
| Xylene (Total) | 2.25E-01 | 3.95E+02 | 4.90E+01 | 2.70E+04 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | 2.08E+01 | 9.10E+03 | 2.60E-01 | 3.90E+01 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 3.94E-04 | 6.91E-01 | None | 6.90E-03 |
| Specified PAHs | 1.13E-03 | 1.98E+00 | | |

Notes:
Emissions from the exempt natural gas fired preheaters are included.
PAH impacts are evaluated as Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents.

| | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

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Maximum Hourly Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions

| Toxic Air Contaminant | EF lb/MMBtu | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/hour | Commissioning Per Turbine lb/hour | Noncommissioning Per Turbine lb/hour | Maximum Per Turbine lb/hour | Maximum All Turbines lb/hour |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 1.25E-07 | 2202 | 2.74E-04 | 2.74E-04 | 2.74E-04 | 1.10E-03 |
| Acetaldehyde | 1.25E-03 | | 2.76E+00 | 8.71E-01 | 2.76E+00 | 1.11E+01 |
| Acrolein | 6.75E-05 | | 1.49E-01 | 6.01E-02 | 1.49E-01 | 5.95E-01 |
| Ammonia | 1.40E-02 | | 3.08E+01 | 3.08E+01 | 3.08E+01 | 1.23E+02 |
| Benzene | 2.51E-05 | | 5.53E-02 | 2.96E-02 | 5.53E-02 | 2.21E-01 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 2.22E-08 | | 4.88E-05 | 4.88E-05 | 4.88E-05 | 1.95E-04 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1.36E-08 | | 3.00E-05 | 3.00E-05 | 3.00E-05 | 1.20E-04 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 1.11E-08 | | 2.44E-05 | 2.44E-05 | 2.44E-05 | 9.76E-05 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 1.08E-08 | | 2.37E-05 | 2.37E-05 | 2.37E-05 | 9.50E-05 |
| Chrysene | 2.47E-08 | | 5.44E-05 | 5.44E-05 | 5.44E-05 | 2.18E-04 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 2.30E-08 | | 5.07E-05 | 5.07E-05 | 5.07E-05 | 2.03E-04 |
| Ethylbenzene | 3.20E-05 | | 7.04E-02 | 3.89E-02 | 7.04E-02 | 2.82E-01 |
| Formaldehyde | 4.54E-03 | | 1.00E+01 | 3.11E+00 | 1.00E+01 | 4.00E+01 |
| Hexane | 2.54E-04 | | 5.59E-01 | 5.59E-01 | 5.59E-01 | 2.24E+00 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 2.30E-08 | | 5.07E-05 | 5.07E-05 | 5.07E-05 | 2.03E-04 |
| Naphthalene | 1.63E-06 | | 3.58E-03 | 3.58E-03 | 3.58E-03 | 1.43E-02 |
| Propylene | 7.56E-04 | | 1.66E+00 | 1.66E+00 | 1.66E+00 | 6.66E+00 |
| Propylene Oxide | 4.69E-05 | | 1.03E-01 | 1.03E-01 | 1.03E-01 | 4.13E-01 |
| Toluene | 9.63E-05 | | 2.12E-01 | 1.53E-01 | 2.12E-01 | 8.48E-01 |
| Xylene (Total) | 2.56E-05 | | 5.63E-02 | 5.63E-02 | 5.63E-02 | 2.25E-01 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | | | 5.19E+00 | 5.19E+00 | 5.19E+00 | 2.08E+01 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 4.36E-08 | | 9.86E-05 | 9.86E-05 | 9.86E-05 | 3.94E-04 |
| Specified PAHs | | | 2.83E-04 | 2.83E-04 | 2.83E-04 | 1.13E-03 |

Commissioning Hours Limited by Permit Condition to 232 hours/year

| | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)

ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014

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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions for Commissioning Period

| Toxic Air Contaminant | EF lb/MMBtu | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/hour | Commissioning Per Turbine lb/hour | Commissioning Per Turbine lb/year |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 1.25E-07 | 2202 | 2.74E-04 | 6.36E-02 |
| Acetaldehyde | 1.25E-03 | | 2.76E+00 | 6.41E+02 |
| Acrolein | 6.75E-05 | | 1.49E-01 | 3.45E+01 |
| Ammonia | 1.40E-02 | | 3.08E+01 | 7.15E+03 |
| Benzene | 2.51E-05 | | 5.53E-02 | 1.28E+01 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 2.22E-08 | | 4.88E-05 | 1.13E-02 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1.36E-08 | | 3.00E-05 | 6.96E-03 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 1.11E-08 | | 2.44E-05 | 5.66E-03 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 1.08E-08 | | 2.37E-05 | 5.51E-03 |
| Chrysene | 2.47E-08 | | 5.44E-05 | 1.26E-02 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 2.30E-08 | | 5.07E-05 | 1.18E-02 |
| Ethylbenzene | 3.20E-05 | | 7.04E-02 | 1.63E+01 |
| Formaldehyde | 4.54E-03 | | 1.00E+01 | 2.32E+03 |
| Hexane | 2.54E-04 | | 5.59E-01 | 1.30E+02 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 2.30E-08 | | 5.07E-05 | 1.18E-02 |
| Naphthalene | 1.63E-06 | | 3.58E-03 | 8.31E-01 |
| Propylene | 7.56E-04 | | 1.66E+00 | 3.86E+02 |
| Propylene Oxide | 4.69E-05 | | 1.03E-01 | 2.39E+01 |
| Toluene | 9.63E-05 | | 2.12E-01 | 4.92E+01 |
| Xylene (Total) | 2.56E-05 | | 5.63E-02 | 1.31E+01 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | | | 5.19E+00 | 1.20E+03 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 4.36E-08 | | 9.86E-05 | 2.29E-02 |
| Specified PAHs | | | 2.83E-04 | 6.56E-02 |

Commissioning Hours Limited by Permit Condition to 232 hours/year

| | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)

ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014

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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions Maximum Hourly from Startup and Shutdown Events

| | Startup 11 min | Shutdown 6 min | Normal | SU balance Normal | SD balance Normal | 1 SU, 1 SD balance Normal | 2 SU, 1 SD balance Normal | Maximum All Cases |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Toxic Air Contaminant** | **Per Turbine lb/event** | **Per Turbine lb/event** | **Per Turbine lb/hour** | **Max. Hourly Per Turbine lb/hour** | **Max. Hourly Per Turbine lb/hour** | **Max. Hourly Per Turbine lb/hour** | **Max. Hourly Per Turbine lb/hour** | **Worst Case Max. Hourly Per Turbine lb/hour** |
| 1,3-Butadiene | 2.85E-05 | 1.37E-05 | 2.74E-04 | 2.52E-04 | 2.60E-04 | 2.39E-04 | 2.17E-04 | 2.74E-04 |
| Acetaldehyde | 2.87E-01 | 1.38E-01 | 2.96E-01 | 5.29E-01 | 4.04E-01 | 6.37E-01 | 8.71E-01 | 8.71E-01 |
| Acrolein | 1.55E-02 | 7.44E-03 | 4.08E-02 | 4.88E-02 | 4.42E-02 | 5.21E-02 | 6.01E-02 | 6.01E-02 |
| Ammonia | 3.21E+00 | 1.54E+00 | 3.08E+01 | 2.84E+01 | 2.93E+01 | 2.68E+01 | 2.44E+01 | 3.08E+01 |
| Benzene | 5.75E-03 | 2.76E-03 | 2.87E-02 | 2.92E-02 | 2.86E-02 | 2.91E-02 | 2.96E-02 | 2.96E-02 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 5.07E-06 | 2.44E-06 | 4.88E-05 | 4.49E-05 | 4.63E-05 | 4.25E-05 | 3.86E-05 | 4.88E-05 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 3.12E-06 | 1.50E-06 | 3.00E-05 | 2.76E-05 | 2.85E-05 | 2.61E-05 | 2.37E-05 | 3.00E-05 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 2.54E-06 | 1.22E-06 | 2.44E-05 | 2.25E-05 | 2.32E-05 | 2.12E-05 | 1.93E-05 | 2.44E-05 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 2.47E-06 | 1.19E-06 | 2.37E-05 | 2.19E-05 | 2.26E-05 | 2.07E-05 | 1.88E-05 | 2.37E-05 |
| Chrysene | 5.66E-06 | 2.72E-06 | 5.44E-05 | 5.01E-05 | 5.17E-05 | 4.74E-05 | 4.30E-05 | 5.44E-05 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 5.28E-06 | 2.54E-06 | 5.07E-05 | 4.67E-05 | 4.82E-05 | 4.42E-05 | 4.01E-05 | 5.07E-05 |
| Ethylbenzene | 7.32E-03 | 3.52E-03 | 3.86E-02 | 3.89E-02 | 3.83E-02 | 3.85E-02 | 3.88E-02 | 3.89E-02 |
| Formaldehyde | 1.04E+00 | 5.00E-01 | 9.91E-01 | 1.85E+00 | 1.39E+00 | 2.25E+00 | 3.11E+00 | 3.11E+00 |
| Hexane | 5.81E-02 | 2.80E-02 | 5.59E-01 | 5.15E-01 | 5.31E-01 | 4.87E-01 | 4.42E-01 | 5.59E-01 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 5.28E-06 | 2.54E-06 | 5.07E-05 | 4.67E-05 | 4.82E-05 | 4.42E-05 | 4.01E-05 | 5.07E-05 |
| Naphthalene | 3.73E-04 | 1.79E-04 | 3.58E-03 | 3.30E-03 | 3.40E-03 | 3.12E-03 | 2.84E-03 | 3.58E-03 |
| Propylene | 1.73E-01 | 8.32E-02 | 1.66E+00 | 1.53E+00 | 1.58E+00 | 1.45E+00 | 1.32E+00 | 1.66E+00 |
| Propylene Oxide | 1.07E-02 | 5.16E-03 | 1.03E-01 | 9.50E-02 | 9.80E-02 | 8.98E-02 | 8.17E-02 | 1.03E-01 |
| Toluene | 2.20E-02 | 1.06E-02 | 1.53E-01 | 1.47E-01 | 1.49E-01 | 1.42E-01 | 1.36E-01 | 1.53E-01 |
| Xylene (Total) | 5.86E-03 | 2.82E-03 | 5.63E-02 | 5.19E-02 | 5.35E-02 | 4.91E-02 | 4.46E-02 | 5.63E-02 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | | | 5.19E+00 | | | | | 5.19E+00 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 1.03E-05 | 4.93E-06 | 9.86E-05 | 9.08E-05 | 9.37E-05 | 8.58E-05 | 7.80E-05 | 9.86E-05 |
| Specified PAHs | 2.94E-05 | 1.41E-05 | 2.83E-04 | 2.60E-04 | 2.69E-04 | 2.46E-04 | 2.24E-04 | 2.83E-04 |

| | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)

ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014

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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions Maximum Annual Emissions

| | 1704.7 hour/year | 30.6 hours/year | 16.7 hours/year | Summation Normal, SU, SD | Normal Operation 1752 hours/year | Maximum Value | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Toxic Air Contaminant** | **Normal Oper. Per Turbine lb/year** | **Startup Per Turbine lb/year** | **Shutdown Per Turbine lb/year** | **Total Per Turbine lb/year** | **Total Per Turbine lb/year** | **Total Per Turbine lb/year** | **Total All Turbines lb/year** |
| 1,3-Butadiene | 4.67E-01 | 4.76E-03 | 2.29E-03 | 4.74E-01 | 4.80E-01 | 4.80E-01 | 1.92E+00 |
| Acetaldehyde | 5.04E+02 | 4.80E+01 | 2.31E+01 | 5.75E+02 | 5.18E+02 | 5.75E+02 | 2.30E+03 |
| Acrolein | 6.96E+01 | 2.58E+00 | 1.24E+00 | 7.34E+01 | 7.15E+01 | 7.34E+01 | 2.94E+02 |
| Ammonia | 5.26E+04 | 5.35E+02 | 2.57E+02 | 5.33E+04 | 5.40E+04 | 5.40E+04 | 2.16E+05 |
| Benzene | 4.89E+01 | 9.59E-01 | 4.61E-01 | 5.04E+01 | 5.03E+01 | 5.04E+01 | 2.01E+02 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 8.32E-02 | 8.47E-04 | 4.07E-04 | 8.44E-02 | 8.55E-02 | 8.55E-02 | 3.42E-01 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 5.12E-02 | 5.21E-04 | 2.51E-04 | 5.19E-02 | 5.26E-02 | 5.26E-02 | 2.10E-01 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 4.16E-02 | 4.23E-04 | 2.04E-04 | 4.22E-02 | 4.27E-02 | 4.27E-02 | 1.71E-01 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 4.05E-02 | 4.12E-04 | 1.98E-04 | 4.11E-02 | 4.16E-02 | 4.16E-02 | 1.66E-01 |
| Chrysene | 9.27E-02 | 9.44E-04 | 4.54E-04 | 9.41E-02 | 9.53E-02 | 9.53E-02 | 3.81E-01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 8.65E-02 | 8.81E-04 | 4.24E-04 | 8.78E-02 | 8.89E-02 | 8.89E-02 | 3.56E-01 |
| Ethylbenzene | 6.59E+01 | 1.22E+00 | 5.88E-01 | 6.77E+01 | 6.77E+01 | 6.77E+01 | 2.71E+02 |
| Formaldehyde | 1.69E+03 | 1.73E+02 | 8.35E+01 | 1.95E+03 | 1.74E+03 | 1.95E+03 | 7.78E+03 |
| Hexane | 9.53E+02 | 9.70E+00 | 4.67E+00 | 9.68E+02 | 9.80E+02 | 9.80E+02 | 3.92E+03 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 8.65E-02 | 8.81E-04 | 4.24E-04 | 8.78E-02 | 8.89E-02 | 8.89E-02 | 3.56E-01 |
| Naphthalene | 6.11E+00 | 6.22E-02 | 2.99E-02 | 6.20E+00 | 6.28E+00 | 6.28E+00 | 2.51E+01 |
| Propylene | 2.84E+03 | 2.89E+01 | 1.39E+01 | 2.88E+03 | 2.92E+03 | 2.92E+03 | 1.17E+04 |
| Propylene Oxide | 1.76E+02 | 1.79E+00 | 8.62E-01 | 1.79E+02 | 1.81E+02 | 1.81E+02 | 7.23E+02 |
| Toluene | 2.61E+02 | 3.68E+00 | 1.77E+00 | 2.67E+02 | 2.69E+02 | 2.69E+02 | 1.07E+03 |
| Xylene (Total) | 9.61E+01 | 9.78E-01 | 4.70E-01 | 9.75E+01 | 9.87E+01 | 9.87E+01 | 3.95E+02 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | 2.21E+03 | 2.25E+01 | 1.08E+01 | 2.25E+03 | 2.27E+03 | 2.27E+03 | 9.10E+03 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 1.68E-01 | 1.71E-03 | 8.23E-04 | 1.71E-01 | 1.73E-01 | 1.73E-01 | 6.91E-01 |
| Specified PAHs | 4.82E-01 | 4.91E-03 | 2.36E-03 | 4.89E-01 | 4.95E-01 | 4.95E-01 | 1.98E+00 |

This spreadsheet summarizes emissions for Normal Operations (1704.7 hours/year), Startup (30.6 hours/year), and Shutdown (16.7 hours/year)
The spreadsheet compares the value that includes Startups and Shutdowns to the value that assumes continuous operation for 1752 hours per year.
The annual emissions are based on the maximum value calculated.

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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions from Normal Operations (1752 hours/year)

| Toxic Air Contaminant | EF lb/MMBtu | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/hour | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/year | Per Turbine lb/hour | Per Turbine lb/year | Total CT lb/hour | Total CT lb/year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 1.25E-07 | 2202 | 3857904 | 2.74E-04 | 4.80E-01 | 1.10E-03 | 1.92E+00 |
| Acetaldehyde | 1.34E-04 | | | 2.96E-01 | 5.18E+02 | 1.18E+00 | 2.07E+03 |
| Acrolein | 1.85E-05 | | | 4.08E-02 | 7.15E+01 | 1.63E-01 | 2.86E+02 |
| Ammonia | 1.40E-02 | | | 3.08E+01 | 5.40E+04 | 1.23E+02 | 2.16E+05 |
| Benzene | 1.30E-05 | | | 2.87E-02 | 5.03E+01 | 1.15E-01 | 2.01E+02 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 2.22E-08 | | | 4.88E-05 | 8.55E-02 | 1.95E-04 | 3.42E-01 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1.36E-08 | | | 3.00E-05 | 5.26E-02 | 1.20E-04 | 2.10E-01 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 1.11E-08 | | | 2.44E-05 | 4.27E-02 | 9.76E-05 | 1.71E-01 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 1.08E-08 | | | 2.37E-05 | 4.16E-02 | 9.50E-05 | 1.66E-01 |
| Chrysene | 2.47E-08 | | | 5.44E-05 | 9.53E-02 | 2.18E-04 | 3.81E-01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 2.30E-08 | | | 5.07E-05 | 8.89E-02 | 2.03E-04 | 3.56E-01 |
| Ethylbenzene | 1.75E-05 | | | 3.86E-02 | 6.77E+01 | 1.55E-01 | 2.71E+02 |
| Formaldehyde | 4.50E-04 | | | 9.91E-01 | 1.74E+03 | 3.96E+00 | 6.94E+03 |
| Hexane | 2.54E-04 | | | 5.59E-01 | 9.80E+02 | 2.24E+00 | 3.92E+03 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 2.30E-08 | | | 5.07E-05 | 8.89E-02 | 2.03E-04 | 3.56E-01 |
| Naphthalene | 1.63E-06 | | | 3.58E-03 | 6.28E+00 | 1.43E-02 | 2.51E+01 |
| Propylene | 7.56E-04 | | | 1.66E+00 | 2.92E+03 | 6.66E+00 | 1.17E+04 |
| Propylene Oxide | 4.69E-05 | | | 1.03E-01 | 1.81E+02 | 4.13E-01 | 7.23E+02 |
| Toluene | 6.96E-05 | | | 1.53E-01 | 2.69E+02 | 6.13E-01 | 1.07E+03 |
| Xylene (Total) | 2.56E-05 | | | 5.63E-02 | 9.87E+01 | 2.25E-01 | 3.95E+02 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | 5.90E-04 | | | 1.30E+00 | 2.27E+03 | 5.19E+00 | 9.10E+03 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 4.48E-08 | | | 9.86E-05 | 1.73E-01 | 3.94E-04 | 6.91E-01 |
| Specified PAHs | | | | 2.83E-04 | 4.95E-01 | 1.13E-03 | 1.98E+00 |

Formaldehyde emissions reflect 50% destruction efficiency due to oxidation catalyst.

| | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)

ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014

This Spreadsheet calculates TAC emissions for turbines operating normally for 1752 hours/year with no startups or shutdowns.

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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions from Normal Operations (1704.7 hours/year)

| Toxic Air Contaminant | EF lb/MMBtu | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/hour | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/year | Per Turbine lb/hour | Per Turbine lb/year | Total CT lb/hour | Total CT lb/year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 1.25E-07 | 2202 | 3753749.4 | 2.74E-04 | 4.67E-01 | 1.10E-03 | 1.87E+00 |
| Acetaldehyde | 1.34E-04 | | | 2.96E-01 | 5.04E+02 | 1.18E+00 | 2.02E+03 |
| Acrolein | 1.85E-05 | | | 4.08E-02 | 6.96E+01 | 1.63E-01 | 2.78E+02 |
| Ammonia | 1.40E-02 | | | 3.08E+01 | 5.26E+04 | 1.23E+02 | 2.10E+05 |
| Benzene | 1.30E-05 | | | 2.87E-02 | 4.89E+01 | 1.15E-01 | 1.96E+02 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 2.22E-08 | | | 4.88E-05 | 8.32E-02 | 1.95E-04 | 3.33E-01 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1.36E-08 | | | 3.00E-05 | 5.12E-02 | 1.20E-04 | 2.05E-01 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 1.11E-08 | | | 2.44E-05 | 4.16E-02 | 9.76E-05 | 1.66E-01 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 1.08E-08 | | | 2.37E-05 | 4.05E-02 | 9.50E-05 | 1.62E-01 |
| Chrysene | 2.47E-08 | | | 5.44E-05 | 9.27E-02 | 2.18E-04 | 3.71E-01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 2.30E-08 | | | 5.07E-05 | 8.65E-02 | 2.03E-04 | 3.46E-01 |
| Ethylbenzene | 1.75E-05 | | | 3.86E-02 | 6.59E+01 | 1.55E-01 | 2.63E+02 |
| Formaldehyde | 4.50E-04 | | | 9.91E-01 | 1.69E+03 | 3.96E+00 | 6.76E+03 |
| Hexane | 2.54E-04 | | | 5.59E-01 | 9.53E+02 | 2.24E+00 | 3.81E+03 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 2.30E-08 | | | 5.07E-05 | 8.65E-02 | 2.03E-04 | 3.46E-01 |
| Naphthalene | 1.63E-06 | | | 3.58E-03 | 6.11E+00 | 1.43E-02 | 2.44E+01 |
| Propylene | 7.56E-04 | | | 1.66E+00 | 2.84E+03 | 6.66E+00 | 1.13E+04 |
| Propylene Oxide | 4.69E-05 | | | 1.03E-01 | 1.76E+02 | 4.13E-01 | 7.04E+02 |
| Toluene | 6.96E-05 | | | 1.53E-01 | 2.61E+02 | 6.13E-01 | 1.05E+03 |
| Xylene (Total) | 2.56E-05 | | | 5.63E-02 | 9.61E+01 | 2.25E-01 | 3.84E+02 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | 5.90E-04 | | | 1.30E+00 | 2.21E+03 | 5.19E+00 | 8.85E+03 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 4.48E-08 | | | 9.86E-05 | 1.68E-01 | 3.94E-04 | 6.72E-01 |
| Specified PAHs | | | | 2.83E-04 | 4.82E-01 | 1.13E-03 | 1.93E+00 |

Formaldehyde emissions reflect 50% destruction efficiency due to oxidation catalyst.

| | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)

ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014

Maximum Normal Firing Rate = 2202 MMBtu/hour
Normal MMBtu/year = 2202 MMBtu/hour x 1704.7 hour/year = 3,753,749.4

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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions from Startup Events (30.6 hour/year)

| Toxic Air Contaminant | EF lb/MMBtu | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/hour | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/year | Average Per Turbine lb/event | Per Turbine lb/year | Total CT lb/year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 1.25E-07 | 1249 | 38219.4 | 2.85E-05 | 4.76E-03 | 1.90E-02 |
| Acetaldehyde | 1.25E-03 | | | 2.87E-01 | 4.80E+01 | 1.92E+02 |
| Acrolein | 6.75E-05 | | | 1.55E-02 | 2.58E+00 | 1.03E+01 |
| Ammonia | 1.40E-02 | | | 3.21E+00 | 5.35E+02 | 2.14E+03 |
| Benzene | 2.51E-05 | | | 5.75E-03 | 9.59E-01 | 3.84E+00 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 2.22E-08 | | | 5.07E-06 | 8.47E-04 | 3.39E-03 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1.36E-08 | | | 3.12E-06 | 5.21E-04 | 2.08E-03 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 1.11E-08 | | | 2.54E-06 | 4.23E-04 | 1.69E-03 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 1.08E-08 | | | 2.47E-06 | 4.12E-04 | 1.65E-03 |
| Chrysene | 2.47E-08 | | | 5.66E-06 | 9.44E-04 | 3.78E-03 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 2.30E-08 | | | 5.28E-06 | 8.81E-04 | 3.52E-03 |
| Ethylbenzene | 3.20E-05 | | | 7.32E-03 | 1.22E+00 | 4.89E+00 |
| Formaldehyde | 4.54E-03 | | | 1.04E+00 | 1.73E+02 | 6.94E+02 |
| Hexane | 2.54E-04 | | | 5.81E-02 | 9.70E+00 | 3.88E+01 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 2.30E-08 | | | 5.28E-06 | 8.81E-04 | 3.52E-03 |
| Naphthalene | 1.63E-06 | | | 3.73E-04 | 6.22E-02 | 2.49E-01 |
| Propylene | 7.56E-04 | | | 1.73E-01 | 2.89E+01 | 1.16E+02 |
| Propylene Oxide | 4.69E-05 | | | 1.07E-02 | 1.79E+00 | 7.16E+00 |
| Toluene | 9.63E-05 | | | 2.20E-02 | 3.68E+00 | 1.47E+01 |
| Xylene (Total) | 2.56E-05 | | | 5.86E-03 | 9.78E-01 | 3.91E+00 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | 5.90E-04 | | | 1.35E-01 | 2.25E+01 | 9.01E+01 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 4.36E-08 | | | 1.03E-05 | 1.71E-03 | 6.84E-03 |
| Specified PAHs | | | | 2.94E-05 | 4.91E-03 | 1.96E-02 |

Typical Startup is approximately 11 minutes

| | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)

ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014

Startup Average Firing Rate = 1249 MMBtu/hour
Annual Startup MMBtu/year = 1249 MMBtu/hour x 30.6 hours/year = 38,219.4

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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions from Shutdown Events (16.7 hours/year)

| Toxic Air Contaminant | EF lb/MMBtu | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/hour | Per Turbine Firing Rate MMBtu/year | Average Per Turbine lb/event | Per Turbine lb/year | Total CT lb/year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 1.25E-07 | 1101 | 18386.7 | 1.37E-05 | 2.29E-03 | 9.16E-03 |
| Acetaldehyde | 1.25E-03 | | | 1.38E-01 | 2.31E+01 | 9.23E+01 |
| Acrolein | 6.75E-05 | | | 7.44E-03 | 1.24E+00 | 4.97E+00 |
| Ammonia | 1.40E-02 | | | 1.54E+00 | 2.57E+02 | 1.03E+03 |
| Benzene | 2.51E-05 | | | 2.76E-03 | 4.61E-01 | 1.85E+00 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 2.22E-08 | | | 2.44E-06 | 4.07E-04 | 1.63E-03 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1.36E-08 | | | 1.50E-06 | 2.51E-04 | 1.00E-03 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 1.11E-08 | | | 1.22E-06 | 2.04E-04 | 8.15E-04 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 1.08E-08 | | | 1.19E-06 | 1.98E-04 | 7.93E-04 |
| Chrysene | 2.47E-08 | | | 2.72E-06 | 4.54E-04 | 1.82E-03 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 2.30E-08 | | | 2.54E-06 | 4.24E-04 | 1.69E-03 |
| Ethylbenzene | 3.20E-05 | | | 3.52E-03 | 5.88E-01 | 2.35E+00 |
| Formaldehyde | 4.54E-03 | | | 5.00E-01 | 8.35E+01 | 3.34E+02 |
| Hexane | 2.54E-04 | | | 2.80E-02 | 4.67E+00 | 1.87E+01 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 2.30E-08 | | | 2.54E-06 | 4.24E-04 | 1.69E-03 |
| Naphthalene | 1.63E-06 | | | 1.79E-04 | 2.99E-02 | 1.20E-01 |
| Propylene | 7.56E-04 | | | 8.32E-02 | 1.39E+01 | 5.56E+01 |
| Propylene Oxide | 4.69E-05 | | | 5.16E-03 | 8.62E-01 | 3.45E+00 |
| Toluene | 9.63E-05 | | | 1.06E-02 | 1.77E+00 | 7.08E+00 |
| Xylene (Total) | 2.56E-05 | | | 2.82E-03 | 4.70E-01 | 1.88E+00 |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | 5.90E-04 | | | 6.49E-02 | 1.08E+01 | 4.34E+01 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 4.36E-08 | | | 4.93E-06 | 8.23E-04 | 3.29E-03 |
| Specified PAHs | | | | 1.41E-05 | 2.36E-03 | 9.45E-03 |

Typical Shutdown is approximately 6 minutes

| | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)

ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
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Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014

Shutdown Average Firing Rate = 1101 MMBtu/hour
Annual Shutdown MMBtu/year = 1101 MMBtu/hour x 16.7 hours/year = 18,386.7

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| Toxic Air Contaminant | CATEF EF lb/MMBtu | | | SDAPCD EF lb/MMscf | | SDAPCD EF lb/MMBtu | Startup EF lb/MMBtu | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 1.25E-07 | CATEF | | | | | 1.25E-07 | CATEF |
| Acetaldehyde | 1.34E-04 | CATEF | | 1.28E+00 | SDAPCD | 1.25E-03 | 1.25E-03 | SDAPCD |
| Acrolein | 1.85E-05 | CATEF | | 6.89E-02 | SDAPCD | 6.75E-05 | 6.75E-05 | SDAPCD |
| Ammonia | 1.40E-02 | Permit Limit | | | | | 1.40E-02 | Permit Limit |
| Benzene | 1.30E-05 | CATEF | | 2.56E-02 | SDAPCD | 2.51E-05 | 2.51E-05 | SDAPCD |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 2.22E-08 | CATEF | ND | 2.25E-05 | SDAPCD | 2.21E-08 | 2.22E-08 | CATEF |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1.36E-08 | CATEF | ND | 1.39E-05 | SDAPCD | 1.36E-08 | 1.36E-08 | SDAPCD |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 1.11E-08 | CATEF | | | | | 1.11E-08 | CATEF |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 1.08E-08 | CATEF | | | | | 1.08E-08 | CATEF |
| Chrysene | 2.47E-08 | CATEF | ND | 2.25E-05 | SDAPCD | 2.21E-08 | 2.47E-08 | CATEF |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 2.30E-08 | CATEF | ND | 2.25E-05 | SDAPCD | 2.21E-08 | 2.30E-08 | CATEF |
| Ethylbenzene | 1.75E-05 | CATEF | | 3.26E-02 | SDAPCD | 3.20E-05 | 3.20E-05 | SDAPCD |
| Formaldehyde | 8.99E-04 | CATEF | | 4.63E+00 | SDAPCD | 4.54E-03 | 4.54E-03 | SDAPCD |
| Hexane | 2.54E-04 | CATEF | | | | | 2.54E-04 | CATEF |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 2.30E-08 | CATEF | ND | 2.25E-05 | SDAPCD | 2.21E-08 | 2.30E-08 | CATEF |
| Naphthalene | 1.63E-06 | CATEF | | 1.04E-03 | SDAPCD | 1.02E-06 | 1.63E-06 | CATEF |
| Propylene | 7.56E-04 | CATEF | | | | | 7.56E-04 | CATEF |
| Propylene Oxide | 4.69E-05 | CATEF | | | | | 4.69E-05 | CATEF |
| Toluene | 6.96E-05 | CATEF | | 9.82E-02 | SDAPCD | 9.63E-05 | 9.63E-05 | SDAPCD |
| Xylene (Total) | 2.56E-05 | CATEF | | 3.48E-03 | SDAPCD | 3.41E-06 | 2.56E-05 | CATEF |
| Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) | | | | | | | | |
| Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents | 4.48E-08 | Calculated | | | | | 4.48E-08 | Calculated |
| Specified PAHs | | | | | | | | |

| | Equivalency Factor |
|---|---|
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 1 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthrene | 0.1 |
| Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 0.1 |
| Chrysene | 0.01 |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.05 |
| Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 0.1 |

1) CATEF = California Air Toxics Emission Factors Database maintained by the California Air Resources Board
2) SDAPCD = San Diego Air Pollution Control District Emission Factors developed by source testing
of Palomar GE Frame 7FA turbine during the 1st hour of a cold startup.
Data from Carlsbad Energy Center Final Determination of Compliance, Appendix B, August 4, 2009, SDAPCD
3) ND = Non Detect, Emission Factor is one half of the detection limit.
4) Natural Gas Higher Heating Value = 1020 Btu/scf
5) Startup Emission Factors are the highest value of the CATEF or SDAPCD Emission Factors.

CATEF Gas Turbine TAC Emission Factors

| ID | System Type | Material Type | SCC | APC Device | Other Description | CAS | Substance | Max Emission factor | Mean | Median | Unit | lb/MMBtu |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4544 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 106-99-0 | 1,3-Butadiene | 1.33E-04 | 1.27E-04 | 1.24E-04 | lbs/MMcf | 1.25E-07 |
| 4569 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 75-07-0 | Acetaldehyde | 5.11E-01 | 1.37E-01 | 5.38E-02 | lbs/MMcf | 1.34E-04 |
| 4574 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 107-02-8 | Acrolein | 6.93E-02 | 1.89E-02 | 1.09E-02 | lbs/MMcf | 1.85E-05 |
| 4586 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 71-43-2 | Benzene | 4.72E-02 | 1.33E-02 | 1.01E-02 | lbs/MMcf | 1.30E-05 |
| 4594 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 56-55-6 | Benzo(a)anthracene | 1.34E-04 | 2.26E-05 | 3.61E-06 | lbs/MMcf | 2.22E-08 |
| 4599 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 50-32-8 | Benzo(a)pyrene | 9.16E-05 | 1.39E-05 | 2.57E-06 | lbs/MMcf | 1.36E-08 |
| 4604 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 205-99-2 | Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 6.72E-05 | 1.13E-05 | 2.87E-06 | lbs/MMcf | 1.11E-08 |
| 4619 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 207-08-9 | Benzo(k)fluoranthene | 6.72E-05 | 1.10E-05 | 2.87E-06 | lbs/MMcf | 1.08E-08 |
| 4624 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 218-01-9 | Chrysene | 1.50E-04 | 2.52E-05 | 4.99E-06 | lbs/MMcf | 2.47E-08 |
| 4629 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 53-70-3 | Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | 1.34E-04 | 2.35E-05 | 3.03E-06 | lbs/MMcf | 2.30E-08 |
| 4634 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 100-41-4 | Ethylbenzene | 5.70E-02 | 1.79E-02 | 9.74E-03 | lbs/MMcf | 1.75E-05 |
| 4649 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 50-00-0 | Formaldehyde | 6.87E+00 | 9.17E-01 | 1.12E-01 | lbs/MMcf | 8.99E-04 |
| 4654 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 110-54-3 | Hexane | 3.82E-01 | 2.59E-01 | 2.19E-01 | lbs/MMcf | 2.54E-04 |
| 4659 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 193-39-5 | Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene | 1.34E-04 | 2.35E-05 | 2.87E-06 | lbs/MMcf | 2.30E-08 |
| 4664 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 91-20-3 | Naphthalene | 7.88E-03 | 1.66E-03 | 9.26E-04 | lbs/MMcf | 1.63E-06 |
| 4679 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 115-07-1 | Propylene | 2.00E+00 | 7.71E-01 | 5.71E-01 | lbs/MMcf | 7.56E-04 |
| 4684 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 75-56-9 | Propylene Oxide | 5.87E-02 | 4.78E-02 | 4.48E-02 | lbs/MMcf | 4.69E-05 |
| 4694 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 108-88-3 | Toluene | 1.68E-01 | 7.10E-02 | 5.91E-02 | lbs/MMcf | 6.96E-05 |
| 4709 | Turbine | Natural gas | 20200203 | None | None | 1330-20-7 | Xylene (Total) | 6.26E-02 | 2.61E-02 | 1.93E-02 | lbs/MMcf | 2.56E-05 |

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H2SO4 Estimate

Worst Case lb/hr

1 grain Sulfur/100 scf

lb S/MMBtu = 1 grain S/100 scf x lb/7000 grains x scf/1020 Btu x 1E06 Btu/MMBtu = 0.0014 lb S/MMBtu

lb SO2/MMBtu = 0.0014 lb S/MMBtu x 64/32 = 0.0028 lb SO2/MMBtu

Worst Case lb/hour assume 55% SO2 converts to H2SO4

lb H2SO4/MMBtu = 0.0028 lb SO2/MMBtu x 98/64 x 0.55 = 0.002358 lb H2SO4/MMBtu

Simple Cycle Turbine lb/hr H2SO4 = 2202 MMBtu/hour x 0.002358 lb H2SO4/MMBtu = 5.192 lb/hour per turbine

Annual Average assume 55% SO2 converts to H2SO4

0.25 grain Sulfur/100 scf

lb S/MMBtu = 0.25 grain S/100 scf x lb/7000 grains x scf/1020 Btu x 1E06 Btu/MMBtu = 0.00035 lb S/MMBtu

lb SO2/MMBtu = 0.00035 lb S/MMBtu x 64/32 = 0.0007 lb SO2/MMBtu

Worst Case Annual Average lb/hour assume 55% SO2 converts to H2SO4

lb H2SO4/MMBtu = 0.0007 lb SO2/MMBtu x 98/64 x 0.55 = 0.0005895 lb H2SO4/MMBtu

Simple Cycle Turbine lb/hr H2SO4 = 2202 MMBtu/hour x 0.0005895 lb H2SO4/MMBtu = 1.298 lb/hour per turbine, 1752 hours/year

Total H2SO4 = 4 x (1.298 lb/hour x 1752 hour/year) = 9096 lb/year, 4.55 ton/year

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| | lb/MMscf | lb/MMBtu | Firing Rate MMBtu/hr | lb/hour | lb/day | hours/year | lb/year | ton/year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Benzene | 2.10E-03 | 2.06E-06 | 5 | 1.03E-05 | 2.47E-04 | 1752 | 1.80E-02 | 9.02E-06 |
| Formaldehyde | 7.50E-02 | 7.35E-05 | 5 | 3.68E-04 | 8.82E-03 | 1752 | 6.44E-01 | 3.22E-04 |
| Toluene | 3.40E-03 | 3.33E-06 | 5 | 1.67E-05 | 4.00E-04 | 1752 | 2.92E-02 | 1.46E-05 |

Natural Gas 1020 Btu/scf
Notes: Emission Factors AP-42 Section 1.4 (7/98)
Benzene lb/hour = 5 MMBtu/hour x 2.1E-03 lb/MMscf x (1/1020 Btu/scf) = 1.03 E-05

Both Heaters

| | lb/hour | lb/day | lb/year | ton/year |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Benzene | 2.06E-05 | 4.94E-04 | 3.61E-02 | 1.80E-05 |
| Formaldehyde | 7.35E-04 | 1.76E-02 | 1.29E+00 | 6.44E-04 |
| Toluene | 3.33E-05 | 8.00E-04 | 5.84E-02 | 2.92E-05 |

**Memorandum**
September 7, 2005

To: Engineering Division Staff

From: Brian Bateman
Director of Engineering

Subject: Emission Factors for Toxic Air Contaminants from Miscellaneous Natural Gas Combustion Sources

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This memorandum serves to provide guidelines on the emission factors to use to calculate toxic air contaminant (TAC) emissions from miscellaneous natural gas combustion sources. When site specific or source category specific emission factors are not available, the following emission factors shall be used to calculate TAC emissions from miscellaneous natural gas combustion sources:

| TAC Emission Factors for Miscellaneous Natural Gas Combustion | | |
|---|---|---|
| TAC | Emission Factor, lbs/Mscf | Emission Factor, lbs/therms * |
| Benzene | 2.1 E-6 | 2.06 E-7 |
| Formaldehyde | 7.5 E-5 | 7.35 E-6 |
| Toluene | 3.4 E-6 | 3.33E-7 |

* based on 1020 Btu/scf

These emission factors are taken from AP42 Table 1.4-3, Emission Factors for Speciated Organic Compounds from Natural Gas Combustion, and are those for which a reasonable number of sources had been tested and the tests were performed using sound methodology. AP42 emission factors for PAHs are not used because they are based on single tests in which the speciated PAH emissions were found to be below detection levels. AP42 emission factors for metal emissions are not used because they are based on a small number of tests and have poor EPA data quality ratings. CATEF factors are not used because there was inadequate data, the data quality was poor, or the quality of AP42 data was better. Based on the data from their websites, neither Ventura nor San Diego APCD use metal emission factors and except for naphthalene, neither uses any other speciated or benzo(a)pyrene equivalent PAH emission factor.

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# Appendix B

# PSD Modeling Results

# OFFICE MEMORANDUM

***June 1, 2010***

**TO:** Brian Lusher

**VIA:** Glen Long
Scott Lutz
Barry Young
Brenda Cabral

**FROM:** Jane Lundquist

**SUBJECT:** Mirant Marsh Landing Generating Station, Antioch, Ca., Plant # 19169, Updated $NO_2$ Modeling Analysis for Annual Average $NO_2$ concentrations, Permit Application # 18404

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I have completed an updated modeling analysis for the Mirant Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) Project's revised maximum annual $NO_2$ emissions. The revised $NO_2$ estimate includes additional NOx emissions associated with startup for each of the four natural gas-fired Siemens 5000F simple cycle gas turbines; this results in a change in maximum project $NO_2$ emissions from 71.76 tons per year to 78.57 tons per year.

The latest available five years, 2004 through 2008, of Contra Costa Power Plant meteorological data and Pittsburg monitoring station ozone data were used in the atmospheric dispersion model. The Plume Volume Molar Ratio Method was used to convert $NO_x$ impacts into $NO_2$ impacts. The maximum predicted ambient impacts determined from the modeling are summarized in the table below. Also shown in table is the corresponding significant air quality impact levels listed in the NSR Workshop Manual and Section 2-2-233 of the District's NSR Rule.

Maximum Predicted Annual $NO_2$ Ambient Impacts of the Proposed Project and PSD Class II Significant Air Quality Impact Levels

| Meteorological Data Year | Maximum Modeled Impact, $\mu g/m^3$ | Significant Air Quality Impact Level, $\mu g/m^3$ | SIL exceeded? (yes/no) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2004 | 0.066 | 1.0 | No |
| 2005 | 0.073 | 1.0 | No |
| 2006 | 0.074 | 1.0 | No |
| 2007 | 0.084 | 1.0 | No |
| 2008 | 0.084 | 1.0 | No |

Consistent with EPA regulations, it is assumed that the MLGS project's annual $NO_2$ emission increases will not cause or contribute to a violation of an ambient air quality standard (AAQS), or cause or contribute to an exceedance of a PSD increment since the resulting maximum air quality impacts are less than significance levels.

The location of the MLGS project's maximum annual $NO_2$ impact continues to be at the southeast fence line.

# OFFICE MEMORANDUM

***March 22, 2010***

**TO:** Brian Lusher

**VIA:** Glen Long
Scott Lutz
Barry Young
Brenda Cabral

**FROM:** Jane Lundquist

**SUBJECT:** Mirant Marsh Landing Generating Station, Antioch, Ca., Plant # 19169, PSD Modeling Analysis, Permit Application # 18404

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I have reviewed the September 2009 modeling analysis prepared by URS and submitted by Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC for the Marsh Landing Generating Station Project. This project has been changed from two combined cycle turbines and two simple cycle turbines to four simple cycle turbines. With the elimination of the heat recovery steam generators, the project is not a fossil fuel-fired steam electric plant and is not a "major" stationary source under the federal PSD regulations because project emissions are less than 250 tons per year of any regulated pollutant.

However, at your request, an air quality impact analysis was performed in accordance with Sections 52.21(k)-(o) of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations and Section 414 of the District's NSR Rule (Regulation 2, Rule 2) using EPA-approved models and calculation procedures. Based upon the information provided in the URS report and your emission estimates, my analysis shows that the proposed project would not cause or contribute to a violation of any applicable ambient air quality standards for any PSD pollutant. Attached is my report.

# SUMMARY OF AIR QUALITY IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR THE MIRANT MARSH LANDING GENERATING STATION

*March 22, 2010*

## Background

Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC has submitted permit application (# 18404) for the Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) in Antioch, California. The proposed MLGS will be a 760 MW facility designed to provide peaking power and is expected to operate at a maximum of 20 percent annual capacity factor. The MLGS will consist of four natural gas-fired Siemens 5000F simple cycle (SC) gas turbines and two natural gas-fired fuel preheaters. The MLGS will be constructed wholly within the existing Contra Costa Power Plant site. The proposed project will result in an increase in PSD-regulated air pollutant emissions of nitrogen dioxide ($NO_2$), sulfur dioxide ($SO_2$), particulate matter ($PM_{2.5}$ and $PM_{10}$), and carbon monoxide (CO).

## Air Quality Impact Analysis Requirements

Requirements for air quality impact analysis are given in the Code of Federal Regulations 40 CFR Section 52.21(k)-(o) and related authorities. The Bay Area Air Quality Management District has also adopted regulations on performing air quality impact analysis in its New Source Review (NSR) Rule: Regulation 2, Rule 2. These regulations provide additional guidance on performing air quality impact analyses, but do not override the EPA regulations. In the case of any inconsistency between Air District Regulation 2, Rule 2 and 40 CFR Section 52.21, the federal regulations are controlling.

The worst-case annual criteria pollutant emission increases for the MLGS project are listed in Table 1, along with the corresponding significant emission rates above which an air quality impact analysis is required.

Table 1 Comparison of Proposed Project's Worst-Case Annual Emissions to Significant Emission Rates for Air Quality Impact Analysis

| Pollutant | Proposed Project's Emissions (tons/year) | PSD "Major Source" Threshold Emission Rate (tons/year) | EPA PSD Significant Emission Rates for Major Stationary Sources (tons/year) | Air Quality Impact Modeling Required? (yes/no) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 71.9 | 250 | 40 | no |
| $SO_2$ | 7.9 | 250 | 40 | no |
| $PM_{10}$ | 31.6 | 250 | 15 | no |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | 31.6 | 250 | 10 | no |
| CO | 138.9 | 250 | 100 | no |

As of December 14, 2009, the San Francisco Bay Area was designated non-attainment for the 2006 24-hour $PM_{2.5}$ National Ambient Air Quality Standard. As such, PSD analysis for $PM_{2.5}$ is not applicable for the 24-hour $PM_{2.5}$ standard. However, to be conservative, an analysis of 24-hour $PM_{2.5}$ impacts has been included in this analysis. As shown in Table 1, the proposed project emissions do not exceed the PSD "major source" threshold level for any of the regulated pollutants and an air quality impact analysis is not required. However, at the request of the permit engineer, an air quality impact has been investigated for all pollutants emitted in quantities larger than the EPA PSD significant emission rates. The proposed project $SO_2$ emissions are below the PSD significant emission rate; thus, an air quality impact analysis was not conducted for the emissions of $SO_2$. The MLGS project emissions of $NO_2$, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$, and CO exceed the PSD significant emission rates and an air quality impact analysis was therefore performed for these pollutants. The detailed requirements for an air quality impact analysis for these pollutants are given in 40 CFR Section 52.21, District Regulation 2, Rule 2 and EPA guidance documents.

The PSD Regulations also contain requirements for certain additional impact analyses associated with air pollutant emissions. An applicant for a permit that requires an air quality impact analysis must also, according to 40 CFR Section 52.21(o) and Section 2-2-417 of the District's NSR Rule, provide an analysis of the impact of the source and source-related growth on visibility, soils and vegetation.

**Air Quality Impact Analysis Summary**

The required contents of an air quality impact analysis are specified in EPA's NSR Workshop Manual and Section 2-2-414 of the District's NSR Rule. According to subsection 2-2-414.1 and the NSR Workshop Manual, if the maximum air quality impacts of a new or modified stationary source do not exceed significant impact levels for air quality impacts, as defined in Section 2-2-233 and the NSR Workshop Manual, no further analysis is required. In September 2007, EPA proposed three different 24-hour and annual average significant impact levels for $PM_{2.5.}$[1] The $PM_{2.5}$ levels have not been promulgated and EPA does not have plans to finalize them until May 2010. The District has reviewed EPA's methodology underlying each of its alternative proposed significant impact levels and has concluded that the lowest of the three proposed significant impact levels is the most appropriate measure of significance for each averaging period for comparison purposes.

Consistent with EPA regulations, it is assumed that emission increases will not cause or contribute to a violation of an ambient air quality standard (AAQS), or cause or contribute to an exceedance of a PSD increment, if the resulting maximum air quality impacts are less than specified significance levels. If the maximum impact for a particular pollutant is predicted to exceed the significant impact level, a full impact analysis is required involving estimation of

[1] Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) for Particulate Matter Less than 2.5 Micrometers ($PM_{2.5}$) – Increments, Significant Impact Levels (SILs) and Significant Monitoring Concentration (SMC)"; Proposed Rule, Federal Register, Volume 72, Number 183, pages 54111-54156, September 21, 2007

background pollutant concentrations and, if applicable, a PSD increment consumption analysis. EPA also requires an analysis of any PSD source that may impact a Class I area.

*Air Quality Modeling Methodology*

Maximum ambient concentrations of $NO_2$, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ and CO were estimated for various plume dispersion scenarios using established modeling procedures. The plume dispersion scenarios addressed include simple terrain impacts (for receptors located below stack height), complex terrain impacts (for receptors located at or above stack height), impacts due to building downwash, impacts due to inversion breakup fumigation, and impacts due to shoreline fumigation.

Emissions from each of the four 5000F turbines will be exhausted from separate 31.3-feet diameter, 165-feet tall exhaust stacks. Emissions from each of the two fuel preheaters will be exhausted from separate 8 inch diameter, 26-feet tall exhaust stacks. Initial screening model runs for the turbines were made for various operating conditions to determine the worst-case operating conditions that yielded the highest concentrations of $NO_2$, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ and CO; three different operating loads and three different ambient conditions were evaluated. The worst-case operating conditions found for the SC turbines were then used to model the maximum predicted impacts of the proposed project. Model runs were made for each of the following scenarios to determine the maximum predicted 1-hour, 8-hour, 24-hour and annual average pollutant concentrations: worst-case normal operating conditions, turbine startup, inversion break-up fumigation and shoreline fumigation.[2] The pollutants emitted, averaging period evaluated, operating scenario description and emission rates used in the modeling for each source are shown in Table 2, on the next page.

The EPA guideline models AERMOD (version 09292) SCREEN3 model (version 96043) were used to determine air quality impacts during worst-case normal operation, inversion breakup fumigation and shoreline fumigation conditions. An Auer land use analysis of the facility and its surroundings showed that the area within 3 kilometers is considered rural. Using the rural land use option, F stability and a stack height wind speed of 2.5 m/s, the SCREEN3 model was run for each source and TIBL factor 2 through 6 to determine inversion breakup fumigation and shoreline fumigation. Because the area is classified as rural, the AERMOD model option of increased surface heating due to the urban heat island was not selected.

Meteorological data was available from the station located on site at the Contra Costa Power Plant (CCP). The site was divided into 5 sectors: 62°-150°, 150°-182°, 182°-243°, 243°-274°and 274°-62° for determining surface characteristics. Surface moisture conditions for the determination of Bowen ratio was obtained from the Antioch Pump Plant 3 climate station.

[2] Commissioning is the original startup of the turbines and only occurs during the initial operation of the equipment after installation. Commissioning emissions are temporary emissions that are not subject to the Air Quality Impact Analysis requirement. EPA only requires an analysis of commissioning activity impacts if it is shown that the emissions impact a Class I area or an area where a PSD increment is known to be violated. 40 CFR Section 52.21(i)(3).

These data were processed with EPA's AERSURFACE (version 08009) to determine a set of surface characteristics in accordance with EPA's January 2008 "AERMOD Implementation Guide." Five years (2000, 2001, 2002, 2004 and 2005) of CCP meteorological data, Oakland Airport upper air data, Concord/Buchannan Airport cloud cover data, and the set of surface characteristics were processed with EPA's AERMET (version 06341). AERMOD model runs were made using the no urban areas option and the five years of AERMET processed meteorological data. The Plume Volume Molar Ratio Method was used to convert $NO_x$ impacts into $NO_2$ impacts. Hourly ozone monitoring data for the same period as the AERMET-processed meteorological data (2000, 2001, 2002, 2004 and 2005) was obtained from the District's Bethel Island monitoring station located approximately 10 km east of the project site. Because the exhaust stacks do not exceed Good Engineering Practice (GEP) stack height, ambient impacts due to building downwash were evaluated using the Building Profile Input Program for PRIME [BPIPPRM (version 04274)]. Stack and building parameters used in the analysis are those provided by the applicant. Complex terrain impacts were also considered. Elevation data from USGS digital elevation maps were processed in AERMAP (version 06341).

Table 2
Source Emission Rates Used in the Modeling Analysis for Various Scenarios and Pollutant Averaging Times

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Scenario: description | SC Turbine Emission Rate w/o tuning, lbs/hr | SC Turbine tuning Emission Rate, lbs/hr | SC Fuel Preheater Emission Rate, lbs/hr |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | STARTUP & TUNING: 1 SC turbine tuning and 3 SC turbines with 2 startups, 1 shutdown and rest of hour at normal operation; fuel preheaters at maximum operating rates | 45.1 | 80.0 | 0.091 |
| CO | 1-hour | STARTUP: All SC turbines with 2 startups, 1 shutdown and rest of hour at normal operation; fuel preheaters at maximum operating rates | 541.3 | 450 | 0.170 |
| CO | 8-hour | STARTUP: All SC turbines with 2 startups, 1 shutdown and rest of hour at normal operation; fuel preheaters at maximum operating rates – this occurs for each of the 8 hours | 541.3 | 450 | 0.170 |
| $PM_{2.5}/PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | STARTUP & TUNING: 1-SC turbine tuning; all SC turbines with 3 startups, 3 shutdown, rest of period at normal operations; fuel preheaters at maximum operating rates | 9.0 | 9.0 | 0.015 |
| $NO_2$ | Annual | All SC turbines operate annually 1705 hours at 60°F, with 167 startups and 167 shutdowns (1752 hours total); fuel preheaters operate 1752 hours at maximum operating rates | 4.1 | 4.1 | 0.018 |
| $PM_{2.5}/PM_{10}$ | Annual | All SC turbines operate annually 1705 hours at 60°F, with 167 startups and 167 shutdowns (1752 hours total); fuel preheaters operate 1752 hours at maximum operating rates | 1.8 | 1.8 | 0.0029 |

a. Start-up occurs when a turbine is brought from idle status to power production.
b. All four turbines are conservatively assumed to start in the same hour.
c. SC turbine $NO_2$ emission rates during tuning are higher than during startup and shutdown. The scenario modeled for 1-hour average $NO_2$ includes one SC turbine tuning.
d. SC turbine CO emission rates during startup and shutdown are higher than during tuning. The scenario modeled for 1-hour and 8-hour average CO involves all SC turbines starting up and shutting down.

### *Air Quality Modeling Results*

The maximum predicted ambient impacts determined from the modeling are summarized in Table 3 for the averaging periods for which AAQS and PSD Increments have been set. Also shown in Table 3 are the corresponding significant air quality impact levels listed in the NSR

Workshop Manual, Section 2-2-233 of the District's NSR Rule, and the most conservative of the draft proposed 2007 significant air quality impact levels for $PM_{2.5}$.

Table 3
Maximum Predicted Ambient Impacts of the Proposed Project and
PSD Class II Significant Air Quality Impact Levels

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Operating Case | Maximum Modeled Impact, $\mu g/m^3$ | Significant Air Quality Impact Level (SIL) [a], $\mu g/m^3$ | SIL exceeded? (yes/no) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 41 | 19 | yes |
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 11 | 19 | no |
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 64 | 19 | yes |
| $NO_2$ | annual | Maximum Operation | 0.08 | 1.0 | no |
| CO | 1-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 464 | 2,000 | no |
| CO | 1-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 96 | 2,000 | no |
| CO | 1-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 576 | 2,000 | no |
| CO | 8-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 187 | 500 | no |
| CO | 8-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 19 | 500 | no |
| CO | 8-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 82 | 500 | no |
| $PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 1.1 | 5 | no |
| $PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 0.2 | 5 | no |
| $PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 0.4 | 5 | no |
| $PM_{10}$ | annual | Normal Operation | 0.02 | 1 | no |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | 24-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 1.1 | 1.2 | no |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | 24-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 0.2 | 1.2 | no |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | 24-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 0.4 | 1.2 | no |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | annual | Normal Operation | 0.02 | 0.3 | no |

a. EPA recently adopted a rule establishing a new one-hour $NO_2$ National AAQS. The effective date of the final rule is April 12, 2010. No federal significant air quality impact level (SIL) has yet been established for one-hour average $NO_2$ concentrations. The one-hour average $NO_2$ SIL listed above is from District Regulation 2-2-233 and was established to determine compliance with the California AAQS.

In accordance with the NSR Workshop Manual and Section 2-2-414 of the District's NSR Rule, further analysis is required only for those pollutants and averaging times with modeled impacts above the significant air quality impact levels. As shown in Table 3, the 1-hour average $NO_2$ impact would require further analysis to determine that the emission increases from the proposed project would not cause or contribute to an AAQS violation or an exceedance of a PSD increment. However, no PSD increment has been established for the 1-hour average $NO_2$. Thus, the 1-hour average $NO_2$ impact is evaluated only to determine if a National AAQS violation would occur. Figure 1 shows the locations of the maximum modeled impacts. (Note that the PSD analysis applies only for the National AAQS, but this analysis evaluates the potential for a California AAQS violation as well because this project will be reviewed for compliance with the California AAQS by the California Energy Commission.)

Figure 1  Location of Project Maximum Impacts

*Impact Area*

The geographical area, or impact area, for which the analysis for the NAAQS is carried out is defined as the circular area that includes all receptor locations where the proposed project causes a significant ambient impact (equal to or exceeding the significant air quality impact level (SIL)). A federal SIL has not yet been established for one-hour average $NO_2$ concentrations. However, the one-hour average CO SIL is five percent of the one-hour CO NAAQS. Applying this percentage to the one-hour $NO_2$ NAAQS results in a value of 9 $\mu g/m^3$; this value was used as the $NO_2$ SIL to establish the impact area. Nearby sources that could have a significant impact in the project impact area should also be modeled. The following nearby new and proposed facilities were identified as sources that should be modeled: Gateway Generating Station, Willow Pass Generating Station and Oakley Generating Station. The MLGS project and these three new and proposed generating stations were then modeled with the dispersion model AERMOD as described under the section *Air Quality Modeling Methodology* above. The Pittsburg and Bethel Island monitoring stations are also within the MLGS project impact area.

*Background Air Quality Levels*

A PSD full impacts analysis evaluates the proposed project's impacts in connection with background concentrations and contributions from other nearby sources. Guidance in EPA's NSR Workshop Manual allows the use of background data from existing regional monitoring sites if the site is representative of air quality of the area and the following criteria are considered: monitor location, quality of data and currentness of data. The proposed project site is located mid-way between the Bethel Island monitoring station and the Pittsburg monitoring station. The District-operated Pittsburg monitoring station, which is located east of the project and has the higher $NO_2$ concentrations of the two stations, was analyzed for representativeness of background $NO_2$ concentrations. A comparison of grid cell emissions, within a 5 mile radius of the Pittsburg monitoring station and within a 5 mile radius of the proposed project site, show that $NO_2$ emissions in the Pittsburg monitoring station area are almost 2 times higher than the emissions in the proposed project area. We can reasonably assume that background ambient concentrations are similar, if not lower, at the proposed project site than at the Pittsburg monitoring station location. The Pittsburg monitoring station is a currently operated site and meets all EPA ambient monitoring data requirements ("Ambient Monitoring Guidelines for Prevention of Significant Deterioration", EPA-450/4-87-007, May 1987). Therefore, representativeness and all three criteria have been met. One-hour average $NO_2$ concentrations recorded at the Pittsburg monitoring station, which is within the MLGS project impact area, represent impacts from existing sources.

In order to determine that the project will not cause an exceedance of an AAQS, the proposed project's $NO_2$ impact is added to the background concentrations and compared to the AAQS. The California AAQS for one-hour average $NO_2$ is based on the maximum one-hour average concentration. The highest one-hour average $NO_2$ concentration recorded at the Pittsburg monitoring station during the period from 2004 to 2008 was 110 $\mu g/m^3$; this value is used as the background concentration to determine whether or not the proposed project will cause an exceedance of the California AAQS. The National AAQS for one-hour average $NO_2$ is based on the three-year average of the 98$^{th}$ percentile of the annual distribution of daily maximum one-hour average concentration. The highest three-year average of the 98$^{th}$ percentile of the annual distribution of daily maximum one-hour average $NO_2$ concentrations recorded at the Pittsburg monitoring station during the periods from 2005 to 2007 and from 2006 to 2008 was 83 $\mu g/m^3$; this value is used as the background concentration to determine whether or not the proposed project will cause an exceedance of the National AAQS.

*Ambient Air Quality Standard Modeling Comparison*

The maximum modeled one-hour $NO_2$ impact added to the maximum background concentrations is compared to the ambient air quality standards in Table 4. The proposed project will not cause or contribute to an exceedance of the California AAQS for one-hour average $NO_2$ or of the National AAQS for one-hour average $NO_2$ based on the three-year average of the 98$^{th}$ percentile of the annual distribution of daily maximum one-hour average concentrations.

Table 4
Proposed Project One-hour $NO_2$ Ambient Air Quality Levels and California and National AAQS

| Standard | Maximum Modeled Impact [a], μg/m$^3$ | Maximum Background, μg/m$^3$ | Maximum Project Impact Plus Maximum Background, μg/m$^3$ | AAQS, μg/m$^3$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| California | 41 | 110 | 152 | 338 |
| National | 95 | 83 | 178 | 188 |

a. To determine that the California AAQS would not be exceeded, only the impact due to $NO_2$ emissions from the proposed MLGS is considered. To determine that the National AAQS would not be exceeded, the combined impact due to $NO_2$ emissions from the proposed MLGS as well as the Gateway Generating Station, the Willow Pass Generating Station and the Oakley Generating Station is considered. For the California AAQS, the table shows the maximum one-hour $NO_2$ concentration due to the emissions from MLGS only. For the National AAQS the table shows the maximum one-hour $NO_2$ concentration due to the emissions from the four generating stations combined.

*PSD Increment Consumption Analysis*

Although the impact from the proposed project exceeds the PSD significant air quality impact levels for 1-hour $NO_2$, the EPA has not established a PSD increment for this pollutant and averaging period; thus, no PSD increment consumption analysis is required for this project.

## Class I Area Impact Analysis

In accordance with the NSR Workshop Manual, an impact analysis must be performed for any PSD source within 100 km of a Class I area which increases air pollutant concentrations by 1 μg/m$^3$ or more (24-hour average) inside the Class I area. EPA has proposed three options for the Class I Significant Impact Levels (SILs) for $PM_{2.5}$ in the Proposed Rule for $PM_{2.5}$ (see footnote 1). Table 5 presents the most conservative SILs proposed. The nearest Class I area is the Point Reyes National Seashore, located roughly 82 km to the west of the project. The results of an impact analysis using AERMOD modeling of the maximum 24-hour average $NO_2$, $PM_{10}/PM_{2.5}$ and CO concentrations within 50 km of the proposed MLGS facility area are shown in Table 5. Since pollutant concentrations decrease with distance away from the source, the proposed project impacts at the Point Reyes National Seashore, which is 32 km further away, will be less that the maximum model impacts at 50km. All impacts are below the corresponding SIL; therefore, a Class I PSD increment consumption analysis is not required.

Table 5
Maximum Predicted Ambient Impacts of Proposed Project at the Point Reyes National Seashore, Class I Area

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Maximum Modeled Class I Impact, μg/m$^3$ | Significant Air Quality Impact Level (SIL), μg/m$^3$ | SIL exceeded? (yes/no) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 24-hour | 0.12 | 1.0 | no |
| $PM_{10}/PM_{2.5}$ | 24-hour | 0.041 | 0.07 | no |
| | annual | 0.02 | 0.04 | no |
| CO | 24-hour | 0.40 | 1.0 | no |

## Additional Impacts Analysis

The EPA NSR Workshop Manual and Section 2-2-417 of the District's NSR Rule requires that all PSD analysis include an additional impacts analysis which assesses the impacts on soils, vegetation, and visibility caused by any increase in emissions of any regulated pollutant from the source and associated growth.

*Visibility Impairment Analysis*

Visibility impacts were assessed using EPA's VISCREEN (version 88341) visibility screening model. The Level I analysis shows that the proposed project will not cause any impairment of visibility at Point Reyes National Seashore, the nearest Class I area.

*Soils and Vegetation Analysis*

The following soil and vegetation inventory excerpt is from the Impacts to Soils and Vegetation document submitted by the applicant:

> The Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) site has been historically used as a power plant since 1952 and is surrounded by other industrial and commercial uses. Much of the area is developed, lacking natural soils, vegetation and habitat.
>
> Many of the soils found in the vicinity of the project are hydric (high moisture) soils associated with the floodplains, marshes and wetlands adjacent to the San Joaquin River. Delhi Sands cover most of the project site and surrounding area (including the areas of the proposed water lines and treatment facility at Bridgehead Lift Station). Delhi Sands while not hydric soils, are typically associated with floodplains and alluvial fans. The remaining areas are largely mucky soils, which are high in organic material content and associated with the shoreline marshes. Soil types present offsite include: Joice Muck, Shima Muck, Sycamore Silty Clay Loam, Zamora Silty Clay Loam, Fluvaquents, Gazwell Mucky Clay, Medisaprists, Rindge Muck and Rindge Mucky Silt Loam, and Xeropsamments. Absent from this area are nutrient-poor soil types such as are associated with rock outcroppings found in other, higher elevations in the Bay Area. Therefore, potential deposition of nitrogen-based nutrients from the air will not cause a significant increase in the nutritive properties of the local soils.
>
> Natural vegetation communities within a one-mile radius around the project site include: freshwater wetlands, riparian woodland, woodlands, stabilized interior dunes, tidal marshes, and annual grassland. The majority of the area south of the project site however consists of disturbed/ruderal grasslands, agriculture, landscaping, and developed areas. Several special-status species are known to occur near the project site. Federal special-status plants that are known to occur or could potentially occur within one mile of the project area include the Antioch Dunes Evening Primrose (*Oenothera deltoides* ssp. *howellii*) and the Contra Costa Wallflower (*Erysimum capitatum* ssp. *angustatum*). Neither of these plants occurs on the project site.

EPA has established a screening procedure for determining impacts to plants, soils and animals (EPA 450/2-81-078, "A Screening Procedure for the Impacts of Air Pollution Sources on Plants, Soils, and Animals," December 1980). Table 3.1 of this EPA guidance document lists screening concentrations for various pollutants. The screening concentrations represent minimum concentrations at which adverse growth effects or tissue injuries have been reported in the scientific literature. A comparison of the maximum concentrations that may result from the proposed MLGS project and the screening concentrations from the EPA document are shown Table 6 on the next page. The maximum concentrations that may result from the proposed MLGS project are calculated by summing the maximum modeled impact and the maximum background concentration.

Table 6
Comparison of Maximum Project Concentrations to
the National Ambient Air Quality Standard and the EPA Screening Concentrations

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Maximum Background Conc., $\mu g/m^3$ | Maximum Modeled Impact, $\mu g/m^3$ | Maximum Conc. (impact plus background) $\mu g/m^3$ | Screening Conc.,[a] $\mu g/m^3$ | Screening Averaging Period |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | 116 | 64 | 180 | 3,760 | 4 & 8 hour |
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | 116 | 64 | 180 | 564 | 1 month |
| $NO_2$ | annual | 23 | 0.09 | 23 | 94 | 1 year |
| CO | 1-hour | 4,753 | 576 | 5,329 | - | - |
| CO | 8-hour | 2,226 | 187 | 2,413 | 1,800,000 | 1-week |
| $PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | 84 | 1.1 | 85 | - | - |
| $PM_{10}$ | annual | 21.7 | 0.02 | 22 | - | - |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | 24-hour | 74 | 1.1 | 75 | - | - |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | annual | 11 | 0.02 | 11 | - | - |

[a]EPA 450/2-81-078, "A Screening Procedure for the Impacts of Air Pollution Sources on Plants, Soils, and Animals," December 1980.

The maximum 1-hour average $NO_2$ concentration, including background, was compared to the screening concentrations with 4-hour, 8-hour and 1-month averaging periods. Likewise, the maximum 8-hour average CO concentration, including background, was compared to the screening concentration with a 1-week averaging period. This conservative comparison shows that maximum predicted $NO_2$ and CO concentrations are below the EPA screening concentrations and thus, below concentrations at which adverse growth effects or tissue injuries have been reported in the scientific literature.

The deposition of airborne particulates ($PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$) can affect vegetation through either physical or chemical mechanisms. Physical mechanisms include the blocking of stomata so that normal gas exchange is impaired, as well as potential effects on leaf adsorption and reflectance of solar radiation. Deposition rates of 365 $g/m^2$/year have been shown to cause damage to fir trees, but rates of 274 $g/m^2$/year and 400-600 $g/m^2$/year did not damage vegetation at other sites (Lerman, S.L. and E.F. Darley. 1975. Particulates, pp. 141-158. In: Responses of plants to air pollution, edited by J.B. Mudd and T.T. Kozlowski. Academic Press. New York.) The maximum annual predicted concentration for $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ emissions from the MLGS is 0.02 $\mu g/m^3$. Assuming a deposition velocity of 2 cm/sec (worst-case deposition velocity, as recommended by the California Air Resources Board [CARB]), this concentration converts to an annual deposition rate of 0.01 $g/m^2$/year, which is several orders of magnitude below that which is expected to result in injury to vegetation (i.e., 365 $g/m^2$/year). The maximum annual average $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ background concentration was 21.7 $\mu g/m^3$. The total annual average $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ concentration, project plus background, is 22 $\mu g/m^3$. Using the same 2 cm/sec deposition velocity yields a total estimated particulate deposition rate of 14 $g/m^2$/year. This total is still 26 times less than levels expected to result in plant injury.

Maximum project $NO_2$, CO, $PM_{10}$ and $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations would be less than the threshold levels at which scientific studies have shown a potential for negative impacts on soils and

vegetation; thus, pollutant emissions from the proposed MLGS project are not expected to have any adverse soils and vegetative impacts.

**Growth Analysis**

The applicant has prepared the following growth analysis:

> According to the Federal PSD Regulation 40 CFR section 52.21(o), a growth induced air quality impact analysis on emissions from "general commercial, residential, industrial and other growth associated with the project" is required under PSD.
>
> Growth induced impacts associated with this project are caused by the growth necessity in local infrastructure to accommodate the project. This growth may include but is not limited to additional residential housing, schools, retail suppliers, and additional local business or industry to provide materials and support services for the facility.
>
> The Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) would occupy approximately 27 acres within the western portion of the Contra Costa Power Plant (CCPP) property. The project will occupy an already developed industrial site dedicated to electricity generation. Therefore, there will be little or no associated industrial, commercial, or residential growth as a result of this project. In addition, the electrical generating capacity from the project will be connected into a regional electrical supply grid and therefore the proposed project does not stimulate local growth.
>
> The applicant estimates that operation and maintenance of the project would require 20 skilled full-time employees (Marsh Landing Generating Station AFC (08-AFC-3), May 2008, Table 2.8-1). To the extent practicable, the applicant has committed to give local preference in hiring and procurements. Therefore, there will be no significant impact on local employment associated with the operation and maintenance of the project.
>
> Based on the location, electricity distribution, and estimated workforce of the proposed project, no significant growth is expected to result from the proposed project.

## CONCLUSIONS

The results of the air quality impact analysis indicate that the proposed project would not cause or contribute to a violation of any PSD or California AAQS ($NO_2$, CO, $PM_{10}$ and $PM_{2.5}$). This analysis was based on EPA-approved models and calculation procedures and was performed in accordance with 40 CFR Section 52.21, Section 2-2-414 of the District's NSR Rule, and related guidance.

# Appendix C

# Health Risk Assessment Results

**INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**
February 24, 2010

TO: Brian K. Lusher
FROM: Jane H. Lundquist

Via: Scott B. Lutz
Daphne Y. Chong

SUBJECT: Revised Health Risk Assessment for Mirant Marsh Landing Generating Station, Antioch, Plant #19169, Application #18404

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At your request, a revised health risk screening analysis was performed for the above referenced application to reflect your updated estimate of sulfuric acid emissions from the project. The analysis estimates the incremental health risk resulting from toxic air contaminant (TAC) emissions from the following natural gas-fired equipment: four simple cycle turbines and two fuel preheaters. Results from the analysis indicate that, for this project, the maximum incremental cancer risk is estimated at **0.03 in a million**, the chronic hazard index is **0.003**, and the acute hazard index is **0.3**. In accordance with the District's Regulation 2, Rule 5, these risk levels are considered acceptable.

*EMISSIONS:* TAC emission rates used in this analysis are those you provided in your "Marshlanding Amendment TAC Final 021810" spreadsheet. Table 1 shows the emission rates for a simple cycle turbine

**Table 1 - Simple Cycle Turbine TAC Emission Rates per Turbine**

| | Max. Annual Emission Rate | | Max. Hourly Emission Rate | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Toxic Air Contaminant | lbs/yr | g/s | lbs/hr | g/s |
| 1,3-Butadiene | 4.80E-01 | 6.91E-06 | 2.74E-04 | 3.45E-05 |
| Acetaldehyde | 5.75E+02 | 8.27E-03 | 2.76E+00 | 3.48E-01 |
| Acrolein * | 7.34E+01 | 1.06E-03 | 1.49E-01 | 1.87E-02 |
| Ammonia | 5.40E+04 | 7.77E-01 | 3.08E+01 | 3.88E+00 |
| Benzene | 5.04E+01 | 7.24E-04 | 5.53E-02 | 6.96E-03 |
| Benz[a]anthracene | 8.55E-02 | 1.23E-06 | 4.88E-05 | 6.15E-06 |
| Benzo[a]pyrene | 5.26E-02 | 7.56E-07 | 3.00E-05 | 3.78E-06 |
| Benzo[b]fluoranthene | 4.27E-02 | 6.15E-07 | 2.44E-05 | 3.07E-06 |
| Benzo[k]fluoranthene | 4.16E-02 | 5.98E-07 | 2.37E-05 | 2.99E-06 |
| Chrysene | 9.53E-02 | 1.37E-06 | 5.44E-05 | 6.85E-06 |
| Dibenz[a,h]anthracene | 8.89E-02 | 1.28E-06 | 5.07E-05 | 6.39E-06 |
| Ethyl benzene | 6.77E+01 | 9.74E-04 | 7.04E-02 | 8.87E-03 |
| Formaldehyde | 1.95E+03 | 2.80E-02 | 1.00E+01 | 1.26E+00 |
| Hexane | 9.80E+02 | 1.41E-02 | 5.59E-01 | 7.05E-02 |
| Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene | 8.89E-02 | 1.28E-06 | 5.07E-05 | 6.39E-06 |
| Naphthalene | 6.28E+00 | 9.03E-05 | 3.58E-03 | 4.52E-04 |
| Propylene | 2.92E+03 | 4.19E-02 | 1.66E+00 | 2.10E-01 |
| Propylene oxide | 1.81E+02 | 2.60E-03 | 1.03E-01 | 1.30E-02 |
| Toluene | 2.69E+02 | 3.86E-03 | 2.12E-01 | 2.67E-02 |
| Xylenes (mixed) | 9.87E+01 | 1.42E-03 | 5.63E-02 | 7.10E-03 |
| Sulfuric acid | 2.27E+03 | 3.27E-02 | 5.19E+00 | 6.54E-01 |

* Note: Currently, CARB does not have certified emission factors or an analytical test method for acrolein. Until the tools needed to implement and enforce acrolein emission limits are available, the District will not conduct a HRSA for acrolein emissions.

Table 2 shows the annual TAC emission rates for a fuel preheater; emission are based on maximum operation rates for 1752 hours per year.

**Table 2 - Natural Gas Fuel Pre-Heater, each per Heater**

| | Max. Annual Emission Rate | | Max. Hourly Emission Rate | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Toxic Air Contaminant | lbs/yr | g/s | lbs/hr | g/s |
| Benzene | 1.80E-02 | 2.59E-07 | 1.03E-05 | 1.30E-06 |
| Formaldehyde | 6.44E-01 | 9.26E-06 | 3.68E-04 | 4.63E-05 |
| Toluene | 2.92E-02 | 4.20E-07 | 1.67E-05 | 2.10E-06 |

The health values used in calculating the health risk is shown Table 3.

**Table 3 – TAC Health Risk Values**

| Toxic Air Contaminant | Resident Cancer Unit Risk Factor, $(ug/m^3)^{-1}$ | Worker Cancer Unit Risk Factor, $(ug/m^3)^{-1}$ | Chronic REL, $ug/m^3$ | Acute REL, $ug/m^3$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 1.7E-04 | 3.4E-05 | 2.0E+01 | na |
| Acetaldehyde | 2.9E-06 | 5.7E-07 | 1.4E+02 | 4.7E+02 |
| Ammonia | na | na | 2.0E+02 | 3.2E+03 |
| Benzene | 2.9E-05 | 5.7E-06 | 6.0E+01 | 1.3E+03 |
| Benz[a]anthracene | 1.7E-03 | 6.0E-04 | na | na |
| Benzo[a]pyrene | 1.7E-02 | 6.0E-03 | na | na |
| Benzo[b]fluoranthene | 1.7E-03 | 6.0E-04 | na | na |
| Benzo[k]fluoranthene | 1.7E-03 | 6.0E-04 | na | na |
| Chrysene | 1.7E-04 | 6.0E-05 | na | na |
| Dibenz[a,h]anthracene | 6.5E-03 | 2.2E-03 | na | na |
| Ethyl benzene | 2.5E-06 | 5.0E-07 | 2.0E+03 | na |
| Formaldehyde | 6.1E-06 | 1.2E-06 | 9.0E+00 | 5.5E+01 |
| Hexane | na | na | 7.0E+03 | na |
| Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene | 1.7E-03 | 6.0E-04 | na | na |
| Naphthalene | 3.5E-05 | 6.9E-06 | 9.0E+00 | na |
| Propylene | na | na | 3.0E+03 | na |
| Propylene oxide | 3.8E-06 | 7.4E-07 | 3.0E+01 | 3.1E+03 |
| Toluene | na | na | 3.0E+02 | 3.7E+04 |
| Xylenes (mixed) | na | na | 7.0E+02 | 2.2E+04 |
| Sulfuric acid | na | na | 1.0E+00 | 1.2E+02 |

Note: The Unit Risk Factor (URF) are derived from HARP for each receptor (residential and worker) and includes exposure adjustments based on the continuous operation of the source. The URF for polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, which are TACs that have multipathway effects, includes the impacts from soil ingestion and dermal adsorption pathways.

Weighted emissions were calculated and used as model emissions inputs so that the modeled results are in terms of cancer risk, chronic hazard index and acute hazard index. The weighted emissions for cancer risk include an age sensitivity factors (1.7 for the residential receptor and 1.0 for the worker receptor). The weighted emissions for chronic and acute hazard indices were conservatively estimated, summing all weighted emissions regardless of the target organ that is affected by the TAC. Table 4 shows the health value weighted-emissions for each TAC as well as the sum for the simple cycle turbine inputs and for the fuel preheater inputs.

**Table 4 – Health Value Weighted Emission Inputs**

| Toxic Air Contaminant | Resident Cancer Risk Weighted Emissions x 1E6 | Worker Cancer Risk Weighted Emissions x 1E6 | Chronic HQ Weighted Emissions | Acute HQ Weighted Emissions |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 2.04E-03 | 2.37E-04 | 3.45E-07 | 0.00E+00 |
| Acetaldehyde | 4.08E-02 | 4.73E-03 | 5.91E-05 | 7.41E-04 |
| Ammonia | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 | 3.88E-03 | 1.21E-03 |
| Benzene | 3.57E-02 | 4.14E-03 | 1.21E-05 | 5.36E-06 |
| Benz[a]anthracene | 3.45E-03 | 7.38E-04 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 |
| Benzo[a]pyrene | 2.12E-02 | 4.54E-03 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 |
| Benzo[b]fluoranthene | 1.72E-03 | 3.69E-04 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 |
| Benzo[k]fluoranthene | 1.68E-03 | 3.59E-04 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 |
| Chrysene | 3.85E-04 | 8.23E-05 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 |
| Dibenz[a,h]anthracene | 1.41E-02 | 2.83E-03 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 |
| Ethyl benzene | 4.17E-03 | 4.84E-04 | 4.87E-07 | 0.00E+00 |
| Formaldehyde | 2.89E-01 | 3.36E-02 | 3.11E-03 | 2.29E-02 |
| Hexane | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 | 2.01E-06 | 0.00E+00 |
| Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene | 3.59E-03 | 7.67E-04 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 |
| Naphthalene | 5.34E-03 | 6.20E-04 | 1.00E-05 | 0.00E+00 |
| Propylene | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 | 1.40E-05 | 0.00E+00 |
| Propylene oxide | 1.66E-02 | 1.93E-03 | 8.67E-05 | 4.19E-06 |
| Toluene | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 | 1.29E-05 | 7.22E-07 |
| Xylenes (mixed) | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 | 2.03E-06 | 3.23E-07 |
| Sulfuric acid | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 | 9.58E-03 | 9.92E-04 |
| **SC Turbine Inputs (sum):** | **4.40E-01** | **5.54E-02** | **4.29E-02** | **3.78E-02** |
| Benzene | 1.28E-05 | 1.48E-06 | 4.32E-09 | 9.98E-10 |
| Formaldehyde | 9.58E-05 | 1.11E-05 | 1.03E-06 | 8.42E-07 |
| Toluene | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 | 1.40E-09 | 5.68E-11 |
| **Fuel Preheater Inputs (sum):** | **1.09E-04** | **1.26E-05** | **1.04E-06** | **8.43E-07** |

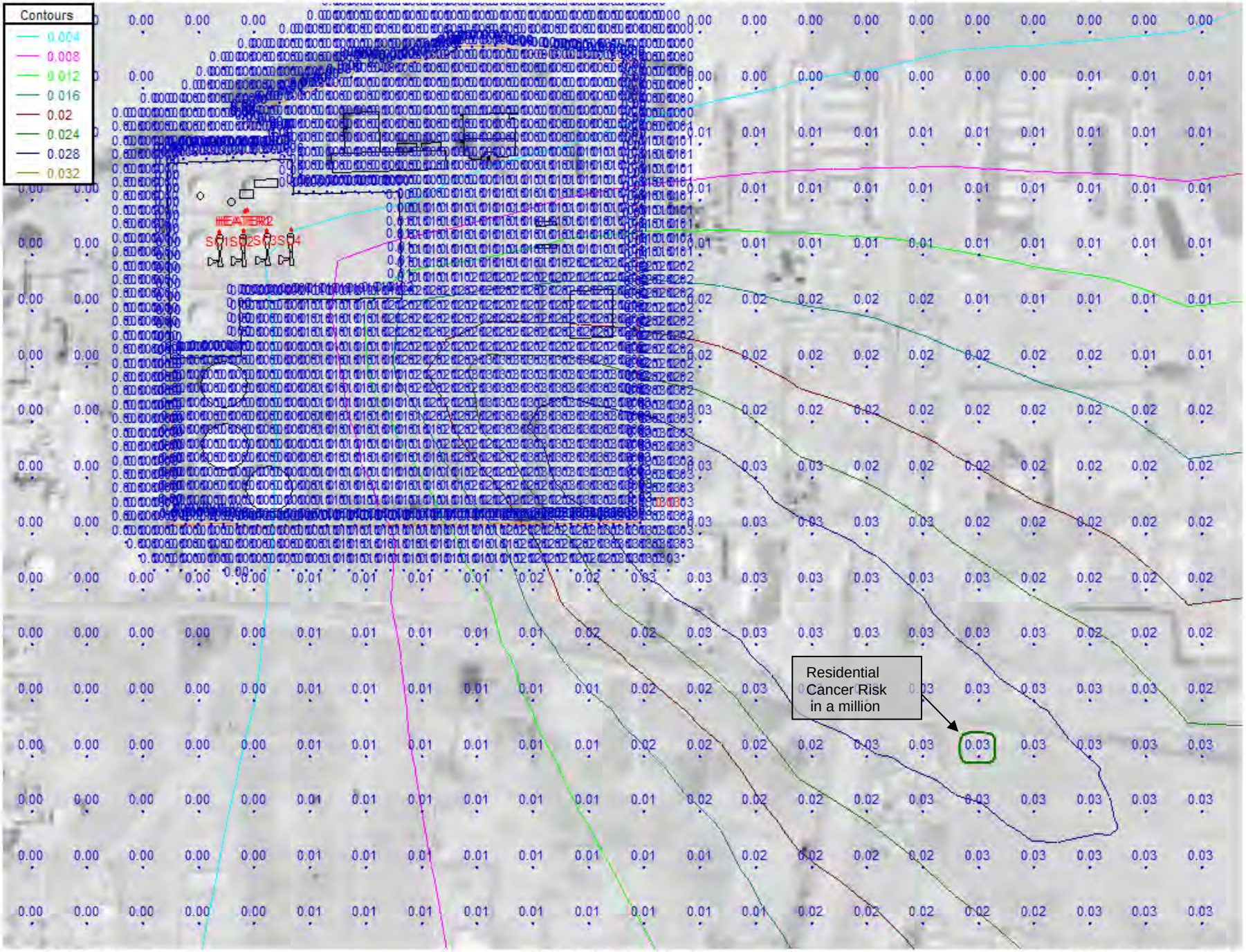
1. For each source, the sum of the URF-weighted emissions is entered into the model so that cancer risk in a million is the dispersion model result.
   Cancer Risk Model Emission Input = Sum of [ (Annual average emission rate, g/s) * (URF, (ug/m3)-1 ) * (Age Sensitivity Factor: 1.7 for resident, 1.0 for worker)* 1 E6 ]
2. For each source, the sum of the inverse chronic REL-weighted emissions is entered into the model so that chronic hazard index is the dispersion model result. Since the REL-weighted emissions are summed regardless of the target organ affected, the chronic hazard index will be conservatively estimated.
   Chronic Hazard Index Model Emission Input = Sum of [ (Annual average emission rate, g/s) / (chronic REL, (ug/m3) )]
3. For each source, the sum of the inverse acute REL-weighted emissions is entered into the model so that acute hazard index is the dispersion model result. Since the REL-weighted emissions are summed regardless of the target organ affected, the acute hazard index will be conservatively estimated.
   Acute Hazard Index Model Emission Input = Sum of [ (One-hour average emission rate, g/s) / (acute REL, (ug/m3) ) ]

*MODELING:* AERMOD model runs were executed to estimate the chronic and acute health risks. The meteorological data, terrain data, source and building parameters that were used in the PSD analysis for this project were also used in this risk assessment.

*HEALTH RISK:* The health risk assessment was performed in accordance with the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) guidelines. The health risk results are presented below.

| Receptor | Cancer Risk in a million | UTM_E | UTM_N | Met. Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Resident | 0.029 | 609800 | 4207300 | 2002 |
| Worker | 0.0041 | 609269 | 4207710 | 2002 |
| Max. Chronic HI | 0.0031 | 609269 | 4207710 | 2002 |
| Max. Acute HI | 0.26 | 601000 | 4199675 | 2000 |

Marsh Landing Generating Station P19169 A18404 Cancer Risk w/ASF f  Residential Cancer Risk in a million  C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2009Fall\CancerResident_2002_CANCRRES.GRF




Scale: 1" = 210.0 Meters  PERIOD VALUES FOR GROUP: ALL  Max = 0.03249 (609243.8, 4207735)

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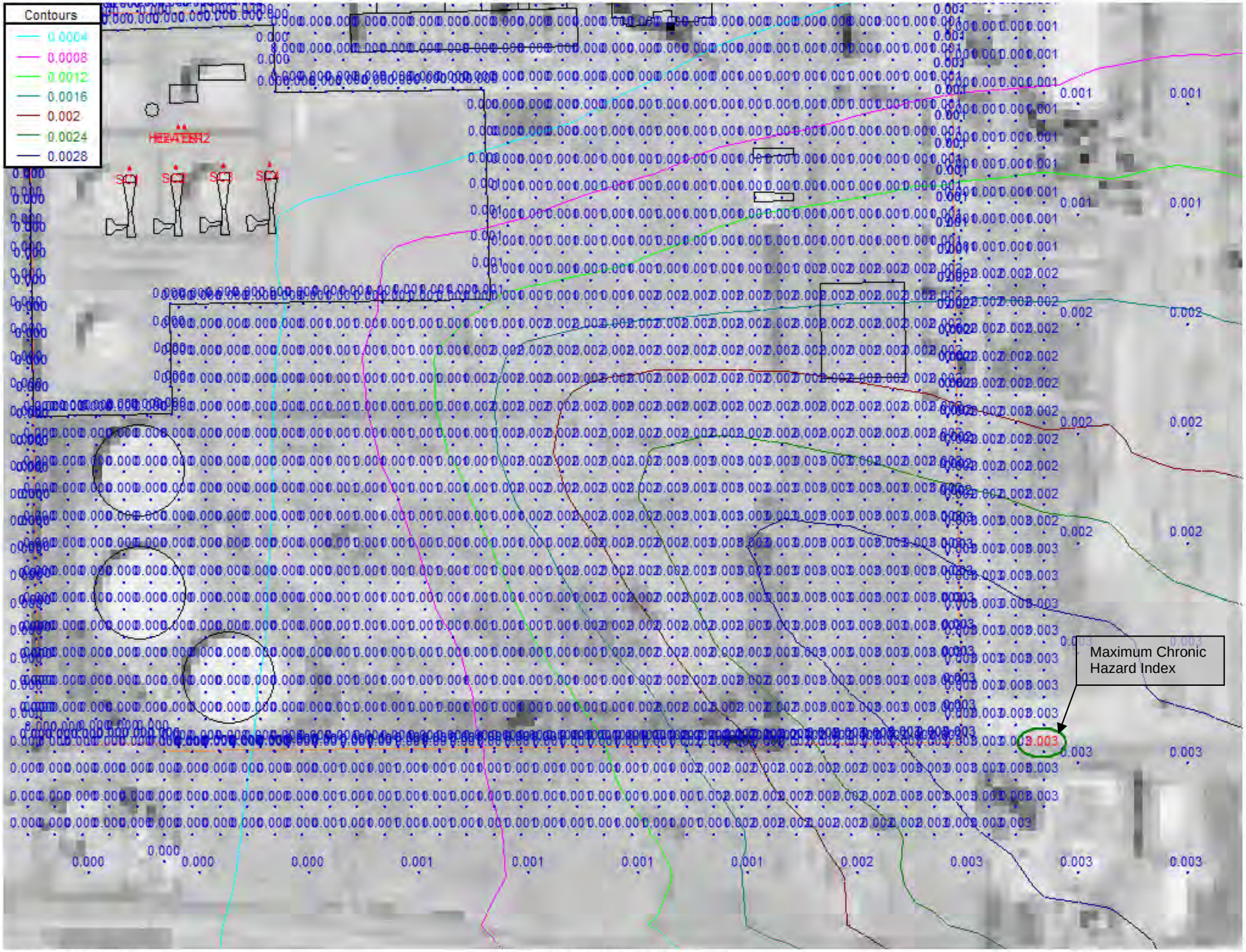


Scale: 1" = 106.5 Meters ANNUAL VALUES FOR GROUP: ALL Max = 0.00311 (609268.8, 4207710)

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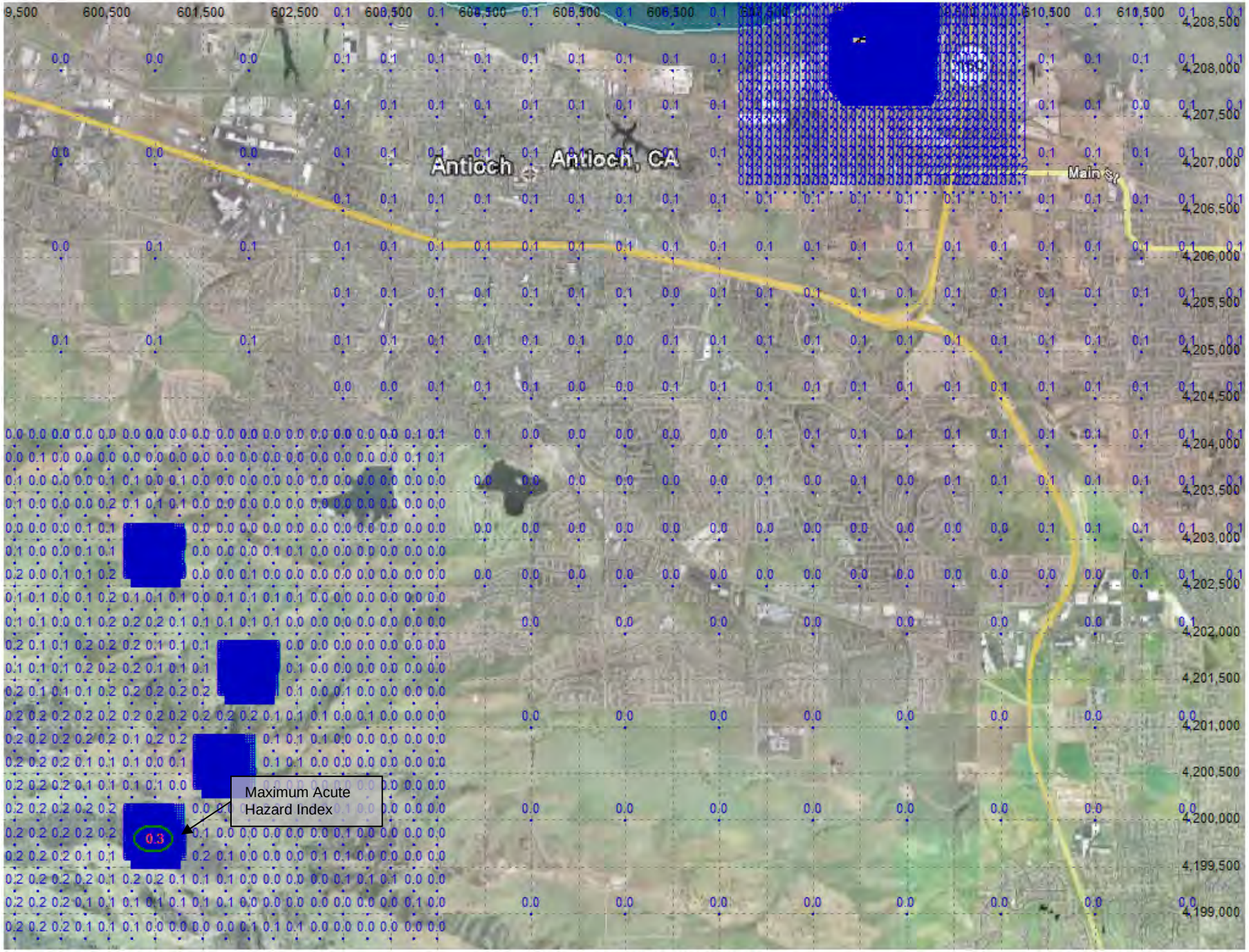


Scale: 1" = 1247.7 Meters HIGH 1ST HIGH 1-HR VALUES FOR GROUP: ALL Max = 0.25697 (601000, 4199675)

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    Met File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\metdata\Marsh_Landing_1k_02ccpmet.SFC

*** AERMOD - VERSION 09292 ***    *** Marsh Landing Generating Station  P19169  A18404 Cancer Risk w/ASF f ***        01/12/10
                                   *** SIMPLE CYCLE TURBINES                                                 ***        15:44:09

                                            ***     MODEL SETUP OPTIONS SUMMARY       ***
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 **Model Is Setup For Calculation of Average CONCentration Values.
   --  DEPOSITION LOGIC  --
 **NO GAS DEPOSITION Data Provided.
 **NO PARTICLE DEPOSITION Data Provided.
 **Model Uses NO DRY DEPLETION.  DRYDPLT  =  F
 **Model Uses NO WET DEPLETION.  WETDPLT  =  F
**Model Uses RURAL Dispersion Only.
**Model Uses Regulatory DEFAULT Options:
         1. Stack-tip Downwash.
         2. Model Accounts for ELEVated Terrain Effects.
         3. Use Calms Processing Routine.
         4. Use Missing Data Processing Routine.
         5. No Exponential Decay.
**Model Assumes No FLAGPOLE Receptor Heights.
**Model Calculates PERIOD Averages Only
**This Run Includes:      6 Source(s);       9 Source Group(s); and    6913 Receptor(s)
**Misc. Inputs:  Base Elev. for Pot. Temp. Profile (m MSL) =     3.00 ;  Decay Coef. =    0.000     ;  Rot. Angle =     0.0


                                                 *** POINT SOURCE DATA ***
             NUMBER EMISSION RATE                    BASE     STACK   STACK    STACK     STACK    BLDG   URBAN  CAP/  EMIS RATE
    SOURCE     PART.  (GRAMS/SEC)     X        Y      ELEV.    HEIGHT  TEMP.   EXIT VEL. DIAMETER EXISTS SOURCE HOR   SCALAR
      ID       CATS.               (METERS) (METERS) (METERS) (METERS) (DEG.K)  (M/SEC)  (METERS)                       VARY BY
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   SC4          0   0.44000E+00  608564.0 4208244.0     3.6    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
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   HEATER2      0   0.10900E-03  608485.8 4208278.4     4.3     7.93   486.33    15.27     0.20    YES     NO    NO


                                            *** SOURCE IDs DEFINING SOURCE GROUPS ***
 GROUP ID                                                  SOURCE IDs

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  HEATERS   HEATER1 , HEATER2 ,
  SCS       SC1     , SC2     , SC3     , SC4     ,
  SC1       SC1     ,
  SC2       SC2     ,
  SC3       SC3     ,
  SC4       SC4     ,
  HEATER1   HEATER1 ,
  HEATER2   HEATER2 ,
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*** THE PERIOD (  8784 HRS) AVERAGE CONCENTRATION  VALUES FOR SOURCE GROUP: ALL  ***
INCLUDING SOURCE(S):  SC1  , SC2  , SC3  , SC4  , HEATER1 , HEATER2 ,
*** DISCRETE CARTESIAN RECEPTOR POINTS ***
** CONC OF CANCRRES IN MICROGRAMS/M**3  **

| X-COORD (M) | Y-COORD (M) | CONC | | X-COORD (M) | Y-COORD (M) | CONC |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 608600.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.00532 | | 608700.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.00651 |
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| 609000.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01030 | | 609100.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01171 |
| 609200.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01347 | | 609300.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01573 |
| 609400.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01849 | | 609500.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02148 |
| 609600.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02427 | | 609700.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02650 |
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| 607600.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00272 | | 607700.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00258 |
| 607800.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00246 | | 607900.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00236 |
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| 608800.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00791 | | 608900.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00927 |
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| 609600.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.02747 | | 609700.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.02892 |
| 609800.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.02940 | residential cancer | 609900.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.02903 |
| 610000.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.02808 | risk in a million | 610100.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.02678 |
| 610200.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.02533 | | 607300.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00301 |
| 607400.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00293 | | 607500.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00282 |
| 607600.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00269 | | 607700.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00255 |
| 607800.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00243 | | 607900.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00228 |
| 608000.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00219 | | 608100.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00217 |
| 608200.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00227 | | 608300.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00256 |
| 608400.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00313 | | 608500.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00401 |
| 608600.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00521 | | 608700.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00660 |
| 608800.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00807 | | 608900.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.00960 |
| 609000.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.01145 | | 609100.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.01402 |
| 609200.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.01752 | | 609300.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.02159 |
| 609400.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.02547 | | 609500.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.02838 |
| 609600.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.03003 | | 609700.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.03028 |
| 609800.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.02961 | | 609900.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.02834 |
| 610000.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.02677 | | 610100.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.02512 |
| 610200.00 | 4207400.00 | 0.02354 | | 607300.00 | 4207500.00 | 0.00293 |
| 607400.00 | 4207500.00 | 0.00286 | | 607500.00 | 4207500.00 | 0.00276 |

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 Input File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2009Fall\Chronic20091214_2002_CANCRWRK.DTA
Output File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2009Fall\Chronic20091214_2002_CANCRWRK.LST
   Met File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\metdata\Marsh_Landing_1k_02ccpmet.SFC

*** AERMOD - VERSION 09292 ***    *** Marsh Landing Generating Station  P19169  A18404 Chronic Health Risk ***        12/14/09
                                   *** SIMPLE CYCLE TURBINES                                                ***        13:38:40
                                            ***     MODEL SETUP OPTIONS SUMMARY       ***
 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
 **Model Is Setup For Calculation of Average CONCentration Values.
   --  DEPOSITION LOGIC  --
 **NO GAS DEPOSITION Data Provided.
 **NO PARTICLE DEPOSITION Data Provided.
 **Model Uses NO DRY DEPLETION.  DRYDPLT  =  F
 **Model Uses NO WET DEPLETION.  WETDPLT  =  F
 **Model Uses RURAL Dispersion Only.
 **Model Uses Regulatory DEFAULT Options:
        1. Stack-tip Downwash.
        2. Model Accounts for ELEVated Terrain Effects.
        3. Use Calms Processing Routine.
        4. Use Missing Data Processing Routine.
        5. No Exponential Decay.
 **Model Assumes No FLAGPOLE Receptor Heights.
 **Model Calculates PERIOD Averages Only
 **This Run Includes:      6 Source(s);       9 Source Group(s); and    6913 Receptor(s)
 **Misc. Inputs:  Base Elev. for Pot. Temp. Profile (m MSL) =     3.00 ;  Decay Coef. =    0.000     ;  Rot. Angle =     0.0


                                                *** POINT SOURCE DATA ***
             NUMBER EMISSION RATE                   BASE     STACK   STACK    STACK     STACK    BLDG   URBAN  CAP/  EMIS RATE
   SOURCE     PART.  (GRAMS/SEC)     X        Y      ELEV.    HEIGHT  TEMP.   EXIT VEL. DIAMETER EXISTS SOURCE HOR   SCALAR
     ID       CATS.               (METERS) (METERS) (METERS) (METERS) (DEG.K)  (M/SEC)  (METERS)                       VARY BY
 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
   SC1          0   0.55400E-01  608436.1 4208240.6     5.1    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   SC2          0   0.55400E-01  608478.7 4208241.7     4.4    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   SC3          0   0.55400E-01  608521.4 4208242.9     3.9    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   SC4          0   0.55400E-01  608564.0 4208244.0     3.6    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   HEATER1      0   0.12600E-04  608480.9 4208278.2     4.4     7.93   486.33    15.27     0.20    YES     NO    NO
   HEATER2      0   0.12600E-04  608485.8 4208278.4     4.3     7.93   486.33    15.27     0.20    YES     NO    NO


                                     *** THE SUMMARY OF MAXIMUM PERIOD (  8784 HRS) RESULTS ***
                                  ** CONC OF CANCRWRK IN MICROGRAMS/M**3                          **
                                                                                                   NETWORK
GROUP ID                      AVERAGE CONC                RECEPTOR  (XR, YR, ZELEV, ZHILL, ZFLAG)  OF TYPE  GRID-ID
- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
ALL      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00408 AT (  609243.80,  4207735.00,     3.71,     3.71,    0.00)  DC          Worker cancer risk in a million
HEATERS  1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00041 AT (  608763.00,  4208169.40,     2.74,     2.74,    0.00)  DC
SCS      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00401 AT (  609300.00,  4207700.00,     4.06,     4.06,    0.00)  DC
SC1      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00101 AT (  609243.80,  4207685.00,     4.22,     4.22,    0.00)  DC
SC2      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00101 AT (  609243.80,  4207710.00,     3.96,     3.96,    0.00)  DC
SC3      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00101 AT (  609268.80,  4207735.00,     3.71,     3.71,    0.00)  DC
SC4      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00102 AT (  609268.80,  4207760.00,     3.66,     3.66,    0.00)  DC
HEATER1  1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00021 AT (  608715.80,  4208120.90,     2.74,     2.74,    0.00)  DC
HEATER2  1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00021 AT (  608763.00,  4208169.40,     2.74,     2.74,    0.00)  DC
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  Input File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2010Feb\HazardIndex_2002_CHRON_HI.DTA
 Output File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2010Feb\HazardIndex_2002_CHRON_HI.LST
    Met File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\metdata\Marsh_Landing_1k_02ccpmet.SFC

*** AERMOD - VERSION 09292 ***    *** Marsh Landing Generating Station  P19169  A18404 Acute Hazard Index  ***        02/23/10
                                   *** SIMPLE CYCLE TURBINES                                                ***        18:05:54

                                            ***     MODEL SETUP OPTIONS SUMMARY       ***
 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
 **Model Is Setup For Calculation of Average CONCentration Values.
   --  DEPOSITION LOGIC  --
 **NO GAS DEPOSITION Data Provided.
 **NO PARTICLE DEPOSITION Data Provided.
 **Model Uses NO DRY DEPLETION.  DRYDPLT  =  F
 **Model Uses NO WET DEPLETION.  WETDPLT  =  F
**Model Uses RURAL Dispersion Only.
**Model Uses Regulatory DEFAULT Options:
         1. Stack-tip Downwash.
         2. Model Accounts for ELEVated Terrain Effects.
         3. Use Calms Processing Routine.
         4. Use Missing Data Processing Routine.
         5. No Exponential Decay.
**Model Assumes No FLAGPOLE Receptor Heights.
**Model Calculates ANNUAL Averages Only
**This Run Includes:      6 Source(s);       9 Source Group(s); and    6913 Receptor(s)
**Misc. Inputs:  Base Elev. for Pot. Temp. Profile (m MSL) =     3.00 ;  Decay Coef. =    0.000     ;  Rot. Angle =     0.0


                                                   *** POINT SOURCE DATA ***
              NUMBER EMISSION RATE                     BASE     STACK   STACK    STACK     STACK    BLDG   URBAN  CAP/  EMIS RATE
    SOURCE     PART.  (GRAMS/SEC)     X        Y      ELEV.    HEIGHT  TEMP.   EXIT VEL. DIAMETER  EXISTS SOURCE HOR   SCALAR
      ID       CATS.               (METERS) (METERS) (METERS) (METERS) (DEG.K)  (M/SEC)  (METERS)                        VARY BY
 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
   SC1           0   0.42900E-01  608436.1 4208240.6     5.1    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   SC2           0   0.42900E-01  608478.7 4208241.7     4.4    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   SC3           0   0.42900E-01  608521.4 4208242.9     3.9    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   SC4           0   0.42900E-01  608564.0 4208244.0     3.6    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   HEATER1       0   0.10400E-05  608480.9 4208278.2     4.4     7.93   486.33    15.27     0.20    YES     NO    NO
   HEATER2       0   0.10400E-05  608485.8 4208278.4     4.3     7.93   486.33    15.27     0.20    YES     NO    NO


                                   *** THE SUMMARY OF MAXIMUM ANNUAL RESULTS AVERAGED OVER   1 YEARS ***
                                    ** CONC OF CHRON_HI IN MICROGRAMS/M**3                            **
                                                                                                      NETWORK
GROUP ID                      AVERAGE CONC                RECEPTOR  (XR, YR, ZELEV, ZHILL, ZFLAG)  OF TYPE  GRID-ID
- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
ALL      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00311 AT (  609300.00,  4207700.00,     4.06,     4.06,    0.00)  DC          Max. Chronic Hazard Index
HEATERS  1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00003 AT (  608763.00,  4208169.40,     2.74,     2.74,    0.00)  DC
SCS      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00310 AT (  609300.00,  4207700.00,     4.06,     4.06,    0.00)  DC
SC1      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00078 AT (  609243.80,  4207685.00,     4.22,     4.22,    0.00)  DC
SC2      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00078 AT (  609243.80,  4207710.00,     3.96,     3.96,    0.00)  DC
SC3      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00079 AT (  609268.80,  4207735.00,     3.71,     3.71,    0.00)  DC
SC4      1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00079 AT (  609268.80,  4207760.00,     3.66,     3.66,    0.00)  DC
HEATER1  1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00002 AT (  608715.80,  4208120.90,     2.74,     2.74,    0.00)  DC
HEATER2  1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS       0.00002 AT (  608763.00,  4208169.40,     2.74,     2.74,    0.00)  DC
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  Input File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2010Feb\HazardIndex_2000_ACUTE_HI.DTA
 Output File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2010Feb\HazardIndex_2000_ACUTE_HI.LST
    Met File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\metdata\Marsh_Landing_1k_00ccpmet.SFC

*** AERMOD - VERSION 09292 ***    *** Marsh Landing Generating Station  P19169  A18404 Acute Hazard Index  ***        02/23/10
                                   *** SIMPLE CYCLE TURBINES                                                ***        13:35:26
                                            ***     MODEL SETUP OPTIONS SUMMARY       ***
 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
**Model Is Setup For Calculation of Average CONCentration Values.
   --  DEPOSITION LOGIC  --
 **NO GAS DEPOSITION Data Provided.
 **NO PARTICLE DEPOSITION Data Provided.
 **Model Uses NO DRY DEPLETION.  DRYDPLT  =  F
 **Model Uses NO WET DEPLETION.  WETDPLT  =  F
**Model Uses RURAL Dispersion Only.
**Model Uses Regulatory DEFAULT Options:
         1. Stack-tip Downwash.
         2. Model Accounts for ELEVated Terrain Effects.
         3. Use Calms Processing Routine.
         4. Use Missing Data Processing Routine.
         5. No Exponential Decay.
**Model Assumes No FLAGPOLE Receptor Heights.
**Model Calculates  1 Short Term Average(s) of:   1-HR
**This Run Includes:      6 Source(s);       9 Source Group(s); and    6913 Receptor(s)
**Misc. Inputs:  Base Elev. for Pot. Temp. Profile (m MSL) =     3.00 ;  Decay Coef. =    0.000     ;  Rot. Angle =     0.0


                                                 *** POINT SOURCE DATA ***
             NUMBER EMISSION RATE                    BASE     STACK   STACK    STACK     STACK    BLDG   URBAN  CAP/  EMIS RATE
    SOURCE     PART.  (GRAMS/SEC)     X        Y      ELEV.    HEIGHT  TEMP.   EXIT VEL. DIAMETER EXISTS SOURCE HOR   SCALAR
      ID       CATS.               (METERS) (METERS) (METERS) (METERS) (DEG.K)  (M/SEC)  (METERS)                        VARY BY
 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
   SC1           0   0.37800E-01  608436.1 4208240.6     5.1    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   SC2           0   0.37800E-01  608478.7 4208241.7     4.4    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   SC3           0   0.37800E-01  608521.4 4208242.9     3.9    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   SC4           0   0.37800E-01  608564.0 4208244.0     3.6    50.29   672.04    14.97     9.55    YES     NO    NO
   HEATER1       0   0.84300E-06  608480.9 4208278.2     4.4     7.93   486.33    15.27     0.20    YES     NO    NO
   HEATER2       0   0.84300E-06  608485.8 4208278.4     4.3     7.93   486.33    15.27     0.20    YES     NO    NO


                                              *** THE SUMMARY OF HIGHEST  1-HR RESULTS ***
                                     ** CONC OF ACUTE_HI IN MICROGRAMS/M**3                          **
                                                                 DATE                                                                  NETWORK
GROUP ID                          AVERAGE CONC     (YYMMDDHH)             RECEPTOR  (XR, YR, ZELEV, ZHILL, ZFLAG)    OF TYPE  GRID-ID
- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
ALL      HIGH  1ST HIGH VALUE IS       0.25697  ON 00122907: AT (  601000.00,  4199675.00,   368.00,  1084.00,    0.00)  DC  Max. Acute Hazard Index
SC1      HIGH  1ST HIGH VALUE IS       0.06452  ON 00122907: AT (  600975.00,  4199675.00,   370.33,  1084.00,    0.00)  DC
SC2      HIGH  1ST HIGH VALUE IS       0.06438  ON 00122907: AT (  601000.00,  4199675.00,   368.00,  1084.00,    0.00)  DC
SC3      HIGH  1ST HIGH VALUE IS       0.06417  ON 00122907: AT (  601000.00,  4199675.00,   368.00,  1084.00,    0.00)  DC
SC4      HIGH  1ST HIGH VALUE IS       0.06391  ON 00122907: AT (  601000.00,  4199675.00,   368.00,  1084.00,    0.00)  DC
HEATER1  HIGH  1ST HIGH VALUE IS       0.00045  ON 00102321: AT (  608493.80,  4208410.00,     2.64,     2.64,    0.00)  DC
HEATER2  HIGH  1ST HIGH VALUE IS       0.00045  ON 00102321: AT (  608506.20,  4208440.00,     2.34,     2.34,    0.00)  DC
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# Appendix D

# Siemens Emission Estimates

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**Estimated Startup and Shutdown Emissions**
**SGT6-5000F(4) in Simple Cycle Operation at 59 °F for a "Fast" Startup and Shutdown on Natural Gas**

| Mode | ~ Time (minutes) | Emissions (Total Pounds per Event) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | $NO_X$ | CO | VOC | PM |
| Startup on Natural Gas | 11 | 14 | 232 | 12 | 2 |
| Shutdown on Natural Gas | 6 | 12 | 128 | 6 | 1 |

**General Notes**

1.) All data is ESTIMATED, NOT guaranteed and is for ONE unit.
2.) Gas fuel must be in compliance with Siemens fuel specifications.
3.) Emissions are at the exhaust stack outlet and exclude ambient air contributions.
4.) Emissions are based on new and clean conditions.
5.) Please be advised that the information contained in this transmittal has been prepared and is being transmitted per customer request specifically for information purposes only. Such information is not intended to be used for evaluation of plant design and/or performance relative to contractual commitments. Data included in any permit application or Environmental Impact Statement is strictly the customer's responsibility. Siemens is available to review permit application data upon request.

**Startup Emissions Notes**

1.) Estimated startup (SU) data are from gas turbine (GT) ignition through 100% load.
2.) Estimated SU and shutdown (SD) data are based on the assumed times noted above and will be higher for longer times.
3.) Estimated SU and SD data are based on the ambient temperature noted in the table and will be higher at lower ambient temperatures.
4.) "Fast" SU assumes 5 minutes from turning gear to synchronization.
5.) SD assumes 100% load to FSNL with no cooldown at FSNL.
6.) Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS) may calculate emissions differently.
7.) Operator actions do not extend startup or shutdown.
8.) It is assumed that there is no restriction from the interconnected utility for loading the GT from synchronization to 100% load within the SU times considered.

Only NOx emissions used for FDOC emission calculations. CO and VOC from 3/27/2008 Siemens estimate.

# EMISSIONS MPC DATA SHEET

**SGT6-PAC 5000F Simple Cycle Gas Turbine**

| REFERENCE CONDITIONS | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Fuel Type | Gas | Gas | Gas |
| Ambient Temperature Range (°F) | 20 to 111 | 20 to 100 | 101 to 111 |
| Gas Turbine Load (%) | 60 to 100 | 50 to < 60 | 50 to < 60 |
| **EMISSIONS MPC** | | | |
| $NO_X$ (ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$) | [redacted] | | |
| CO (ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$) | 4 | 10 | 20 |
| VOC as $CH_4$ (ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$) | [redacted] | | |
| Particulate ($lb_m$/hr) | [redacted] | | |

## Test Requirements

The Emissions MPC will be demonstrated by performing testing prior to the SCR in accordance with the following United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Test Methods (modified for single-point sampling if no stratification, otherwise testing will be at exhaust stack without SCR in operation):

**$NO_X$ – USEPA Method 7E**

- Demonstration of the NOX guarantee is based on the average of three (3) test runs at each test point.

**CO – USEPA Method 10**

- Demonstration of the CO guarantee is based on the average of three (3) test runs at each test point.

**VOC – USEPA Methods 25A and 18**

- VOC are total hydrocarbons (THC) excluding methane and ethane and are expressed in terms of methane. Demonstration of the VOC guarantee is based on the average of three (3) test runs at each test point. If test results per USEPA Method 25A indicate THC values greater than the VOC guarantees, at least three (3) samples will be collected, analyzed and averaged for each test run.



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### Particulate – USEPA Methods 5 and 202

- Demonstration of the Particulate guarantee is based on the average of one (1) set of three (3) test runs at the maximum plant output available at the time of testing. The gas turbine shall be operating at steady state conditions at the test load level for at least two (2) hours prior to commencement of testing. Each test run shall be of sufficient length to collect a minimum sample volume of 150 cubic feet. A one-piece nozzle and probe assembly lined with borosilicate or quartz glass shall be utilized. The actual fuel flow rate during particulate testing shall be utilized to determine the exhaust gas flow rate per USEPA Method 19 when converting from units of concentration to the guaranteed emission rate. When testing for Particulate, the probe should be supported for stability during sampling. The test vendor shall ensure that the probe heating element and the medium used for attaching the heating element to the probe are not subjected to temperatures that exceed their temperature limitations.

## Guarantee Conditions

- The Emissions Test shall be performed on an individual gas turbine basis and do not include ambient air contributions.

- The Emissions Test shall be performed during steady state operation and not during startup, shutdown, transient plant or fuel conditions and/or initial commissioning activities.

- Natural gas fuel must comply with the Guarantee Fuel requirements in Schedule 14-A of the Contract.

- The Emissions Test for $NO_X$, CO and VOC shall be performed on each Unit at 50% load, 60% load and 100% load to verify that the Emissions MPCs set forth herein are met at each loading.



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**Estimated Commissioning Schedule; Startup/Shutdown, Running and Total Emissions and Fuel Use**
**SGT6-5000F(4) Simple Cycle (9 ppm ULN) on Natural Gas @ 59 °F**

| | GT 1 | | | | Startup/Shutdown | | | | | Running | | | | | Total | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Day | Activity | Duration (hr) | GT Load (%) | Modeling Load (%) | $NO_X$ | CO | VOC | PM | FUEL | $NO_X$ | CO | VOC | PM | FUEL | $NO_X$ | CO | VOC | PM | FUEL |
| 1 | CTG Testing (Full Speed No Load, FSNL, Excitation Test, Dummy Synch Checks) | 8 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 305 | 19 | 1 | 2156 | 333 | 18935 | 1162 | 70 | 133935 | 339 | 19240 | 1181 | 71 | 136091 |
| 2 | CTG 1 Testing @ 40% load (4) | 8 | 0-40 | 40 | 112 | 2222 | 95 | 9 | 30453 | 1396 | 9441 | 541 | 81 | 370011 | 1507 | 11662 | 636 | 91 | 400464 |
| 3 | CTG 1 Load Test (4) | 16 | 50 | 50 | 143 | 2397 | 106 | 11 | 41384 | 1768 | 6457 | 493 | 128 | 843361 | 1911 | 8854 | 599 | 139 | 884745 |
| 4 | CTG 1 Load Test (4) | 16 | 50 | 50 | 143 | 2397 | 106 | 11 | 41384 | 1768 | 6457 | 493 | 128 | 843361 | 1911 | 8854 | 599 | 139 | 884745 |
| 5 | CTG 1 Load Test (4) | 12 | 75 | 75 | 177 | 2451 | 112 | 16 | 75245 | 628 | 170 | 24 | 96 | 832063 | 805 | 2621 | 136 | 112 | 907309 |
| 6 | CTG 1 Load Test (4) | 12 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 7 | CTG 1 Load Test (4) | 12 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 8 | No Operation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | Install Emissions Test Equipment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 10 | Emissions Tuning/Drift Testing | 12 | 50-100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 11 | Emissions Tuning/Drift Testing | 12 | 50-100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 12 | RATA / Pre-performance Testing/Source Testing/Drift Testing | 12 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 13 | RATA / Pre-performance Testing/Source Testing/Drift Testing | 12 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 14 | RATA / Pre-performance Testing/Source Testing/Drift Testing | 12 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 15 | RATA / Pre-performance Testing/Source Testing/Drift Testing | 12 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 16 | RATA / Pre-performance Testing/Source Testing/Drift Testing | 12 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 17 | Remove Emisssions Test Equipment/ install performance test equipment if not already installed | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 18 | No Operation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 19 | Water Wash & Performance preparation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 | Water Wash & Performance preparation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 21 | Performance Testing | 24 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 1570 | 425 | 61 | 195 | 2079335 | 1779 | 2885 | 174 | 215 | 2197349 |
| 22 | Performance Testing | 16 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 1047 | 283 | 41 | 130 | 1386223 | 1256 | 2743 | 154 | 150 | 1504238 |
| 23 | CALISO Certification | 12 | 50-100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| 24 | CALISO Certification if required | 12 | 100 | 100 | 209 | 2460 | 113 | 20 | 118014 | 785 | 212 | 30 | 97 | 1039668 | 994 | 2672 | 143 | 117 | 1157682 |
| | **Total GT operation hours** | **232** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| | $NO_X$ | CO | VOC | PM | FUEL |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Pounds** | 20,442 | 86,251 | 5,057 | 2,208 | 19,649,441 |
| **Tons** | 10.22 | 43.13 | 2.53 | 1.10 | 9,825 |

**Notes:**

1. Gas turbine is assumed to ramp at 3 MW per minute.
2. Assumes pre-operational chemical cleaning of steam and watersides per SPGI recommendations.
3. Assumes single fuel (natural gas) operation of gas turbine.
4. Commissioning acivites may require gas turbine to hold at loads less than the modeled load.
5. Information reported by a Continuous Emissions Monitoring System may be calculated differently.
6. Data calculated at 59 °F.
7. Please be advised that the information contained in this transmittal has been prepared and is being transmitted per customer request specifically for information purposes only. Such information is not intended to be used for evaluation of plant design and/or performance relative to contractual commitments. Data included in any permit application or Environmental Impact Statement are strictly the customer's responsibility.



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**Total Estimated Startup and Shutdown Emissions and Fuel Use**
**SGT6-5000F(4) 9 ppm ULN in Simple Cycle Operation at 59 °F on Natural Gas**

| Mode | ~ Time (minutes) | Total Pounds per Event | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | $NO_X$ | CO | VOC | PM | Fuel Use |
| Startup | 11 | 12 | 213 | 11 | 1 | 6,638 |
| Shutdown | 6 | 10 | 110 | 5 | 1 | 5,905 |

**General Notes**

1.) All data is ESTIMATED, NOT guaranteed and is for ONE unit.
2.) Gas fuel must be in compliance with Siemens fuel specifications.
3.) Emissions are at the exhaust stack outlet and exclude ambient air contributions.
4.) Emissions are based on new and clean conditions.
5.) $NO_X$ as $NO_2$.
6.) VOC consist of total hydrocarbons excluding methane and ethane and are expressed in terms of methane ($CH_4$).
7.) Particulates are per US EPA Method 5/202 (front and back half).
8.) Estimated fuel use data is based on a heating value of 22,356 Btu/$lb_m$ (HHV) and will be different for different heating values.
9.) Please be advised that the information contained in this transmittal has been prepared and is being transmitted per customer request specifically for information purposes only. Such information is not intended to be used for evaluation of plant design and/or performance relative to contractual commitments. Data included in any permit application or Environmental Impact Statement is strictly the customer's responsibility. Siemens is available to review permit application data upon request.

**Startup Emissions Notes**

1.) Estimated startup (SU) data are from gas turbine (GT) ignition through 100% load.
2.) Estimated SU and shutdown (SD) data are based on the assumed times noted above and will be higher for longer times.
3.) Estimated SU and SD data are based on the ambient temperature noted above and will be higher at lower ambient temperatures.
4.) Total SU time includes 5 minutes from turning gear to synchronization.
5.) SD assumes 100% load to FSNL with no cooldown at FSNL.
6.) Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS) may calculate emissions differently.
7.) Operator actions do not extend startup or shutdown.
8.) It is assumed that there is no restriction from the interconnected utility for loading the GT from synchronization to 100% load within the SU times considered.

CO and VOC emissions used for FDOC emissions calculations. NOx emissions from 3/22/2010 Siemens estimate.

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**Estimated SGT6-5000F(4) Gas Turbine Performance**
**Simple Cycle / Ultra Low NOx Combustor**
**SGen6-1000A / 0.85 Power Factor**

**Rev 1**
**03/27/2008**

| SITE CONDITIONS: | CASE 1 | CASE 2 | CASE 3 | CASE 4 | CASE 5 | CASE 6 | CASE 7 | CASE 8 | CASE 9 | CASE 10 | CASE 11 | CASE 12 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| FUEL TYPE | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas | Natural Gas |
| LOAD LEVEL | BASE | 75% | 60% | BASE | 75% | 60% | BASE | 75% | 60% | BASE | 75% | 60% |
| NET FUEL HEATING VALUE, Btu/lbm (LHV) | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 | 20,670 |
| GROSS FUEL HEATING VALUE, Btu/lbm (HHV) | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 | 22,931 |
| EVAPORATIVE COOLER STATUS/EFFECTIVENESS | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF |
| AMBIENT DRY BULB TEMPERATURE, °F | 20.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 75.0 | 75.0 | 75.0 | 94.0 | 94.0 | 94.0 | 59.0 | 59.0 | 59.0 |
| AMBIENT WET BULB TEMPERATURE, °F | 19.3 | 19.3 | 19.3 | 63.7 | 63.7 | 63.7 | 70.9 | 70.9 | 70.9 | 51.5 | 51.5 | 51.5 |
| AMBIENT RELATIVE HUMIDITY, % | 90% | 90% | 90% | 54% | 54% | 54% | 32% | 32% | 32% | 60% | 60% | 60% |
| BAROMETRIC PRESSURE, psia | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 | 14.691 |
| COMPRESSOR INLET TEMPERATURE, °F | 20.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 75.0 | 75.0 | 75.0 | 94.0 | 94.0 | 94.0 | 59.0 | 59.0 | 59.0 |
| INLET PRESSURE LOSS, inches of water (Total) | 4.5 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 3.9 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 3.7 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 4.1 | 2.8 | 2.2 |
| EXHAUST PRESSURE LOSS, inches of water (Total) | 8.66 | 5.69 | 4.44 | 6.94 | 4.83 | 3.79 | 6.36 | 4.49 | 3.52 | 7.45 | 5.11 | 4.00 |
| EXHAUST PRESSURE LOSS, inches of water (Static) | 5.8 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 4.3 | 3.0 | 2.3 | 5.0 | 3.4 | 2.7 |
| INJECTION FLUID | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| INJECTION RATIO | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| **COMBUSTION TURBINE PERFORMANCE:** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GROSS POWER OUTPUT, kW | 224,110 | 168,080 | 134,470 | 187,490 | 140,620 | 112,500 | 172,980 | 129,740 | 103,790 | 198,870 | 149,150 | 119,320 |
| GROSS HEAT RATE, Btu/kWh (LHV) | 8,855 | 9,315 | 9,915 | 9,185 | 9,860 | 10,525 | 9,395 | 10,135 | 10,840 | 9,050 | 9,660 | 10,305 |
| GROSS HEAT RATE, Btu/kWh (HHV) | 9,820 | 10,335 | 11,000 | 10,190 | 10,935 | 11,675 | 10,420 | 11,245 | 12,030 | 10,040 | 10,720 | 11,430 |
| FUEL FLOW, lbm/hr | 95,970 | 75,730 | 64,490 | 83,310 | 67,060 | 57,280 | 78,590 | 63,600 | 54,430 | 87,070 | 69,690 | 59,470 |
| INJECTION RATE, lbm/hr | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| HEAT INPUT, mmBtu/hr (LHV) | 1,984 | 1,565 | 1,333 | 1,722 | 1,386 | 1,184 | 1,624 | 1,315 | 1,125 | 1,800 | 1,441 | 1,229 |
| HEAT INPUT, mmBtu/hr (HHV) | 2,201 | 1,737 | 1,479 | 1,910 | 1,538 | 1,313 | 1,802 | 1,459 | 1,248 | 1,997 | 1,598 | 1,364 |
| EXHAUST TEMPERATURE, °F | 1,065 | 1,065 | 1,065 | 1,105 | 1,105 | 1,105 | 1,123 | 1,123 | 1,122 | 1,090 | 1,090 | 1,091 |
| EXHAUST FLOW, lbm/hr | 4,366,477 | 3,547,986 | 3,136,246 | 3,863,230 | 3,229,818 | 2,860,343 | 3,677,383 | 3,095,213 | 2,745,451 | 4,021,343 | 3,336,206 | 2,953,373 |
| EXHAUST FLOW, MACFM | 2.85 | 2.31 | 2.04 | 2.60 | 2.17 | 1.92 | 2.50 | 2.10 | 1.87 | 2.67 | 2.22 | 1.96 |
| STATIC EXCITATION LOSS, kW | 489 | 308 | 234 | 361 | 246 | 195 | 320 | 225 | 182 | 397 | 263 | 207 |
| **EXHAUST GAS COMPOSITION (BY % VOL):** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OXYGEN | 12.54 | 12.77 | 13.06 | 12.47 | 12.77 | 13.04 | 12.52 | 12.82 | 13.09 | 12.54 | 12.82 | 13.10 |
| CARBON DIOXIDE | 3.86 | 3.75 | 3.62 | 3.77 | 3.63 | 3.51 | 3.74 | 3.60 | 3.47 | 3.79 | 3.66 | 3.54 |
| WATER | 7.77 | 7.56 | 7.30 | 8.83 | 8.57 | 8.33 | 8.90 | 8.63 | 8.40 | 8.32 | 8.07 | 7.82 |
| NITROGEN | 74.93 | 75.02 | 75.12 | 74.04 | 74.14 | 74.24 | 73.96 | 74.06 | 74.15 | 74.45 | 74.55 | 74.65 |
| ARGON | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.88 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.89 |
| MOLECULAR WEIGHT | 28.46 | 28.47 | 28.49 | 28.34 | 28.35 | 28.37 | 28.33 | 28.34 | 28.36 | 28.39 | 28.41 | 28.43 |
| **NET EMISSIONS: Based on 21T5620 test methods** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NOx, ppmvd @ 15% O2 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| NOx, lbm/hr as NO2 | 75 | 59 | 50 | 65 | 52 | 45 | 61 | 50 | 42 | 68 | 54 | 46 |
| CO, ppmvd @ 15% O2 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 10 |
| CO, lbm/hr | 20 | 16 | 34 | 18 | 14 | 30 | 17 | 13 | 29 | 18 | 15 | 31 |
| VOC, ppmvd @ 15% O2 as CH4 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 3.0 |
| VOC, lbm/hr as CH4 | 2.9 | 2.3 | 5.8 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 5.2 | 2.4 | 1.9 | 4.9 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 5.4 |
| PARTICULATES, lbm/hr | 9 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |

**NOTES:**

- Performance is based on new and clean condition.
- All data is estimated and not guaranteed.
- Data included in any permit application or Environmental Impact Statement are strictly the responsibility of the Owner. SIEMENS is available to review permit application data upon request.
- Gross power output is at the generator terminals, minus excitation losses. It does not include ECONOPAC™ auxiliary load losses.
- Estimated GT Performance values are dependent upon receiving test tolerances equal to measurement uncertainty calculated in accordance with ASME PTC 19.1-1998.
- Emission flowrates are calculated based on the maximum achievable exhaust flow. For further details on flowrate calculation contact SIEMENS.
- VOC's consist of total unburned hydrocarbons excluding methane and ethane. The concentration is expressed in terms of methane.
- Exhaust volumetric flow rate is at the exit to the ECONOPAC stack.
- Gas fuel composition is 95.05% CH4, 2.643% C2H6, 0.345% C3H8, 0.052% iC4H10, 0.064% nC4H10, 0.018% iC5H12, 0.013% nC5H12, 0.059% C6H14, 0.664% CO2, 1.091% N2 and 0.2 grains of sulfur per 100 SCF.
- Gas fuel must be in compliance with the SIEMENS Gas Fuel Spec (ZDX555-DC01-MBP-2500-01).
- Particulates are per US EPA Method 5/202 (front and back half).
- Average temperature of the gas fuel is 59 °F. Sensible heat of the fuel is not included in the fuel heating values.
- Maximum exhaust temperature is 1200 °F for base and part load.

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# Appendix E

# Comments Received on PDOC

From: Brian Lusher
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 9:55 AM
To: Vanessa Hodgson
Subject: FW: Applicant Comments on Marsh Landing Generating Station PDOC

Attachments: Est. SU SD Emissions - SGT6-5000F(4) SC
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-----Original Message-----
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Subject: Applicant Comments on Marsh Landing Generating Station PDOC

Brian,

Please find attached our comments on the Marsh Landing Generating Station PDOC, as well as the updated Siemens table referenced in our comment letter.

Best,

Peter

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**Re: Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC Comments on Preliminary Determination of Compliance for the Marsh Landing Generating Station**

Dear Mr. Lusher:

Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC (Mirant) appreciates all of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (District) staff's work on preparing the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) for the Mirant Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS), and appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments on the PDOC. Our comments primarily relate to the proposed limit in the PDOC on emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx) per start-up event. We are proposing a revision to this limit to reflect updated information provided by our vendors, along with minor corresponding revisions elsewhere in the text of the PDOC. The remainder of our comments relate to other minor and/or non-substantive issues. We would welcome the opportunity to discuss these comments with the District as it prepares its Final Determination of Compliance for the MLGS.

**Start-up NOx Limit**

The limit on maximum emissions of NOx per startup event proposed in the PDOC is 18.6 pounds in a 30-minute startup period (see Condition 19 (p. 83) and associated text at pp. 50-51). This figure was based on (1) information provided by Siemens, the turbine vendor, indicating that a typical gas turbine startup would be complete within 11 minutes and that estimated emissions during this 11-minute period would be 12 pounds; and (2) considerations of variability and various factors affecting startup emissions, corresponding to an allowance for an additional 6.6 pounds and an assumption that a start-up event could last as long as 30 minutes.

Since these original estimates were provided in the Application for Certification, ongoing discussions related to the engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) contract for the MLGS have led to a more detailed understanding of engineering and technical constraints related to MLGS emissions as the project has proceeded from a conceptual level to more detailed engineering specifications. Based on these more detailed specifications, our vendors have provided updated information indicating that the limit on

maximum NOx emissions per 30-minute start-up event should be revised to 36.4 pounds. The 30-minute maximum startup time remains unchanged.

This revision is based on updated information related to two critical assumptions underlying the estimated start-up emissions. First, our turbine vendor, Siemens, recently provided updated information indicating that estimated emissions for a typical 11-minute gas turbine start-up would in fact be 14 pounds of NOx rather than the originally estimated 12 pounds. The updated table of estimated emissions provided by Siemens is attached as Attachment A.[1]

Second, our EPC contractor and its SCR subcontractors have provided updated information regarding the potential performance of the SCR and the time and conditions under which it can be expected to achieve the 2.5ppm normal operating limit for NOx emissions. The proposed start-up event limit of 18.6 pounds was based on the assumption that the SCR can achieve the 2.5ppm rate at the end of or shortly after the initial 11-minute gas turbine start-up period. Initial indications from potential SCR vendors appeared to suggest that this could be technically possible, but even in those early indications vendors stated that they expected the SCR could achieve the 2.5ppm compliance rate by 11 minutes after start-up only when emissions are calculated on a rolling 1-hour average (*i.e.* the 2.5ppm level would not necessarily be met on an instantaneous basis immediately following the initial 11 minutes of gas turbine operation). Based on more detailed engineering specifications that have been developed, the selected SCR vendor has stated that the SCR should not be expected to achieve the 2.5ppm rate until towards the end of the 30-minute start-up period, and all potential vendors have agreed that the SCR could not be expected to achieve the 2.5ppm rate within 11 minutes of gas turbine startup.

Our updated information and analysis indicates that the soonest the SCR can be expected to be reliably reducing NOx emissions is at the beginning of the 28$^{th}$ minute after a start-up. For calculating total start-up NOx emissions, we assume that this decrease from 9ppm down to 2.5ppm occurs linearly, and entirely within the last three minutes of the 30-minute start-up period. Accordingly, the total expected emissions for the 30-minute period are 36.4 pounds.

Several technical factors are responsible for the time needed for the SCR to achieve emissions compliance after a start-up commences. The SCR catalyst is a base metal oxide acid catalyst that requires a reagent (ammonia) to react with NOx in the turbine exhaust to produce nitrogen and water and thereby remove NOx from the exhaust gas stream. The catalyst adsorbs ammonia onto its surface to enable reaction with NOx. The SCR reaction is a function of temperature and ammonia flow for a given design. As the catalyst heats up, ammonia is introduced when the catalyst temperature reaches the minimum set temperature allowable for ammonia injection. A key factor in the time required to reach this minimum temperature is the thermal inertia of the selected catalyst. Introducing ammonia below the minimum temperature can damage the catalyst by the

[1] Note that while the updated Siemens table also reflects marginal increases in start-up emissions of other pollutants (e.g. CO and POC), Mirant intends to nonetheless comply with the currently proposed limits in the PDOC for those pollutants.

formation of sulfate and nitrate salts in the catalyst pores. Once ammonia injection begins, there is a period where ammonia is adsorbed onto the catalyst and no reaction occurs. Once the catalyst is saturated, the NOx reacts with the ammonia and NOx in the exhaust gas is reduced to the design levels. Ammonia must be continuously replenished as it reacts with NOx.

Once ammonia injection begins, the ammonia flow control valve will be positioned with a "feed forward" signal from the turbine flow meter measuring the natural gas to the turbine. An algorithm that plots NOx as a function of natural gas flow will be created and loaded into the Programmable Logic Controller or PLC. This algorithm will be utilized to calculate the amount of ammonia required to reduce the NOx level as needed. The SCR ammonia control uses the exhaust NOx level, stack NOx level and fuel firing rate to predict ammonia flow rate and simultaneously control the stack NOx value. After ammonia injection has begun, the CEMS will begin grabbing samples of treated exhaust gas; however, it will take several minutes for these samples to fill the umbilical and actually arrive at the CEMS shack for analysis. After this stream has been established, the stack data will then be utilized to "trim", or fine tune the ammonia flow control valve to ensure on-going compliance with the NOx limit. This "feedback loop" necessarily extends the time required to reduce NOx emissions.

For accurate control of NOx and to minimize ammonia slip, the CEMS analyzers must be calibrated on a schedule set by local regulations. Defined calibration accuracy criteria must also be met in order to maintain control system integrity and accuracy. When any analyzers are in calibration mode, the SCR control holds the last valid $NOx/O_2$ value until the calibration is completed and the analyzer returns to normal functional operation. Status indicators are generated in the CEMS and sent to the SCR controller.

Any attempt to reduce NOx emissions faster than described above would necessarily require more ammonia injection (e.g. simply commence injecting ammonia without regard to an appropriately calculated ammonia injection feedback sequence), which in turn would have the necessary effect of increasing the rate of ammonia slip above those levels proposed. Accordingly, a limit of 36.4 pounds represents the BACT limit on NOx emissions per start-up event.

Several other necessary revisions to the PDOC stem from the revision of the limit on maximum NOx emissions per start-up event from 18.6 to 36.4 pounds. First, the limit on maximum pounds of NOx emissions per day in Conditions 20 (excluding tuning) and 21 (including tuning) should be increased from 2,309 to 2,444, and from 2,783 to 2,917, respectively. The limit on cumulative combined NOx emissions in a 12-month period in Condition 22 should be revised from 71.763 to 78.571 tons. Accordingly, the requirement for offsets of annual NOx emissions should be increased from 82.527 (based on a 1.15 to 1.0 ratio applied to the 71.763 annual total) to 90.356. The table below provides a complete list of PDOC revisions stemming from the revision to the start-up NOx limit:

**PDOC Revisions to Reflect Revised Start-up NOx Emissions Limit**

| Page/Condition | Revision | |
|---|---|---|
| Table 2, p.16 | Change "18.6" to "36.4" for the NOx start-up emission rate | |
| Table 4, p. 17 | In the Nitrogen Oxides column, change the values as follows: | |
| | **Current** | **Revised** |
| | 577.31 | 610.93 |
| | 2309.26 | 2443.70 |
| | 2313.63 | 2448.09 |
| | 1050.67 | 1084.29 |
| | 2782.62 | 2917.06 |
| | 2786.99 | 2921.43 |
| Table 5, p. 18 | In the $NO_2$ column, change the values as follows: | |
| | **Current** | **Revised** |
| | 17.941 | 19.643 |
| | 71.763 | 78.571 |
| | 71.763 | 78.571 |
| | 71.922 | 78.730 |
| Page 50, second paragraph | Change "Emissions during a typical startup are expected to be 12 pounds of NOx" to "Emissions during a typical startup are expected to be 14 pounds of NOx". | |
| Table 13, p. 50 | Change "12" to "14". | |
| Page 51, first paragraph | Change first paragraph to "In addition, the District has conservatively estimated the emissions that would result from a 30-minute startup at 36.4 pounds of NOx, 216.2 pounds of CO, and 11.9 pounds of POC, which the District is proposing as BACT limits on the emissions from startups. With the exception of NOx, the District calculated these emission rates by taking the emissions performance that the manufacturer estimates the turbines could achieve in a typical startup as summarized in Table 13, and then assuming that emissions were within the steady-state emissions limits during the remaining 19 minutes after startup. This is a conservative limit because if a startup takes longer than the gas turbine manufacturer's estimate of 11 minutes, emissions will exceed the steady-state limits during the remaining 19 minutes. For NOx, the estimated emissions of 36.4 pounds are based on the SCR effectively reducing NOx emissions starting in the 28th minute and achieving the steady-state NOx limit by the end of the 30-minute startup period." | |
| Table 14, p. 51 | Change "18.6" to "36.4" | |
| P. 57, second sentence | Change second sentence to "The facility will emit up to 78.57 tons/yr of NOx, and will therefore be required to provide NOx ERCs in the amount of 90.356 tons per year to offset these emissions.." | |
| Condition 18, p. 83 | Change "18.6" to 36.4" | |
| Condition 20, p. 84 | Change "(a) 2,309 pounds of NOx" to "2,444 pounds of NOx" | |
| Condition 21, p. 84 | Change "(a) 2,783 pounds of NOx" to "2,917 pounds of NOx" | |
| Condition 22, p. 84 | Change "(a) 71.76 tons of NOx" to "(a) 78.57 tons of NOx" | |

In all tables of the Appendices that present or use MLGS startup emissions, daily emissions and annual emissions, the relevant calculations should be revised based on the following:

- Maximum startup emission for NOx is 36.4 lb per event.
- Duration of startup event for NOx only is 30 minutes.
- Startup duration and emissions for other pollutants are unchanged from PDOC values.
- Maximum NOx daily emissions on a day with no turbine tuning should continue to be based on four turbines, each operating as follows: three startups and shutdowns with the remainder of the day at full load (extreme cold ambient temperature case).
- Maximum daily NOx emissions on a day with one turbine tuning should be based on three turbines operating as described in the previous item and one turbine with 3 startups and shutdowns, 8 hours of tuning and the remainder of the day at full load (extreme cold ambient temperature).
- Annual NOx emissions are calculated based on 167 startups and shutdowns and the remainder of the total of 1.752 operating hours (1652 hours) at full load (ISO ambient temperature case).

Regarding Appendix C, Table 5, URS has rerun the AERMOD dispersion modeling to evaluate annual average impacts of the MLGS to reflect the revised NOx startup emissions discussed above (four turbines at 78.57 tons NOx per year each and two heaters at the same emission rates used in the ATC amendment). The revised maximum annual NO2 concentration due to these sources is estimated to be 0.12 $\mu g/m^3$.

Notwithstanding the revision to the estimated start-up NOx emissions limit, we do not propose increasing the currently proposed 45.1 pounds limit on maximum NOx emissions during an hour containing a start-up. Mirant intends to comply with this limit, and will monitor compliance with the limit by using a continuous emissions monitoring system (CEMS), as required in the PDOC.

It is important to note that this requested revision to the start-up NOx emission limit does not undermine the fast-start capability of the MLGS, nor does it affect any other proposed conditions in the PDOC related to other pollutants. We expect normal operating emissions limits for all other pollutants to be achieved within the first 11 minutes of a start-up event. As discussed above, the proposed revision reflects technical constraints on how quickly the SCR can achieve compliance with the NOx emission limit for normal operation, but this change does not affect the ability of the MLGS to achieve the 2.5ppm limit under normal operating conditions.

**<u>Minor and/or Non-Substantive Comments</u>**

The remainder of our comments relate to minor clarifications and corrections to the PDOC:

1. On p. 2, change the first word of the third paragraph from "This" to "The".

2. In footnote 4 (p. 22), clarify first sentence by revising to the following: "NOx can also be formed (1) when a nitrogen-bound hydrocarbon fuel is combusted, resulting in the release of nitrogen atoms from the fuel (fuel NOx), and (2) by organic free radicals and nitrogen in the earliest stages of combustion (prompt NOx)."
3. In Table 15 (p. 51), delete reference to footnote "b".
4. In Table 21 (p. 58), footnote b is missing.
5. In Condition 7, at the end of the first sentence, change "for more than 232 hours during the commissioning period" to "for more than 232 hours each during the commissioning period".
6. In Condition 10, in the first sentence, change "Within 90 days after startup, the Owner/Operator shall conduct District and CEC approved source tests..." to "Within 90 days after startup of each turbine, the Owner/Operator shall conduct District and CEC approved source tests for that turbine…."
7. In Condition 17, change "(a) through (j)" in the first sentence to "(a) through (i)".
8. In Condition 24, in the first line on p. 86, change "For each source, exhaust point, the owner/operator…" to "For each source and exhaust point, the owner/operator…"
9. In Condition 25, delete "17(j)" in the first sentence.
10. In Condition 27, in the first sentence, change "the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, or P-4" to "the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on each corresponding exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3 or P-4".
11. In Condition 28, in the first sentence, delete "17(j)" and change "Within 90 days of start-up of each of the MLGS SGT6-5000F units, the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on each corresponding exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4.
12. In Condition 30, change "Within 90 days of start-up of each of the MLGS SGT6-5000F gas turbines…" to "Within 90 days of the start-up of the last of the MLGS SGT6-5000F gas turbines…".
13. In Condition 32, change "Within 90 days of start-up of each of the MLGS SGT6-5000F gas turbines…" to "Within 90 days of the start-up of the last of the MLGS SGT6-5000F gas turbines…"

Again, we appreciate the opportunity to submit our comments on the PDOC. Please contact me at peter.landreth@mirant.com or (925) 427-3567 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Peter Landreth

SIEMENS

**Estimated Startup and Shutdown Emissions**
**SGT6-5000F(4) in Simple Cycle Operation at 59 °F for a "Fast" Startup and Shutdown on Natural Gas**

| Mode | ~ Time (minutes) | Emissions (Total Pounds per Event) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | $NO_X$ | CO | VOC | PM |
| Startup on Natural Gas | 11 | 14 | 232 | 12 | 2 |
| Shutdown on Natural Gas | 6 | 12 | 128 | 6 | 1 |

**General Notes**

1.) All data is ESTIMATED, NOT guaranteed and is for ONE unit.
2.) Gas fuel must be in compliance with Siemens fuel specifications.
3.) Emissions are at the exhaust stack outlet and exclude ambient air contributions.
4.) Emissions are based on new and clean conditions.
5.) Please be advised that the information contained in this transmittal has been prepared and is being transmitted per customer request specifically for information purposes only. Such information is not intended to be used for evaluation of plant design and/or performance relative to contractual commitments. Data included in any permit application or Environmental Impact Statement is strictly the customer's responsibility. Siemens is available to review permit application data upon request.

**Startup Emissions Notes**

1.) Estimated startup (SU) data are from gas turbine (GT) ignition through 100% load.
2.) Estimated SU and shutdown (SD) data are based on the assumed times noted above and will be higher for longer times.
3.) Estimated SU and SD data are based on the ambient temperature noted in the table and will be higher at lower ambient temperatures.
4.) "Fast" SU assumes 5 minutes from turning gear to synchronization.
5.) SD assumes 100% load to FSNL with no cooldown at FSNL.
6.) Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS) may calculate emissions differently.
7.) Operator actions do not extend startup or shutdown.
8.) It is assumed that there is no restriction from the interconnected utility for loading the GT from synchronization to 100% load within the SU times considered.

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Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 9:55 AM
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Dear Mr. Lusher,

Please see the attached letter and documentation regarding the MLGS Preliminary Determination of Compliance.

Hard copy will be sent by postal mail.

Thank you.

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Dear Mr. Lusher,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) for the Marsh Landing Generating Station application number 18404. After reviewing the permit, we have identified a number of shortcomings of the PDOC that would be prudent to address. They include analyses based on faulty information as well as the omission of analyses required of a project of this scope.

The purpose of this letter is to document these shortcomings and argue that they are inconsistent with a determination not to subject this facility to PSD review. The general deficiencies are the following:

- Prevention of Significant Deterioration Requirements Apply and a PSD Review is Necessary
- The PDOC Failed to Include an Appendix S Evaluation for PM-2.5
- The PDOC Does not Meet the Requirements for Best Available Control Technologies
- The PDOC Fails to Comply With Environmental Justice Requirements
- The PDOC Fails to Mitigate Greenhouse Gas Emissions

We look forward to the District reissuing the draft permit when it has corrected these deficiencies.

Sincerely,

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# I Prevention of Significant Deterioration Requirements Apply and a PSD Review is Necessary

## Background

The federal PSD program applies to "major" stationary sources, which are defined as new sources that emit more than 250 tons per year of any PSD pollutant. Facilities that exceed the federal PSD "major source" threshold for any of these pollutants must apply for and obtain PSD permits before they can commence construction. The Contra Costa Power Plant (CCPP) is classified as a "major source," because it was built before current regulatory requirements were adopted.

A "major source" facility needs to obtain a federal PSD permit for any "major modification," which is defined as any change in the facility that results in an increase in emissions of any PSD pollutant above certain "significant" emission rates defined in 40 CFR 52.21(b)(23). The new Marsh Landing facility does emit more than the significant thresholds listed in 40 CFR 52.21(b)(23). The question of whether the new Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) will be a "modification" to the existing CCPP depends on whether the two power plants taken together are one single "facility" as defined by Title 40 CFR § 52.21(b)(6). If they are both part of the same "facility," then the construction of the new MLGS would be a "modification" to that "facility" and the project would be subject to PSD regulations.

Title 40 CFR § 52.21(b)(6) defines a facility as follows:

> [A]ll of the pollutant-emitting activities which belong to the same industrial grouping, are located on one or more contiguous or adjacent properties, and are under the control of the same person (or persons under common control) except the activities of any vessel. Pollutant-emitting activities shall be considered as part of the same industrial grouping if they belong to the same "Major Group" (i.e., which have the same first two digit code) as described in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual.

Using the above criteria, there is no dispute that the proposed MLGS and the CCPP are in the same SIC Major Group and are located on adjacent properties. The question of whether they

would be a single "facility" depends on whether they are under the control of the same person (or persons under common control).

On February 27, 2008, the applicant (Mirant) sent a letter to the District which stated: "Considered together, the Marsh Landing Generating Facility and the existing Contra Costa Power Facility fall within the District's definition of 'facility' given that they will be located on properties that are 'contiguous or adjacent,' their respective owners are under the common ownership of Mirant Americas, Inc. (notwithstanding several intervening corporate entities), and their respective operations are in the same industrial grouping."[1] Mirant acknowledged in that same letter that, "Much of EPA's policy guidance regarding co-located facilities relates to situations where parties are seeking to have their facilities classified as completely separate facilities. That guidance generally doesn't apply in this situation."[2]

Nevertheless, BAAQMD (the District) opted to treat the two projects as separate facilities. On page 62 of the PDOC, the District states:

> "EPA has interpreted independent operations such as these not to be a single "facility" for purposes of PSD permitting under 40 C.F.R. Section 52.21. Since the federal PSD program is EPA's program and the District is required to follow EPA's guidance in interpreting the PSD regulations under Section VII.1. of the Delegation Agreement, the District is proposing to treat the proposed Marsh Landing facility as a separate facility from the existing Contra Costa Power Plant."

However the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) did *not* make a determination these two facilities were separate under the PSD regulations. What EPA actually said was:

> " **You requested Mirant to provide the Analysis to us detailing the facts** relating to a facility that is proposing to be constructed as a new source in your jurisdiction, called

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[1] http://www.baaqmd.gov/~/media/Files/Engineering/Public%20Notices/2010/18404/Footnotes/Marsh%20Landing%20PSD%2011-3-09.ashx page 17 or 24

[2] Letter form David Farebee to Brian Bateman February 27, 2008 http://www.baaqmd.gov/~/media/Files/Engineering/Public%20Notices/2010/18404/Footnotes/Marsh%20Landing%20PSD%2011-3-09.ashx Page 16 or 24

> Marsh Landing Generating Station……..Based on our review of the facts set forth in the Analysis, we agree that the Bay Area Air Quality Management District **can reasonably exercise your discretionary permitting authority** to treat the Marsh Landing Generating Station and Contra Costa Power Plant as separate sources rather than a single stationary source……. "**Our evaluation of your decision is limited to the specific facts set forth in Mirant's Analysis** and does not establish precedent for any other project or projects." [3] (emphasis added).

The District's claim that it is following the EPA's determination is false, as the EPA made no such determination and indicated very clearly that the District had the discretion to make a determination based on facts supplied by Mirant.

## The BAAQMD Determination is Flawed

The determination in the PDOC that these two facilities are separate is based on erroneous information provided by Mirant. The District's determination relies on three basic premises:

A. That the MLGS and CCPP have separate ownership

B. That there is a binding agreement to close the CCPP before operations begin at the MLGS

C. That the two facilities do not have common infrastructure or management and operating personnel.

Below we address each issue and demonstrate where the District has relied on incorrect or incomplete information provided by Mirant. The evidence presented below references the permitting record, the CEC proceeding, and other publicly available documents. All three premises are shown to be false, demonstrating that the District made a flawed determination, and that the PDOC should be subject to PSD review.

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[3] Letter Gerardo Rios to Brain Bateman http://www.baaqmd.gov/~/media/Files/Engineering/Public%20Notices/2010/18404/Footnotes/EPA%20Marsh%20Landing%20Letter%20to%20BAAQMD.ashx

**A. Both Facilities are under control of the same owner.**

Any claim that these two facilities have separate ownership is completely dispelled by the contractual agreement for the CCPP to possibly shut down if Marsh Landing receives its contract from the CPUC and other conditions precedent. If the MLGS and CCPP did not have common ownership such an agreement would not be possible.

In addition, the previously quoted February 27, 2008 letter from Mirant to the District explicitly attests to the common ownership of the two facilities. The situation has not changed since that letter was written, even though Mirant is apparently telling the District otherwise. Both projects are still owned by Mirant Americas, and they have not been divested.

Mirant has also stated that, "The Marsh Landing Generating Facility will have its own separate new control room and, **to the extent possible**, **management and operating personnel** independent and separate from the management and operation of the existing Contra Costa Generating Facility."[4] (emphasis added).

Mirant America owns both entities: Mirant Marsh Landing LLC and Mirant Delta LLC. Furthermore, John Chillemi is the president of Mirant Marsh Landing *and* Mirant Delta LLC.[5]

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[4] Letter form David Farebee to Brian Bateman February 27, 2008 http://www.baaqmd.gov/~/media/Files/Engineering/Public%20Notices/2010/18404/Footnotes/Marsh%20Landing%20PSD%2011-3-09.ashx Page 16 or 24

[5] "On February 8, 2010, from approximately 1:00 to 2:00 pm, representatives of Mirant met with Carol Brown, Chief of Staff to President Peevey, and Andrew Campbell, advisor to Commissioner Ryan, at the Commission's offices in San Francisco. Mirant requested the meeting. ***In attendance for Mirant were (1) John Chillemi, President of Mirant Marsh Landing and Mirant Delta,*** (2) Anne Cleary, Senior Vice President, Asset Management for Mirant Corporation, (3) Sean Beatty, Senior Manager of External and Regulatory Affairs for Mirant California, LLC, and (4) Lisa Cottle from the law firm Winston & Strawn LLP.*"* https://www.pge.com/regulation/LongTermRFO-Solicitation2008-II/Pleadings/Mirant/2010/LongTermRFO-Solicitation2008-II_Plea_Mirant_20100211-01.pdf

**B. There is *no* binding agreement to close the CCPP before operations begin at the MLGS**

The PDOC does not specify *any* commitment to shut down the CCPP. Instead, the PDOC states that, "Mirant Delta, LLC, has agreed that prior to the Air District's issuance of the FDOC for the Marsh Landing facility, Mirant Delta will submit an application for an amendment to its Air District permit to incorporate the foregoing permit condition."[6] There is no binding commitment that the District can point to that the CCPP will close.

The District's analysis relies on a promise that Mirant will amend the PDOC and insert the following permit condition in the FDOC:

> "Subject to: (i) receipt of final, non-appealable California Public Utilities Commission approval of the Tolling Agreement for Units 6 and 7 at the CCPPby and between Mirant Delta, LLC and Pacific Gas and Electric Company and dated as of September 2, 2009, as amended from time to time, without material condition or modification unacceptable to either party thereto in its sole discretion; and (ii) the receipt of all other approvals and consents from the relevant local, state and federal governmental agencies (including but not limited to the California Independent System Operator) necessary for the shutdown and permanent retirement from service of Units 6 and 7; Mirant Delta, LLC will shut down and permanently retire Units 6 and 7 from service at 2400 PDT on April 30, 2013."

The promised permit condition does not actually constitute a binding commitment to shut down the CCPP for the following reasons:

- For the CCPP to shut down, Mirant must receive a, "final, non-appealable California Public Utilities Commission approval of the Tolling Agreement for Units 6 and 7 at the CCPP by and between Mirant Delta, LLC and Pacific Gas and Electricity." That event has not occurred and there is still considerable uncertainty that it will.[7]

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[6] PDOC page 61

[7] See CPUC Proceeding A. 09-09-021 http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/published/proceedings/A0909021.htm

- The MLGS must also receive a final non- appealable CPUC approval of its contract for the Marsh Landing Facility or there will be no shutdown of the Contra Costa Power Plant. That event also has not occurred and there is still considerable uncertainty that it will.[8]

- Even if the contingences in the proposed condition above are met, Mirant can, under the terms of the proposed condition, at its "own discretion" refuse to close the CCPP if it does not approve of a material condition or modification of the PPA with PG&E.

To add to these problems, it takes the consent of relevant local, state, and federal governmental agencies to shut down Units 6 and 7 of the CCPP. As the District is painfully aware, the history of aging facility closures would counsel against reliance on any condition that requires approval of various local state and government agencies. Shuttering old power plants can be a long process. The two parties to this closure agreement (Mirant and PG&E) have a long and checkered history related to closing aging power plants.

For example, PG&E first announced the closure of the Hunters Point Power Plant in July of 1998. The plant didn't shut down till eight years later in 2006. The Mirant Potrero Power Plant signed a term sheet with the City of San Francisco in November of 2007 to close the plant and it is still running. It was recently announced that troubles with the Trans-Bay Cable have further delayed its closure.[9] The Trans-Bay cable itself may delay the closing of the CCPP since power for the cable must come from the Antioch/Pittsburg area.

Back in May of 2006, Mirant filed a 90 day notice with the PUC and CAISO to shut down Contra Costa Unit 6.[10] Mirant sought to shut down Unit 6 because its continued operation was "not economical."[11] In a press release issued in August of 2006, Mirant announced that it had negotiated with PG&E to keep Unit 6 operating, thus withdrawing its notice of intent

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[8] See CPUC Proceeding A. 09-09-021 http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/published/proceedings/A0909021.htm

[9] http://www.sfexaminer.com/local/Cable-problem-delays-Potrero-Power-Plant-closure-90719759.html

[10] *See* http://investors.mirant.com/releases.cfm?Year=&ReleasesType=&PageNum =4..

[11] *See* http://investors.mirant.com/releases.cfm?Year=&ReleasesType=&PageNum =4..

to shut down Unit 6.[12] PG&E's 2006 Long Term Procurement Plan shows that the Contra Costa Unit 6 isn't needed for reliability in 2006 and beyond, but the project is still operating.[13] PG&E's 2006 Procurement Plan also says that the Contra Costa Unit 7 would no longer be needed after the Gateway Project (Contra Costa 8) became operational.[14] Gateway became operational in January of 2009 but both Units still operate.

In summary, Mirant's proposed condition for the PDOC does not contain a clause which prevents simultaneous operation of MLGS and the CCPP if the multiple contingencies do not occur.

## C. The two facilities have common infrastructure and management and operating personnel.

Mirant's claims that the two facilities have no common infrastructure, personnel, or contractual agreements are contradicted by the following evidence:

- Common Water Supplies and Pumps: On pages 2-18 and 2-19 of the AFC it provides that the existing CCPP fire pumps will be used to discharge to the new MLGS dedicated extension of the existing underground firewater loop system. The MLGS is not anticipated to result in non emergency increase in the use of the CCPP fire pumps. There is no new fire pump.[15]

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[12] *See* http://files.shareholder.com/downloads/MIR/0x0x254829/d70c9253-de4b-4d5a-8d86-f95e5605303d/MIR_News_2006_8_1_General.pdf.

[13] **PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY VOLUME 1 – 2006 LONG-TERM PROCUREMENT PLAN**
**SECTION V – PROCUREMENT STRATEGY BY RESOURCE** Page V-44 Line 1
http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/LTTPs2006_2016/PGE/PGE%20Volume%20I%20Sections%20V%20thru%20VIII%20and%20Attachments%202006%20LTPP.pdf

[14] **PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY VOLUME 1 – 2006 LONG-TERM PROCUREMENT PLAN**
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http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/LTTPs2006_2016/PGE/PGE%20Volume%20I%20Sections%20V%20thru%20VIII%20and%20Attachments%202006%20L

[15] 08-AFC-03 Response to Data Requests # 1 to 54, Posted: December 17, Page 4-1

- Common Stormwater Runoff: Stormwater runoff from the CCPP site southwest of the MLSG currently contains three aboveground storage tanks surrounded by berms. Stormwater runoff that collects within the berms can be diverted to the existing CCPP oil-water separator for treatment prior to discharge to the San Joaquin River via **the existing CCPP Outfall 001**.[16]

- Common Connection to the Grid: The interconnection request submitted by Mirant to the Cal-ISO outlines Mirant's plans to use the existing interconnection of the CCPP and request only interconnection of an additional 100 MW.[17] Therefore they will share common transmission facilities.

- Common Management and Operational Personnel: As the applicants attorney has represented to the District, "The Marsh Landing Generating Facility will have its own separate new control room and, **to the extent possible, management and operating personnel** independent and separate from the management and operation of the existing Contra Costa Generating Facility.[18] (emphasis added)

- Commonly Used Property: The MLGS parcel is to be created out of a 23 acre division of Mirant's existing parcel and yet during construction, approximately 41 acres associated with the MLGS project would be disturbed for the proposed project lay down, temporary parking, and the proposed MLGS site.[19]

- Common Contracts: Finally both the CCPP and the MLGS are undergoing a contract approval evaluation in one proceeding, and the contracts are apparently dependent on one another.

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[16] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/2010-02-11_Responses_to_Data_Request_Set_3_TN-55387.pdf page 42 of 72

[17] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/2009-11-24_Revised_LGIP_Intercconection_Request_TN-54256.pdf page 2 of 11

[18] Letter form David Farebee to Brian Bateman February 27, 2008 http://www.baaqmd.gov/~/media/Files/Engineering/Public%20Notices/2010/18404/Footnotes/Marsh%20Landing%20PSD%2011-3-09.ashx Page 16 or 24

[19] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/2010-02-11_Responses_to_Data_Request_Set_3_TN-55387.pdf page 38 of 72

In summary the two projects utilize some of the same infrastructure, management and operating personnel, and are interrelated contractually. The facilities will not have separate water supplies, separate fire pumps, their own independent connections to the electric transmission system, separate wastewater discharge connection, or separate contracts regarding the sale of power output.

## II The PDOC Failed to Include an Appendix S Evaluation for PM-2.5

The EPA Administrator has signed a final rule designating the San Francisco BayArea as non-attainment for the PM-2.5 24-hour standard. Under EPA policy, since the District did not have a SIP-approved permitting program for PM-2.5 when the non-attainment designation became effective, 40 C.F.R. Part 51, Appendix S will govern permitting for major sources of PM-2.5 until a SIP-approved permit program is in place.

Under Appendix S, the analysis is essentially the same as under the PSD rules, except that each non-attainment pollutant is evaluated independently: MLGS will be a major modification to an existing major source. Since the CCPP and MLGS constitute a single facility under PSD rules, the 100 t/yr non-attainment area major stationary source threshold is applied collectively to the facilities. Because the combined emissions of PM-2.5 will be over the 100 t/yr threshold, an Appendix S evaluation is required.

## III The PDOC Does not Meet the Requirements for Best Available Control Technologies

The PDOC Fails to meet the requirement of meeting the best available emission standards for comparable technology. There are three areas where inferior standards are applied:

- Ammonia Emissions
- PM-10 Emissions
- Commissioning Standards

The following sections describe the failure in each of these areas.

## A. Ammonia Emissions

The District has proposed the use of SCR to control NOx emissions, but is allowing a 10 ppm limit for ammonia slip. Some ammonia slip is unavoidable with SCR due to the non-uniform distribution of the reacting gases. Thus, some ammonia will pass through the catalyst. In the past, ammonia slip was not considered to be a problem by regulatory agencies because they felt that by releasing it from an elevated stack, the ground level concentration would be low. However, it has never appeared to be good environmental policy to allow ammonia to be released to the atmosphere in place of NOx, and ammonia emissions are now of concern because of PM–2.5 considerations.[20]

The District performed an analysis on secondary particulate formation from precursor emissions which they cite in the PDOC.[21] Despite the results of this modeling report to the contrary, the District still stubbornly clings to its past determinations that secondary particulate formation from ammonia emissions is not significant.

The recent draft study performed by the District draws an entirely different conclusion. The Draft PM-2.5 study concluded, "Reducing ammonia emissions by 20 percent (around 15 tons/day) was the most effective of the precursor emissions reductions. Secondary PM-2.5 levels were typically reduced 0-4 percent, depending on location, with an average around 2 percent. Reducing NOx and VOC emissions by 20 percent (around 250 tons/day total) was relatively ineffective. Reducing sulfur containing PM precursor emissions by 20 percent (around 16 tons/day) typically had a small impact on Bay Area PM-2.5."[22]

Given that ammonia emissions are the largest precursor contributor of secondary PM-2.5, the District should require a lower ammonia slip level and provide mitigation for ammonia slip secondary particulate impacts. Limiting ammonia emissions to a lower slip level is feasible and has already been achieved in practice.

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[20] PDOC Footnote 5

[21] Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report

[22] Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report Page

The use of ammonia in the SCR chemical process for NOx control presents an additional problem. Ammonia is on EPA's list of Extremely Hazardous Substances under Title III, Section 302 of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). The project area is located where a large number of existing and proposed facilities are utilizing ammonia.[23] Ammonia is being routinely transported through the minority low-income neighborhoods. Under environmental justice requirements (see Section IV) the district must provide a cumulative ammonia transportation analysis and provide the appropriate mitigation.

**B. PM-10 BACT Emissions**

The District is proposing a BACT PM-10 emissions limit of 9.0 lb/hr, which corresponds to an emission rate of 0.0041 lb/ MMBtu of natural gas burned. The manufacturer guarantees an 8 lb/hr limit for the Siemens 5000F turbines. The District provides results of source tests for similar turbines which have a CO catalyst and SCR. The average PM-10 emission rate is .0026 lb/MMBtu.[24] This is 37% below the proposed permit level for the MLGS.

BAQMD Regulation 2-2-206 (b) requires as BACT, "The most stringent emission limitation achieved by an emission control device or technique for the type of equipment comprising such a source." The evidence presented demonstrates that the MLGS can achieve a much lower emission rate than the District is proposing.

The District's rationale appears to be that the dilution air that is added to the exhaust might contain a certain quantity of entrained PM, and this PM is ultimately emitted in the exhaust at

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[23] The following facilities in Contra Costa County near the MLGS routinely use ammonia in their operations: Air Products Tesoro, EBMUD, Orinda Water Treatment Plant, General Chemical- Bay Point Works, Criterion Catalysts, EBMUD San Pablo Water Treatment, Martinez Water Treatment Plant, The Dow Chemical Company, EBMUD Lafayette Water Treatment, Mirant Contra Costa, Bollman Water Treatment Plant, EBMUD Walnut Creek Water Treatment, Mirant Delta, Calpine Riverview Energy Center, GWF Power Systems – Loveridge Rd, Randall Bold Water Treatment, Chevron – Richmond Refinery GWF Power Systems – Nichols Rd Shell Martinez Refinery Conoco Phillips GWF Power Systems – Site 1A, Pittsburg Tesoro Refinery, Crockett Cogeneration, GWF Power Systems – Wilbur West Veolia, ES Technical Solutions, EBMUD Sobrante Filter Plant, and GWF Power Systems – Wilbur East.

[24] PDOC Page 44

the outlet of the abatement equipment. Mirant estimates that up to 1.3 lb/hr of PM-10 could be added form the dilution air.[25] By requiring an air inlet filter to lower particulate emissions, the District could mitigate this source of PM-10, and thereby require a standard for emissions that corresponds to more stringent limitations.

**C. Best Available Control Technology During Commissioning**

The District's emission limits during commissioning are not adequate to prevent the project from violating the Federal 1 hour standard.

In the commissioning phase with all four turbines operating the project's maximum $NO_2$ impact is 170.02 μg/m3. The background is 122.1 μg/m3. Thus, the combination of the four turbines in commissioning mode combined with background concentrations equals 292 μg/m3, which violates the new Federal $NO_2$ standard of 191 μg/m3.

The District states that the only control technology available for limiting emissions during commissioning is to use best work practices to minimize emissions as much as possible during commissioning, and to expedite the commissioning process so that compliance with the stringent BACT limits for normal operations can be achieved as quickly as possible. But the District has another option, which is to limit the project so that only two turbines can be operated in commissioning mode at one time to prevent a violation of the federal 1 hour $NO_2$ standard.[26]

However, a larger issue is that the District fails to provide any analysis of the MLGS operating in commissioning mode simultaneous with the operation of CCPP Units 6 & 7. The District has failed to analyze the impact of both projects operation during commissioning, a condition that would likely lead to violation of the Federal $NO_2$ standard of 191 μg/m3. As discussed earlier, the PDOC does not contain any legally binding commitment

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[25] http://www.baaqmd.gov/~/media/Files/Engineering/Public%20Notices/2010/18404/Footnotes/101309%20Email%20from%20Strehlow%20to%20Lusher.ashx Page 3 of 4.

[26] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/2010-02-11_Responses_to_Data_Request_Set_3_TN-55387.pdf Page 16- 18 of 72

to shut down the CCPP before operations begin at MLGS, and therefore no condition to prevent them operating at the same time.

# IV The PDOC Fails to Comply With Environmental Justice Requirements

## Background

In 1994 President Clinton issued Executive Order 12898 calling on federal agencies to identify and address. "Disproportionately high and adverse human health and environmental effects on minority populations and low income population in the United States" The EPA led an interagency effort to carry out the executive order. In 1998 the EPA issued guidance for federal agencies conducting anlyses under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) entitled "Final Guidance for incorporating Environmental Justice Concerns in USEPA's National Environmental Policy ACT Compliance Analysis," This document followed and was explicitly designed to supplement the Council on Environmental Quality's Environmental Justice Guidance under NEPA.

California Government Code Section 65040.12 defines environmental justice as the fair treatment of all races, cultures and incomes with respect to the development adoption, implementation and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations and polices.

Under these laws the District is required to provide an assessment of disproportionate impacts to minority and low-income residents near the MLGS. Accordingly, a proper environmental justice analysis consists of a five step process:

1) Description of the existing setting.

2) Analysis of the unique circumstances of the affected population

3) Analysis of the project's direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts.

4) Assess and recommend the appropriate mitigation

5) Determine whether the project creates an unavoidable significant impact on the affected population and, if so, consider whether the impact is disproportionate.

## The District's Environmental Justice Analysis Falls Short

The District's "environmental justice analysis" consists only of a health risk screening conducted under its Risk Management Regulation 2 Rule 5, which is meant to determine the potential impact on public health resulting from the worst-case emissions of toxic air contaminants (TACs) from the proposed MLGS. Based on that analysis the district concluded that, "The District does not anticipate an adverse impact on any community due to air emissions from the Marsh Landing and therefore there is no disparate adverse impact on any Environmental Justice community located near the facility."[27]

The District's analysis fails to comply with the requirements of the 1998 EPA Guidance and the requirements of Government Code section 65040.12. The District's analysis does not provide any of the five steps described above:

**1) Description of the existing setting.**

First, the district performs no demographic assessment and fails to identify if a minority or low income community exists.

**2) Analysis of the unique circumstances of the affected population**

Second, the District fails to analyze the unique circumstances of the population. Poor health and premature death are by no means randomly distributed in Contra Costa County. Low-income communities and communities of color suffer from substantially worse health outcomes and die earlier. Pittsburgh and Antioch are home to many minority communities, especially around the facility,[28] and a significant percentage of the residents live below the federal poverty line.[29] The community is disproportionately impacted by illnesses known to

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[27] PDOC page 76

[28] *See* United States Census, 2005-2007 Community Survey Data; *see also* http://cchealth.org/groups/chronic_disease/framework.php (describing how West Contra Costa County is composed of significant percentage of minorities).

[29] Contra Costa Health Services, *available at* http://cchealth.org/health_data/hospital_council/pdf/poverty.pdf..

be related to exposure to industrial pollution. For instance, in Contra Costa County, the hospitalization rate due to asthma for African American children is almost five times that of Caucasian children.[30] Childhood asthma rates in Contra Costa County are nearly twice the national average.[31] There is also a significant disparity of disease rates between whites and people of color in Contra Costa County. For instance, African-Americans in Contra Costa County have a 59% higher death rate from all causes of death, including heart disease, cancer, and stroke, than the country average.[32]

Death rates from cardiovascular and respiratory diseases in Contra Costa County are also currently higher than statewide rates and continue to rise.[33] Further, Richmond, Pittsburgh, and Antioch have significantly higher hospital discharge rates for chronic diseases than other cities and the county overall.[34] Contra Costa County's cancer death rate is also higher than the state average.[35] In addition, scientific links have been made between certain types of cancer – including lung, nasal cavity, and skin cancers – and pollutant emissions in Contra Costa County.[36] All of these health impacts are especially problematic and severe for those without health insurance, 43% of low-income residents in Contra Costa County are un-

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[30] Contra Costa Health Services, Health Disparities in Contra Costa, *available at* http://cchealth.org/groups/rhdi/pdf/health_disparities_in_cc.pdf.

[31] *See* Contra Costa Asthma Coalition, *available at* http://www.calendow.org/uploadedFiles/CAFA3_CCscreen.pdf (Contra Costa County asthma rate in children is 23.7%, whereas national rate is 14.2%).

[32] Community Health Indicator for Contra Costa County, Community Health Assessment, Planning and Evaluation Group Executive Report (June 2007), *available at* http://cchealth.org/health_data/hospital_council_2007/.

[33] *See* A Framework for Contra Costa County, *available at* http://cchealth.org/groups/chronic_disease/framework.php.

[34] *See* Contra Costa Health Services, Health Disparities in Contra Costa, *available at* http://cchealth.org/groups/rhdi/pdf/health_disparities_in_cc.pdf.

[35] *See* A Framework for Contra Costa County, *available at* http://cchealth.org/groups/chronic_disease/framework.php.

[36] *See* Cancer Incidence and Community Exposure to Air Emissions from Petroleum and Chemical Plants in Contra Costa County, California: A Critical Epidemiological Assessment, Otto Wong, and William J. Bailey; Journal of Environmental Health, Vol. 56 1993, *available at* http://www.questia.com/googleScholar.qst;jsessionid=KngJLJhFRCYFhpTfY5K100wTX5dSl4BvRR1qZvvDwL7bKfCG921F!568259201!-950397748?docId=5002198605.

insured.[37] They cannot afford expensive health plans, extended stays in the hospitals, or preventative medicines.

**3) Analysis of the project's direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts.**

Third, the District entirely ignores the cumulative impacts from the multiple emissions sources in the project area. Contra Costa is home to over half of the power plants in the District and a large number of chemical plants and refineries. Contra Costa is the second most industrialized county in California. The District does not even bother to perform a cumulative assessment of existing facilities and their impact on the minority and low income residents. Worse yet the district does not even acknowledge that it is currently processing the applications for the Oakley Facility (a 586 MW power plant) and the Willow Pass Generating Station (a new 550 MW combined cycle plant), which are both in close proximity to the MLGS.

**4) Assess and recommend the appropriate mitigation**

Fourth, the mitigation that the District provides consists of a couple of emission reduction credits which were originated in 1984 and 1987 before the Clean Air Act was enacted.[38] No other mitigation is offered by the District to offset the project's emissions.

5) Determine whether the project creates an unavoidable significant impact on the affected population and, if so, consider whether the impact is disproportionate.

Finally, the District cannot determine whether the project creates a unavoidable significant impact on the affected population or consider whether the impact is disproportionate since the district failed to complete the first four steps of the analysis.

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[37] *See* Community Health Indicator for Contra Costa County, Community Health Assessment, Planning and Evaluation Group Executive Report (June 2007), *available at* http://cchealth.org/health_data/hospital_council_2007/.

[38] Banking Certificates 831 and 863 PDOC Page 59

## V The PDOC Fails to Mitigate Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The District comments in the PDOC that, "Climate change poses a significant risk to the Bay Area with such impacts such as rising sea levels, reduced runoff from snow pack in the Sierra Nevada, increased air pollution, impacts to agriculture, increased energy consumption, and adverse changes to sensitive ecosystems." California State Health and Safety Code Section 41700 restricts emissions that would cause nuisance or injury. As the district has conceded that Climate change caused by greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions poses a significant risk to the public, the project cannot be approved without elimination or mitigation of the GHG emissions.

Nevertheless, the District fails to provide BACT emission limits or mitigation for GHG emissions, nor does it deny the project." It is incumbent upon the District to prepare an analysis and plan how it will control GHG emissions from this facility and the other two power plants it is currently permitting: the Willow Pass Generating Station and the Oakley Generating Station. According to the PDOC, the MLGS could emit as much as 741,540 metric tons per year (mt/yr) of CO2 equivalent GHG. The estimated GHG emissions from the Oakley Generating Station are 1,941,449 mt/yr.[39] The Willow Pass Project has the potential to emit 997,438 mt/yr.[40] The three facilities combined have the potential to emit 3,680,427 mt/yr in Contra Costa County.

The MLGS was originally proposed as two combined cycle units and two combustion turbines. The GHG emission per MW were accordingly much smaller than what is currently being proposed, yet the operating characteristics of the two configurations are very similar. The District could easily conclude that the combined cycle configuration is BACT for GHG emissions for the MLGS.

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[39] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/contracosta/documents/applicant/afc/Volume%201/CCGS_5.1_Air%20Quality.pdf Page 11 of 44.

[40] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/willowpass/documents/applicant/afc/Volume_01/7.1%20Air%20Quality.pdf page 56 0f 78

These three Contra Costa facilities would rank high among the top ten of current GHG emitters in the District, listed below (emissions in t/yr):

1 11 Shell Martinez Refinery 3485 Pacheco Blvd Martinez 94553 **- 4,976,544**

2 10 Chevron Products Company 841 Chevron Way Richmond 94802 **- 4,303,800**

3 14628 Tesoro Refining and Marketing Company 150 Solano Way, Avon Refinery Martinez 94553 **- 2,804,678**

4 12626 Valero Refining Company - California 3400 E 2nd Street Benicia 94510 **- 2,568,988**

5 12095 Delta Energy Center Arcy Lane Pittsburg 94565 **- 1,895,320**

6 16 ConocoPhillips - San Francisco Refinery 1380 San Pablo Ave Rodeo 94572 **- 1,577,872**

7 11866 Los Medanos Energy Center 750 E 3rd Street Pittsburg 94565 **- 1,368,588**

8 12183 Metcalf Energy Center One Blanchard Road Coyote 95013 **- 1,120,115**

9 17 Lehigh Southwest Cement Company 24001 Stevens Creek Blvd Cupertino 95014 **- 842,475**

10 26 Mirant Potrero, LLC 1201 Illinois Street San Francisco 94107 **- 462,505**

From: Brian Lusher
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 9:55 AM
To: Vanessa Hodgson
Subject: FW: Marsh Landing comment extension?

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Sent: Friday, April 30, 2010 4:43 PM
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Thank you
Rob Simpson
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## Brian Lusher

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**Sent:** Friday, April 30, 2010 5:03 PM
**To:** 'rob@redwoodrob.com'
**Subject:** RE: Marsh Landing comment extension?

Rob,

The District is not extending the comment period at this time. Please provide the comments you have or are working on by midnight tonight. If you need additional time for more in depth comments, then the District will make every attempt to consider the additional comments if you can provide them by Sunday at midnight.

Regards,

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Attachments: Marsh Landing PDOC.ZIP

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Attached are the commnets of Robert Sarvey on the PDOC for the Marsh Landing Generating Station.

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Dear Mr. Lusher,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the PDOC for the Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) application number 18404. I would like to compliment the District on providing links to the footnotes in the draft permit.[1] It provided a much better understanding on how the District reached its conclusions in the draft permit. After reviewing the permit I believe that the permit does not comply with several District, State and Federal regulations.

1) The MLGS is a major modification to an existing facility.
2) Marsh Landing Will Trigger Appendix S Nonattainment Permitting forPM2.5
3) The Districts BACT analysis is defective for ammonia slip, PM 2.5 emissions and commissioning emissions.
4) The District must analyze the simultaneous operation of the Marsh landing Generating station and the Contra Costa Power Project. (CCPP)
5) The District failed to analyze the transport issues to the San Joaquin Valley.
6) BAAQMD Rule 2-2-307 Compliance at all facilities owned by Mirant

1) <u>The MLGS is a major modification to an existing facility.</u>

The PDOC treats the MLGS as a separate facility from the CCPP instead of a major modification to an existing facility. The question of whether the new Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) will be a "modification" to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant (CCPP) depends on whether the two power plants taken together are one single "facility" as defined by Title 40 CFR § 52.21(b)(6). If they are both part of the same "facility", then the construction of the new Marsh Landing Generating Station would be a

[1] http://www.baaqmd.gov/Divisions/Engineering/Public-Notices-on-Permits/2010/032210-18404/Marsh-Landing-Generating-Station/18404-Footnotes/Footnotes.aspx

"modification" to that "facility" and the project would be subject to PSD regulations. Title 40 CFR § 52.21(b)(6) defines a facility as:

> [A]ll of the pollutant-emitting activities which belong to the same industrial grouping, are located on one or more contiguous or adjacent properties, and are under the control of the same person (or persons under common control) except the activities of any vessel. Pollutant-emitting activities shall be considered as part of the same industrial grouping if they belong to the same "Major Group" (i.e., which have the same first two digit code) as described in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual.

The District does not dispute that the MLGS and the CCPP are located on the same property and are contiguous to one another. The District does not dispute that the MLGS and the CCPP are in the same industrial class of facilities as identified in the standard Industrial Classification Manual. The District claims that the facilities are not under common ownership despite overwhelming evidence in the permitting record that they are both owned by Mirant America. The District claims that *"EPA has interpreted independent operations such as these not to be a single "facility" for purposes of PSD permitting under 40 C.F.R. Section 52.21. Since the federal PSD program is EPA's program and the District is required to follow EPA's guidance in interpreting the PSD regulations under Section VII.1. of the Delegation Agreement, the District is proposing to treat the proposed Marsh Landing facility as a separate facility from the existing Contra Costa Power Plant."*[2] The fact is the EPA has provided no such guidance. What the EPA has stated is, "*Based on our review of the facts set forth in the Analysis, we agree that the Bay Area Air Quality Management District* ***can reasonably exercise your discretionary permitting authority*** *to treat the Marsh Landing Generating Station and Contra Costa Power Plant as separate sources rather than a single stationary source..…… "****Our evaluation of your decision is limited to the specific facts set forth in Mirant's Analysis*** *and does not establish precedent for any other project or projects."* [3]

By examining the real facts in the permitting record, CEC documents and other publicly availae documents and following previous EPA guidance on the definition of a

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[3] Letter Gerardo Rios to Brain Bateman http://www.baaqmd.gov/~/media/Files/Engineering/Public%20Notices/2010/18404/Footnotes/EPA%20Marsh%20Landing%20Letter%20to%20BAAQMD.ashx

facility the District has no discretion but to treat the MLGS as a major modification to the existing CCPP. The Districts conclusion that the MLGS and the CCPP are not one facility is based on two false assumptions. One is that the MLGS and CCPP have separate ownership and do not have common equipment or management. Number two the District has been led to believe that there is a binding agreement to close the CCPP before operations begin at the MLGS and that the two facilities will not operate simultaneously.

1) The Marsh Landing Generating Station and the Contra Costa Power Plant have common ownership.

On February 27, 2008 Mirant sent a letter to the District which stated: "Considered together, the Marsh Landing Generating Facility and the existing Contra Costa Power Facility fall within the District's definition of "facility" given that…… their respective owners are under the common ownership of Mirant Americas, Inc. (notwithstanding several intervening corporate entities)."[4] Those facts have not changed since that time. Both projects are still owned by Mirant Americas and they have not been divested.

In determining whether projects are under common control the EPA is guided by the general definition of control used by the Securities and Exchange Commission.[5] The SEC defines control in 17 CFR 240.12b-2 as "the possession, direct or indirect, of the powers to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a person (or organization or association) whether through the ownership of voting shares, contract, or otherwise."[6] There is no dispute that Mirant Corporation is the parent company of Mirant Marsh landing LLC and Mirant Delta LLC. Mirant Corporation issued a press release announcing the MLGS's 10 year contract with the PG&E and in the same press

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[4] Letter form David Farebee to Brian Bateman February 27, 2008 http://www.baaqmd.gov/~/media/Files/Engineering/Public%20Notices/2010/18404/Footnotes/Marsh%20Landing%20PSD%2011-3-09.ashx Page 17 of 24

[5] [2] See 45 Fed. Reg. 59874, 59878 (Sept. 11, 1980) (stating determinations of control will be made case-by-case and that the EPA will be guided by the general definition of control used by the Securities and Exchange Commission).

[6] Mirant reported both the CCPP and the MLGS contract together on their Form 8-K to the securities and exchange Commission. http://files.shareholder.com/downloads/MIR/0x0xS1193125-09-187284/1010775/filing.pdf

release announce the extension of the CCPP contract with PG&E.[7] Mirant reported both the CCPP and the MLGS contracts together on their Form 8-K to the Securities and Exchange Commission.[8] Mirant Corporations upper management has been active in the attempted contract approval at the CPUC.[9] Once the district examines the facts there can be no dispute that the two projects are under common control.

The EPA has provided guidance "that when a company places a source on another company's land there is a presumption of a "control relationship. It is the applicant's burden to overcome this presumption of control."[10] To overcome this presumption, the applicant needs to "provide information showing that the new source has no ties to the existing source, or vice versa."[11] Here, Mirant has not met its burden of overcoming a control relationship, nor would it be capable of doing so. EPA guidance documents state that "new facilities that locate on the site of a present major stationary source should be considered part of the existing major source" when that source is under common ownership.[12] The first EPA-dictated factor to examine is whether the facilities are under "common control." [13] EPA guidance provides for a practical evaluation of the

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[7] http://investors.mirant.com/releasedetail.cfm?ReleaseID=407092 "Mirant Corporation (NYSE: MIR) announced today that its subsidiary, Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC, entered into a ten-year power purchase agreement with Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) for 760 MW of natural gas-fired peaking generation to be constructed at Mirant's existing Contra Costa facility near Antioch, Calif." And "Separately, Mirant Delta, LLC, another Mirant subsidiary, has entered into an extension of its existing power purchase agreement with PG&E for Contra Costa Units 6 and 7 from November 2011 through April 2013"

[8] http://files.shareholder.com/downloads/MIR/0x0xS1193125-09-187284/1010775/filing.pdf

[9] https://www.pge.com/regulation/LongTermRFO-Solicitation2008-II/Pleadings/Mirant/2010/LongTermRFO-Solicitation2008-II_Plea_Mirant_20100211-01.pdf Page 1 "On February 8, 2010, from approximately 1:00 to 2:00 pm, representatives of Mirant met with Carol Brown, Chief of Staff to President Peevey, and Andrew Campbell, advisor to Commissioner Ryan, at the Commission's offices in San Francisco. Mirant requested the meeting. In attendance for Mirant were (1) John Chillemi, President of Mirant Marsh Landing and Mirant Delta, (2) Anne Cleary, Senior Vice President, Asset Management for Mirant Corporation, (3) Sean Beatty, Senior Manager of External and Regulatory Affairs for Mirant California, LLC" Anne Cleary Senior vice president for Mirant See: http://www.mirant.com/ourbusiness/OurLeadership/Pages/OurLeadershipPage.aspx

[10] William A. Spatli, Letter to Peter R. Hamlin, Sept. 18, 1995, *available at* http://www.epa.gov/region07/programs/artd/air/title5/t5memos/control.pdf.

[11] Id

[12] Id

[13] Id

interaction between the two facilities and the companies that run them. For instance, EPA has stated that "companies don't just locate on another's property and do whatever they want. Such relationships are usually governed by contractual, lease, or other agreements that establish how the facilities interact with one another."[14]

The EPA guidance letter lists factors that can be considered to demonstrate the ties between the facilities. The number one factor is "Do the facilities share common workforces, plant mangers, corporate executive officers, or board of executives.[15] The MLGS and the CCPP facilities share common executive officers, parent companies, lobbying efforts and regulatory positions. **John Chillemi is the president of Mirant Marsh Landing and Mirant Delta LLC.[16]** That fact alone demonstrates that both the MLGS and the CCPP are under common control and should be treated as one facility. John Chillemi has also acted as a representative of Marsh Landing and Mirant California.[17] Further, for both corporations Ron Kimo is listed as the environmental director for Mirant Marsh Landing and Mirant Willow Pass and he has represented Mirant Corp on environmental committees.[18] Chuck Hicklin is the Project manger for both Mirant Marsh Landing and Mirant Willow Pass. Stephen Julian is in charge of business development for both Mirant Marsh landing and Mirant Willow Pass. Andrea Ricci is the senior environmental engineer for both projects.[19] Andrea Ricci is also the regulatory contact for Mirant Delta LLC and Mirant Marsh Landing LLC.[20] Mirant

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[14] Id

[15] William A. Spatli, Letter to Peter R. Hamlin, Sept. 18, 1995, *available at* http://www.epa.gov/region07/programs/artd/air/title5/t5memos/control.pdf. Page 1

[16] https://www.pge.com/regulation/LongTermRFO-Solicitation2008-II/Pleadings/Mirant/2010/LongTermRFO-Solicitation2008-II_Plea_Mirant_20100211-01.pdf Page 1

[17] *See* http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/CityCouncil/2009/minutes/072809.pdf. http://www.ci.antioch.ca.us/CityGov/agendas/CityCouncil/2009/minutes/090809.pdf

[18] See http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/afc/Volume%20I/9_0%20List%20of%20Contributors.pdf, and http://baydeltaconservationplan.com/Lists/Calendar/Attachments/92/12.03.09%20BDCP%20HO%20draft%20SC%20Notes%2009.10.09.pdf.

[19] See Mirant Willow Pass Project contributors http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/willowpass/documents/applicant/afc/Volume_01/9.0%20List%20of%20Contributors.pdf see Mirant Marsh Landing Project Contributors http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/afc/Volume%20I/9_0%20List%20of%20Contributors.pdf

[20] http://oaspub.epa.gov/enviro/fii_query_dtl.disp_program_facility?p_registry_id=110019003790

California, Mirant Delta, and Mirant Marsh Landing have provided unified positions on regulatory proposals like the Cal-Iso Large interconnection process.[21] Mirant Marsh Landing and Mirant California and Mirant America are all active in the contract approval proceeding of the Mirant Marsh Landing at the CPUC.[22]

Another factor the EPA considers in its guidance document is whether the facilities share equipment, other property, or pollution control equipment?[23] On pages 2-18 and 2-19 of the AFC it provides that the existing Contra Costa Power Plant (CCPP) fire pumps will be used to discharge to the new MLGS dedicated extension of the existing underground firewater loop system.[24] There will be no new fire pump for the MLGS.

Stormwater runoff from the CCPP site will be diverted to the existing CCPP oil-water separator for treatment prior to discharge to the San Joaquin River via the existing CCPP Outfall 001.[25] So the facilities utilize common water pollution control equipment.

The interconnection request submitted by Mirant to the Cal-ISO outlines Mirant's plans to use the existing interconnection of the Contra Costa power Plant and requests only interconnection of an additional 100 MW.[26] Therefore they will share common transmission facilities.

The MLGS parcel is to be created out of a 23 acre division of Mirant's existing parcel and yet during construction, approximately 41 acres associated with the MLGS project would be disturbed for the proposed project lay down, temporary parking, and the

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[21] http://www.caiso.com/2415/2415cc1723930.pdf

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[24] 08-AFC-03 Response to Data Requests # 1 to 54, Posted: December 17, Page 4-1

[25] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/2010-02-11_Responses_to_Data_Request_Set_3_TN-55387.pdf page 42 of 72

[26] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/2009-11-24_Revised_LGIP_Intercconection_Request_TN-54256.pdf page 2 of 11

proposed MLGS site.[27] The approval for the parcel division was enacted after the MLGS was proposed.

The guidance letter concludes that if, "**if the facilities respond in the positive to one or more of the major indicators of control (e.g.management structures, plant managers, payroll, and other administrative function, then the new company is likely under the control of the existing source, or under common control of both companies, and cannot be considered a separate entity for permitting purposes**[28]

B. There is no legally binding commitment to shut down the Contra Costa Project contained in the PDOC or any where else.

The Preliminary Determination of Compliance does not contain conditions to shut down the Contra Costa Power Plant. Instead the PDOC states that, "Mirant Delta will submit an application for an amendment to its Air District permit to incorporate the foregoing permit condition."[29] There is no binding commitment that the District can identify in this permit that in fact the Contra Costa Power Plant will close. The District analysis relies on a promise that Mirant will in fact amend the PDOC and insert the following permit condition in the FDOC:

"Subject to: (i) receipt of final, non-appealable California Public Utilities Commission approval of the Tolling Agreement for Units 6 and 7 at the Contra Costa Power Plant by and between Mirant Delta, LLC and Pacific Gas and Electric Company and dated as of September 2, 2009, as amended from time to time, without material condition or modification unacceptable to either party thereto in its sole discretion; and (ii) the receipt of all other approvals and consents from the relevant local, state and federal governmental agencies (including but not limited to the California Independent System Operator) necessary for the shutdown and permanent retirement from service of Units 6 and 7; Mirant Delta, LLC will shut down and permanently retire Units 6 and 7 from service at 2400 PDT on April 30, 2013."

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[27] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/2010-02-11_Responses_to_Data_Request_Set_3_TN-55387.pdf page 38 of 72

[28] William A. Spatli, Letter to Peter R. Hamlin, Sept. 18, 1995, *available at* http://www.epa.gov/region07/programs/artd/air/title5/t5memos/control.pdf. Page 2

[29] PDOC page 61

The promised permit condition does not constitute a binding commitment to shut down the Contra Costa Power Plant. First for the Contra Costa Power Plant to shut down Mirant must receive a, "final, non-appealable California Public Utilities Commission approval of the Tolling Agreement for Units 6 and 7 at the Contra Costa Power Plant by and between Mirant Delta, LLC and Pacific Gas." That event has not occurred and there is still considerable uncertainty that it will.[30] Second the MLGS must also receive a final non- appealable CPUC approval of its contract for the Marsh Landing Facility or there will be no shutdown of the Contra Costa Power Plant. That event also has not occurred and there is still considerable uncertainty that it will.[31]

Third even if the contingences in the proposed condition above happen Mirant can under the terms of the proposed condition at is "own discretion" refuse to close the Contra Costa Power Project if it does not approve of a material condition or modification of the PPA with PG&E. Mirant America has cautioned investors that the PPA's and the closure of the CCPP are subject to many uncertainties.[32] There may also be other conditions in the agreement between Mirant and PG&E which must be fulfilled to close the CCPP.

Further it takes the consent of relevant local, state, and federal governmental agencies to shutdown Units 6 and 7 of the Contra Costa Power Plant. As the BAAQMD is painfully aware the closure of aging facilities in the BAAQMD would counsel against any reliance on a condition that requires approval of various local state and government agencies. Shuttering old power plants can be a long process. The two counterparties to

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[30] See CPUC Proceeding A. 09-09-021 http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/published/proceedings/A0909021.htm

[31] See CPUC Proceeding A. 09-09-021 http://docs.cpuc.ca.gov/published/proceedings/A0909021.htm

[32] Mirant cautions that these statements involve known and unknown risks and that there can be no assurance that such results will occur. There are various important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those indicated in the forward-looking statements, such as, but not limited to, the transaction not closing on schedule, if at all, and not proving to be financially advantageous to Mirant as a result of unknown market conditions, contract terms, costs of construction and future environmental regulation; the inability to secure, the timing of, and any conditions imposed in connection with, the California Energy Commission approval of the Mirant Marsh Landing facility; the California Public Utilities Commission withholding or delaying its approval of the Mirant Marsh Landing and Mirant Delta power purchase agreements; the inability to complete construction of the Mirant Marsh Landing facility within the expected timeframe or within the expected budget; and the risks and uncertainties described in Mirant's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 and Mirant's Forms 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31 and June 30, 2009, under the caption "Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information." http://investors.mirant.com/releasedetail.cfm?ReleaseID=407092

this closure agreement have a long and checkered history related to closing aging power plants.

PG&E first announced the closure of the Hunters Point Power Plant in July of 1998. The Plant didn't shut down till eight years later in 2006. The Mirant Potrero Power Plant signed a term sheet with the City of San Francisco in November of 2007 to close the plant and is still running. It was just announced that troubles with the Trans-Bay Cable have further delayed its closure.[33] The Trans-Bay cable itself may delay the closing of the CCPP since power for the cable must come from the Antioch/Pittsburg area.

In May of 2006, Mirant filed a 90 day notice with the PUC and CAISO to shut down Contra Costa Unit 6.[34] Mirant sought to shut down unit 6 because its continued operation was "not economical."[35] In a press release issued in August of 2006, Mirant announced that it had negotiated with PG&E to keep Units 6 operating, thus withdrawing its notice of intent to shut unit six down.[36] PG&E's 2006 Long Term Procurement Plan shows that the Contra Costa 6 Unit isn't needed for reliability in 2006 and beyond but the project is still operating. .[37] PG&E's 2006 Procurement Plan also says that the Contra Costa 7 Unit would no longer be needed after the Gateway Project (Contra Costa 8) became operational.[38] Gateway became operational in January of 2009 but both Units still operate.

Mirant's proposed condition for the FDOC also does not contain a clause which prevents simultaneous operation of Marsh Landing and the Contra Costa Power Plant if the multiple contingencies do not occur. Further Mirant's contract with PG&E contains other condition precedents for the closure of the CCPP.

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[33] http://www.sfexaminer.com/local/Cable-problem-delays-Potrero-Power-Plant-closure-90719759.html

[34] *See* http://investors.mirant.com/releases.cfm?Year=&ReleasesType=&PageNum =4..

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[36] *See* http://files.shareholder.com/downloads/MIR/0x0x254829/d70c9253-de4b-4d5a-8d86-f95e5605303d/MIR_News_2006_8_1_General.pdf.

[37] **PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY VOLUME 1 – 2006 LONG-TERM PROCUREMENT PLAN SECTION V – PROCUREMENT STRATEGY BY RESOURCE** Page V-44 Line 1 http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/LTTPs2006_2016/PGE/PGE%20Volume%20I%20Sections%20V%20thru%20VIII%20and%20Attachments%202006%20LTPP.pdf

[38] **PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY VOLUME 1 – 2006 LONG-TERM PROCUREMENT PLAN SECTION V – PROCUREMENT STRATEGY BY RESOURCE** Page v-44 Line 4-8 http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/LTTPs2006_2016/PGE/PGE%20Volume%20I%20Sections%20V%20thru%20VIII%20and%20Attachments%202006%20L

2) Marsh Landing Will Trigger Appendix S Nonattainment Permitting for PM2.5

The EPA Administrator has signed a final rule designating the San Francisco Bay Area as nonattainment for the PM2.5 24-hour standard. Under EPA policy, since the District did not have a SIP-approved permitting program for PM2.5 when the nonattainment designation became effective, 40 C.F.R. Part 51, Appendix S will govern permitting for major sources of PM2.5 until a SIP-approved permit program is in place. Under Appendix S, the analysis is essentially the same as under the PSD rules, except that each nonattainment pollutant is evaluated independently: Since the CCPP and Marsh Landing are by definition a single facility, the 100 TPY nonattainment area major stationary source threshold is applied collectively to the facilities. Marsh Landing will be a major modification to an existing source under Appendix S because the CCPP and MLGS are a single stationary source and their potential combined emissions for PM2.5 will be over 100 tpy.

3) Best Available Control Technology

**A. Ammonia Emissions**

The District has proposed the use of SCR to control NOx emissions. The District is allowing a 10ppm limit for ammonia slip. Some ammonia slip is unavoidable with SCR due to the non-uniform distribution of the reacting gases. Thus, some ammonia will pass through the catalyst. In the past, ammonia slip was not considered to be a problem by regulatory agencies because they felt that by releasing it from an elevated stack, the ground level concentration would be low.

The District performed an analysis on secondary particulate formation from precursor emissions which they cite n the PDOC.[39] Despite the results of this modeling report the District concludes that secondary particulate formation from ammonia emissions is not significant. The recent draft study performed by the district draws an entirely different conclusion. The BAAQMD Draft PM 2.5 study concluded, "Reducing ammonia emissions by 20 percent (around 15 tons/day) was the most effective of the precursor

[39] Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report

emissions reductions. Secondary PM2.5 levels were typically reduced 0-4 percent, depending on location, with an average around 2 percent. Reducing NOx and VOC emissions by 20 percent (around 250 tons/day total) was relatively ineffective. Reducing sulfur containing PM precursor emissions by 20 percent (around 16 tons/day) typically had a small impact on Bay Area PM2.5."[40]

It is feasible for the project to limit ammonia emissions to a lower slip level. Not only should the District require a lower ammonia slip level the District can and should provide mitigation for the ammonia slip secondary particulate impacts. As the District Draft PM 2.5 Modeling study concluded ammonia emissions are the largest precursor contributor of secondary PM 2.5.

**B. PM-10 BACT**

The District is proposing a BACT PM-10 emissions limit of 9.0 lb/hr, which corresponds to an emission rate of 0.0041 pounds per MMBtu of natural gas burned (lb/MMBtu) The manufacturer guarantees an 8 pound per hour limit for the Siemens 5000F turbines. The District provides results of source tests for similar turbines which have a CO catalyst and SCR. The average PM-10 emission rate is .0026 MMBtu.[41] This is almost half of the proposed permit level for the MLGS. BAQMD Regulation 2-2-206 (b) requires as BACT, "The most stringent emission limitation achieved by an emission control device or technique for the type of equipment comprising such a source." The evidence presented in this permitting record demonstrates that the MLGS can achieve a much lower emission rate than the District is proposing. The District should also require an air inlet filter to lower particulate emissions.

**C. Best Available Control Technology During Commissioning**

The Districts emission limits during commissioning are not adequate to prevent the project from violating the Federal 1 hour standard. In the commissioning phase with all

[40] Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report Page
[41] PDOC Page 44

four turbines operating the projects maximum impact is 170.02 μg/m3. The background is 122.1 μg/m3. The combination of the four turbines in commissioning mode combined with background concentrations equals 292 μg/m3 which violates the new Federal NO2 standard of 191 μg/m3. The District states that the only control technology available for limiting emissions during commissioning is to use best work practices to minimize emissions as much as possible during commissioning, and to expedite the commissioning process so that compliance with the stringent BACT limits for normal operations can be achieved as quickly as possible. The District has another option which is to limit the project so only two turbines can be operated in Commissioning mode at one time to prevent a violation of the federal 1 hour NO2 standard.[42]

4) The District must analyze the simultaneous operation of the Marsh landing Generating station and the Contra Costa Power Project. (CCPP).

A larger issue is the simultaneous operation of the MLGS and the CCPP. The District fails to provide any analysis of the MLGS operating in commissioning mode with the Contra Costa 6 & 7 units operating. The District has not analyzed the impact of both projects operations during commissioning and has provided no conditions which would prevent the simultaneous operation of both projects at that time. Also as discussed earlier the PDOC does not contain an enforceable condition to shut the CCPP down. There is also no condition to prevent both the CCPP and the MLGS from operating at the same time in the event the CCPP does not shut down. Therefore the District must provide a condition to prevent simultaneous operation or analyze the impact of both projects operating at the same time.

V. Greenhouse Gas Emissions

EPA's Interim Policy to Mitigate Concerns Regarding GHG Emissions from Construction or Modification of Large Stationary Sources[43] has concluded that GHGs will not become subject to regulation (and hence the PSD BACT requirement will not

[42] http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/documents/applicant/2010-02-11_Responses_to_Data_Request_Set_3_TN-55387.pdf Page 16- 18 of 72

[43] Reconsideration of Interpretation of Regulations that Determine Pollutants Covered by Clean Air Act Permitting Programs http://www.epa.gov/nsr/documents/psd_memo_recon_032910.pdf

apply to them) no earlier than January 2, 2011. EPA guidance provides that permitting authorities that issue permits before January 2, 2011 are already in a position to, and should, use the discretion currently available under the BACT provisions of the PSD program to promote technology choices for control of criteria pollutants that will also facilitate the reduction of GHG emissions. More specifically, the CAA BACT definition requires permitting authorities selecting BACT to consider the reductions available through application of not only control methods, systems, and techniques, but also through production processes, and requires them to take into account energy, environmental, and economic impacts. Thus, the statute expresses the need for a comprehensive review of available pollution control methods when evaluating BACT that clearly requires consideration of energy efficiency. The consideration of energy efficiency is important because it contributes to reduction of pollutants to which the PSD requirements currently apply and have historically been applied.

Further, although BACT does not now apply to GHG, BACT for other pollutants can, through application of more efficient production processes, indirectly result in lower GHG emissions.[44] According to the PDOC the Marsh Landing Facility could emit as much as 741,540 metric tons per year of GHG Emissions. The MLGS was originally proposed as two combined cycle units and two combustion turbines. The GHG emissions per MW were much smaller and the operating characteristics of the two configurations were very similar. The BAAQMD could easily conclude that the combined cycle configuration is BACT for GHG emissions for the MLGS and all other pollutants since the emission rates would be lower and the efficiency higher. At a minimum the District is required by recent EPA guidance to provide a technology evaluation under its BACT analysis to minimize Greenhouse Gas Emissions and other criteria pollutants.

5. Transport of Pollutants to the San Joaquin Valley

The District is currently reviewing applications for three power projects in Contra Costa County, the MLGS, Willow Pass, and Oakley. The District is also reviewing the

[44] Reconsideration of Interpretation of Regulations that Determine Pollutants Covered by Clean Air Act Permitting Programs
http://www.epa.gov/nsr/documents/psd_memo_recon_032910.pdf page 98

Mariposa Project which sits on the border of the San Joaquin Valley Pollution Control District and the BAAQMD. One Hundred percent of the emissions from the Mariposa Project will impact the San Joaquin Valley.

In the Tesla Proceeding the CEC determined that 70 % of the emissions from sources in Antioch and Pittsburg impact the San Joaquin Valley.[45] The impact from the four projects in the Tracy area and San Joaquin Valley is represented below in the table below.

| *Total Maximum Annual Emissions* | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | NO2 | VOC | PM 2.5 | CO | SO2 |
| Marsh Landing | 72.0 | 14.2 | 31.6 | 138.9 | 4.96 |
| Oakley | 98.8 | 30.0 | 76.3 | 98.8 | 12.6 |
| Willow Pass | 77.1 | 28.5 | 39.4 | 142.78 | 10.5 |
| Total | 247.9 | 83.6 | 147.3 | 380.48 | 28.06 |
| 70% Impact | 173.5 | 58.5 | 103.1 | 266.33 | 19.64 |
| Mariposa 100% | 48.6 | 11.1 | 25.8 | 69.5 | 3.2 |
| Total Impact SJV | 222.1 | 69.6 | 128.9 | 335.83 | 22.84 |

The emission reduction credits proposed for this project are primarily from 1987 and 1984. These ERC's may help the District in its balancing act for its attainment status but those ERC's provide no mitigation for the large impact on the San Joaquin Valley from the MLGS and the other three projects the district is processing. Under the Health and Safety Code the District must ensure that emissions from the MLGS do not negatively affect the health and safety of residents in the neighboring district. Title 17, California Code of Regulations, sections 70600 and 70601also provide regulations to mitigate transport into the SJV. In the FDOC the District must provide a strategy to mitigate the transport of pollutants to San Joaquin Valley from the MLGS and the other projects that it is permitting.

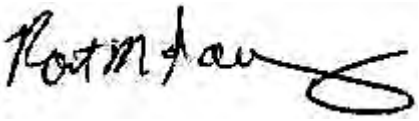
6. BAAQMD Rule 2-2-307 Compliance at all facilities owned by Mirant

While the applicant has provided a declaration that all power plants owned in the State of California are in compliance or on a schedule of compliance the Mirant Contra Costa

[45] Commission Decision Tesla Project Page 158
http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/tesla/documents/2004-06-22_FINAL.PDF

Power Plant is a high priority violator according to the EPA Echo website. It is currently in noncompliance with an unaddressed violation and the EPA is the lead agency.[46] Before the District issues the FDOC it must verify first that this major stationary source of which the MLGS is a major modification is in compliance or on a schedule of compliance. The District must also confirm whether the applicants other projects are in compliance.

Respectfully Submitted,



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[46] http://www.epa-echo.gov/cgi-bin/get1cReport.cgi?tool=echo&IDNumber=06013A0018
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Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 9:56 AM
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Subject: FW: Marsh Landing comment extension?

Attachments: marsh PDOC Comments Simpson.ZIP

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Sent: Friday, April 30, 2010 11:58 PM
To: Brian Lusher
Cc: Sarveybob@aol.com
Subject: RE: Marsh Landing comment extension?

Ok Here is what I have before Midnight
Rob

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: RE: Marsh Landing comment extension?
From: "Brian Lusher" <blusher@baaqmd.gov>
Date: Fri, April 30, 2010 5:02 pm
To: <rob@redwoodrob.com>

Rob,

The District is not extending the comment period at this time. Please provide the comments you have or are working on by midnight tonight. If you need additional time for more in depth comments, then the District will make every attempt to consider the additional comments if you can provide them by Sunday at midnight.

Regards,

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Hello Mr. Lusher,

I intend to comment regarding my objections to the Marsh Landing Generating Station, as best I can, before Midnight Pacific Standard time Tonight. An extension of time would allow me to be more thorough. You guys have kept me kind of busy. Please consider this a request for an extension of time to comment on the PDOC.

Thank you
Rob Simpson
510-909-1800

*I will incorporate many of my comments into the PDOC for clarity and simplicity. I also incorporate the comments of Robert Sarvey in their entirety. Please demonstrate the difference in greenhouse gas emissions between this plan and other equipment. The Emission Reduction Credits to not appear to adequately identified contemporaneous or adequate. It appears that the applicant also applied for a PSD permit. It appears that the facility requires a PSD permit. Rob Simpson510-909-1800 27126 Grandview Avenue Hayward*

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# 1. Introduction

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District) is issuing a Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) for the Marsh Landing Generating Station, a proposed 760-megawatt natural gas fired electric power generation facility that would be located near Antioch, CA. The Preliminary Determination of Compliance sets forth the District's preliminary analysis as to how the facility would comply with applicable air quality regulatory requirements, as well as proposed permit conditions to ensure compliance. The Air District is publishing this document for public review and comment, and will review and consider all comments received

from the public before deciding whether to issue a Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC) for the proposed project.
The proposed Marsh Landing project is a simple-cycle “peaker” power plant, meaning that it will be used to meet demand for electrical power during short-term “peaks” in demand. The proposed project consists of four Siemens SGT6-5000F simple-cycle gas turbines, two natural gas fired preheaters, and associated equipment. The proposed power plant would operate up to 20% of the year depending on the demand for electricity in the region. The California Independent System Operator (Cal ISO) would be responsible for dispatching the plant to meet electrical demand. The project utilizes simple-cycle turbines that are designed as a firm supply of power for when renewable energy sources such as wind power are not available. The project will provide standby power capacity for grid stability and the plant is using simple-cycle turbines for this purpose. The simple-cycle turbines are well suited for peaking power plants that may not run for an extended period of time since this type of unit does not have a steam turbine that would need to be kept warm to avoid equipment damage.

*I read that the District is defending the combined cycle facility plan RCEC in the present EAB appeal. How is the demand different for the 2 plants? How many facilities in the District have been built for one type of operation then changed operating profiles like Metcalf that changed form a baseload to be more like a peaker with daily starts? How many in the state? Does the change in operation result in a negative effect on air quality or what is the Effect? Could an applicant benefit by constructing under one operating profile then changing after construction? what would the benefits be to an applicant? Could it avoid PSD permitting constraints?*

The Marsh Landing Generating Station would be constructed adjacent to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, an older facility which is scheduled to be retired when the Marsh Landing Generating Station is complete. While the Contra Costa Power Plant is comprised of seven units, as of 2008, five of the Units have been retired. The remaining two units, Units 6 and 7, were constructed in 1964. Mirant Delta has agreed to retire Contra Costa Units 6 and 7 on April 30, 2013 subject to certain regulatory approvals. The existing Contra Costa Power Plant has a once-through cooling system, which draws cooling water from the San Joaquin River and then discharges it back into the river after use. The new Marsh Landing Generating Station would be a simple-cycle facility that would not use river water for cooling or process water requirements.

*How much water will it use? Will vaporized water have an effect on air quality or contribute to other pollutants effects? Has that been analyzed? Where will the water come from is the energy to deliver and purify the water considered in the efficiency calculations?*

The Marsh Landing project would be sited adjacent to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant at 3201 Wilbur Avenue in unincorporated Contra Costa County, near the City of Antioch.

*Is the new plant/old plant or both at this address? is there a zip code or further identification of the location available? Would an address have been helpful in describing the location in the public notice? Could a lack of an address in the public notice serve to preclude public participation? Is there or should there be a rule that the address should be in the Public Notice?*

The two
sites will be operated as separate and independent facilities, although they have the same ultimate corporate parent, Mirant Corporation. Mirant has agreed to retire the Contra Costa Power Plant on April 30, 2013. The proposed Marsh Landing facility is scheduled to start commercial operation on May 1, 2013.

*Under what potential scenarios could both facilities could operate at the same time*

More detail about the proposed facility is provided in
Section 3 below (“Project Description”).
This PDOC describes how the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would comply with applicable federal, state, and Air District regulations. These regulations include the Best



Available Control Technology and emission offset requirements of the District New Source Review (NSR) requirements contained in District Regulation 2, Rule 2. This document also includes proposed permit conditions necessary to ensure compliance with applicable rules and regulations, air pollutant emission calculations, and a health risk assessment that estimates the impact of emissions from the project on public health.

*What is the degree of variability in these "estimates"?*

This PDOC has been prepared in accordance with District Regulations 2-2-404 through 2-2-406, which set forth the procedural requirements for the issuance of NSR permits, and District Regulations 2-3-403 and 2-3-404, which apply the requirements specifically to power plant permits. The document sets forth the District’s reasons and analysis underlying to the District’s preliminary determination that the project would comply with all applicable regulatory requirements relating to air quality.
This remainder of this document is organized as follows. Section 2 provides an overview of the legal framework for power plant permitting in California and describes how members of the public can learn about the project and provide input to the District and the California Energy Commission. Section 3 then proceeds to describe the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station project, and Section 4 details the project’s air emissions. Sections 5 and 6 then describe the “Best Available Control Technology” and emissions offset requirements for the project and how the proposed facility would comply with them. Section 7 addresses two federal permitting requirements, the “Prevention of Significant Deterioration” requirement and the “Non-Attainment New Source Review” requirement for fine particulate matter, and explains how this facility is not subject to those requirements. Section 8 presents the results of the Health Risk Screening Analysis the District has conducted for the project, which found that the health risks from the project will be less than significant. Section 9 addresses other applicable legal requirements for the proposed project. Section 10 sets forth the proposed permit conditions for the project. Section 11 concludes with the District’s PDOC for the project.

# 2. The Power Plant Permitting Process and Opportunities for Public Participation

The California Energy Commission (Energy Commission or CEC) is the primary permitting authority for new power plants in California. The California Legislature has granted the Energy Commission exclusive licensing authority for all thermal power plants in California of 50 megawatts
or more. (*See* Warren-Alquist State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Act, Cal. Public Resources Code §§ 25000 *et seq.*) This licensing authority supersedes all other local and state permitting authority. The intent behind this system is to streamline the licensing process for new power plants while at the same time providing for a comprehensive review of potential environmental and other impacts.

As the lead permitting agency, the CEC conducts an in-depth review of environmental and other issues posed by the proposed power plant. This comprehensive environmental review is the equivalent of the review required for major projects under the California Environmental Quality Act
(CEQA), and the Energy Commission's license satisfies the requirements of CEQA for these projects. This CEQA-equivalent review encompasses air quality issues within the purview of the Air District, and also includes all other types of environmental and other issues, including water quality issues, endangered species issues, and land use issues, among others.

The Air District collaborates with the Energy Commission regarding the air quality portion of its environmental analysis and prepares a "Determination of Compliance" that outlines whether and how the proposed project will comply with applicable air quality regulatory requirements. The Determination of Compliance is used by the Energy Commission to assess air quality issues of the proposed power plant. This document presents the District's Preliminary Determination of Compliance. The District will solicit and consider public input on the Preliminary Determination of
Compliance, and then will issue a Final Determination of Compliance for use by the Energy Commission in its CEQA-equivalent environmental review. The CEC will then conduct its environmental review, and at the end of that process it will decide whether to issue a license for the
project and under what conditions.

Both the Energy Commission licensing process and the District's Determination of Compliance process relating to air quality issues provide opportunities for public participation. For the District's Determination of Compliance, the District publishes its preliminary determination – the PDOC – and invites interested members of the public to review and comment on it. This public process allows members of the public to review the District's analysis of whether and how the facility will comply with applicable regulatory requirements and to bring to the District's attention any area in which members of the public believe the District may have erred in its analysis. This process helps improve the District's final determination by bringing to the District's attention any areas where interested members of the public disagree with the District's proposal at an early enough stage that the District can correct any deficiencies before making the final determination.

*What is the recourse if "*members of the public disagree with the District's proposal*" and the District does not correct them? It has been problematic for me to understand the regulatory*

*structure. It appears that the Warren Alquist Act serves to preclude districts satisfaction of their obligations under the Clean Air Act by interjecting itself between California air Districts and review of their actions. Does the District need to respond to comments? Do PDOC comments become part of the CEC record before an FDOC or after? Does the CEC consider comments received by the district prior to issuance of their FSA Is an FDOC an appealable "final action" if so Where and when would one appeal it? What if the CEC and district determinations differ?*

The Energy Commission provides similar opportunities for public participation, and publishes its proposed actions for public review and comment before taking any final actions.





At this time, the Air District is at the beginning of this process for the Marsh Landing Generating Station. The Air District is publishing its Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) for public review and comment, and will consider comments from the public in determining whether to issue a Final Determination of Compliance (FDOC) and on what basis. The District invites all interested parties to comment in writing on any aspect of the Preliminary Determination of Compliance pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-405. Comments should be made in writing and should be directed to Brian Lusher, Senior Air Quality Engineer, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA 94109, (415) 749-4623, blusher@baaqmd.gov. Written comments must be received by April 30, 2010. All comments received during the comment period will be considered by the District and addressed as necessary in any Final Determination of Compliance.

The power plant approval process also provides opportunities for members of the public to participate in person in public hearings regarding this project. The District may hold a public meeting in accordance with Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 405 to receive verbal comment from the public if there is sufficient reason to do so.

*Please hold a public hearing/meeting. This is a huge project in the community and they should have the opportunity to understand and participate. I am sure that we would have a large response. We have demonstrated in Hayward that there is ample interest if people become aware. I fear the public is largely unaware of this plan and its impacts. For the public comments to have an effect on the Districts decision it must be during the Districts public comment period so CEC hearings are no substitute for District responsibilities in this regard. The EAB demonstrated in the RCEC remand that the Districts reliance on the CEC and combined air quality hearing where no record was kept was inconsistent with the Clean Air Act requirements.*

Members of the public who would like to request that the District hold a public meeting should make such a request, in writing, to Mr. Lusher at the address set forth in the preceding paragraph prior to the end of the comment period, and should explain the reasons why a public meeting is warranted. Members of the public will also be afforded an opportunity to participate in public hearings regarding the project at the Energy Commission as part of the Commission's environmental review process. The public hearings before the Energy Commission will encompass all aspects of the project, including air quality

issues and all other environmental issues.

Interested members of the public are invited to learn more about the project as part of the public review and comment process. Detailed information about the project and how it will comply with applicable regulatory requirements are set forth in the subsequent sections of this document. All supporting documentation, including the permit application and data submitted by the applicant and all other information the District has relied on in its analysis, are available for public inspection at the Communication and Outreach Division Office located on the 5th Floor of District Headquarters, 939 Ellis Street, San Francisco, CA, 94109. This Engineering Evaluation and the supporting documentation are also available on the District's website at www.baaqmd.gov/ The public may also contact Mr. Lusher for further information (see contact information above). **Para obtener información en español, comuníquese con Brenda Cabral en la sede del Distrito, (415) 749-4686,** bcabral@baaqmd.gov.
In addition to the Air District's permitting process involving air quality issues, interested members of the public are also invited to participate in the Energy Commission's licensing proceeding, which addresses other environmental concerns including those that are not related to air quality. For more information, go to the following CEC website: www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/marshlanding/index.html. The public may also contact the Energy Commission's Public Adviser's office at:



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California Energy Commission
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Sacramento, CA 95814
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E-mail: PublicAdviser@energy.state.ca.us



# 3. Project Description

The Marsh Landing Generating Station is a proposed 760-megawatt "peaker" power plant to be located adjacent to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant near Antioch, CA. The facility would consist of four Siemens SGT6-5000F natural gas fired simple-cycle combustion turbines with a nominal electrical output of 190 MW. Each set of two turbines will also be equipped with a small natural gas fired preheater, or "dewpoint" heater, that heats the incoming natural gas above the dew point. This section describes the proposed project's function as a simple-cycle "peaker" power plant, describes where it would be located and how it would be operated, and provides details about project ownership and the specific equipment being proposed for the project.

**3.1 The Marsh Landing Generating Station: A Simple-Cycle "Peaker" Power Plant**

The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would be a "peaker" plant, meaning that it is designed to provide electricity to the grid at times of peak demand. Peaking power plants are power plants that generally only run during periods of high demand for electricity, most often during the summertime when air conditioning use is highest and typically in the late afternoon

when people are returning from work and many businesses remain open. The proposed power plant would operate up to 20% of the year depending on the demand for electricity in the region. The California Independent System Operator (Cal ISO) would be responsible for dispatching the plant to meet electrical demand.

The proposed project uses a “simple-cycle” design, meaning that it uses natural gas combustion turbines only, without additional generating equipment, to make electricity. This design is different than a “combined-cycle” design, in which waste heat in the turbine exhaust is used to create steam in a heat-recovery steam generator, which powers a steam turbine to generate additional electricity. The simple-cycle design is especially well suited for peaking power plants because the turbines can be started up very quickly when demand requires it. With combined cycle turbines, startups take longer because the heat recovery boilers and steam turbine take

*How much longer do combined cycle facilities with Fast Start technology take to start. Can you quantify the importance of the difference in start up time between the two as compared to the air quality/public health benefits? What is the difference in the greenhouse gas and pollutants for the 2 designs?*

additional time to come up to operating temperature. Simple-cycle turbines are also well suited to peaking applications because peakers, by their nature, are not called upon to run for extended periods of time. This is an important consideration because simple-cycle turbines are inherently less efficient than combined-cycle turbines, which recover some of the heat from the turbine exhaust that would otherwise be wasted. Since peaker plants are operated for a relatively small number of hours per year, this energy penalty – which translates into additional fuel used to generate the same amount of power – is not as much of a concern.

As a peaker plant, the facility will also help to ensure a reliable supply of power as California transitions to a greater supply of renewable power sources such as solar and wind power. As a peaker plant, the project will help provide on-demand standby power capacity for grid stability. The simple-cycle turbines have a very short startup time and can come on-line very quickly to fill in during times when solar energy sources or wind power are not available. As the California Energy Commission has recognized, “some efficient, dispatchable, natural-gas-fired generation will be necessary to integrate renewables into California’s electricity system and meet the state’s

*What is the present ratio of renewables to "efficient, dispatchable, natural-gas-fired generation" are we overbuilt on one or the other? How do we know when we have enough of one or the other? It seems that every gas fired plant uses the same justification but I do not see the development of the corresponding renewables likely due to PG&E and others efforts to prevent the development of renewables.*



[Renewable Portfolio Standard] and [Greenhouse Gas] goals.”[1] Peaker plants fired by cleanburning natural gas are well suited to filling this need.

The proposed Marsh Landing will function as a replacement for the existing Contra Costa Power Plant (also known as the “Mirant Delta” facility). The existing Contra Costa Power Plant is an older facility which was built in 1964 and is scheduled to be retired when the Marsh Landing facility is complete. The new Marsh Landing facility will replace the existing facility and will

use modern state-of-the-art generating equipment. In addition, the new Marsh Landing facility will replace the once-through cooling system at the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, which draws cooling water from the San Joaquin River and then discharges it back into the river after use. The new Marsh Landing facility will be a simple-cycle facility that does not use river water for cooling or process water requirements. Mirant Delta, LLC, the owner of the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, has agreed to have a legally binding permit condition included in its existing permit documents that requires the existing facility to shut down and permanently retire the Units from service on April 30, 2013.[2] The proposed Marsh Landing facility is scheduled to start commercial operation the next day, on May 1, 2013. The interconnection request for the Marsh Landing facility assumes that the Contra Costa Power Plant will retire, and therefore evaluates only the net increase in capacity associated with Marsh Landing. This effectively means that the Marsh Landing facility would take over transmission capacity on the system that is currently utilized by the Contra Costa Power Plant.

*How much is the present plant operating compared to the potential for the new plant"*

**3.2 Project Location**

The proposed Marsh Landing facility would be located adjacent to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant on a 27-acre industrial site on Wilbur Avenue, one mile northeast of the City of Antioch, on the southern shore of the San Joaquin River. The project site is located in unincorporated Contra Costa County, although it is in the process of being incorporated into the City of Antioch. Highway 4 and the Antioch Bridge are just east of the site. Immediately south,

[1] California Energy Commission, *Final Commission Decision, Avenal Energy, Application for Certification* (08-AFC-01), Kings County (Dec. 16, 2009) p. 112, Finding of Fact no. 23 (available at: www.energy.ca.gov/2009publications/CEC-800-2009-006/CEC-800-2009-006-CMF.PDF).

[2] Mirant Delta, LLC, has agreed to include the following enforceable permit condition in its air permits: “Subject to: (i) receipt of final, non-appealable California Public Utilities Commission approval of the Tolling Agreement for Units 6 and 7 at the Contra Costa Power Plant by and between Mirant Delta, LLC and Pacific Gas and Electric Company and dated as of September 2, 2009, as amended from time to time, without material condition or modification unacceptable to either party thereto in its sole discretion; and (ii) the receipt of all other approvals and consents from the relevant local, state and federal governmental agencies (including but not limited to the California Independent System Operator) necessary for the shutdown and permanent retirement from service of Units 6 and 7; Mirant Delta, LLC will shut down and permanently retire Units 6 and 7 from service at 2400 PDT on April 30, 2013.” Mirant Delta, LLC, has agreed that prior to the Air District’s issuance of the FDOC for the Marsh Landing facility, Mirant Delta will submit an application for an amendment to its Air District permit to incorporate the foregoing permit condition.

*Will the  timing of the "amendment" preclude comment on this PDOC for the amendments effects or will the this action be reopened for comment when they submit that application? Why did they not submit it in time for consideration in this comment period?*

west and east of the site are existing industrial facilities, including a Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) Substation and the Gateway Generating Station, as well as a recreational marina, open space and additional industrial land uses. The proposed site is currently occupied by five above-ground fuel storage tanks associated with the existing Contra Costa Power Plant site. The proposed project location is identified on the Project Location Map below. An aerial view of the project site and a plot plan of the proposed Marsh Landing facility are also provided.

*Is this plant planned to provide power for the transbay feed to San Francisco? Is it fair that one community suffers the burden of the air quality effects while another enjoys the benefit of the electricity?*

*Mayberry*
* The PG&E Switchyard and PG&E Gateway Project are not part of the Mirant Property.
**LEGEND**
Marsh Landing Generating Station
Proposed Project Boundary
Contra Costa Power Plant
Property Boundary
Water Supply Pipeline
Gas Supply Pipeline
Construction Laydown, Office, and Parking Areas

***N***
**160**
**160**
***WILBUR AVENUE***

***EAST 18TH ST.***
***OAKLEY RD.***
***BRIDGEHEAD RD.***
***MAIN ST.***

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**CONTRA COSTA CO.**
**NT COS A CO CO RA T .**
**SACRAMENTO CO.**
**CITY OF A I C NT O H**

**CCPP**
**PROPERTY BOUNDARY**
**MARSH LANDING**
**GENERATING STATION**
**4**
**PG&E Gateway**
**Generating Station**
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Marsh Landing Generating Station

Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC
Contra Costa County, California
**REVISED FIGURE 1-1**
**PROJECT LOCATION MAP**
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Source:
USGS Topographic Maps, 7.5 Minute Series:
Antioch North, California, 1978
Antioch South, California, 1980
Jersey Island, California, 1978
Brentwood, California, 1978
**Gas Supply**
**Pipeline**
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Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC
Contra Costa County, California
**AERIAL VIEW OF PROPOSED PROJECT**
**REVISED FIGURE 1-2**
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Marsh Landing Generating Station
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Contra Costa County, California
**GENERAL PLOT PLAN**
**REVISED FIGURE 2-1**
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Siemens Simple Cycle SGT6-5000F Equipment Layout;
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Scale in Feet
1” = 120’
**MARSH LANDING**
**GENERATING STATION**
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**UNIT 1 UNIT 2 UNIT 3**
**UNITS 1–4**
**Stack Center**
**UTM Coordinates**
**(NAD83)**
**UNIT 1**
**UNIT 2**
**UNIT 3**
**UNIT 4**
**U I 4**
**LEGEND**
1 Gas Turbine Enclosure
2 Gas Turbine Inlet Filter
3 Electrical Package
4 Lube Oil Cooler
5 Rotary Air Cooler (Fin-Fan)
6 Continuous Emissions Monitoring
7 SCR
8 Sampling Panel
9 SEE/SFC Tranformers
10 SEE/SFC Package
11 Dew Point Heaters
12 Generator Circuit Breaker
13 Auxiliary Transformer
14 Generator Step Up Transformer
15 Circuit Breaker

16 Air Switch
17 Overhead Power Lines
18 12”-Dia. Natural Gas Line
19 Existing Circuit Breakers
20 Fuel Gas Compressor
21 Fuel Gas Compressor Enclosure
22 Fuel Gas Compressor Fin-Fan Coolers
23 Fuel Gas Metering/Conditioning
24 Ammonia Unloading/Storage Area
25 Control/Admin. Building
26 Parking
27 Oil-Water Separator with Wastewater Sump
28 Ammonia Vaporization Skid
29 Air Blowers
30 Evap Cooler Supply Pumps
31 Water Treatment Trailers
32 Service Water Storage Tank (40’ dia. x 32’ high)
33 Secondary EC Blend WaterTank (32‘ dia x 32’ high)
34 Wastewater Storage Tank (44‘ dia x 44’ high)
35 Raw Water Storage Tank (40’ dia. x 32’ high)
36 PDC
37 Non-SEC Bus
38 Auxiliary Transformer



## 3.3 How The Project Will Operate

The proposed facility will generate electric power for the grid using simple-cycle combustion turbines. The combustion turbines generate power by burning natural gas, which expands as it

burns and turns the turbine blades which in turn rotate an electrical generator to generate electricity. The main components of a turbine consist of a compressor, combustor, and turbine. The compressor compresses combustion air to the combustor where the fuel is mixed with the combustion air and burned. Hot exhaust gases then enter the power turbine where the gases expand across the turbine blades, rotating a shaft to power the electric generator.
After exiting the combustion turbines, the hot exhaust gases are then sent through the postcombustion
emissions controls prior to being exhausted at the stack. The proposed postcombustion emissions controls consist of a Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) unit to reduce
oxides of nitrogen in the exhaust and an oxidation catalyst to reduce organic compounds and carbon monoxide in the exhaust.
SCR injects ammonia into the exhaust stream, which reacts with the $NO_x$ and oxygen in the presence of a catalyst to form nitrogen and water. A small amount of ammonia is not consumed in the reaction and is emitted in the exhaust stream as what is commonly called “ammonia slip”. An oxidation catalyst oxidizes the carbon monoxide and unburned hydrocarbons in the exhaust gases to form $CO_2$.

*How Would SCONOX or whatever they call it this year, be better? What about a solar preheater How much would that reduce emissions?*

The schematic diagram below illustrates how a simple-cycle gas turbine power plant such as the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station works.
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Marsh Landing Generating Station
Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC
Contra Costa County, California
**SIMPLE CYCLE FLOW DIAGRAM**
**FIGURE 2**
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To
Transformer
Switchyard
GENERATOR
GAS TURBINE
AIR NATURAL GAS
**HOT EXHAUST**
**DILUTION AIR**
WARM
EXHAUST


### 3.4 Project Ownership

The Marsh Landing Generating Station would be owned by Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC (Applicant), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Mirant Corporation. The adjacent Contra Costa Power Plant is owned by a separate Mirant Corporation subsidiary, Mirant Delta, LLC. Although Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC, and Mirant Delta, LLC, have a common ultimate corporate parent, the two sites will be operated as separate and independent facilities and the District is treating them as separate facilities for purposes of air quality regulations. This issue is described in further detail in Section 7 below.

*It all sounds like the same owner at the same facility as Mr. Sarvey better stated. Why would the District let them get away with calling it a different facility? How much are all the fees collected or to be collected by the district for permitting and operating such a facility?*

**3.5 Equipment Specifications**

The equipment that Mirant has identified for use at the Marsh Landing Generating Station consists of the following:

S-1 Combustion Turbine Generator #1, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-1 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-2 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-2 Combustion Turbine Generator #2, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-3 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-4 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-3 Combustion Turbine Generator #3, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-5 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-6 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-4 Combustion Turbine Generator #4, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-7 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-8 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).

S-5 Natural Gas-fired Fuel Preheater, 5 MMBtu/hr (HHV) (Exempt from Air District Permit requirements per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114)

S-6 Natural Gas-fired Fuel Preheater, 5 MMBtu/hr (HHV) (Exempt from Air District Permit requirements per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114)



# 4. Facility Emissions

This section describes the air pollutant emissions that the Marsh Landing Generating Station will have the potential to emit, as well as the principal regulatory requirements to which the emissions will be subject. Detailed emission calculations, including the derivations of emission factors, are presented in the appendices.

**4.1 Criteria Pollutants**

4.1.1 Hourly Emissions from Gas Turbines

The Marsh Landing Generating Station's generating equipment – the simple-cycle gas turbines – will have the potential to emit up to the following amounts of regulated air pollutants per hour, as set forth in **Table 1**. These are the maximum emission rates for regulated air pollutants from the project during normal steady-state operations, and will be limited by enforceable permit conditions.

**TABLE 1. STEADY-STATE EMISSIONS RATES**

| **Pollutant** | **One Simple-Cycle Turbine Emissions Rate (lb/hr)** |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 20.83 |
| CO | 10.00 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 2.90 |
| $PM_{10}/PM_{2.5}$ | 9.00 |
| $SO_x$ (as $SO_2$) Maximum[a] | 6.21 |

$SO_x$ (as $SO_2$) Average[b] 1.41

[a] Maximum $SO_x$ emissions based on 1 grain sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas.

[b] Average $SO_x$ emissions based on 0.25 grains sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas and an average annual firing rate of 1997 MMBtu/hour.

Note that particulate matter from natural gas combustion sources normally has a diameter less than one micron.[3] The particulate matter will therefore be both $PM_{10}$ (particulate matter with a diameter of less than 10 microns) and $PM_{2.5}$ (particulate matter with a diameter of less than 2.5 microns). $PM_{2.5}$ is a subset of particulate matter that has recently come under heightened regulatory scrutiny, and the District is in the process of developing regulations specifically directed to controlling $PM_{2.5}$. Those regulations are not in place yet, but for this facility the District's existing $PM_{10}$ regulations will be equally effective in controlling $PM_{2.5}$ as well because all of the PM emissions from this facility will be both $PM_{2.5}$ and $PM_{10}$.

[3] *See* AP-42, Table 1.4-2, footnote c, 7/98 (available at www.epa.gov/ttnchie1/ap42/ch01/final/c01s04.pdf).



4.1.2 Emissions During Gas Turbine Startup, Shutdown, and Tuning Operations

Maximum emissions during turbine startups and combustor tuning operations, when the turbines are at low load where they are not as efficient and when emissions control equipment may not be fully operational, are summarized in **Table 2**. (These operating scenarios are discussed in more detail in Sections 5.7, below.) Table 2 shows the startup emissions limits and tuning emission limits for each turbine.

**TABLE 2: GAS TURBINE EMISSIONS DURING STARTUP AND TUNING OPERATIONS**

| **Pollutant** | **Simple-Cycle Startup Emissions Rates (lb/event)[a]** | **Simple-Cycle Startup (lb/hour)[b]** | **Simple-Cycle Tuning Emissions Rates (lb/event)[c]** | **Simple-Cycle Tuning (lb/hour)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 18.6 | 45.1 | 640 | 80 |
| CO | 216.2 | 541.3 | 3600 | 450 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 11.9 | 28.5 | 240 | 30 |
| $PM_{10}/PM_{2.5}$ | 4.5 | 9.0 | 72.0 | 9.0 |
| $SO_x$ (as $SO_2$) | 3.11 | 6.21 | 49.68 | 6.21 |

[a] Startups not to exceed 30 minutes.

[b] Worst case hourly emissions assume 2 startups and one shutdown in one hour.

[c] Tuning events not to exceed 8 hours.

Maximum emissions during gas turbine shutdowns (also discussed in detail in Section 5.7) are summarized in **Table 3.**

**TABLE 3. MAXIMUM EMISSIONS PER SHUTDOWN**

| **Pollutant** | **Simple-Cycle Shutdown Emissions Rate (lb/shutdown)**[a] |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 13.1 |
| CO | 111.5 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 5.4 |
| $PM_{10}/PM_{2.5}$ | 2.25 |
| $SO_x$ (as $SO_2$) | 1.55 |

[a] Shutdowns not to exceed 15 minutes.



4.1.3 Daily Facility Emissions

Maximum daily emissions of regulated air pollutants emissions for the Marsh Landing Generating Station are set forth in **Table 4** below. The Table shows emissions both from the Gas Turbines and from the natural gas fired preheaters, which are exempt from District regulatory requirements because of their small size.

These daily emission rates are used to determine what sources at the facility are subject to the requirement to use "Best Available Control Technology" pursuant to District New Source Review regulation (NSR; Regulation 2, Rule 2). Pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-301.1, any new source that has the potential to emit 10 pounds or more per highest day of POC, $NO_x$, $SO_2$, $PM_{10}$, or CO is subject to the BACT requirement for that pollutant.

**TABLE 4. MAXIMUM DAILY REGULATED CRITERIA AIR POLLUTANT EMISSIONS FOR FACILITY.**

| **Pollutant (lb/day) Source** | **Nitrogen Oxides (as $NO_2$)** | **Carbon Monoxide** | **Precursor Organic Compounds** | **Particulate Matter ($PM_{10}$)** | **Sulfur Dioxide** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| One Simple-Cycle Unit (No Tuning)[a] | 577.31 | 1214.60 | 119.04 | 216.0 | 149.04 |
| Four Simple-Cycle Units (No Tuning)[a] | 2309.26 | 4858.40 | 476.14 | 864.00 | 596.16 |

Total including equipment
exempt from Air District
Regulations[b] (No
Combustor Tuning)
2313.63 4866.55 476.79 864.70 596.42
One Simple-Cycle Unit
Combustor Tuning[c] 1050.67 4734.60 335.84 216.00 149.04
Four Simple-Cycle Units
(One Unit Tuning)[d] 2782.62 8378.40 692.94 864.00 596.16
Total including equipment
exempt from Air District
Regulations[b] (with
Combustor Tuning)
2786.99 8386.55 693.59 864.70 596.42

[a] $NO_x$, POC, CO and $PM_{10}$ emission rates based on three startups and three shutdowns per day, with the balance at normal operations. See Appendices for emissions calculations.
[b] The two natural gas fired preheaters are exempt from Air District Regulations. See District Regulation 2-2-214.

*Is this exclusion why they don't bother to install a solar preheater? How much do they pollute including greenhouse gases? Could the District include them if they chose?*

[c] $NO_x$, POC, CO and $PM_{10}$ emission rates based on three startups and three shutdowns per day, with 8 hours of combustor tuning, and the balance at normal operations. Each turbine allowed 16 hours combustor tuning per year. See Appendix A for emissions calculations.
[d] $NO_x$, CO and POC maximum daily is based on one simple-cycle unit combustor tuning and three simple-cycle turbines in normal operations.



As Table 4 shows, the gas turbines will emit over 10 pounds per highest day of $NO_x$, CO, POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_2$, and are required to use Best Available Control Technology per Regulation 2-2-301 to limit emissions of these pollutants. The Air District's analysis of the Best Available Control Technology emission limits for this equipment is described in Section 5 below.

The remaining equipment at the facility is not subject to the BACT requirement in District Regulation 2, Rule 2. The natural gas fired preheaters are exempt from District permitting per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114. Each preheater will also not emit over 10 pounds per highest day of any pollutant.

4.1.4 Annual Facility Emissions

The maximum annual emissions of regulated air pollutants for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station project are set forth in **Table 5** below. Table 5 shows the annual emissions from the facility, both from the gas turbines and from the exempt natural gas preheaters. These emissions reflect the 20 percent annual capacity factor proposed by the applicant. Annual facility emissions are used to determine whether the facility will need to offset its emissions with Emissions Reduction Credits under District Regulations 2-2-202 and 2-2-203. Offsets are required for $NO_x$ and POC emissions over 10 tons per year, and for $PM_{10}$ and $SO_2$ emissions over 100 tons per year.

**TABLE 5. MAXIMUM ANNUAL CRITERIA AIR POLLUTANT EMISSIONS FOR THE FACILITY.**

**$NO_2$ (ton/yr) CO (ton/yr) POC (ton/yr) $PM_{10}$ (ton/yr) $SO_2$ (ton/yr)**

**One Simple-Cycle Gas Turbine** 17.941 34.643 3.553 7.884 1.235
**All Four Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines** 71.763 138.572 14.210 31.536 4.941
**Total subject to Air District Regulations** 71.763 138.572 14.210 31.536 4.941
**Total including exempt natural gas preheaters** 71.922 138.870 14.234 31.561 4.947

Notes: See Appendices for Emission Calculations.

These annual emissions rates show that the facility will be required to offset its emissions of $NO_x$ and POC under District Regulation 2-2-302, because emissions will be over 10 tons per year (and for $NO_x$ will have to provide credits at a ratio of 1.15 tons of credits per 1 ton of emissions, because emissions will be over 35 tons per year). The facility will not be required to offset its $PM_{10}$ and $SO_2$ emissions under District Regulation 2-2-303 because emissions will be less than 100 tons per year.



### 4.2 Toxic Air Contaminants

Toxic Air Contaminants (TACs) are a subset of air pollutants that can be harmful to health and the environment even in very small amounts. **Table 6** provides a summary of the maximum annual facility toxic air contaminant (TAC) emissions from the project.

**TABLE 6. MAXIMUM FACILITY TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANT (TAC) EMISSIONS**

| Toxic Air Contaminant | Project lb/hour | Project lb/year | Acute Risk Screening Trigger Level (lb/hr) | Chronic Risk Screening Trigger Level (lb/yr) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,3-Butadiene | 0.00110 | 1.92 | None | 0.63 |
| Acetaldehyde | 11.05 | 2301 | None | 38 |
| Acrolein | 0.595 | 294 | 0.0055 | 14 |
| Ammonia | 123 | 216043 | 7.1 | 7700 |
| Benzene | 0.221 | 202 | 2.9 | 3.8 |
| Benzo(a)anthracene | 0.000195 | 0.342 | None | None |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | 0.000120 | 0.210 | None | 0.0069 |
| Benzo(b)fluoranthene | 0.000098 | 0.171 | None | None |

Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.000095 0.166 None None
Chrysene 0.000218 0.381 None None
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 0.000203 0.356 None None
Ethylbenzene 0.282 271 None 43
Formaldehyde 39.98 7785 0.12 18
Hexane 2.24 3920 None 270000
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.000203 0.356 None None
Naphthalene 0.0143 25.1 None None
Propylene 6.66 11664 None 120000
Propylene Oxide 0.413 723 6.8 29
Toluene 0.848 1074 82 12000
Xylene (Total) 0.225 395 49 27000
Sulfuric Acid Mist
($H_2SO_4$) 20.77 9097 0.26 39
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 0.000394 0.691 None 0.0069
Specified PAHs 0.00113 1.98 None None
Notes: Emissions from the exempt natural gas fired preheaters are included.
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) impacts are evaluated as Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents.
The following compounds are PAHs.
Equivalency
PAHs Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1


Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1

Table 6 is also a summary of the emissions used as input data for air pollutant dispersion models used to assess the increased health risk to the public resulting from the project. The ammonia emissions shown are based upon a worst-case ammonia emission concentration of 10 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ from the gas turbine SCR systems. The chronic and acute screening trigger levels shown are per Table 2-5.1 of Regulation 2, Rule 5.

If emissions are above certain established screening levels prescribed in Table 2-5-1 of Regulation 2, Rule 2, a health risk assessment is required. Where no acute trigger level is listed for a TAC, none has been established for that TAC. Based on the information contained in Table 6, a health risk assessment is required by District Regulation 2, Rule 5. The health risk assessment is conducted to determine the potential impact on public health resulting from the worst-case TAC emissions from the project.

The results of the health risk assessment are discussed in full in Section 8 of this document. Briefly, the health risk assessment found a maximum increased cancer risk of 0.03 in one million for the maximally exposed individual near the facility. Under District Regulation 2-5, these carcinogenic risk levels are less than significant because they are less than 1.0 in one million. The highest chronic non-cancer hazard index for the project is 0.003 and the highest acute noncancer
hazard index for the project is 0.3. These non-cancer risks are less than significant under

District Regulation 2-5 because they are less than 1.0.



# 5. Best Available Control Technology (BACT)

The District's New Source Review regulations require the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station to utilize the "Best Available Control Technology" ("BACT") to minimize air emissions, as discussed in more detail below. This section describes how the BACT requirements will apply to the facility.

## 5.1 Introduction

District Regulation 2-2-301 requires that the Marsh Landing Generating Station use the Best Available Control Technology to control $NO_x$, CO, POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_x$ emissions from sources that will have the potential to emit over 10 pounds per highest day of each of those pollutants. Pursuant to Regulation 2-2-206, BACT is defined as the more stringent of:

(a) "The most effective control device or technique which has been successfully utilized for the type of equipment comprising such a source; or

(b) The most stringent emission limitation achieved by an emission control device or technique for the type of equipment comprising such a source: or

(c) Any emission control device or technique determined to be technologically feasible and cost-effective by the APCO, or

(d) The most effective emission control limitation for the type of equipment comprising such a source which the EPA states, prior to or during the public comment period, is contained in an approved implementation plan of any state, unless the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the APCO that such limitations are not achievable. Under no circumstances shall the emission control required be less stringent than the emission control required by any applicable provision of federal, state or District laws, rules or regulations."

The type of BACT described in definitions (a) and (b) must have been demonstrated in practice and is referred to as "BACT 2". This type of BACT is termed "achieved in practice". The BACT category described in definition (c) is referred to as "technologically feasible/costeffective"
and it must be commercially available, demonstrated to be effective and reliable on a full-scale unit, and shown to be cost-effective on the basis of dollars per ton of pollutant abated. This is referred to as "BACT 1". BACT specifications (for both the "achieved in practice" and "technologically feasible/cost-effective" categories) for various source categories have been compiled in the BAAQMD BACT Guideline.

The simple-cycle turbines are subject to BACT under the District's New Source Review regulations (Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 301) for $NO_x$, CO, POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_x$ because each unit will have the potential to emit more than 10 pounds per highest day of those pollutants. The following sections provide the basis for the District BACT analyses for this equipment.



## 5.2 Best Available Control Technology for Oxides of Nitrogen ($NO_x$)

Oxides of Nitrogen ($NO_x$) are a byproduct of the combustion of an air-and-fuel mixture in a high-temperature environment. $NO_x$ is formed when the heat of combustion causes the nitrogen molecules in the combustion air to dissociate into individual nitrogen atoms, which then combine with oxygen atoms to form nitric oxide (NO) and nitrogen dioxide ($NO_2$). This reaction

primarily forms NO (95% to 98%) and only a small amount of $NO_2$ (2% to 5%), but the NO eventually oxidizes and converts to $NO_2$ in the atmosphere. $NO_2$ is a reddish-brown gas with detectable odor at very low concentrations. NO and $NO_2$ are generally referred to collectively as "$NO_x$".[4] $NO_x$ is a precursor to the formation of ground-level ozone, the principal ingredient in smog.

The Air District has examined technologies that may be effective to control $NO_x$ emissions in two general areas: combustion controls that will minimize the amount of $NO_x$ created during combustion; and post-combustion controls that can remove $NO_x$ from the exhaust stream after combustion has occurred.

***Combustion Controls***

The formation of $NO_x$ during combustion is highly dependent on the primary combustion zone temperature, as the formation of $NO_x$ increases exponentially with temperature. There are therefore three basic strategies to reduce thermal $NO_x$ in the combustion process:

• Reduce the peak combustion temperature

• Reduce the amount of time the air/fuel mixture spends exposed to the high combustion temperature

• Reduce the oxygen level in the primary combustion zone

It should be noted, however, that techniques that control $NO_x$ by reducing combustion temperatures may involve a trade-off with the formation of other pollutants. Reducing combustion temperatures to limit $NO_x$ formation can decrease combustion efficiency, resulting in increased byproducts of incomplete combustion such as carbon monoxide and unburned hydrocarbons. (Unburned hydrocarbons from natural gas combustion consist of methane, ethane and precursor organic compounds.) The Air District prioritizes $NO_x$ reductions over carbon monoxide and POC emissions, however, because the Bay Area is not in compliance with applicable ozone standards, but does comply with carbon monoxide standards. The Air District therefore requires applicants to minimize $NO_x$ emissions to the greatest extent feasible, and then

[4] $NO_x$ can also be formed when a nitrogen-bound hydrocarbon fuel is combusted, resulting in the release of nitrogen atoms from the fuel (fuel $NO_x$) and $NO_x$ can be formed by organic free radicals and nitrogen in the earliest stages of combustion (prompt $NO_x$). Natural gas does not contain significant amounts of fuel-bound nitrogen, therefore thermal $NO_x$ is the primary formation mechanism for natural gas fired gas turbines. References to $NO_x$ formation during combustion in this analysis refer to "thermal $NO_x$", $NO_x$ formed from nitrogen in the combustion air.



optimize CO and POC emissions for that level of $NO_x$ control. This is a trade-off that must be kept in mind when selecting appropriate emissions control technologies for these pollutants.

The Air District has identified the following available combustion control technologies for reducing $NO_x$ emissions from the combustion turbines.

**Steam/Water Injection:** Steam or water injection was one of the first $NO_x$ control techniques utilized on gas turbines. Water or steam is injected into the combustion zone to act as a heat sink, lowering the peak flame temperature and thus lowering the quantity of thermal $NO_x$ formed. The injected water or steam exits the turbine as part of the exhaust. The lower peak flame temperature can also reduce combustion efficiency and prevent complete combustion, however, and so carbon monoxide and POC emissions can increase as water/steam-to-fuel ratios increase. In addition, the injected steam or water may cause flame instability and can cause the

flame to quench (go out). Water/steam injection in the combustion turbines used in conjunction with Low-$NO_x$ burners can achieve $NO_x$ emissions as low as 25 ppm @ 15% $O_2$.[5]

**Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors:** Another technology that can control $NO_x$ without water/steam injection is Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustion technology. Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors reduce the formation of thermal $NO_x$ through (1) "lean combustion" that uses excess air to reduce the primary combustion temperature; (2) reduced combustor residence time to limit exposure in a high temperature environment; (3) "lean premixed combustion" that reduces the peak flame temperature by mixing fuel and air in an initial stage to produce a lean and uniform fuel/air mixture that is delivered to a secondary stage where combustion takes place; and/or (4) twostage rich/lean combustion using a primary fuel-rich combustion stage to limit the amount of oxygen available to combine with nitrogen and then a secondary lean burn-stage to complete combustion in a cooler environment. Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors can achieve $NO_x$ emissions as low as 9 ppm.[6]

**Catalytic Combustors:** Catalytic combustors, marketed under trade names such as XONON™, use a catalyst to allow the combustion reaction to take place with a lower peak flame temperature in order to reduce thermal $NO_x$ formation. XONON™ uses a flameless catalytic combustion module followed by completion of combustion (at lower temperatures) downstream of the catalyst. Catalytic combustors such as XONON™ have not been demonstrated on large-scale utility gas turbines such as the Siemens F Class or GE Frame 7FA. The technology has been successfully demonstrated in a 1.5 megawatt simple-cycle pilot facility, and it is commercially available for turbines rated up to 10 megawatts, but it is not currently available for turbines of the size proposed for the Marsh Landing.

[5] M. Schorr, J. Chalfin, GE Power Systems, "Gas Turbine NOx Emissions Approaching Zero – Is it Worth the Price?", 9/99, pg. 2

[6] J. Kovac, :Advanced SGT6-5000F Development", Power-Gen International 2008-Orlando, Florida, Siemens Energy Inc., See pg 8.



***Post-Combustion Controls***

The Air District has identified the following post-combustion controls that can remove $NO_x$ from the emissions stream after it has been formed.

**Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR):** Selective catalytic reduction injects ammonia into the exhaust stream, which reacts with the $NO_x$ and oxygen in the presence of a catalyst to form nitrogen and water. $NO_x$ conversion is sensitive to exhaust gas temperature, and performance can be limited by contaminants in the exhaust gas that may mask or poison the catalyst. A small amount of ammonia is not consumed in the reaction and is emitted in the exhaust stream as what is commonly called "ammonia slip". The SCR catalyst requires replacement periodically. SCR is a widely used post-combustion $NO_x$ control technique on utility-scale gas turbines, usually in conjunction with combustion controls.

**Selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR):** Selective non-catalytic reduction involves injection of ammonia or urea with proprietary conditioners into the exhaust gas stream without a catalyst. SNCR technology requires gas temperatures in the range of 1400° to 2100° F[7] and is most commonly used in boilers because combustion turbines do not have exhaust temperatures in that range. Selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR) requires a temperature window that is higher than the exhaust temperatures from utility combustion turbine installations.

**EMx™:** EMx™ (formerly SCONOx™) is a catalytic oxidation and absorption technology that

uses a two-stage catalyst/absorber system for the control of $NO_x$, CO, VOC and optionally $SO_x$ emissions for gas turbine applications. A coated catalyst oxidizes NO to $NO_2$, CO to $CO_2$, and VOCs to $CO_2$ and water, and the $NO_2$ is then absorbed onto the catalyst surface where it is chemically converted to and stored as potassium nitrates and nitrites. A proprietary regenerative gas is periodically passed through the catalyst to desorb the $NO_2$ from the catalyst and reduce it to elemental nitrogen ($N_2$). No ammonia is used by the EMx™ process. The EMx™ catalyst requires replacement periodically. EMx™ has been successfully demonstrated on several small combustion turbine projects up to 45 megawatts, and the manufacturer has claimed that it can be effectively scaled up and made available for utility-scale turbines. The District is not aware of any EMx™ installations for the following applications: simple-cycle gas turbine, a peaking unit, or on a gas turbine of this size (190 MW).

[7] NSCR discussion is from Institute of Clean Air Companies website: www.icac.com/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageID=3399.



***Proposed BACT for $NO_x$ for Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines***

***Combustion Controls***

The Applicant has proposed the use of Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors as BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines. Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors are technologically feasible and commonly used at facilities of this type, and they are the most effective technology available for $NO_x$ control. This emissions control technology therefore satisfies the District's BACT requirement.

***Post-Combustion Controls***

The Applicant has proposed the use of Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) as BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines.

Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) can achieve $NO_x$ emissions of 2.5 ppm for simple-cycle turbines. This is the most effective level of control that can be achieved by post combustion controls. There is no $NO_x$ emissions data for a EMx™ installation on a gas turbine of this size and in peaking service. EMx™ may also be able to achieve $NO_x$ emissions of 2.5 ppm for simple-cycle turbines. If the applicant had proposed EMx™ as the post-combustion $NO_x$ controls, then the District would consider the technology as BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines.

*It appears that EMx would be BACT for this facility. Has the District contacted the manufacturer for further information?*

In addition to $NO_x$, the District also compared the potential ancillary environmental impacts inherent in SCR and EMx™ to determine whether EMx™ should be considered more "effective" for purposes of the BACT analysis. In particular, the District evaluated the potential impacts from ammonia emissions that would occur from using SCR. The use of SCR will result in ammonia emissions because some of the ammonia used in the reaction to convert $NO_x$ to nitrogen and water does not get reacted and remains in the exhaust stream. The excess or unreacted ammonia emissions are known as "ammonia slip". Ammonia is a toxic chemical that can irritate or burn the skin, eyes, nose, and throat, and it also has the potential for reacting with nitric acid under certain atmospheric conditions to form particulate matter (Secondary PM). With respect to the potential toxic impacts from ammonia slip emissions, the Air District has

conducted a health risk assessment using air dispersion modeling to evaluate the potential health impacts of all toxics emissions from the facility, including ammonia slip. This assessment showed an acute hazard index of 0.3 and a chronic hazard index of 0.003. (*See* Health Risk Assessment in the Appendices.) A hazard index under 1.0 is considered less than significant. This minimal additional toxic impact of the ammonia slip resulting from the use of SCR is not significant and is not a sufficient reason to eliminate SCR as a control alternative.

The District also considered the potential environmental impact that may result from the use of SCR involves ammonia transportation and storage. The proposed facility will utilize aqueous ammonia in a 19% (by weight) solution for SCR ammonia injection, which will be transported to the facility and stored on-site in tanks. The transportation and storage of ammonia presents a risk of an ammonia release in the event of a major accident. These risks will be addressed in a





number of ways under safety regulations and sound industry safety codes and standards. These safety measures include the Risk Management Plan requirement pursuant to the California Accidental Release Prevention Program, which must include an off-site consequences analysis and appropriate mitigation measures; a requirement to implement a Safety Management Plan (SMP) for delivery of ammonia and other liquid hazardous materials; a requirement to instruct vendors delivering hazardous chemicals, including aqueous ammonia, to travel certain routes; a requirement to install ammonia sensors to detect the occurrence of any potential migration of ammonia vapors offsite; a requirement to use an ammonia tank that meets specific standards to reduce the potential for a release event; and a requirement to conduct a “Vulnerability Assessment” to address the potential security risk associated with storage and use of aqueous ammonia onsite. With these safeguards in place, the risks from catastrophic ammonia releases from SCR systems can be mitigated to a less than significant level. The Energy Commission will also be evaluating these risks further through its CEQA-equivalent environmental review process and will impose mitigating conditions as necessary to ensure that the risks are less than significant. For all of these reasons, the potential environmental impact from aqueous ammonia transportation and storage does not justify the elimination of SCR as a control alternative.

Finally, the District also evaluated the potential for ammonia slip to have ancillary impacts on secondary particulate matter. Secondary particulate matter in the Bay Area is mostly ammonium nitrate.[8] The District has historically believed that ammonia was not a significant contributor to secondary particulate matter because the Bay Area is “nitric-acid limited”. This means that the formation of ammonium nitrate is constrained by the amount of nitric acid in the atmosphere and not driven by the amount of ammonia in the atmosphere. Where an area is nitric acid limited, emissions of additional ammonia will not contribute to secondary particulate matter formation because there is not enough nitric acid for it to react with.

The District has recently started reconsidering the extent to which this situation is correct, however. This further evaluation has generally confirmed (preliminarily at least) that the Bay Area is in fact nitric-acid limited, although it has shown that secondary particulate formation mechanisms are highly complex and that the District’s historical assumptions that ammonia emissions play no role whatsoever in secondary PM formation may, in hindsight, have been overly simplistic. The focus of the Air District’s further evaluation has been a computer modeling exercise designed to predict what $PM_{2.5}$ levels will be around the Bay Area, given certain assumptions about emissions of $PM_{2.5}$ and its precursors, about regional atmospheric chemistry, and about prevailing meteorological conditions. This information was used to create

a computer model of regional $PM_{2.5}$ formation in the Bay Area from which predictions can be drawn about how emissions of $PM_{2.5}$ precursors will impact regional ambient $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations. The Air District's report on its computer modeling exercise has not been finalized, but the draft report concludes that regional ammonium nitrate buildup is limited by nitric acid, not by ammonia.[9] The draft report does find that the amount of available nitric acid is not uniform but varies in different locations around the Bay Area, and consequently the

[8] *See* BAAQMD, Draft Report, *Fine Particulate Matter Data Analysis and Modeling in the Bay Area* (Draft, Oct. 1, 2009), at p. 8 (Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report). The Air District anticipates issuing a final report in the near future.

[9] Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report at p. E-3 & p. 30.





potential for ammonia emissions to impact $PM_{2.5}$ formation varies around the Bay Area. Specifically, according to the draft report, the model predicts that a reduction of 20% in total ammonia emissions throughout the Bay Area would result in changes in ambient $PM_{2.5}$ levels of between 0% and 4%, depending on the availability of nitric acid, leaving open the potential that ammonia restrictions could form a useful part of a regional strategy to reduce $PM_{2.5}$.[10] The draft report therefore restates the general conclusion that the Bay Area is nitric-acid limited, although it finds that reductions in the region's ammonia inventory could potentially achieve reductions in $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations in areas that may have sufficient available nitric acid.[11] (The draft report cautions that its assumptions regarding the availability of nitric acid may be misleading, however, because of the preliminary nature of the ammonia emissions inventory used for modeling.) Notably, the model also predicts that the Antioch area where the facility would be located has low levels of available nitric acid, in the vicinity of 0.25 ppb.[12]

The District does not believe that these indications from its draft $PM_{2.5}$ data and modeling analysis provide a sufficient basis to disqualify SCR as a BACT technology at Marsh Landing based on its potential for ammonia slip emissions. As the report itself notes, the District's work in this area is still at a preliminary stage and it is difficult to draw any firm conclusion about secondary PM formation from it at this time. Moreover, secondary particulate formation is a highly complex atmospheric process, making it especially difficult to estimate how a specific facility's ammonia slip emissions might impact ambient PM levels. The District therefore notes the results of its recent work on secondary particulate matter and will be conducting additional work in this area going forward, but has concluded that there is not enough conclusive evidence at this stage that this facility could have a significant particulate matter impacts because of ammonia slip emissions from the SCR system on which to base a BACT determination.

In addition, the District notes that secondary PM formation from ammonia slip is a cold-weather phenomenon that occurs only in the winter. This is because ammonium nitrate volatilizes at higher temperatures and only exists in a particulate phase in cold weather.[13] Moreover, the times when the Bay Area experiences problems with high ambient PM levels in the air are during the winter months (primarily November through February). The Marsh Landing facility will be a peaker plant, however, which operates during periods of peak demand which normally occur during the hot summer months, when air conditioning use is heavy. The District therefore concludes that potential secondary PM formation from ammonia slip would not be a significant concern at Marsh Landing because the facility will operate primarily in weather conditions where ammonium nitrate secondary PM cannot form, and at times of the year when PM pollution is less of a concern.

I *disagree with the Districts conclusion and request the the study and local monitoring be completed prior to closing the comment period for this action*

[10] Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report at pp. E-3 – E-4.
[11] Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report at p. 30.
[12] Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report, Figure 17, p. 31.
[13] Draft PM2.5 Modeling Report at p. 10.



The District also notes that capital cost for EMx™ are significantly higher than that of SCR. Based on information provided by Emerachem (EMx™ manufacturer) in 2008[14] the capital cost for a F-Class gas turbine EMx™ system would be $18,700,000 and SCR would be $7,900,000. Finally, the District also notes that although the manufacturer claims that EMx™ can be effectively scaled up from the smaller turbines on which it has demonstrated to the larger turbines at the proposed Marsh Landing facility, earlier attempts to demonstrate the technology in practice have not been without problems. For example, the first attempt to scale the technology up from very small turbines (~5 MW) to the 50-MW range was at the Redding Power Plant Unit #5, a 45-MW combined-cycle facility in Shasta County, CA. The Shasta County Air Quality Management District evaluated EMx™ at that facility under a demonstration $NO_x$ limit of 2.0 ppm (equivalent to what SCR can achieve for a combined-cycle unit). After three years of operation, the Shasta County AQMD evaluated whether the facility was meeting this demonstration limit with EMx™, and concluded that "Redding Power is not able to reliably and continuously operate while maintaining the $NO_x$ demonstration limit of 2.0 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$."[15] Although the manufacturer maintains that such problems have been overcome, concerns remain about how consistently the technology would be able to perform if it is further scaled up to 190-MW turbines, especially where it would be the first time the technology would be tried on turbines of this size.

These concerns would be further compounded by the fact that Marsh Landing will be a simplecycle
peaker plant, not a combined-cycle or cogeneration facility like other facilities where EMx™ has been installed. As simple-cycle turbines, the Marsh Landing turbines will have an exhaust temperature that is higher than seen at other facilities that the District is aware of currently using EMx™. The proposed Marsh Landing turbines will operate at temperatures in the range of 750°F to 1000°F, which raises concerns about how easily EMx™ could be applied at Marsh Landing. Furthermore, EMx™ requires steam as part of the catalyst regeneration process. Unlike combined-cycle and cogeneration facilities, simple-cycle facilities like Marsh Landing do not have any steam production. And there is an additional concern involving the damper systems that would be required with EMx™ to ensure proper regeneration gas distribution. Peaker plants require more rapid startups and more frequent load changes than combined-cycle and cogeneration plants, and to the District's knowledge the effectiveness and longevity of these damper systems has not been demonstrated under these conditions.

Given the uncertainties that still remain in understanding how secondary PM formation is impacted by ammonia slip, the significant additional cost that would be necessary to implement EMx™, and the concern that scaling EMx™ up to fit this facility could involve significant implementation problems, the District has concluded that EMx™ should not be required here as a

BACT technology. If an applicant proposed the use of EMx™ as BACT for $NO_x$ emissions, then

[14] Attachment in an email dated 9/8/08 from Jeff Valmus of Emerachem to Weyman Lee BAAQMD. Please see pdf file, EMx BACT economic analysis (final)-09072008.pdf.

[15] Letter from R. Bell, Air Quality District Manager, Shasta County Air Quality Management District, to R. Bennett, Safety & Environmental Coordinator, Redding Electric Utility, June 23, 2005.

*The simple cost comparison of technologies does not factor the potential permitting delays caused by adopting SCR which does not appear to be BACT compared to EMx which appears to be.*



the District would be willing to consider EMx™ as a BACT control technology for gas turbines. However, the District has not found sufficient basis to require it to be used as BACT instead of SCR.

Based on this review, the District has concluded that SCR meets the District's BACT requirement. The proposed project would therefore comply with BACT for $NO_x$.

***Determination of BACT emissions limit for $NO_x$ for Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines***

The District is also proposing to establish a BACT emissions limit in the permit of 2.5 ppm (averaged over one hour), which is the most stringent limit that has been achieved in practice at any other similar facility and is the most stringent limit that would be technologically feasible. To determine the most stringent emissions limit that has been achieve in practice, the District evaluated other similar simple-cycle natural gas fired turbines. Common simple-cycle gas turbine units proposed for use for intermediate peaking and peaking power in California are General Electric LMS-100 gas turbines (100 MW) and LM6000 gas turbines (49 MW). Both of these gas turbines are smaller than the 190 MW capacity of the simple-cycle gas turbines proposed for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station, but they operate in a similar fashion and are appropriate for comparison with this facility. Numerous projects have been permitted with the LMS-100 gas turbines. The LM6000 gas turbines have been installed at numerous sites across the State to provide peaking power.

The District reviewed the $NO_x$ emissions limits of power plants using large turbines in a simplecycle

mode abated by SCR systems. The District also reviewed BACT determinations at the EPA RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse, ARB BACT Clearinghouse and recent projects undergoing CEC licensing. Some of the LMS100 simple-cycle gas turbine permits and LM6000 simple-cycle gas turbine permits with $NO_x$ limits are shown in the Table below.



**TABLE 7. $NO_X$ EMISSION LIMITS FOR LARGE SIMPLE-CYCLE POWER PLANTS USING SCR**

**Facility $NO_x$ (ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$)**

Los Esteros Critical Energy Center, BAAQMD

GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 5.0 (3-hr)

Panoche Energy Center, SJVAPCD

GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 2.5 (1-hr)
Walnut Creek Energy Park, SCAQMD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 2.5 (1-hr)
Sun Valley Energy Project, SCAQMD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 2.5 (1-hr)
CPV Sentinel Energy Project, SCAQMD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 2.5 (1-hr)
Lambie Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 2.5 (1-hr)
Riverview Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 2.5 (1-hr)
Wolfskill Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 2.5 (1-hr)
Goosehaven Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 2.5 (1-hr)
San Francisco Electric Reliability Project,
BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each
2.5 (1-hr)

Notes: GE LMS100 gas turbines (100 MW) and GE LM6000 gas turbines (49 MW) are smaller than the Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines (190 MW).

As the Table shows, emissions of 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ averaged over 1-hour is the most stringent emission limitation that has been determined to be achievable at any similar facility using SCR for $NO_x$ control.

The District examined only simple-cycle turbines in this review because simple-cycle turbines operate differently than combined-cycle turbines and cannot achieve the same $NO_x$ emissions performance as combined-cycle turbines, which are typically capable of meeting a 2.0 ppm limit. Simple-cycle turbines have higher exhaust gas temperatures than combined-cycle turbines because they do not use a heat recovery steam boiler, which removes some of the heat from the exhaust and reduces the exhaust gas temperature. For this facility, the turbine exhaust temperatures from the simple-cycle turbines will exceed 1000 degrees F, according to the permit application. These high exhaust temperatures can damage a standard SCR catalyst. As a result, simple-cycle turbines must use less-efficient high-temperature SCR catalysts, or must introduce a large amount of dilution air to cool the exhaust if they use a standard SCR catalyst. Both of these approaches lead to less efficient SCR performance as compared to a combined-cycle operation. High-temperature catalysts typically have a lower $NO_x$ conversion efficiency as compared to conventional SCR catalysts operating at a lower operating temperature. These



catalysts have $NO_x$ conversion efficiency below 90% at elevated temperatures above 800ºF,[16] whereas standard catalysts have $NO_x$ conversion efficiencies of greater than 90% at 600 to 700ºF.[17] Dilution air fans can be used to cool the exhaust prior to entering the SCR system, but this approach has its own drawbacks. The introduction of dilution air may cool the exhaust into the appropriate temperature window, but there may be exhaust hot spots that lower catalyst $NO_x$ conversion rates. Optimum SCR performance requires uniform temperature profile, flow profile, and $NO_x$ concentration profile across the SCR catalyst face, and introducing large amounts of

dilution air disrupts this uniformity. Changing turbine loads also tends to disrupt this uniformity, which makes controlling $NO_x$ more difficult with the simple-cycle peaking turbines proposed for the Marsh Landing facility. The facility will operate in a load-following mode some of the time and this would mean non-steady-state operation where the exhaust temperature, flowrate, and $NO_x$ concentration all vary as the turbine load is changing. For all of these reasons, the District has concluded that the $NO_x$ emissions performance that can be achieved with combined-cycle turbines would not be achievable for simple-cycle turbines. The District has therefore reviewed only simple-cycle turbines in evaluating what emissions limits have been achieved in practice by other facilities. As shown in Table 7, 2.5 ppm is the most stringent emissions limitation that has been achieved by such facilities.

The Air District has therefore determined that 2.5 ppm, averaged over 1-hour, is the BACT emission limit for $NO_x$ for the simple-cycle gas turbines. The Air District is also proposing corresponding hourly, daily and annual mass emissions limits. Compliance with the $NO_x$ permit limits will be demonstrated on a continuous basis using a Continuous Emissions Monitor.

This proposed BACT emissions limit is consistent with the Air District's BACT Guidelines for this type of equipment. District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 does not specify BACT 1 (technologically feasible and cost-effective) for $NO_x$ for a simple-cycle gas turbine with a rated output > 40 MW. District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 does specify BACT 2 (achieved in practice) as 2.5 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ averaged over one hour, typically achieved through the use of High Temperature Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) with ammonia injection in conjunction with steam or water injection.

Finally, the Marsh Landing Generating Station is capable of quick starts and also rapidly changing loads to meet electrical system needs. The simple-cycle gas turbines will have the ability to change loads at rates exceeding 25 MW per minute. It is difficult for the $NO_x$ control system to respond to these rapid changes in load (greater than 25 MW per minute). Therefore, the District is proposing a transient load condition that would allow the facility to meet an alternate permit limit of 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ averaged over 3 hours for any transient hour with a change in load exceeding 25 MW per minute. Please see Section 5.7 for additional discussion.

[16] BASF, High Temperature SCR for simple-cycle gas turbine applications, 2007.

[17] BASF, NOxCat™ VNX SCR Catalyst for natural gas turbines and stationary engines, 2009.



### 5.3 Best Available Control Technology for Carbon Monoxide (CO)

Carbon monoxide is a colorless odorless gas that is a product of incomplete combustion. The District is proposing a BACT permit limit of 2.0 ppm CO (averaged over one hour). A 2.0 ppm BACT limit for this facility would be lower than what has been achieved in practice with other similar simple-cycle turbines, and would be the lowest emissions limit that would be technologically feasible and cost-effective. This emissions rate will be achieved through the use of good combustion practices and an oxidation catalyst, which are the most stringent available controls.

The District began its BACT analysis by evaluating the most effective control device and/or technique that has been achieved in practice at similar facilities, or is technologically feasible and cost-effective, pursuant to the District's definition of BACT in Regulation 2-2-206. As with $NO_x$, the Air District has examined both combustion controls to reduce the amount of carbon monoxide generated and post-combustion controls to remove carbon monoxide from the exhaust stream.

***Combustion Controls***

Carbon monoxide is formed by incomplete combustion. Incomplete combustion occurs when there is not enough air to fully combust the fuel, and when the air and fuel are not properly mixed due to poor combustor tuning. Maximizing complete combustion by ensuring an adequate air/fuel mixture with good mixing will reduce carbon monoxide emissions by preventing its formation in the first place.

Increasing combustion temperatures can also promote complete combustion, but doing so will increase $NO_x$ emissions due to thermal $NO_x$ formation as described in the previous section. The Air District prioritizes $NO_x$ control over carbon monoxide control because the Bay Area is not in compliance with the federal standards for ozone, which is formed by $NO_x$ emissions reacting with other pollutants in the atmosphere. The Air District therefore does not favor increasing combustion temperatures to control carbon monoxide. Instead, the Air District favors approaches that reduce $NO_x$ to the lowest achievable rate and then optimize carbon monoxide emissions for that level of $NO_x$ emissions.

**Good Combustion Practices:** The Air District has identified good combustion practices as an available combustion control technology for minimizing carbon monoxide formation during combustion. Good combustion practices utilize "lean combustion" – large amount of excess air – to

produce a cooler flame temperature to minimize $NO_x$ formation, while still ensuring good air/fuel mixing with excess air to achieve complete combustion, thus minimizing CO emissions. These good combustion practices can be used with the low-$NO_x$ combustion technology selected for minimizing $NO_x$ emissions (Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors).



***Post-Combustion Controls***

The Air District has also identified two post-combustion technologies to remove carbon monoxide from the exhaust stream.

**Oxidation Catalysts:** An oxidation catalyst oxidizes the carbon monoxide in the exhaust gases to form $CO_2$. Oxidation catalysts are a proven post-combustion control technology widely in use on large gas turbines to abate CO and POC emissions.

**EMx™:** EMx™, described above in the $NO_2$ discussion, is a multimedia control technology that abates CO and POC emissions as well as $NO_x$. EMx™ technology uses a catalyst to oxidize carbon monoxide emissions to form $CO_2$, and is therefore also an oxidation catalyst. However, it is not a stand-alone oxidation catalyst since the EMx™ is also a $NO_x$ reduction device. Hence, it is identified as a device separate from the oxidation catalyst. EMx™ has been demonstrated on a 45 MW Alstom GTX 100 combined-cycle gas turbine at the Redding Electric Municipal Plant in Redding, CA, and the manufacturer has indicated that it could feasibly be scaled up to larger size gas turbines as discussed above in the $NO_x$ BACT analysis. The District is not aware of any EMx™ installations on simple-cycle gas turbines, peaker units, or gas turbines of this size (190 MW).

Oxidation catalysts are capable of maintaining carbon monoxide below 2 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ (1-hour average), depending on load and combustor tuning (as emissions from the gas turbines vary greatly depending on these factors).[18] This is the most effective level of control that can be achieved by post combustion controls. There is no CO emissions data for EMx™ installation on a gas turbine of this size and in peaking service. EMx™ may also be able to achieve CO emissions of 2 ppm for simple-cycle turbines. If an applicant proposed the use of EMx™ as

BACT for CO emissions, then the District would be willing to consider EMx™ as a BACT control technology for gas turbines. The Air District has determined that the use of good combustion practices and the use of an Oxidation Catalyst is BACT for simple-cycle gas turbines.

Based on the foregoing analysis, the Air District has determined that the proposed combination of good combustion practices to reduce the formation of carbon monoxide during combustion and an oxidation catalyst to remove carbon monoxide from the gas turbines exhaust satisfies the BACT requirement.

[18] Please see the BASF Quote supplied by URS Corporation dated May 29, 2009. Quote is for combined-cycle turbines and indicates CO may be controlled to below 2 ppm for catalyst bed size or 0.9 ppm for another bed size. District believes that the 2.0 ppm level of control may be technically feasible for simple-cycle gas turbines. It is not known if 0.9 ppm level of control is possible for simple-cycle gas turbines (back pressure issues are possible). See discussion of whether 0.9 ppm limit would be cost effective in the Section below.



***Determination of BACT Emissions Limit for Carbon Monoxide (CO) for Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines***

The District is also proposing a CO BACT limit of 2.0 ppm, which is more stringent than what has been achieved in practice at other similar simple-cycle facilities and is the most stringent limit that is technologically feasible and cost-effective.

To establish what level of emissions performance has been achieved in practice for this type of facility, the Air District reviewed the CO emissions limits of other large simple-cycle power plants using oxidation catalyst systems. As with the $NO_x$ comparison set forth in Table 7 above, the District reviewed BACT determinations for CO at the EPA RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse, ARB BACT Clearinghouse and recent projects undergoing CEC licensing.

**TABLE 8. CO EMISSION LIMITS FOR LARGE SIMPLE-CYCLE POWER PLANTS USING OXIDATION CATALYSTS**

**Facility CO (ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$)**

Panoche Energy Center, SJVAPCD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 6 (3-hr)
Walnut Creek Energy Park, SCAQMD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 6 (1-hr)
Sun Valley Energy Project, SCAQMD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 6 (1-hr)
CPV Sentinel Energy Project, SCAQMD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 6 (1-hr)
Lambie Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 6 (3-hr)
Riverview Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 6 (3-hr)
Wolfskill Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 6 (3-hr)
Goosehaven Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 6 (3-hr)
Los Esteros Critical Energy Facility, BAAQMD

GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 4 (3-hr)
San Francisco Electric Reliability Project,
BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each
4 (3-hr)
CO permit limit of 4 ppm was the lowest for a simple-cycle gas turbine abated by an oxidation catalyst. The District therefore determined that 4 ppm (3-hour average) is the most stringent emission limitation that has been achieved in practice for this type of facility.
These BACT emissions rates are consistent with the District's BACT Guidelines for this type of equipment. District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 specifies BACT 2 (achieved in practice) for CO for




simple-cycle gas turbines with a rated output of > 40 MW as a CO emission concentration of < 6.0 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ and the use of an oxidation catalyst. This BACT specification is based upon several GE LM6000 gas turbine permits in the Bay Area. BACT 1 (technologically feasible/cost-effective) is currently not specified.
The District also considered whether it would be technically feasible and cost-effective to require the proposed facility to meet an emission limit below the 4.0 ppm that has been achieved by other similar facilities. The District has concluded that the facility should be able to achieve a limit of 2.0 ppm (averaged over one hour), which is consistent with what combined-cycle facilities can typically achieve. As previously discussed, the simple-cycle gas turbines utilize dry low $NO_x$ combustors and are very similar to many combined cycle gas turbines projects. The primary difference is the lack of a heat recovery steam generator and the higher stack exhaust temperatures. The SCR performance may be negatively impacted by the higher exhaust temperatures, but the oxidation catalyst performance will be not be adversely impacted by the higher exhaust temperatures. The 5000 F simple-cycle gas turbines are therefore expected to be able to meet a 2.0 ppm CO permit limit that many combined cycle plants throughout the nation meet.
The District then considered whether it would be technically feasible and cost-effective to require the proposed facility to meet an emission limit below the 2.0 ppm achieved for combined-cycle facilities. The District found that although it may be technically feasible to do so, it would not be cost-effective to do so under the District's BACT cost-effectiveness guidelines given the large costs involved. Additionally, a larger catalyst capable of meeting a CO permit limit below 2 ppm may have other implementation problems such as a high back pressure which could adversely impact turbine operating performance and efficiency.
The Air District evaluated information from the applicant on the costs[19] and emissions reduction benefits of installing a larger oxidation catalyst capable of consistently maintaining emissions below 0.9 ppm. Based on these analyses, the cost of achieving a 0.9 ppm permit limit would be an additional $68,500 per year (above what it would cost to achieve a 2.0 ppm limit), and the additional reduction in CO emissions would be approximately 4.3 tons per year, making an incremental cost-effectiveness value of over $15,900 per ton of additional CO reduction.[20] Moreover, the total cost of achieving a 0.9 ppm CO limit (as opposed to the incremental costs of going from 2.0 ppm to 0.9 ppm) would be over $387,200 per year, and the total emission reductions of a 0.9 ppm limit would be 31.7 tons per year, resulting in a total (or "average") cost effectiveness value of over $12,200.[21] Based on these high costs (on a per-ton basis) and the relatively little additional CO emissions benefit to be achieved (on a per-dollar basis), requiring a

0.9 ppm CO permit limit cannot reasonably be justified as a BACT limit. Requiring controls to meet a 0.9 ppm limit would be far more expensive, on a per-ton basis, than what other similar facilities are required to achieve. The Air District has not adopted its own cost-effectiveness

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[19] Please see the BASF Quote supplied by URS Corporation dated May 29, 2009.
[20] *See* Spreadsheet, CO Incremental 031610 BASF, prepared by Brian Lusher BAAQMD.
[21] *See* Spreadsheet, CO Average 031610 BASF, prepared by Brian Lusher, BAAQMD.



guidelines for CO,[22]

but a review of other districts in California found none that consider
additional CO controls appropriate as BACT where the total (average) cost-effectiveness will be greater than $400 per ton, or where the incremental cost-effectiveness will be over $1,150 per ton.[23]

The District has therefore determined that BACT for CO for this facility is the use of good combustion practice with abatement by an oxidation catalyst, and a permit limit of 2 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ averaged over 1-hour. This proposed BACT limit for CO is based on a review of the feasible BACT CO control technologies, a review of comparable permit limits for simple-cycle gas turbines, and the fact that CO emissions from a utility-scale simple-cycle gas turbine equipped with dry low $NO_x$ combustors should be equivalent to a similar utility-scale combinedcycle
gas turbine. The proposed 2 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ permit limit for CO is the lowest that the District is aware of for a simple-cycle gas turbine. CO exhaust gas concentrations will be continuously monitored by a continuous emissions monitor while the turbines are in operation.

**5.4 Best Available Control Technology for Precursor Organic Compounds (POC)**

The Precursor Organic Compound (POC) emissions from the simple-cycle gas turbines are subject to District BACT requirements since the potential to emit exceeds 10 pounds POC per highest day. The emissions of POC from combustion sources are products of incomplete combustion like CO emissions. Emissions control techniques for CO are also applicable to POC emissions from combustions sources. The appropriate BACT control device or technique for CO is therefore also the BACT control device or technique for POC.

The Air District has reviewed the available control technologies in the BACT analysis for CO (equally applicable to POC) and determined that good combustion practice and abatement using an oxidation catalyst are the BACT technologies for controlling POC from the proposed simplecycle
combustion turbines at Marsh Landing.

There currently is no BACT 1 (technologically feasible/cost-effective) specification for POC for the simple-cycle turbines in the District BACT guidelines. Currently, District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 specifies BACT 2 (achieved in practice) for POC for simple-cycle gas turbines with an output rating > 40 MW as 2.0 ppmv, dry @ 15% $O_2$, which is typically achieved through the use

of an oxidation catalyst. This is based upon several LM6000 gas turbine permits which were

[22] Bay Area Air Quality Management District Best Available Control Technology (BACT) Guideline, § 1, Policy and Implementation Procedure, available at: http://hank.baaqmd.gov/pmt/bactworkbook/default.htm.

[23] *Cf.* South Coast Air Quality Management District, *Best Available Control Technology Guidelines*, August 17, 2000, revised July 14, 2006, pg. 29; available at: www.aqmd.gov/bact Part A - Policy and Procedures for Major Polluting Facilities; Memorandum, David Warner, Director of Permit Services, to Permit Services Staff, Subject: "Revised BACT Cost Effectiveness Thresholds", May 14, 2008; available at: www.valleyair.org/busind/pto/bact/bactidx.htm May 2008 updates to BACT cost effectiveness thresholds (Final Staff Report).



originally permitted with a POC emission limits in pound per hour or pounds per million Btu equivalent to 2.0 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$.

The District then evaluated what the appropriate BACT emission limit should be for POC. The District reviewed permit limits from similar facilities, as summarized in **Table 9**.

**TABLE 9. POC EMISSION LIMITS FOR LARGE SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES**

**Facility POC**
**(ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$)**

Panoche Energy Center, SJVAPCD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 2 (3-hr)
Walnut Creek Energy Park, SCAQMD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 2 (1-hr)
Sun Valley Energy Project, SCAQMD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 2 (1-hr)
CPV Sentinel Energy Project, SCAQMD
GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each 2 (1-hr)
Lambie Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 2 (1-hr)
Riverview Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 2 (1-hr)
Wolfskill Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 2 (1-hr)
Goosehaven Energy Center, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 2 (1-hr)
Los Esteros Critical Energy Facility, BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each 2 (1-hr)
San Francisco Electric Reliability Project,
BAAQMD
GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each
2 (1-hr)

The Air District has reviewed the POC permit emissions limits for similar facilities shown in Table 9 and determined that 2.0 ppm is the lowest emissions limit that has been achieved in practice for a utility-scale simple-cycle gas turbine abated by an oxidation catalyst.

The District then considered whether a lower limit below 2.0 ppm would be feasible at this

facility. The District expects the Marsh Landing simple-cycle units that are equipped with dry low $NO_x$ combustors and are abated by an oxidation catalyst to meet the same limits as many new combined-cycle gas turbine projects. The District has determined that a POC emissions limit corresponding to 1 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ averaged over one hour is the most stringent BACT permit limit applied to a simple-cycle gas turbine. The simple-cycle gas turbines will be limited to 2.9 lb/hour or 0.00132 lb/MMBtu in the permit conditions; these values correspond to 1 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$.





The Air District has therefore determined that BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines for POC is the use of good combustion practice and abatement with an oxidation catalyst to achieve a permit limit for each gas turbine of 2.9 lb per hour or 0.00132 lb/MMBtu.

**5.5 Best Available Control Technology for Particulate Matter (PM)**

For emissions of particulate matter (PM), the District is proposing to require Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors, the use of PUC-quality low-sulfur natural gas, and good combustion practices as BACT control technologies. The District is also proposing a BACT PM emissions limit of 9.0 lb/hr, which corresponds to an emission rate of 0.0041 pounds per MMBtu of natural gas burned (lb/MMBtu). This emissions limit is based on a review of permit limits and emissions data from other similar simple-cycle natural gas fired combustion turbines. The District's proposed BACT determination is explained below.[24]

**Control Technology Review:**

As with the other pollutants addressed above, control technologies for PM can be grouped into two categories: (1) combustion controls, and (2) post-combustion controls.

***Combustion Controls***

• **Good Combustion Practice:** The Air District has identified good combustion practices as an available combustion control technology for minimizing unburned hydrocarbon formation during combustion. Good combustion will ensure proper air/fuel mixing to achieve complete combustion, thus minimizing emissions of unburned hydrocarbons that can lead to formation of PM at the stack.

• **Clean-burning fuels:** The use of clean-burning fuels, such as natural gas that has only trace amounts of sulfur that can form particulates, will result in minimal formation of PM during combustion. The use of natural gas is commercially available and demonstrated for the Marsh Landing Generating Station gas turbines.

[24] This facility is subject to BACT requirements for $PM_{10}$ only. $PM_{2.5}$, a subset of $PM_{10}$, is regulated under federal requirements in 40 C.F.R. Section 52.21 (PSD) and 40 C.F.R. Part 51, Appendix S (Non-Attainment NSR). The facility is not subject to PSD or $PM_{2.5}$ Non-Attainment NSR permit requirements under Section 52.21 or Appendix S because the facility is not a "major facility" for the purposes of these regulations. The District is therefore not conducting a PSD permitting analysis or an Appendix S permitting analysis for $PM_{2.5}$. For a detailed discussion of the applicability of these federal requirements for $PM_{2.5}$, see Section 7 below. The District notes, however, that for combustion turbines essentially all of the PM emissions are less than one micron in diameter, so it is both $PM_{10}$ and $PM_{2.5}$. (*See* AP-42, Table 1.4-2, footnote c, 7/98 (available at www.epa.gov/ttnchie1/ap42/ch01/final/c01s04.pdf). Moreover, the same emissions control technologies that will be effective for $PM_{10}$ for this facility will also be similarly effective for $PM_{2.5}$. The District's BACT analysis and emissions limit for $PM_{10}$ will also therefore effectively be a BACT limit on $PM_{2.5}$ emissions as well, even though the facility is not

subject to the federal $PM_{2.5}$ BACT requirements as discussed in Section 7.





• **Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustor:** The use of a Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustor provides efficient combustion to ensure complete combustion thereby minimizing the emissions of unburned fuel that can form condensable PM. Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors are in wide use on utility scale natural gas fired gas turbines.

***Post-Combustion Controls***

• **Electrostatic precipitators:** Electrostatic precipitators are used on solid fuel boilers and incinerators to remove PM from the exhaust. Electrostatic precipitators use a highvoltage direct-current corona to electrically charge particles in the gas stream. The suspended particles are attracted to collecting electrodes and deposited on collection plates. Particles are collected and disposed of by mechanically rapping the electrodes and plates and dislodging the particles into collection hoppers.

• **Baghouses:** Baghouses are used to collect PM by drawing the exhaust gases through a fabric filter. Particulates collect on the outside of filter bags that are periodically shaken to release the particulates into hoppers.

Good combustion practice, clean-burning fuels, and Dry Low-$NO_x$ Combustors are common control devices/techniques that are technically feasible for simple-cycle natural gas fired combustion turbines and are often used to control emissions from sources of this type. The District has therefore determined that these technologies are achieved-in-practice and are technically feasible and cost-effective for the Marsh Landing project.

With respect to the add-on controls – electrostatic precipitators and baghouses – these control devices are not achieved-in-practice for natural gas fired combustion turbines and are not technically feasible here. These devices are normally used on solid-fuel fired sources or others with high PM emissions, and are not used in natural gas fired applications which have inherently low PM emissions. The District is not aware of any natural gas fired combustion turbine that has ever been required to use add-on controls such as these. The District also reviewed the EPA BACT/LAER Clearinghouse and confirmed that EPA has no record of any post-combustion particulate controls that have been required for natural gas fired gas turbines. The District has therefore determined that these control devices are not achieved-in-practice for purposes of the BACT analysis.

The District has also determined that these devices would not be technologically feasible/costeffective here, for similar reasons. If add-on control equipment was installed it would create significant back pressure that would significantly reduce the efficiency of the plant and would cause more emissions per unit power produced. Moreover, these devices are designed to be applied to emissions streams with far higher particulate emissions, and they would have very little effect on the low-PM emissions streams from this facility in further reducing PM emissions.[25] It takes an emissions stream with a much higher grain loading for these types of

[25] For example, if a baghouse were installed on the turbines, the turbine exhaust at the *inlet* to the baghouse would contain less PM than is normally seen in baghouse *output*, after abatement. PM





abatement devices to operate efficiently. This low level of abatement efficiency (if any) also means that these types of control devices would not be cost-effective, even if they could feasibly

be applied to this type of source. For all of these reasons, post-combustion particulate control equipment is not technologically feasible/cost effective for the proposed Marsh Landing turbines.

*Please provide a study to demonstrate the potential differences associated the Electrostatic and baghouse technologies for this facilty*

The District has therefore determined that low-sulfur natural gas and Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors with Good Combustion Practice are the BACT control technologies for the proposed Marsh Landing facility. For low-sulfur fuel, the highest quality commercially available natural gas is natural gas that meets the California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) regulatory standard of less than 1.0 grains of sulfur per 100 scf. This PUC standard is maximum sulfur content at any point in time.[26] The Air District is therefore proposing a BACT limit for fuel sulfur content of 1.0 grains of sulfur per 100 scf for maximum daily emissions.
This proposed BACT determination is consistent with guidance from the California Air Resources Board in setting BACT for natural gas fired gas turbines.[27] This proposed BACT determination is also consistent with District BACT Guideline 89.1.3, which specifies BACT for $PM_{10}$ for simple-cycle gas turbines with rated output of > 40 MW as the exclusive use of cleanburning
natural gas with a maximum sulfur content of < 1.0 grains per 100 scf.

**Determination of Applicable PM BACT Emissions Limitation:**

The District's BACT regulations require the District to implement BACT either as a control device or technique (Regulation 2-2-206.1 and 2-2-206.3) or as an emission limitation (Regulation 2-2-206.3 and 2-2-206.4). Here, in addition to the determination of what control devices/techniques are BACT for this proposed facility, the District is also proposing to implement a numerical PM BACT emission limitation based on the most stringent emission limitation achieved for a natural gas fired simple-cycle combustion turbine facility such as this one pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-206.2. The District is proposing a PM emissions limit of 9.0 lb/hr, which corresponds to 0.0041 lb/MMBtu of natural gas burned. This limit also corresponds to emissions of 216 pounds per day (per turbine), and 0.0023 grains per dry standard cubic foot (6% $O_2$) or 0.00092 grains per dry standard cubic foot (15% $O_2$). This proposed emissions limit would be more stringent than any other PM emission limitation achieved in practice by any other similar natural gas fired simple-cycle combustion turbine source. emissions from a baghouse are normally in the range 0.0013 to 0.01 grains per standard cubic foot (*see BAAQMD BACT/TBACT Workbook*, Section 11: Miscellaneous Sources), whereas PM emissions from the proposed Marsh Landing turbines would be 0.00092 gr/dscf (@ 15% $O_2$).

[26] The 1.0 grain per 100 scf PUC standard is the maximum sulfur content of the gas at any point in time. The actual average content is expected to be less than 0.25 grains per 100 scf. The District has based its calculations of annual emissions on this 0.25 grain per 100 scf average sulfur content. Note that a portion of the sulfur contained in natural gas is intentionally added as an odorant to allow for the detection of leaks which would be a safety concern.

[27] Guidance for Power Plant Siting and Best Available Control Technology, California Air Resources Board, Stationary Source Division, September 1999, pg. 34.



To evaluate whether this proposed limit satisfies the BACT requirement, the District compared it

with emission limits and performance data from other natural gas fired simple-cycle combustion turbines. **Table 10** below presents PM permit limits for projects similar to the simple-cycle gas turbines proposed for the Marsh Landing Project in descending order by emission rate in lb/MMBtu. Please note that many of the projects in Table 10 are for turbines that are 100 MW or smaller in size. These projects have lower emissions rates in terms of pounds per hour because of their smaller size. To provide a meaningful comparison with the proposed Marsh Landing facility, whose gas turbines would be 190 MW, Table 10 lists the facilities' emissions limits in lb/MMBtu.



**TABLE 10. RECENT BACT $PM_{10}$ PERMIT LIMITS FOR LARGE SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES**

| **Facility** | **$PM_{10}$ (lb/hr)** | **Size (MMBtu/hr)** | **$PM_{10}$ (lb/MMBtu)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| CPV Sentinel Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6.0 | 875.7 | 0.0069 |
| Panoche Energy Center, SJVAPCD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6.0 | 909.7 | 0.0066 |
| Walnut Creek Energy Park, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6.0 | 904 | 0.0066 |
| Sun Valley Energy Project, SCAQMD<br>GE LMS100 Gas Turbines, 100 MW each | 6.0 | 904 | 0.0066 |
| Lambie Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 3.0 | 500 | 0.0060 |
| Riverview Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 3.0 | 500 | 0.0060 |
| Wolfskill Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 3.0 | 500 | 0.0060 |
| Goosehaven Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 3.0 | 500 | 0.0060 |
| Gilroy Energy Center, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 | 467.6 | 0.0053 |
| Los Esteros Critical Energy Facility, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 | 472.6 | 0.0053 |
| San Francisco Electric Reliability Project, BAAQMD<br>GE LM6000 Gas Turbines, 49 MW each | 2.5 | 487.3 | 0.0051 |
| Renaissance Power LLC, MI-0267,<br>Westinghouse 501F Gas Turbines, 215 MW | | | |

each
9.0 1900 to 2107 0.0043 to 0.0047
Proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station,
BAAQMD, Siemens SGT6-5000F Gas
Turbines, 190 MW each
9.0 2202 0.0041

Notes: 1. Renaissance Power has a nominal capacity of 1900 MMBtu/hour, which gives an emission rate of 0.0047 lb/MMBtu. The facility is located in Michigan, however, and at times it operates in very cold temperatures. It therefore has a maximum firing rate at -5$^{o}$F of 2107 MMBtu/hour, which gives an emission rate of 0.0043. The Marsh Landing facility will be located near Antioch, which will not experience such extreme operating conditions.
2. Please note the lb/MMBtu values are not the permit limits and simply allow comparison of limits for different sized units.
3. All of these projects except Renaissance Power are abated by an oxidation catalyst and an SCR system.



Based on this review of permit limits for similar simple-cycle natural gas fired turbines, the District has determined that no facility has achieved a permit limit that is more stringent than the 9.0 lb/hr limit the District is proposing here, which corresponds to 0.0041 lb/MMBtu.

The District also reviewed PM source test data for a number of comparable facilities. The first data set is for GE LM6000 simple-cycle gas turbines abated by an oxidation catalyst and SCR and is shown in the Table below. The second data set is for the Renaissance Power[28] facility, which utilizes Westinghouse 501F simple-cycle gas turbines with no oxidation catalyst or SCR abatement equipment.

[28] Please see file, Ren Power stack test.pdf. File contains letter to Ms. April Lazzaro of Michigan DEQ dated February 7, 2008 from Renaissance Power, LLC regarding 2007 stack testing results.



**TABLE 11. SUMMARY OF GENERAL ELECTRIC LM-6000 SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINE PARTICULATE EMISSIONS DATA.**

| Facility | Test Date | Source | Reported PM lb/hour | PM FH lb/hour | PM BH lb/hour | Front % | Back % | PM lb/MMBtu |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Creed Energy Center | 1/31/2003 | S-1 | 2.18 | 1.05 | 1.13 | 48.2 | 51.8 | 0.0047 |
| Creed Energy Center | 7/6/2006 | S-1 | 1.363 | 0.553 | 0.81 | 40.6 | 59.4 | 0.0028 |
| Creed Energy Center | 5/7/2009 | S-1 | 0.6746 | 0.1948 | 0.4798 | 28.9 | 71.1 | 0.0012 |
| Lambie Energy Center | 1/16/2003 | S-1 | 1.9 | 0.56 | 1.34 | 29.5 | 70.5 | 0.0042 |
| Lambie Energy Center | 5/5/2006 | S-1 | 2.104 | 1.429 | 0.674 | 67.9 | 32.0 | 0.0039 |
| Lambie Energy Center | 5/11/2009 | S-1 | 0.83 | 0.3488 | 0.4807 | 42.0 | 57.9 | 0.0016 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/26-7/27/05 | S-1 | 2.266 | 1.016 | 1.25 | 44.8 | 55.2 | 0.0042 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/26-7/27/05 | S-2 | 0.896 | 0.363 | 0.533 | 40.5 | 59.5 | 0.0016 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/28/2005 | S-3 | 1.44 | 0.578 | 0.862 | 40.1 | 59.9 | 0.0025 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/27-7/29/05 | S-4 | 0.915 | 0.326 | 0.589 | 35.6 | 64.4 | 0.0016 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 9/8/2006 | S-1 | 0.775 | 0.307 | 0.468 | 39.6 | 60.4 | 0.0015 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 9/8/2006 | S-2 | 0.871 | 0.331 | 0.54 | 38.0 | 62.0 | 0.0015 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 9/6-9/7/06 | S-3 | 1.805 | 0.398 | 1.407 | 22.0 | 78.0 | 0.0033 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 9/6-9/7/06 | S-4 | 0.904 | 0.318 | 0.586 | 35.2 | 64.8 | 0.0017 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/25-7/26/07 | S-1 | 1.672 | 0.967 | 0.705 | 57.8 | 42.2 | 0.0030 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/25-7/26/07 | S-2 | 1.429 | 0.541 | 0.888 | 37.9 | 62.1 | 0.0025 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/24-7/25/07 | S-3 | 1.456 | 0.666 | 0.79 | 45.7 | 54.3 | 0.0025 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 7/24-7/25/07 | S-4 | 1.646 | 0.973 | 0.673 | 59.1 | 40.9 | 0.0027 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/29-5/30/07 | S-1 | 1.4145 | 0.6957 | 0.7189 | 49.2 | 50.8 | 0.0026 |
| Los Esteros Energy | 5/28-5/29/07 | S-2 | 0.9769 | 0.3191 | 0.6578 | 32.7 | 67.3 | 0.0018 |

Los Esteros Energy 5/28-5/29/07 S-3 1.49 0.4393 1.0555 29.5 70.8 0.0027
Los Esteros Energy 5/29-5/30/07 S-4 2.21 1.345 0.8629 60.9 39.0 0.0041
Los Esteros Energy 5/13/2009 S-1 1.16 0.4811 0.68 41.5 58.6 0.0020
Los Esteros Energy 5/14-5/15/09 S-2 0.969 0.4702 0.4983 48.5 51.4 0.0018
Los Esteros Energy 5/14-5/15/09 S-3 0.864 0.4082 0.4561 47.2 52.8 0.0016
Los Esteros Energy 5/13-5/14/09 S-4 1.04 0.3226 0.7186 31.0 69.1 0.0019
Riverview 5/8/2009 S-1 1.469 0.789 0.68 53.7 46.3 0.0030
Wolfskill 6/2/2004 S-1 2.15 1.3 0.85 60.5 39.5 0.0047
Wolfskill 7/5/2006 S-1 1.9 0.582 1.319 30.6 69.4 0.0034
Wolfskill 5/4/2009 S-1 0.81 0.29 0.52 35.8 64.2 0.0010
Gilroy Energy Center 7/19/2005 S-3 1.9 0.0029
Gilroy Energy Center 7/21/2005 S-4 1.7 0.0022
Gilroy Energy Center 7/21/2005 S-5 1 0.0016
Gilroy Energy Center 5/23/2006 S-3 1.69 0.0020
Gilroy Energy Center 5/24/2006 S-4 0.95 0.0010
Gilroy Energy Center 5/22/2006 S-5 1.41 0.0020
Gilroy Energy Center 5/23/2007 S-3 1.6 0.6132 0.9856 38.3 61.6 0.0030
Gilroy Energy Center 5/24/2007 S-4 1.25 0.5443 0.7016 43.5 56.1 0.0019
Gilroy Energy Center 5/25/2007 S-5 1.6 0.6769 0.9193 42.3 57.5 0.0027
Goosehaven 1/23/2003 S-1 2.44 0.0047
Goosehaven 7/6/2006 S-1 2.438 1.327 1.112 54.4 45.6 0.0040
Goosehaven 5/6/2009 S-1 0.9716 0.1481 0.8235 15.2 84.8 0.0017
Average 0.0026
Maximum 0.0047

Notes: All of these facilities use an oxidation catalyst to reduce CO emissions and an SCR system to reduce $NO_x$ emissions, as the proposed Marsh Landing facility will.





**TABLE 12. SUMMARY OF RENAISSANCE POWER SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINE PARTICULATE EMISSIONS DATA.**

**Unit Test Date Particulate Emissions (lb/hour) Reported Particulate Emissions (lb/MMBtu)**

Turbine 1 7/10/07 7.91 0.0044
Turbine 2 7/16/07 8.04 0.0044
Turbine 3 8/1/07 6.19 0.0035
Turbine 4 7/18/07 6.58 0.0037

Notes: Renaissance Power has higher $NO_x$ and CO limits and is not equipped with this abatement equipment. That facility can therefore achieve slightly lower PM emissions, as the abatement equipment can result in additional PM emissions as discussed below. The proposed PM emissions limit for Marsh Landing is consistent with the Renaissance facility, even with these PM emissions advantages for Renaissance.

The data from these facilities shows that PM emissions from sources of this type can be highly variable. Although in many cases turbines of this type will emit less than 0.0041 lb/MMBtu of PM. The data shows that it would not be possible to impose a limit below 9.0 lb/hr for the Marsh Landing project (corresponding to 0.0041 lb/MMBtu). The facility would not be able to consistently meet a permit limit below 9.0 lb/hr for PM as an enforceable not-to-exceed permit limit. The District therefore concludes that better emissions performance has not been achieved in practice or shown to be technically feasible for this type of equipment.

Finally, the District also evaluated recently-permitted combined-cycle facilities, some of which have been permitted with limits below 9.0 lb/hr and below the 0.0041 lb/MMBtu emissions rate

that this limit corresponds to. In particular, the District has recently issued a federal "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (PSD) permit with a BACT limit of 7.5 lb/hr for the Russell City Energy Center, a 600-MW combined-cycle natural gas fired facility. The 7.5 lb/hr PSD BACT limit the District established for Russell City corresponds to an emissions rate of 0.0034 lb/MMBtu, which is lower than the proposed limit here which corresponds to 0.0041 lb/MMBtu.[29]

The District has concluded that simple-cycle turbines of the type that will be used at the proposed Marsh Landing facility cannot achieve PM emissions as low as combined-cycle turbines such as those used at Russell City and other similar facilities, for several reasons. Simple-cycle turbines have a higher exhaust temperature than combined-cycle turbines, which use a heat recovery boiler to recover some of the waste heat in the turbine exhaust in order to generate additional power. In order for the Marsh Landing to use a standard SCR catalyst, the facility must use dilution air to cool the gas turbine exhaust prior to abatement by the oxidation

[29] *See* Russell City Energy Center PSD Permit (2/4/2010) Condition Part 19(h) available at: www.baaqmd.gov/Home/Divisions/Engineering/Public%20Notices%20on%20Permits/2010/020410%2015487/Russell%20City%20Energy%20Center.aspx.



catalyst and SCR. It should be noted that even with the large amount of dilution air that is added to the exhaust prior to abatement, the catalyst temperatures are still significantly higher for the simple-cycle units when compared to combined cycle units.

This difference impacts the amount of PM emitted in the exhaust stream in two ways. First, the dilution air that is added to the exhaust may contain a certain amount of entrained PM, and this PM is ultimately emitted in the exhaust at the outlet of the abatement equipment. The applicant has indicated that it will need to add up to 2.1 million pounds per hour of dilution air, which could add significant amounts of PM to the system exhaust.

Second, the higher exhaust temperatures seen by the oxidation catalyst and SCR system in simple-cycle facilities cause more PM to be formed in the abatement equipment compared with lower-temperature combined-cycle facilities. Data supplied by the applicant's catalyst vendors indicates that the increased catalyst temperatures may cause the conversion of $SO_2$ to $SO_3$ in the exhaust stream to increase from 5 to 10 percent for typical combined-cycle exhaust temperatures to as much as 40 to 50 percent for a simple-cycle system with dilution air for exhaust cooling.[30] This additional $SO_3$ will then convert to $H_2SO_4$ or ammonium sulfate salts, which add to the mass of particulate matter contained in the facility's exhaust stream. For both of these reasons, PM emissions from simple-cycle turbines equipped with oxidation catalysts and SCR systems for $NO_x$ and CO control will inherently have higher PM emissions than combined-cycle turbines. This additional PM can have a substantial impact on PM emissions relative to the PM that is generated by combustion of natural gas in the turbine, since clean-burning natural gas generates very little PM by itself.

The impact of these differences between simple-cycle and combined-cycle turbines can be seen in test data from the different types of equipment. As summarized in Table 11 above, 8 out of the 42 source test results for GE LM6000 simple-cycle turbines show PM emissions that would exceed the 0.0034 lb/MMBtu emissions rate used in establishing the Russell City Energy Center permit limit. Such an emissions rate would not be achievable for the simple-cycle Marsh Landing turbines, and the District has concluded that it is not achieved in practice for purposes of the PM BACT analysis.

In summary, the District has determined that the use of low sulfur natural gas and Dry Low-$NO_x$ combustors with Good Combustion Practice is BACT for PM. The District is also proposing a PM BACT emissions limit of 9.0 lb/hour, based on a review of permit limits and source test data from other simple-cycle gas turbines.

**5.6 Best Available Control Technology for Sulfur Dioxide ($SO_2$)**

The potential emissions of $SO_2$ from the simple-cycle gas turbines exceed 10 lb per highest day for each turbine. These sources are therefore subject to District BACT requirements for $SO_2$.

30 Memorandum from Applicant to the District dated February 3, 2010, Subject: Revised Analysis of Expected Sulfate Formation at MLGS (See PM White Paper for BAAQMD 020310).



There are two primary mechanisms used to reduce $SO_2$ emissions from combustion sources: (i) reduce the amount of sulfur in the fuel, and (ii) remove the sulfur from the combustion exhaust gases.

Limiting the amount of sulfur in the fuel is a common practice for natural gas fired power plants. Such plants in California are typically required to combust only California PUC grade natural gas with a sulfur content of less than 1 grain per 100 standard cubic feet (scf). This control technique has been achieved in practice at other facilities, and it is technologically feasible and cost-effective. The District is therefore proposing to require the use of PUC-grade natural gas with a sulfur content of less than 1 grain/100 scf as a BACT control technique for $SO_2$.

Add-on controls that remove sulfur from the combustion exhaust, such as flue gas desulfurization, are not feasible for natural gas fired power plants and have not been used at such facilities. These types of control devices are typically installed on coal fired power plants that burn fuels with much higher sulfur contents. There are two main types of $SO_2$ post-combustion control technologies: wet scrubbing and dry scrubbing. Wet scrubbers use an alkaline solution to remove the $SO_2$ from the exhaust gases and may remove up to 90% of the $SO_2$ from the exhaust stream. Dry scrubbers use an $SO_2$ sorbent injected as a powder or slurry to remove the $SO_2$ and the $SO_2$ and sorbent are removed by a particulate control device. The abatement efficiencies vary with different types of dry scrubbing technologies, but are generally lower than efficiencies for wet scrubbing technologies. These technologies are not feasible for combustion sources burning low sulfur content natural gas. The $SO_x$ concentrations in the natural gas combustion exhaust gases are too low (less than 1 ppm) for the scrubbing technologies to work effectively or be technologically feasible and cost effective. These control technologies require much higher sulfur concentrations in the combustion exhaust gases to become feasible as a control technology. For this reason, they have not been used at natural gas fired power plants such as the proposed Marsh Landing facility. As these control technologies have not been achieved in practice at other similar facilities and are not technologically feasible here, the District is not proposing to require them as BACT for this facility.

Fuel sulfur limits are therefore the only feasible $SO_2$ control technology for natural gas combustion sources, and the District is proposing to require this technology as BACT. The District is proposing BACT permit limits based on the PUC natural gas specification of a maximum of 1 grain of sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas. The permit limits are based on maximum sulfur content of the fuel and are expressed in units of pounds per hour, pounds per unit of natural gas burned (MMBtu), and pounds per day of $SO_2$. The emission calculations are shown in the Appendix A.

This proposed BACT determination is consistent with the District's BACT Guidelines for $SO_2$.

District BACT Guideline 89.1.3 specifies BACT 2 ("achieved in practice") for $SO_2$ for simplecycle
gas turbines with an output rating of > 40 MW as the exclusive use of clean-burning natural gas with a sulfur content of < 1.0 grains per 100 scf.





## 5.7 Best Available Control Technology For Startups, Shutdowns, Combustor Tuning, and Transient Load Conditions

Startup and shutdown periods are a normal part of the operation of natural gas-fired power plants. They involve emissions rates that are greater than emissions during steady-state operation and that are highly variable. Emissions are greater during startup and shutdown for several reasons. One reason is that during startup and shutdown, the turbines are not operating at full load where they are most efficient. Another reason is that the exhaust temperatures are lower than during steady-state operations. Post-combustion emissions control systems such as the SCR catalyst and oxidation catalyst do not function optimally at lower temperatures, and so there may be partial or no abatement for $NO_x$, carbon monoxide and precursor organic compounds for a portion of the startup period.[31] Thus, emissions can be minimized by reducing the duration of the startup sequence and by reducing emissions during the startup sequence. Simple-cycle turbines have inherently low startup emissions because they can quickly come up to full load. This is one reason that they are used to provide peaking load duty with the capability to rapidly accelerate to synchronous speed, synchronize with the grid, ramp up to 100 percent load, and then down to zero load. Simple-cycle turbines are different in this respect than combined-cycle turbines, which incorporate a heat-recovery steam boiler that recovers some of the waste heat in the turbine exhaust to create steam to generate additional power. The combined-cycle system requires additional steam-generating components, and it takes additional time for this equipment to come up to full operating temperature. Nevertheless, simple-cycle turbines still have startup and shutdown periods in which they are not capable of complying with their steady-state emissions limits.

In addition, the simple-cycle gas turbines may need to perform combustor tuning. This is a regular plant equipment maintenance procedure in which testing, adjustment, tuning, and calibration operations are performed, as recommended by the equipment manufacturer, to insure safe
and reliable steady-state operation, and to minimize $NO_x$ and CO emissions. The SCR and oxidation
catalyst may not be fully operational during the tuning operation. The applicant has requested that the proposed facility be allowed to conduct up to two 8-hour tuning operations per year per turbine.

Finally, the Marsh Landing Generating Station will be designed for quick starts and also rapidly changing loads to meet electrical system needs. The simple-cycle gas turbines will have the ability to change loads at rates exceeding 25 MW per minute. It is difficult for the $NO_x$ control system to respond to these rapid changes in load (greater than 25 MW per minute). $NO_x$ emissions from the gas turbines are controlled post-combustion using ammonia injection at the selective catalytic reduction unit. The amount of ammonia to be injected is determined based on turbine operating conditions and the $NO_x$ concentration at the stack exhaust. There is an optimal amount of ammonia based on the incoming $NO_x$ and the ammonia injection system provides a

[31] Note that emission rates of particulate matter and sulfur oxides are not affected by startups and

shutdowns and will be the same as for full load operation as during startup and shutdown periods (9 lb/hour for particulate matter, 6.21 lb/hour for $SO_x$ maximum, 1.55 lb/hour $SO_x$ annual average).





slight excess to ensure the $NO_x$ emissions are minimized while ammonia slip levels are also minimized. The gas turbine can change operating conditions much more rapidly than the ammonia injection system can respond due to the lag time in the ammonia injection control system and the $NO_x$ continuous emission monitor. This control system lag and continuous emission monitor lag time make meeting the 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ permit limit averaged over one hour much more difficult when the gas turbine is changing loads at rates exceeding 25 MW per minute.

Because emissions are greater during startups, shutdowns, combustor tuning periods, and periods of transient load than during steady-state operation, the BACT limits established in the previous sections for steady-state operations are not technically feasible during these periods. The District is therefore establishing separate BACT limits representing the most stringent emissions limits that have are achieved-in-practice or technologically feasible/cost-effective for this type of facility. To do so, the Air District has conducted an additional BACT analysis specifically for startups, shutdowns, combustor tuning periods, and periods of transient load.

***Control Devices and Techniques to Limits Startup, Shutdown, Tuning, and Transient-Load Emissions:***

The only available approach to reducing startup, shutdown, tuning and transient-load emissions from simple-cycle turbines is to use best work practices. By following the plant equipment manufacturers' recommendations, power plant operators can limit the duration of each startup, shutdown, and tuning event to the minimum duration achievable. Plant operators also use their own operational experience with their particular turbines and ancillary equipment to optimize startup, shutdown, and tuning emissions. There is no other available control technology or technique beyond implementing best work practices that can further reduce startup, shutdown, tuning, or transient-load emissions from simple-cycle turbines.[32]

[32] The lack of additional control technologies for simple-cycle turbines is different than with combined-cycle turbines. For combined-cycle turbines, there have been several technological advances that have recently been developed, or are currently under development, that will allow those types of turbines to start up more quickly and with fewer emissions. These include startup procedures that heat up the additional steam-generating equipment used in combined-cycle turbines more quickly, allowing them to reach their optimal operating temperature more quickly; and advances that reduce emissions at lower loads where combined-cycle turbines must operate for extended periods while waiting for the equipment to heat up. These types of advances are not applicable to simple-cycle turbines. Simple-cycle turbines do not have any additional steam generating equipment that needs to be warmed up; and they ramp up very quickly to full load at rates as high as 30 MW per minute and do not spend any significant time operating at lower loads during startups.





***Determination of BACT Emissions Limit for Startups, Shutdowns, Tuning Events, and Transient Load Conditions:***

The District is proposing time limits and numerical emissions limits for startups, shutdowns,

combustor tuning events, and periods of transient load to implement the BACT requirement here. The proposed limits for each operating scenario are outlined below.

***Startups***

Using best work practices, the facility should be able to complete a typical startup in 11 minutes, based on information provided by the gas turbine manufacturer. Emissions during a typical startup are expected to be 12 pounds of NOx, 213 pounds of CO, and 11 pounds of POC.[33] Typical startup emissions are summarized in **Table 13**.

**TABLE 13. SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINE TYPICAL STARTUP EMISSION ESTIMATES**

| **Pollutant** | **Typical Startup - Estimated Emissions (pounds per turbine per startup)** |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 12 |
| CO | 213 |
| POC | 11 |

Typical startup emissions are minimal due to the short duration of the typical start time and due to the quick turbine ramp rate that minimizes low-load operation during startup. But these emission estimates are not guaranteed emission rates for every startup. Moreover, startup emissions are highly variable, and it is expected that some startups will take longer than 11 minutes. A number of factors influence startup duration and can lead to longer startup times, including: allowance for the CEM system lag of several minutes to relay compliant NOx and CO CEM readings, allowance for the ammonia injection rate to stabilize with NOx concentration, allowance for the oxidation and SCR catalysts time to reach normal operating temperature, and allowance for the adjustment of dilution air required to maintain optimum catalyst temperatures. The District estimates over the 30-year life of the facility that a given startup may take as long as 30 minutes to allow the gas turbine and post combustion controls to reach steady-state operation. The District is therefore proposing to establish the not-to-exceed BACT limit for startups at 30 minutes to provide an adequate compliance margin that allows the operators to make appropriate adjustments to system controls in response to system operational conditions. This is the shortest time limit that the turbines can reasonably be expected to meet under all operating conditions over the life of the equipment. Individual startups may be shorter than this proposed 30-minute limit, but an enforceable BACT permit limit must provide 30 minutes to allow an adequate margin of compliance to ensure that the equipment can consistently meet the limit.

[33] See Appendix D Siemens Emission Estimates.



In addition, the District has conservatively estimated the emissions that would result from a 30-minute startup at 18.6 pounds of NOx, 216.2 pounds of CO, and 11.9 pounds of POC, which the District is proposing as BACT limits on the emissions from startups. The District calculated these emission rates by taking the emissions performance that the manufacturer estimates the turbines could achieve in a typical startup as summarized in Table 13, and then assuming that emissions were within the steady-state emission limits during the remaining 19 minutes of the 30-minute startup period. This is a conservative limit because if a startup takes longer than the manufacturer's estimate of 11 minutes, emissions will exceed the steady-state limits during the remaining 19 minutes.

Using this conservative approach, the District calculated maximum emission rates for startups as set forth in **Table 14** below:

**TABLE 14. PROPOSED STARTUP EMISSION LIMITS FOR A 30 MINUTE STARTUP**

| Pollutant | Maximum Startup Emissions (pounds per turbine per startup) |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 18.6 |
| CO | 216.2 |
| POC | 11.9 |

In addition, in order to protect hourly air quality standards, the District is also proposing an additional hourly limit for operating hours during which startups occur. This limit is based on a reasonable need for the facility to start up twice in a one-hour period, which is not unforeseeable given the facility's operation as a peaker facility. The District is basing this proposed limit on two startups with a typical emissions profile as summarized in Table 13 above (lasting 11 minutes each), one shutdown with a typical emissions profile as summarized in Table 16 below (lasting 6 minutes), and the remainder of the hour with emissions within the steady-state BACT emissions limits. These maximum hourly emissions for hours with startups are summarized in **Table 15** below.

**TABLE 15. MAXIMUM HOURLY PERMIT LIMITS FOR HOURS WITH STARTUPS**

| Pollutant | Maximum Startup Emissions (lb/hour)[b] |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 45.1 |
| CO | 541.3 |
| POC | 28.5 |

The Air District has concluded that using best work practices, the proposed simple-cycle gas turbines will be able to meet the startup permit limits shown above. The basis for these limits is emissions information provided by the gas turbine supplier Siemens.



***Shutdowns***

Siemens, the gas turbine manufacturer, supplied the following emission estimates for a typical shutdown occurring over 6 minutes.[34]

**TABLE 16. SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES SHUTDOWN EMISSION ESTIMATES**

| Pollutant | Typical Shutdown - Estimated Emissions (pounds per turbine per shutdown) |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 10 |
| CO | 110 |
| POC | 5 |

The Air District proposes to have maximum pound-per-event limits for shutdowns. The District estimates over the 30-year life of the facility that a given shutdown may take as long as 15 minutes to allow the gas turbine time to ramp down from full load operation and allow time for the turbine to decelerate after fuel flow stops. Each shutdown would be limited to a maximum of 15 minutes for a worst-case shutdown.

The District then conservatively estimated the emissions during a 15-minute shutdown using an approach similar to the approach for estimating maximum startup emissions above. The District conservatively assumed that emissions that the typical shutdown emissions as summarized in Table 16 occur would over the first 6 minutes of the shutdown, and that the rest of the 15 minute

shutdown period had emissions at normal steady-state emissions rates. These are the worst-case pound-per-event values for the simple-cycle gas turbines during a shutdown.

**TABLE 17. SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES PROPOSED SHUTDOWN PERMIT LIMITS**

| **Pollutant** | **Maximum Startup Emissions (pounds per turbine per startup)** |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 13.1 |
| CO | 111.5 |
| POC | 5.4 |

Thus, the Air District has concluded that using best work practices, the proposed simple-cycle gas turbines will be able to meet the permit limits shown above in Table 14, Table 15 and Table 17.

[34] See Appendix D Siemens Emission Estimates.



***Tuning Events***

Turbine tuning is required to maintain the gas turbines in optimal operating condition. Tuning events for the simple-cycle gas turbines are expected to take up to 8 hours to complete, may involve operation at low loads where emissions efficiency is compromised, and may require operation without fully operational pollution control equipment such as the SCR system. Tuning events are expected to occur relatively infrequently, and will be limited to two events per year for each gas turbine. The emissions rates provided for tuning events are higher than for normal operations. The applicant and the gas turbine vendor Siemens estimate the tuning emissions will remain below the levels shown in **Table 18**.[35] The $NO_x$ emission rate is based on 9 ppm after SCR abatement and corresponds to 80 lb/hour of $NO_x$. This $NO_x$ estimate assumes the gas turbine will emit $NO_x$ at a maximum of 15 ppm unabated during tuning and that the SCR would never let the $NO_x$ concentration exceed 9 ppm. The CO concentration was estimated to be a maximum of 55.8 ppm during tuning and this corresponds to an emission rate of 450 lb/hour. The POC concentration was estimated to be a maximum of 10.7 ppm during tuning and this corresponds to an emission rate of 30 lb/hour. The Air District is proposing to require emissions during tuning events to comply with the permit limits shown in Table 18 below.

**TABLE 18. SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES COMBUSTOR TUNING PERMIT LIMITS**

| **Pollutant** | **MaximumPer Turbine (lb/hour)** |
|---|---|
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 80 |
| CO | 450 |
| POC | 30 |

***Transient Loads***

As noted above, the simple-cycle turbines at the proposed Marsh Landing facility will need the capability to ramp up and down quickly in order to serve transient demand. Fast ramping makes it more difficult for the SCR system to control NOx emissions to very low levels. The District is therefore proposing a transient load condition that would allow the facility to meet an alternate permit limit of 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ averaged over 3 hours for any transient hour with a change in load exceeding 25 MW per minute, instead of the one-hour averaging time used for normal operations. This longer averaging time will allow for short-term spikes in turbine emissions

resulting from high turbine ramp rates.

***Conclusion***

The Air District is proposing stringent emission limits for startups, shutdowns, tuning events, and transient load conditions that can reasonably be achieved by the proposed Marsh Landing

35 Word Attachment (Reply to BAAQMD as amended2.doc) to Email from Mark Strehlow of URS to Brian Lusher of BAAQMD dated 10/13/09.





Generating Station, based on a review of the gas turbine supplier's emission estimates. Emissions from specific startup, shutdown and tuning events may be significantly less than the proposed not-to-exceed permit limits, given the great variability of such events. The District is proposing to require the limits described above as the enforceable BACT limits to ensure that emissions are minimized to the greatest extent feasible while ensuring that the limits are achievable under all operating circumstances.

**5.8 Best Available Control Technology During Commissioning of Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines**

The simple-cycle gas turbines and associated equipment are highly complex and have to be carefully tested, adjusted, tuned and calibrated after the facility is constructed. These activities are generally referred to as "commissioning" of the facility. During the commissioning period, each of the combustion turbine generators needs to be fine-tuned at zero load, partial load, and full load to optimize its performance. The dry-low $NO_x$ combustors also need to be tuned to ensure that the turbines run efficiently while meeting both the performance guarantees and emission guarantees. In addition, the selective catalytic reduction (SCR) systems and oxidation catalysts need to be installed and tuned.

The simple-cycle gas turbines will not be able to meet the stringent BACT limits for normal operations during the commissioning period, for a number of reasons. First, the SCR systems and oxidation catalysts cannot be installed immediately when the turbines are initially started up. There may be oils or lubricants in the equipment from the manufacture and installation of the equipment, which would damage the catalysts if they were installed immediately. Instead, the turbines need to be operated without the SCR systems and oxidation catalysts for a period of time to burn off any impurities that may be left in the equipment. In addition, once all of the pollution control equipment is installed, it needs to be tuned in order to achieve optimum emissions performance. Until the equipment is tuned, it will not be able to achieve the very high levels of emissions reductions reflected in the stringent BACT limits for normal operations. Because the BACT limits established for normal operations are not technically feasible during the commissioning period, these limits are not BACT for this phase of the facility's operation. Alternate BACT limits must therefore be specified for this mode of operation. To do so, the Air District has conducted an additional BACT analysis specifically for the required commissioning activities.

The only control technology available for limiting emissions during commissioning is to use best work practices to minimize emissions as much as possible during commissioning, and to expedite the commissioning process so that compliance with the stringent BACT limits for normal operations can be achieved as quickly as possible. There are no add-on control devices or other technologies that can be installed for commissioning activities.

To implement best work practices as an enforceable BACT requirement, the Air District is proposing conditions that will require the simple-cycle gas turbines to minimize emissions to the

maximum extent possible during commissioning. The Air District is also proposing numerical emissions limits based upon the equipment manufacturer's best estimates of uncontrolled





emissions at the operating loads that the simple-cycle gas turbines will experience during commissioning (See **Table 20** for Siemens' Commissioning Estimates).[36] The proposed permit conditions will limit emissions to below the following levels:

**TABLE 19. COMMISSIONING PERIOD EMISSIONS LIMITS FOR ONE SIMPLECYCLE GAS TURBINE**

**Air Pollutant Proposed Commissioning Period Emissions Limits for One Simple-Cycle Gas Turbine**

$NO_2$ 3,063 lb/day 188 lb/hr
Carbon Monoxide 33,922 lb/day 2,405 lb/hr
POC 2,008 lb/day
$PM_{10}$ 235 lb/day
$SO_2$ 149 lb/day

Notes: Please see Table 20 for manufacturer's commissioning emission estimates. $NO_2$ daily maximum assumes 8 hours of gas turbine testing at 40% load and 16 hours of gas turbine load test. CO, POC, and PM daily maximum assumes 8 hours initial gas turbine testing, 8 hours gas turbine testing at 40% load, and 8 hours gas turbine load test.

Commissioning emissions will also be subject to the annual emissions limits applicable to normal operations. All emissions from commissioning activities will be counted towards the facility's annual limits. Because commissioning is a relatively short-term period, the facility should be able to stay within those limits over the course of the entire year. Counting commissioning emissions towards the annual limits will also provide an additional incentive for the facility operator to minimize emissions as much as possible.

The Air District is also proposing permit conditions to minimize the duration of commissioning activities. The proposed conditions require the facility to tune the combustion turbine to minimize emissions at the earliest feasible opportunity; and to install, adjust and operate the SCR systems and oxidation catalysts at the earliest feasible opportunity. The Air District is also proposing to cap the total amount of time that each turbine can operate partially abated and/or without the SCR systems and oxidation catalysts at 232 hours. This limit represents the shortest amount of time in which the facility can reasonably complete the required commissioning activities without jeopardizing safety and equipment warranties. The proposed 232-hour limit is based on the following estimates from Siemens of the time it will take for each specific commissioning activity.

[36] See Appendix D Siemens Emission Estimates.





**TABLE 20. COMMISSIONING SCHEDULE FOR A SINGLE SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINE**

**Total Emissions**
**Activity**
**Duration**
**(hours)**
**GT**

**Load (%) Modeling Load (%) $NO_X$ (lb) CO (lb) VOC (lb) $PM_{10}$ (lb)**

CTG Testing (Full Speed No Load, FSNL, Excitation Test, Dummy Synch Checks) 8 0 0 339 19,240 1,181 71

CTG 1 Testing at 40% load 8 0-40 40 1,507 11,662 636 91

CTG 1 Load Test 68 50-100 50-101 6,615 25,673 1,620 624

Install Emissions Test Equipment 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Emissions Tuning/Drift Testing 24 50-100 100 1,988 5,344 286 234

RATA/Pre-performance Testing/Source Testing/Drift Testing 60 100 100 4,970 13,360 715 585

Remove emissions test equipment/install performance test equipment, followed by Water Wash & Performance preparation 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Performance Testing 40 100 100 3,035 5,628 328 365

CAISO Certification 12 50-100 100 994 2,672 143 117

CAISO Certification if required 12 100 100 994 2,672 143 117

Total Hours 232

Notes:
$SO_x$ emission during commissioning will not be higher than normal operation
CTG = combustion turbine generator
FSNL = full speed, no load
GT = gas turbine

Compliance with these proposed conditions for the commissioning period will be monitored by Continuous Emissions Monitors that the applicant will be required to install before any commissioning work begins, and through a written commissioning plan laying out all commissioning activities in advance, which the applicant will be required to submit to the Air District for review and approval.



# 6. Requirement to Offset Emissions Increases

District regulations require that new facilities must provide Emission Reduction Credits (ERCs) to offset the increases in air emissions that they will cause. ERCs are generated when old facilities sources are shut down, or when sources are controlled below regulatory limits. The emissions reductions granted by the District are used to offset the increases from new facilities,

so that there will be no overall increase in emissions from facilities subject to this offset program.

Pursuant to Regulation 2-2-302, federally enforceable emission offsets are required for POC and $NO_x$ emission increases from permitted sources at facilities which will emit 10 tons per year or more on a pollutant-specific basis. For facilities that will emit more than 35 tons per year of $NO_x$ offsets must be provided by the applicant at a ratio of 1.15 to 1.0. Pursuant to Regulation 2-2-302.2, POC offsets may be used to offset emission increases of $NO_x$.

The applicable offset ratios and the quantity of offsets required are summarized in **Table 21**.

### 6.1 POC Offsets

Because the proposed Marsh Landing facility will emit less than 35 tons of POC per year from permitted sources, the POC emissions must be offset at a ratio of 1.0 to 1.0 pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-302. The facility will be required to provide offsets for 14.21 tons per year of POC emissions. The applicant has identified ERCs available for it to use sufficient to offset this level of POC emissions.

### 6.2 $NO_x$ Offsets

Because the proposed Marsh Landing facility will emit greater than 35 tons per year of $NO_x$) from permitted sources, the $NO_x$ emissions must be offset at a ratio of 1.15 to 1.0 pursuant to District Regulation 2-2-302. The facility will emit up to 71.763 tons/yr of $NO_x$, and will therefore be required to provide offsets for 82.527 tons per year of $NO_x$ emissions. The applicant has identified ERCs available for it to use sufficient to offset this level of $NO_x$ emissions.

### 6.3 $PM_{10}$ Offsets

Because the total $PM_{10}$ emissions from permitted sources will not exceed 100 tons per year, the proposed Marsh Landing facilities is not required to offset its $PM_{10}$ emissions under District Regulation 2-2-303.

### 6.4 $SO_2$ Offsets

Pursuant to Regulation 2-2-303, emission reduction credits are not required for the $SO_2$ emission increases associated with this project since the facility's $SO_2$ emissions will not exceed 100 tons



per year. Regulation 2-2-303 allows for the voluntary offsetting of $SO_2$ emission increases of less than 100 tons per year. The applicant has opted not to provide such emission offsets.

### 6.5 Offset Package

Table 21 summarizes the offset obligation of the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station. The emission reduction credits presented in Table 21 exist as federally-enforceable, banked emission reduction credits that have been reviewed for compliance with District Regulation 2, Rule 4, "Emissions Banking", and were subsequently issued as banking certificates by the District under the certificates cited in the Tables below. If the quantity of offsets issued under any certificate exceeded 35 tons per year for any pollutant, the application was required to fulfill the public notice and public comment requirements of District Regulation 2-4-405. Accordingly, such applications were reviewed by the California Air Resources Board, U.S. EPA, and adjacent air pollution control districts to insure that all applicable federal, state, and local regulations were satisfied.

As indicated below, Mirant is in possession of valid emission reduction credits to offset the emission increases from the permitted sources for the Marsh Landing project.

**TABLE 21. EMISSION REDUCTION CREDITS IDENTIFIED BY MIRANT (TON/YR)**

POC[b] $NO_x$[c]
Valid Emission Reduction Credits[a] 77.97 485.73
Permitted Source Emission Limits 14.210 71.763
Offsets Required 14.210[c] 82.527[d]
[a]From Banking Certificates 756, 831, 863, 918 (See Table below)
[c]Reflects applicable offset ratio of 1.0:1.0 pursuant to Regulation 2-2-302
[d]Reflects applicable offset ratio of 1.15:1.0 pursuant to Regulation 2-2-302



**TABLE 22. CERTIFICATES HELD BY MIRANT (TON/YR)**

**Certificate 756 831 863 918 Total**
$NO_x$ 1.173 66.060 247.500 171.000 485.733
POC 0.390 72.280 5.300 0.000 77.970
$PM_{10}$ 6.443 202.530 25.270 0.000 234.243

**TABLE 23. LOCATION OF CERTIFICATES HELD BY MIRANT**

**Current**
**Certificate**
**Original**
**Certificate Company Location Original Issue Dates**
#756 394 Hudson ICS San Leandro 4/97
#831 35 Crown Zellerbach
Corporation Antioch 6/84
#831 240 Crown Zellerbach
Corporation Antioch 7/93
#831 106 Crown Zellerbach
Corporation Antioch 3/90
#863 73 P G & E Martinez 7/87
#863 89 P G & E Martinez 7/87
#918 35 Crown Zellerbach
Corporation Antioch 6/84
#918 240 Crown Zellerbach
Corporation Antioch 7/93
#918 106 Crown Zellerbach
Corporation Antioch 3/90

Note: The numbers of each certificate change with each transaction in the emissions bank. Certificate numbers below are the original certificate number when the emission reduction was generated.
Certificate 394 was generated from the shutdown of two wood fired boilers.
Certificate 35 was generated from the shutdown of two gas/oil-fired boilers.
Certificate 240 was generated from the shutdown of: two oil fired lime kilns, wood waste boiler, and a black liquor recovery boiler.
Certificate 106 was generated from the shutdown of a black liquor recovery furnace.
Certificate 73 and 89 were generated from the shutdown of three gas/oil fired power plant boilers.



# 7. Federal Permit Requirements

In addition to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District permit requirements in District

Regulation 2, Rule 2 and Regulation 2, Rule 3, there are two federal permitting programs that apply to major facilities: (i) the federal "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" (PSD) requirements under 40 C.F.R. section 52.21; and (ii) the "Non-Attainment New Source Review" (Non-Attainment NSR) requirements for $PM_{2.5}$ sources set forth in Appendix S of 40 C.F.R. Part 51. The District has analyzed these requirements for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station and has determined that neither of these permit requirements applies to this facility because it will not be a major source under either of those programs. The District is therefore not proposing to issue a PSD permit for this facility or to include Appendix S $PM_{2.5}$ Non-Attainment NSR requirements in the permit.

## 7.1 Federal "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" Program

### 7.1.1 Applicability of the "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" Requirements

The federal PSD program applies to "major" stationary sources, which are defined as new sources that emit more than 250 tons per year of any PSD pollutant.[37] PSD pollutants are regulated pollutants for which the Bay Area is not in violation of the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for that pollutant. For the Bay Area, PSD pollutants include carbon monoxide, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_2$, among others. Facilities that exceed the federal PSD "major source" threshold for any of these pollutants must apply for and obtain PSD permits before they can commence construction. Although PSD permits are federal permits issued under the authority of EPA Region 9, the District conducts the PSD analysis and issues PSD permits on behalf of EPA Region 9 pursuant to a Delegation Agreement between the District and EPA Region 9.[38]

The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station will not emit more than 250 tons per year of any PSD pollutant, and will not be a "major source" subject to federal PSD requirements. The Air District is therefore not proposing to issue a federal PSD permit for this facility.

[37] *See* 40 C.F.R. § 52.21(b)(1)(i)(b). Note that for 28 specific types of sources, a lower PSD applicability threshold of 100 tons applies pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 52.21(b)(1)(i)(a). Simplecycle combustion turbines of the type proposed for the Marsh Landing Generating Station are not in any of the categories subject to the 100 ton threshold specified in Section 52.21(b)(1)(i)(a).

[38] The District also has incorporated PSD requirements from the federal PSD regulations into its NSR Rule in Regulation 2, Rule 2. The substance of these requirements in Regulation 2, Rule 2 track the federal requirements.



In reaching this conclusion, the District has considered whether the facility should be treated as a "modification" to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, which is adjacent to the proposed Marsh Landing project location, because the PSD applicability thresholds are different for modifications than for new sources. A "major" facility[39] needs to obtain a federal PSD permit for any "major modification", which is defined as any change in the facility that results in an increase in emissions of any PSD pollutant above certain "significant" emission rates defined in 40 CFR 52.21(b)(23).[40] The Marsh Landing Generating Station will have the potential to emit PSD pollutants above these "significant" emission rates, and so if the new Marsh Landing facility is treated as a "modification" to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, then the PSD requirements apply and the "modification" will have to have a PSD permit before it can be built. The question of whether the new Marsh Landing facility will be a "modification" to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant depends on whether the two power plants taken together are one single "facility" for purposes of PSD regulation. If they are both part of the same "facility", then

the construction of the new Marsh Landing Generating Station would be a "modification" to that "facility". The federal PSD regulations define a "facility" as:

> [A]ll of the pollutant-emitting activities which belong to the same industrial grouping, are located on one or more contiguous or adjacent properties, and are under the control of the same person (or persons under common control) except the activities of any vessel. Pollutant-emitting activities shall be considered as part of the same industrial grouping if they belong to the same "Major Group" (i.e., which have the same first two digit code) as described in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1972, as amended by the 1977 Supplement (U.S. Government Printing Office stock numbers 4101–0066 and 003–005–00176–0, respectively).

(*See* Title 40 CFR § 52.21(b)(6).[41]) The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would be in the same SIC Major Group and would be located on adjacent properties, and so the question of whether they would be a single "facility" depends on whether they are under the control of the same person (or persons under common control).

The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would be owned and operated by Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC, and the Contra Costa Power Plant is owned and operated by Mirant Delta, LLC. These companies are separate corporations, although they are both ultimately owned by Mirant Corporation, their parent corporation. Despite this common ultimate corporate parent, however,

[39] The Contra Costa Power Plant is a "major source" because it was built before current regulatory requirements were adopted and, as a result, has no annual emission limits. The facility's actual emissions have been well below the "major source" thresholds set forth in Section 52.21(b)(1). *See* Letter dated November 3rd, 2009 from David Farabee of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP to Allan Zabel, Senior Counsel, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. EPA Region IX, and to Alexander Crockett, Assistant Counsel, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, attachment 2.

[40] *See* 40 C.F.R. § 52.21(b)(2) (defining "major modification").

[41] The District has a substantively identical definition of "facility" in its District Regulation 2-2-215.



the facilities will be operated independently. The facilities will have separate control rooms, independent connections to the PG&E natural gas pipeline system, and separate water supplies. Each facility also will have its own independent connection to the electric transmission system, a separate wastewater discharge connection, and separate contracts regarding the sale of its power output. The facilities will also be subject to separate financing arrangements, and these financing arrangements will restrict inter-company dealings between Mirant Delta, LLC, and Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC, (the owners of the two facilities) to terms no more favorable than would be expected with an unaffiliated third party. In addition, none of the operations of either facility will depend in any way on the other, and the facilities are in fact not scheduled to operate commercially at the same time. Mirant Delta, LLC, the owner of the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, has agreed to have a legally binding permit condition included in its existing permit documents that requires the existing facility to shut down and permanently retire the Units from service on April 30, 2013.[42] The proposed Marsh Landing facility is scheduled to start commercial operation the next day, on May 1, 2013. The interconnection request for the Marsh Landing facility assumes that the Contra Costa Power Plant will retire, and therefore evaluates

only the net increase in capacity associated with Marsh Landing. This effectively means that the Marsh Landing facility will take over transmission capacity on the system that is currently utilized by the Contra Costa Power Plant.

EPA has interpreted independent operations such as these not to be a single "facility" for purposes of PSD permitting under 40 C.F.R. Section 52.21. Since the federal PSD program is EPA's program and the District is required to follow EPA's guidance in interpreting the PSD regulations under Section VII.1. of the Delegation Agreement, the District is proposing to treat the proposed Marsh Landing facility as a separate facility from the existing Contra Costa Power Plant.

[42] Mirant Delta, LLC, has agreed to include the following enforceable permit condition in its air permits: "Subject to: (i) receipt of final, non-appealable California Public Utilities Commission approval of the Tolling Agreement for Units 6 and 7 at the Contra Costa Power Plant by and between Mirant Delta, LLC and Pacific Gas and Electric Company and dated as of September 2, 2009, as amended from time to time, without material condition or modification unacceptable to either party thereto in its sole discretion; and (ii) the receipt of all other approvals and consents from the relevant local, state and federal governmental agencies (including but not limited to the California Independent System Operator) necessary for the shutdown and permanent retirement from service of Units 6 and 7; Mirant Delta, LLC will shut down and permanently retire Units 6 and 7 from service at 2400 PDT on April 30, 2013." Mirant Delta, LLC, has agreed that prior to the Air District's issuance of the FDOC for the Marsh Landing facility, Mirant Delta will submit an application for an amendment to its Air District permit to incorporate the foregoing permit condition.



The District is therefore not proposing to issue a federal PSD permit for the Marsh Landing Generating Station. EPA Region 9 has reviewed the situation and has concurred that it is appropriate to treat the two facilities as separate for purposes of PSD permitting.[43]

The District also notes that treating the Marsh Landing facility as not subject to federal PSD review is consistent with the spirit of the PSD program as applying to only to "major" facilities. The existing Contra Costa Power Plant is considered a "major" facility under the PSD regulations only because it does not have annual emissions limits as a result of its age (it was built in 1964 before modern air pollution control laws were enacted). Its actual emissions are in fact well below the PSD "major" source threshold.[44] If these actual emissions rates were permit limits, then the facility would not be "major" and the new Marsh Landing facility would not be a modification to a "major" source even if the facilities were considered as a single common entity. In addition, the Marsh Landing facility is intended to be a replacement for the existing facility, not an addition to it. They are not anticipated to operate at the same time, and so as a practical matter, it is appropriate to consider their emissions as separate and not to aggregate them for permitting purposes. Furthermore, as discussed in more detail below, the District has evaluated the substantive requirements of the PSD permit program (which in many ways are similar to applicable requirements of District regulations), and has not found any area in which the Marsh Landing facility would be inconsistent with PSD permitting even if it were required here. In particular, the District has evaluated what the air quality impacts of the Marsh Landing facility would be using computer models and has found that it would not cause or contribute to any violation of any National Ambient Air Quality Standard for any PSD pollutant. For all of these reasons, the District concurs that it is appropriate not to require federal PSD permitting

review for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station.

7.1.2 Protection of National Ambient Air Quality Standards

Although the District has concluded that the Marsh Landing Generating Station is not subject to PSD requirements because it is not a "major" source as defined in the PSD regulations, the District has nevertheless conducted a PSD air quality impacts analysis for the facility as would be required if the facility were in fact a "major" source. Even though it is not legally required

[43] *See* Letter dated January 8th, 2010 from Gerardo C. Rios of U.S. EPA Region IX to Brian Bateman of Bay Area Air Quality Management District. EPA Region 9 sent this letter to the District in response to a request by Mirant for review of the ownership situation of these two facilities and concurrence by EPA Region 9 that they should be treated as separate "facilities" for purposes of the PSD applicability requirements. *See* Letter from D. Farabee, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, to A. Zabel, EPA Region 9, and A. Crockett, BAAQMD, Nov. 3, 2009. That letter included a White Paper outlining various EPA precedents interpreting the definition of "facility". The District incorporates that analysis of EPA's precedents, as well as EPA's concurrence with Mirant's approach for this specific facility, in this PDOC analysis.

[44] *See* Letter dated November 3rd, 2009 from David Farabee of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP to Allan Zabel, Senior Counsel, Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. EPA Region IX, and to Alexander Crockett, Assistant Counsel, Bay Area Air Quality Management District, attachment 2.



under the federal PSD program, the District has undertaken this analysis anyway, for several reasons. First, Mirant's initial application for this project was for a facility that would have been "major" under the PSD program, and so the District initially started considering this analysis as legally required. Mirant subsequently made changes to the project design, so that the project as currently proposed is not major, but the District decided to go forward and complete the analysis anyway. Second, even though the facility will not be "major" and therefore not subject to PSD permitting, questions addressed in the PSD air quality impact analysis will likely be relevant in the context of the CEC's CEQA-equivalent environmental review. For example, even though this project is not subject to PSD, it still will be relevant in the CEQA context whether the facility will cause or contribute to a violation of any National Ambient Air Quality Standard, which is one of the issues addressed in the PSD analysis. The District is therefore providing this information here so that it can be used by the Energy Commission in its licensing process. And third, the information may be of interest to members of the public interested in learning more about this project and what it will entail. The District is therefore providing this analysis for reasons of public information as well.

The Air District has reviewed and verified the ambient air quality impact analysis submitted by the applicant for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating.

The results of this analysis are presented in the Summary of Air Quality Impact Analysis for the Marsh Landing Generating Station, set forth in Appendix B. The analysis used sophisticated EPA-approved air pollution models to evaluate the ambient air impacts from air pollutant emissions from the proposed facility. The analysis found that the emissions from the proposed facility would not cause or contribute to air pollution in violation of any applicable National Ambient Air Quality Standard or applicable PSD increment. The analysis examined the potential for impacts to visibility, soils and vegetation resulting from air emissions from the proposed facility and found no significant impacts. The analysis also examined the potential for

associated growth from the facility and found that there would be no significant associated growth. The analysis examined the potential for impacts to "Class I" areas, which are areas of special natural, scenic, recreational, or historic value (such as national parks). The analysis found that there would be no significant impact to Class I areas. Full details are set forth in Appendix B. Based on this analysis, the proposed facility would comply with the air quality impacts analysis requirements in 40 CFR 52.21(k) through (o) if these requirements were applicable to the facility.



## 7.2 Non-Attainment NSR for $PM_{2.5}$

The Bay Area has recently been designated as "non-attainment" of the National Ambient Air Quality Standard for $PM_{2.5}$ (24-hour average).[45] Areas classified as non-attainment are subject to the "Non-Attainment New Source Review" (Non-Attainment NSR) requirements of the federal Clean Air Act. The Clean Air Act requires states to develop Non-Attainment NSR regulations to implement this requirement within 3 years of a non-attainment designation, and the District will be doing so for $PM_{2.5}$ in the months and years to come. In the interim, while the District is working on its own $PM_{2.5}$ Non-Attainment NSR regulations, Non-Attainment NSR for $PM_{2.5}$ is governed by the federal Non-Attainment NSR rule in EPA's Clean Air Implementation Rule, which is set forth in Appendix S of 40 C.F.R. Part 51 ("Appendix S").

Non-Attainment NSR under Appendix S is a federal permit program and is implemented under the federal regulations set forth in Appendix S. It is not a state law permitting program and it is not implemented under the requirements of District regulations established pursuant to the California Health & Safety Code. The Environmental Protection Agency has determined that the District can impose conditions in its District permits (Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate) that will allow a facility to establish compliance with the federal Non-Attainment NSR requirements for $PM_{2.5}$.[46,47] If the District includes requirements in its District permits pursuant to District Regulation 2-1-403 (Permit Conditions) that satisfy the applicable $PM_{2.5}$ Non-Attainment NSR requirements of Appendix S for a source, EPA has determined that it will treat those conditions as satisfying the federal Appendix S requirements for that source.

[45] EPA promulgated National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for $PM_{2.5}$ in 1997 (with an update in 2006), and began designating certain regions of the country as non-attainment with those Standards starting in 2005. EPA made a determination as to the region's attainment status with respect to $PM_{2.5}$, which it published on November 13, 2009. EPA determined that the Bay Area is in attainment of the $PM_{2.5}$ NAAQS for the annual standard, and is non-attainment for the 24-hour standard. The EPA's non-attainment determination for the $PM_{2.5}$ 24-hour standard became effective on December 14, 2009 (See Federal Register Friday November 13, 2009, Air Quality Designations for the 2006 24-Hour Fine Particle ($PM_{2.5}$) National Ambient Air Quality Standards).

[46] Letter dated 10/28/09 from Jack Broadbent of BAAQMD to Deborah Jordan U.S. EPA Region IX, Re: Guidance on "Appendix S" Non-Attainment NSR Permitting for $PM_{2.5}$ Source During $PM_{2.5}$ Transition Period.

[47] Letter dated 12/9/09 from Deborah Jordan U.S. EPA Region IX to Jack Broadbent of BAAQMD, Re: Guidance on "Appendix S" Non-Attainment NSR Permitting for $PM_{2.5}$ Source During $PM_{2.5}$ Transition Period.

Under Appendix S, Non-Attainment NSR requirements for $PM_{2.5}$ apply to facilities with $PM_{2.5}$ emissions of more than 100 tons per year. (*See* 40 CFR 51, Appendix S, II.A.4(i)(a) (establishing 100 tpy threshold for regulation of Major Stationary Sources).[48]) The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station would emit less than 100 tons per year of $PM_{2.5}$, so the Appendix S Non-Attainment NSR requirements do not apply for this facility. The District is therefore not proposing to include conditions in the permit for compliance with Appendix S for $PM_{2.5}$.

[48] The facility will emit less than 100 tons per year of direct $PM_{2.5}$ emissions and less than 100 tons per year of any $PM_{2.5}$ precursors, as defined in Appendix S II.A.31(iii). (*See* Preliminary Determination of Compliance, Table 5).



# 8. Health Risk Screening Analyses

Pursuant to the BAAQMD Risk Management Regulation 2, Rule 5, a health risk screening must be conducted to determine the potential impact on public health resulting from the worst-case emissions of toxic air contaminants (TACs) from the proposed Marsh Landing project. The potential TAC emissions (both carcinogenic and non-carcinogenic) from the Marsh Landing project are summarized in Table 6 in Section 4.2. **Table 24** presents the Health Risk Assessment Results for the Marsh Landing project. In accordance with the requirements of District Regulation 2, Rule 5 and California Office of Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) guidelines, the impact on public health due to the emission of these compounds was assessed utilizing EPAapproved
air pollutant dispersion models.

**TABLE 24. HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT RESULTS**

**Receptor**
**Cancer Risk**
**(risk in one million)**
**Chronic Non-Cancer**
**Hazard Index**
**Acute Non-**
**Cancer**
**Hazard Index**

Maximum Values 0.03 0.003 0.3

The health risk assessment performed by the applicant has been reviewed and verified by the District Toxics Evaluation Section and found to be in accordance with guidelines adopted by Cal/EPA's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), the California Air Resources Board (CARB), and the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA). Pursuant to BAAQMD Regulation 2, Rule 5, the increased carcinogenic risk attributed to this project will not be significant since it is less than 1.0 in one million. The chronic hazard index and the acute hazard index attributed to the emission of non-carcinogenic air contaminants is each less than significant since each is less than 1.0. Therefore, the proposed Marsh Landing facility will be in compliance with District Regulation 2, Rule 5. Please see Appendix C (Memo dated February 24, 2010 prepared by Jane Lundquist, Air Toxics Section) for further discussion.

# 9. Other Applicable Requirements

The following section summarizes the applicable District, state and federal rules and regulations and describes how the Marsh Landing Generating Station will comply with those requirements.

## 9.1 Applicable District Rules and Regulations

**Regulation 1, Section 301: Public Nuisance**

None of the project's sources of air contaminants are expected to cause injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to any considerable number of persons or the public with respect to any impacts resulting from the emission of air contaminants regulated by the District.

**Regulation 2, Rule 1, Sections 301 and 302: Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate**

Pursuant to Sections 2-1-301 and 2-1-302, the applicant has submitted an application to the District to obtain an Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate for all regulated sources at the proposed Marsh Landing facility. Those permits will be issued after the CEC completes its licensing process.

**Regulation 2, Rule 2: New Source Review**

The primary requirements of New Source Review that apply to the proposed Marsh Landing facility are Section 2-2-301; “Best Available Control Technology Requirement”, Section 2-2-302; “Offset Requirements, precursor organic compounds and Nitrogen Oxides, NSR”, Section 2-2-303, “Offset Requirement, $PM_{10}$ and sulfur dioxide, NSR”.

Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 301: BACT

The District has performed a BACT analysis for $NO_x$, CO, POC, $PM_{10}$ and $SO_x$ as shown in Section 5. The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station meets the BACT requirements under Section 2-2-301.

Regulation 2, Rule 2: Sections 302 and 303

The District has presented the offsets for the project for $NO_x$, POC, and $PM_{10}$ as shown in Section 6. The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station meets the offset requirements under Sections 2-2-302 and 2-2-303.




Regulation 2, Rule 2: Sections 304, 305, 306 and 414

The Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) requirements in District Regulation 2, Rule 2 (Sections 304, 305, 306, and 308) are intended to implement the federal PSD requirements in 40 C.F.R. Section 52.21 and track those federal requirements. The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station will not be subject to PSD requirements. Those requirements are discussed in detail in Section 7 above.

**Regulation 2, Rule 3: Power Plants**

Pursuant to Section 2-3-304, this Preliminary Determination of Compliance is subject to the public notice, public comment, and public inspection requirements contained in Sections 2-2-406 and 407. This document presents the Preliminary Determination of Compliance for the project. The District will consider all comments received during the comment period prior to issuing any Final Determination of Compliance for the project. The Final Determination of Compliance will be relied upon by the CEC in their licensing amendment proceeding. If the CEC grants a license to the project, then the District will issue an Authority to Construct.

**Regulation 2, Rule 5: New Source Review of Toxic Air Contaminants**

A risk screening analysis was performed to estimate the health risk resulting from the toxic air contaminant (TAC) emissions from the proposed Marsh Landing Generation Station. Results

from this analysis indicate that the maximally exposed individual cancer risk is estimated at 0.03 in a million, the chronic non-cancer hazard index at 0.003 in a million, and acute non-cancer hazard index at 0.3 in million. Therefore the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station will be in compliance the requirements of Section 2-5-301. Furthermore, the emission controls (abatement by an oxidation catalyst) are toxic best available control technology (TBACT).

**Regulation 2, Rule 6: Major Facility Review**

Pursuant to Section 404.1, the owner/operator of the Marsh Landing Generating shall submit an application to the District for a major facility review permit within 12 months after the facility becomes subject to Regulation 2, Rule 6. Pursuant to Sections 2-6-212.1 and 2-6-218, the Marsh Landing will become subject to Regulation 2, Rule 6, upon completion of construction as demonstrated by first firing of the gas turbines.

**Regulation 2, Rule 7: Acid Rain**

The Marsh Landing gas turbine units will be subject to the requirements of Title IV of the federal Clean Air Act. The requirements of the Acid Rain Program are outlined in 40 CFR Part 72. The specifications for the type and operation of continuous emission monitors (CEMs) for pollutants that contribute to the formation of acid rain are given in 40 CFR Part 75. District Regulation 2, Rule 7 incorporates by reference the provisions of 40 CFR Part 72.



40 CFR Part 72, Subpart A - Acid Rain Program

Part 72, Subpart A, establishes general provisions and operating permit program requirements for sources and affected units under the Acid Rain program, pursuant to Title IV of the Clean Air Act. The gas turbines are affected units subject to the program in accordance with 40 CFR Part 72, Subpart A, Section 72.6(a).

40 CFR Part 72, Subpart C – Acid Rain Permit Applications

Part 72, Subpart C, requires that the applicant submit a complete Acid Rain Permit application 24 months prior to first firing of the gas turbines.

40 CFR Part 73 – Sulfur Dioxide Allowance System

Part 73 establishes the sulfur dioxide allowance system for tracking, holding, and transferring allowances. Prior to operation of the gas turbines the applicant will be required to obtain adequate $SO_2$ allowances.

40 CFR Part 75 – Continuous Emission Monitoring

Part 75 contains the continuous emission monitoring requirements for units subject to the Acid Rain program. The applicant will be required to meet the Part 75 requirements for monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting of $SO_2$, $NO_x$, and $CO_2$ emissions. The applicant will also need to meet Part 75 requirement for monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting volumetric flowrate and opacity.

**Regulation 6, Rule 1: Particulate Matter – General Requirements**

Through the use of dry low-$NO_x$ burner technology and proper combustion practices, the combustion of natural gas at the gas turbines and natural gas fired preheaters are not expected to result in visible emissions. Specifically, the facility's combustion sources are expected to comply with Sections 301 (Ringelmann No. 1 Limitation), 302 (Opacity Limitation) with visible emissions not to exceed 20% opacity, and 310 (Particulate Weight Limitation) with particulate matter emissions of less than 0.15 grains per dry standard cubic foot of exhaust gas volume. As calculated in accordance with Section 310, the grain loading resulting from the operation of each gas turbine is 0.00092 gr/dscf @ 15% $O_2$ (0.0033 gr/dscf @ 0% $O_2$). See Appendix A for

simple-cycle gas turbine grain loading calculations.
Particulate matter emissions associated with the construction of the facility are exempt from District permit requirements, but are subject to Regulation 6, Rule 1. However, the California Energy Commission will impose requirements for construction activities such as the use of water and/or chemical dust suppressants to minimize $PM_{10}$ emissions and prevent visible particulate emissions.

**Regulation 7: Odorous Substances**




Section 302 prohibits the discharge of odorous substances which remain odorous beyond the facility property line after dilution with four parts odor-free air. Section 303 limits ammonia emissions to 5000 ppm. Because the ammonia slip emissions from the simple-cycle units will be limited by permit condition to 10 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ respectively, the facility is expected to comply with the requirements of Regulation 7.

**Regulation 8: Organic Compounds**

The gas turbines are exempt from Regulation 8, Rule 2, “Miscellaneous Operations” Section 110 since natural gas will be fired exclusively at those sources.
The use of solvents for cleaning and maintenance at the Marsh Landing Generating Station is expected to be at a level that is exempt from permitting in accordance with Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 118. The facility may utilize less than 20 gallons per year of solvent for wipe cleaning per Section 118.9 and remain exempt from permitting requirements. The facility may also utilize a cold cleaner for maintenance cleaning as long as the unit meets the exemption set forth in Section 118.4. The facility may also perform solvent cleaning and preparation using aerosol cans meeting the exemption set forth in Section 118.10. Any solvent usage exceeding the amounts in Section 118 would require a permit. In addition, any solvent usage in excess of a toxic air contaminant trigger level contained in Regulation 2, Rule 5 would require a permit.

**Regulation 9: Inorganic Gaseous Pollutants**

Regulation 9, Rule 1, Sulfur Dioxide
This regulation establishes emission limits for sulfur dioxide from all sources and applies to the combustion sources at this facility. Section 301 (Limitations on Ground Level Concentrations) prohibits emissions which would result in ground level $SO_2$ concentrations in excess of 0.5 ppm continuously for 3 consecutive minutes, 0.25 ppm averaged over 60 consecutive minutes, or 0.05 ppm averaged over 24 hours. Section 302 (General Emission Limitation) prohibits $SO_2$ emissions in excess of 300 ppmv (dry). With maximum projected $SO_2$ emissions of < 1 ppmv, the gas turbines and natural gas fired preheaters are not expected to cause ground level $SO_2$ concentrations in excess of the limits specified in Section 301 and should easily comply with Section 302.
Regulation 9, Rule 7, Nitrogen Oxides and Carbon Monoxide from Industrial, Institutional, and Commercial Boilers, Steam Generators, and Process Heaters
The simple-cycle gas turbines are not subject to Regulation 9, Rule 7 requirements.
The natural gas fired preheaters are subject to Regulation 9, Rule 7 requirements. The preheaters are expected to comply with the $NO_x$ emission limit of 30 ppm @ 3% $O_2$ contained in Section 301.1.




The preheaters are expected to comply with the $NO_x$ emission limit of 30 ppm @ 3% $O_2$ and the

CO emission limit of 400 ppm @ 3% $O_2$ contained in Section 307.1. The preheaters are required to comply with this limit as specified in the compliance schedule contained in Section 308. The preheaters will meet the emission limits of Section 307.1 upon startup and will satisfy the schedule requirements contained in Section 308 (January 1, 2011 is the earliest effective date). The preheaters are not subject to Sections 311 and 312.

The preheaters will be required to meet the tune up requirements of Section 313, the registration requirements of 404, and the demonstration of compliance with emission standards contained in Section 405. The facility is expected to meet the recordkeeping requirements contained in Section 503 and follow the tune-up procedures contained in Section 604.

Regulation 9, Rule 9, Nitrogen Oxides from Stationary Gas Turbines

Because each of the combustion gas turbines will be limited by permit condition to $NO_x$ emissions of 2.5 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$, respectively, they will comply with the $NO_x$ limitation in Section 301.2 of 5 ppmvd @ 15% $O_2$ or 0.15 lb/MW-hr.

**9.2 Regulation 10: Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources**

Generally Regulation 10 incorporates by reference the provisions of Title 40 CFR Part 60. However, the District has not sought delegation of the New Source Performance Standard (NSPS) contained in Subpart KKKK. Subpart KKKK "Standards of Performance for Stationary Gas Turbines" applies to this facility. The gas turbines will comply with all applicable standards and limits required by these regulations. The applicable emission limitations are summarized below:

**TABLE 25. NEW SOURCE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR SIMPLE-CYCLE GAS TURBINES**

**Source Requirement Emission Limitation Compliance Demonstration**

Gas
Turbines
Subpart KKKK 0.43 lb $NO_x$/MW-hr, or
15 ppm $NO_x$ as $NO_2$ @ 15%$O_2$;
0.9 lb $SO_2$/MW-hr, or
0.06 lb $SO_2$/MMBtu maximum
No CO limit in Subpart KKKK
No PM limit in Subpart KKKK
2.5 ppm $NO_x$ as $NO_2$ @ 15%$O_2$
Permit Limit;
0.0028 lb/MMBtu of $SO_2$ Permit
Limit

**40 CFR Part 60 Subpart KKKK**

Section 60.4375 requires submittal of reports of excess emissions and monitoring of downtime for all periods of unit operation, including startup, shutdown, and malfunction. The applicant is expected to maintain adequate records for Subpart KKKK reporting requirements. The gas turbines will be equipped with continuous emissions monitors for $NO_x$. An annual $NO_x$ emission



test will not be required for Subpart KKKK as long as a compliant CEM is used to monitor emissions.

No sulfur content monitoring of the natural gas is required by Subpart KKKK if the facility demonstrates the fuel meets the sulfur content requirements contained in Section 60.4365 using the information required by Section 60.4365(a).

**40 CFR Part 63 Subpart YYYY**

Subpart YYYY contains the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs) for Stationary Combustion Turbines. This regulation has been stayed (Federal Register; April 7, 2004, Volume 69, Number 67) for a combustion turbine that is a lean premix gas fired unit or a diffusion flame gas fired unit.

The emissions standards contained in Subpart YYYY have been stayed for natural gas fired combustion turbines. If a gas fired combustion turbine was subject to Subpart YYYY, then it would still need to comply with the Initial Notification requirements in Section 63.6145.

Subpart YYYY does not apply to the Marsh Landing gas turbines since the facility is not a major source of Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs). The Marsh Landing emits less than the major HAP thresholds of 10 tons/year of any single HAP, or 25 tons/year of aggregate HAP. Please note that ammonia and sulfuric acid are not considered HAPs.

**9.3 State Requirements**

The proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station will be subject to the Air Toxic "Hot Spots" Program contained in the California Health and Safety Code Section 44300 et seq. The facility will be required to prepare inventory plans and reports as required.

**9.4 Greenhouse Gases**

Climate change poses a significant risk to the Bay Area with such impacts such as rising sea levels, reduced runoff from snow pack in the Sierra Nevada, increased air pollution, impacts to agriculture, increased energy consumption, and adverse changes to sensitive ecosystems. The generation of electricity from burning natural gas produces air emissions known as greenhouse gases (GHGs) in addition to the criteria air pollutants. GHGs are known to contribute to the warming of the earth's atmosphere. These include primarily carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide ($N_2O$, not NO or $NO_2$, which are commonly known as $NO_x$ or oxides of nitrogen), and methane (unburned natural gas). Also included are sulfur hexafluoride (SF6) from transformers, and hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) and perfluorocarbons (PFCs) from refrigeration/chillers.

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB32) requires the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to adopt a statewide GHG emissions limit equivalent to the statewide GHG emissions levels in 1990 to be achieved by 2020. To achieve this, ARB has a mandate to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective GHG emission reductions.



The ARB is expected to adopt early action GHG reduction measures in the near future to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 2020. ARB has adopted regulations requiring mandatory GHG emissions reporting. The facility is expected to report all GHG emissions to meet ARB requirements.

The facility will also be required to report GHG emissions to CARB, the District, and US EPA. In 2008, the District placed a fee on GHG emissions from large stationary sources of GHGs. The GHG emissions estimates for Marsh Landing are shown below.



**TABLE 26. MARSH LANDING GHG EMISSIONS**

Fuel Usage Emission Factor Emission Factor Emission Factor GHG Global Warming CO2 equivalents
GHG MMBtu/year (kg CO2/MMBtu) (g CH4/MMBtu) (g N2O/MMBtu) (metric tons/year) Potential (metric tons/year)

Gas Turbines
CO2 13994976 52.87 739914 1 739914.4
CH4 13994976 0.9 12.60 21 264.5
N2O 13994976 0.1 1.40 310 433.8
Fuel Gas Preheaters
CO2 17520 52.87 926 1 926.3
CH4 17520 0.9 0.02 21 0.3
N2O 17520 0.1 0.00 310 0.5
Circuit Breakers
SF6 0.001160 23,900 27.7
Total 741540
Emission Factors from REGULATION FOR THE MANDATORY REPORTING OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, Appendix A
Title 17 California Code of Regulations, Subchapter 10 Article 2, Sections 95100 to 95133
CO2 Emission Factor from Table 4 Appendix A-6 for Natural Gas with a heat content between 1000 Btu/scf and 1025 Btu/scf
CH4 Emission Factor from Table 6 Appendix A-9
N2O Emission Factor from Table 6 Appendix A-9
Global Warming Potentials from Table 2 Appendix A-4
Applicant estimates SF6 emissions for 6 circuit breakers at 0.425 lb/yr per unit (based on 0.5% leak rate for 85 lb SF6 per unit)
Each SF6 circuit breaker would be equipped with leak detection to minimize emissions.
SF6 = 6 x 0.425 lb/year per unit = 2.55 lb/year of SF6, 1.16 kg/year, 0.00116 metric tons/year of SF6




Marsh Landing has the potential to emit 741,540 metric tons/year of $CO_2$ equivalents using the ARB Mandatory Reporting Rule calculation methodology.

The Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines will have a gross electrical efficiency of 37.8% at 59ºF and a relative humidity of 60%.[49] The Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines will have a heat rate of 9,050 (LHV) Btu/KW-hr at 59ºF and a relative humidity of 60% (See Appendix D pg. 3, Case 10).

The EPA Administrator has recently stated that by April of 2010, the Administrator will take actions to ensure that no stationary sources will be required to get a Clean Air Act permit to cover GHG emissions in calendar year 2010.[50] In addition, in the first half of 2011, only sources required by non-GHG emissions to obtain a permit under the Clean Air Act will need to address their GHG emission in their permit applications. Therefore, the Marsh Landing Generating Station is not required to address GHG emissions under the Clean Air Act at this time.

As the lead agency under the CEQA-equivalent process, the CEC will be required to quantify and assess GHG emissions from the Marsh Landing Generating Station to evaluate the facility's compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations and standards, and the potential impacts and benefits associated with adding Marsh Landing Generating Station to the electricity system.

**9.5 Environmental Justice**

The District is committed to implementing its permit programs in a manner that is fair and equitable to all Bay Area residents regardless of age, culture, ethnicity, gender, race, socioeconomic status, or geographic location in order to protect against the health effects of air pollution. The District has worked to fulfill this commitment in the current permitting action. The emissions from the proposed project will not cause or contribute to any significant public health impacts in the community. As described in detail above, the District has undertaken a detailed review of the potential public health impacts of the emissions authorized under the proposed permitting action, and has found that they will involve no significant public health

risks. The District has found that the maximum lifetime cancer risk associated with the facility is 0.03 in one million, and that the maximum chronic Hazard Index would be 0.003 and the maximum acute Hazard Index would be 0.3. These risk levels are far below what the District, EPA, or any other public health agency considers to be significant. The District anticipates that there will be no significant impacts due to air emissions related to the Marsh Landing after all of the mitigations required by District Rules and the California Energy Commission are implemented. The District does not anticipate an adverse impact on any community due to air emissions from the Marsh Landing and therefore there is no disparate adverse impact on any Environmental Justice community located near the facility.

[49] See email dated 2/22/10 from John Lague of URS to Brian Lusher of BAAQMD ( 022210 Email from Lague to Lusher.pdf).

[50] Letter dated February 22, 2010 from Lisa Jackson to Senator Rockefeller, Letter summarizes EPA proposals on regulating green house gases.



# 10. Proposed Permit Conditions

The District is proposing the following permit conditions to ensure that the project complies with all applicable District, state, and federal Regulations. The proposed conditions would limit operational parameters such as fuel use, stack gas emission concentrations, and mass emission rates. The permit conditions specify abatement device operation and performance levels. To aid enforcement efforts, conditions specifying emission monitoring, source testing, and record keeping requirements are included. Furthermore, pollutant mass emission limits (in units of lb/hr and lb/MMBtu of natural gas fired) will insure that daily and annual emission rate limitations are not exceeded.

To provide maximum operational flexibility, no limitations are being proposed on the type or quantity of gas turbine start-ups or shutdowns. Instead, the facility would be required to comply with daily and annual (consecutive twelve-month) mass emission limits at all times. Compliance with CO and $NO_x$ limitations would be verified by continuous emission monitors (CEMs) that will be in operation during all turbine operating modes, including start-up, shutdown, combustor tuning, and transient conditions. Compliance with POC, $SO_2$, and $PM_{10}$ mass emission limits would be verified by annual source testing.

In addition to permit conditions that apply to steady-state operation of each gas turbine power train, the District is proposing conditions that govern equipment operation during the initial commissioning period when the gas turbine power trains will operate without their SCR systems and/or oxidation catalysts in place. Commissioning activities include, but are not limited to, the testing of the gas turbines, and adjustment of control systems. Parts 1 through 10 of the proposed permit conditions for the simple-cycle gas turbines apply to this commissioning period and are intended to minimize emissions during the commissioning period.



## Proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station Permit Conditions

**Definitions:**

Hour Any continuous 60-minute period

Clock Hour: Any continuous 60-minute period beginning on the hour

Calendar Day: Any continuous 24-hour period beginning at 12:00 AM or 0000

hours
Year: Any consecutive twelve-month period of time
Rolling 3-hour period: Any consecutive three-clock hour period, not including start-up or shutdown periods
Heat Input: All heat inputs refer to the heat input at the higher heating value (HHV) of the fuel, in BTU/scf
Firing Hours: Period of time during which fuel is flowing to a unit, measured in minutes
MMBtu: million British thermal units
Gas Turbine
Start-up Mode: The lesser of the first 30 minutes of continuous fuel flow to the Gas Turbine after fuel flow is initiated or the period of time from Gas Turbine fuel flow initiation until the Gas Turbine achieves two consecutive CEM data points in compliance with the emission concentration limits of conditions 17(b) and 17(d).
Gas Turbine Shutdown Mode: The lesser of the 15 minute period immediately prior to the termination of fuel flow to the Gas Turbine or the period of time from non-compliance with any requirement listed in Conditions 17(b) and 17(d) until termination of fuel flow to the Gas Turbine
Gas Turbine Combustor
Tuning Mode: The period of time, not to exceed 8 hours, in which testing, adjustment, tuning, and calibration operations are performed, as recommended by the gas turbine manufacturer, to insure safe and reliable steady-state operation, and to minimize $NO_x$ and CO emissions. The SCR and oxidation catalyst are not operating at their design control effectiveness during the tuning operation.
Transient Hour: A transient hour is any clock hour during which the change in gross electrical output produced by the gas turbine exceeds 25 MW per minute for one minute or longer during any period that is not part of a startup, shutdown, or combustor tuning period.
Specified PAHs: The polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons listed below shall be considered to be Specified PAHs for these permit conditions. Any emission limits for Specified PAHs refer to the sum of the emissions for all six of the following compounds
Benzo[a]anthracene
Benzo[b]fluoranthene
Benzo[k]fluoranthene
Benzo[a]pyrene
Dibenzo[a,h]anthracene

Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene
Corrected Concentration: The concentration of any pollutant (generally $NO_x$, CO, or $NH_3$) corrected to a standard stack gas oxygen concentration. For emission points P-1 (exhaust of S-1 Gas Turbine), P-2 (exhaust of S-2 Gas Turbine) P-3 (exhaust of S-3 Gas Turbine), P-4 (exhaust of

S-4 Gas Turbine), the standard stack gas oxygen concentration is
15% $O_2$ by volume on a dry basis
Commissioning Activities: All testing, adjustment, tuning, and calibration activities recommended by the equipment manufacturers and the MLGS construction contractor to insure safe and reliable steady-state operation of the gas turbines, heat recovery steam generators, steam turbine, and associated electrical delivery systems during the commissioning period
Commissioning Period: The Period shall commence when all mechanical, electrical, and control systems are installed and individual system start-up has been completed, or when a gas turbine is first fired, whichever occurs first. The period shall terminate when the plant has completed performance testing, is available for commercial operation, and has initiated sales to the power exchange.
Precursor Organic
Compounds (POCs): Any compound of carbon, excluding methane, ethane, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, carbonic acid, metallic carbides or carbonates, and ammonium carbonate
CEC CPM: California Energy Commission Compliance Program Manager
MLGS: Marsh Landing Generating Station
Total Particulate Matter The sum of all filterable and all condensable particulate matter.

## SGT6-5000F Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines

**Applicability:**

Parts 1 through 10 of this condition shall only apply during the commissioning period as defined above. Unless otherwise indicated, Parts 11 through 40 of this condition shall apply after the commissioning period has ended.

**Conditions for the Commissioning Period for SGT6-5000F Gas Turbines**

1. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall minimize emissions of carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides from S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 Gas Turbines to the maximum extent possible during the commissioning period. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)
2. At the earliest feasible opportunity in accordance with the recommendations of the equipment manufacturers and the construction contractor, the owner/operator shall tune the S-1, S-2, S-3




and S-4 Gas Turbines combustors to minimize the emissions of carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)
3. At the earliest feasible opportunity in accordance with the recommendations of the equipment manufacturers and the construction contractor, the owner/operator shall install, adjust, and operate the A-1, A-3, A-5 and A-7 Oxidation Catalysts and A-2, A-4, A-6 and A-8 SCR Systems to minimize the emissions of carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides from S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 Gas Turbines. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)
4. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall submit a plan to the District Engineering Division and the CEC CPM at least four weeks prior to first firing of S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 Gas Turbines describing the procedures to be followed during the commissioning of the gas turbines. The plan shall include a description of each commissioning activity, the anticipated duration of each activity in hours, and the purpose of the activity. The activities described shall include, but not

be limited to, the tuning of the Dry-Low-$NO_x$ combustors, the installation and operation of the required emission control systems, the installation, calibration, and testing of the CO and $NO_x$ continuous emission monitors, and any activities requiring the firing of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3 & S-4) without abatement by their respective oxidation catalysts and/or SCR Systems. The owner/operator shall not fire any of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3 or S-4) sooner than 28 days after the District receives the commissioning plan. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

5. During the commissioning period, the owner/operator of the MLGS shall demonstrate compliance with Parts 7, 8, 9, and 10 through the use of properly operated and maintained continuous emission monitors and data recorders for the following parameters and emission concentrations:

firing hours
fuel flow rates
stack gas nitrogen oxide emission concentrations,
stack gas carbon monoxide emission concentrations
stack gas oxygen concentrations.

The monitored parameters shall be recorded at least once every 15 minutes (excluding normal calibration periods or when the monitored source is not in operation) for the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4). The owner/operator shall use District-approved methods to calculate heat input rates, nitrogen dioxide mass emission rates, carbon monoxide mass emission rates, and $NO_x$ and CO emission concentrations, summarized for each clock hour and each calendar day. The owner/operator shall retain records on site for at least 5 years from the date of entry and make such records available to District personnel upon request. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

6. The owner/operator shall install, calibrate, and operate the District-approved continuous monitors specified in Part 5 prior to first firing of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4). After first firing of the turbines, the owner/operator shall adjust the detection range of these continuous emission monitors as necessary to accurately measure the resulting range of CO and $NO_x$ emission concentrations. The type, specifications, and location of these monitors shall be subject to District review and approval. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)



7. The owner/operator shall not fire S-1, S-2, S-3, or S-4 Gas Turbine without abatement of nitrogen oxide emissions by the corresponding SCR System A-2, A-4, A-6, or A-8 and/or abatement of carbon monoxide emissions by the corresponding Oxidation Catalyst A-1, A-3, A-5, or A-7 for more than 232 hours during the commissioning period. Such operation of any Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4) without abatement shall be limited to discrete commissioning activities that can only be properly executed without the SCR system and/or oxidation catalyst in place. Upon completion of these activities, the owner/operator shall provide written notice to the District Engineering and Enforcement Divisions and the unused balance of the 232 firing hours without abatement shall expire. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)

8. The total mass emissions of nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, precursor organic compounds, $PM_{10}$, and sulfur dioxide that are emitted by the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) during the commissioning period shall accrue towards the consecutive twelve-month emission limitations specified in Part 22. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)

9. The owner/ operator shall not operate the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) in a manner

such
that the pollutant emissions from each gas turbine will exceed the following limits during the commissioning period. These emission limits shall include emissions resulting from the start-up and shutdown of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4). (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409)

$NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) 3,063 pounds per calendar day 188 pounds per hour
CO 33,922 pounds per calendar day 2,405 pounds per hour
POC (as $CH_4$) 2,008 pounds per calendar day
$PM_{10}$ 235 pounds per calendar day
$SO_2$ 149 pounds per calendar day

10. Within 90 days after startup, the Owner/Operator shall conduct District and CEC approved source tests to determine compliance with the emission limitations specified in Part 17. The source tests shall determine $NO_x$, CO, and POC emissions during start-up and shutdown of the gas turbines. The POC emissions shall be analyzed for methane and ethane to account for the presence of unburned natural gas. The source test shall include a minimum of three start-up and three shutdown periods. Thirty working days before the execution of the source tests, the Owner/Operator shall submit to the District and the CEC Compliance Program Manager (CPM) a detailed source test plan designed to satisfy the requirements of this Part. The District and the CEC CPM will notify the Owner/Operator of any necessary modifications to the plan within 20 working days of receipt of the plan; otherwise, the plan shall be deemed approved. The Owner/Operator shall incorporate the District and CEC CPM comments into the test plan. The Owner/Operator shall notify the District and the CEC CPM within seven (7) working days prior to the planned source testing date. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of the source testing date. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)



**Conditions for the SGT6-5000F Simple-Cycle Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4)**

11. The owner/operator shall fire the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) exclusively on PUCregulated
natural gas with a maximum sulfur content of 1 grain per 100 standard cubic feet. To demonstrate compliance with this limit, the operator of S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 shall sample and analyze the gas from each supply source at least monthly to determine the sulfur content of the gas. PG&E monthly sulfur data may be used provided that such data can be demonstrated to be representative of the gas delivered to the MLGS. (Basis: BACT for $SO_2$ and $PM_{10}$)

12. The owner/operator shall not operate the units such that the heat input rate to each Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) exceeds 2,202 MMBtu (HHV) per hour. (Basis: BACT for $NO_x$)

13. The owner/operator shall not operate the units such that the heat input rate to each Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) exceeds 52,848 MMBtu (HHV) per day. (Basis: Cumulative Increase for $PM_{10}$)

14. The owner/operator shall not operate the units such that the combined cumulative heat input rate for the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) exceeds 13,994,976 MMBtu (HHV) per year. (Basis: Offsets)

15. The owner operator shall not operate S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 such that the combined hours for all

four units exceeds 7,008 hours per year (excluding operations necessary for maintenance, tuning, and testing). (Basis: Offsets, Cumulative Increase)

16. The owner/operator shall ensure that the each Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4) is abated by the properly operated and properly maintained Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) System A-2, A-4, A-6 or A-8 and Oxidation Catalyst System A-1, A-3, A-5, or A-7 whenever fuel is combusted at those sources and the corresponding SCR catalyst bed (A-2, A-4, A-6 or A-8) has reached minimum operating temperature. (Basis: BACT for $NO_x$, POC and CO)

17. The owner/operator shall ensure that the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4) comply with requirements (a) through (j). Requirements (a) through (f) do not apply during a gas turbine start-up, combustor tuning operation or shutdown. (Basis: BACT and Regulation 2, Rule 5)

a) Nitrogen oxide mass emissions (calculated as $NO_2$) at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 (exhaust point for S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 Gas Turbine after abatement by A-2, A-4, A-6 and A-8 SCR System) shall not exceed 20.83 pounds per hour or 0.00946 lb/MMBtu (HHV) of natural gas fired. Limits are averaged over one hour except during transient hours where a 3-clock hour average is calculated as the average of the transient hour, the clock hour immediately prior to the transient hour and the clock hour immediately following the transient hour. (Basis: BACT for $NO_x$)

b) The nitrogen oxide emission concentration at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4 shall not exceed 2.5 ppmv, on a dry basis, corrected to 15% $O_2$, averaged over any 1-hour period except during periods with a transient hour. Limits are averaged over one hour except during transient hours where a 3-clock hour average is calculated as the





average of the transient hour, the clock hour immediately prior to the transient hour and the clock hour immediately following the transient hour. (Basis: BACT for $NO_x$)

c) Carbon monoxide mass emissions at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 10.0 pounds per hour or 0.00454 lb/MMBtu of natural gas fired, averaged over any 1-hour period. (Basis: BACT for CO)

d) The carbon monoxide emission concentration at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 2.0 ppmv, on a dry basis, corrected to 15% $O_2$ averaged over any 1-hour period. (Basis: BACT for CO)

e) Ammonia ($NH_3$) emission concentrations at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 10 ppmv, on a dry basis, corrected to 15% $O_2$, averaged over any rolling 3-hour period. This ammonia emission concentration shall be verified by the continuous recording of the ammonia injection rate to each SCR System A-2, A-4, A-6, and A-8. The correlation between the gas turbine heat input rates, A-2, A-4, A-6, and A-8 SCR System ammonia injection rates, and corresponding ammonia emission concentration at emission points P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4 shall be determined in accordance with Part 27 or District approved alternative method. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)

f) Precursor organic compound (POC) mass emissions (as $CH_4$) at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 2.9 pounds per hour or 0.00132 lb/MMBtu of natural gas fired. (Basis: BACT for POC)

g) Sulfur dioxide ($SO_2$) mass emissions at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 6.21 pounds per hour or 0.0028 lb/MMBtu of natural gas fired. (Basis: BACT for $SO_2$)

h) Particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter equal to or less than 10 microns ($PM_{10}$)

mass emissions at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 9.0 pounds per hour. (Basis: BACT for $PM_{10}$)

i) Total particulate matter mass emissions at each exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, and P-4 shall not exceed 9.0 pounds per hour. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

18. The owner/operator shall ensure that the regulated air pollutant mass emission rates from each of the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4) during a start-up or shutdown does not exceed the limits established below. Startups shall not exceed 30 minutes. Shutdowns shall not exceed 15 minutes. (Basis: BACT Limit for Non-Normal Operation)

| **Maximum Emissions Per Startup** | **Maximum Emissions During Hour Containing a Startup** | **Maximum Emissions Per Shutdown** |
|---|---|---|
| **Pollutant** | | |
| **(lb/startup)** | **(lb/hour)** | **(lb/shutdown)** |
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 18.6 | 45.1 | 13.1 |
| CO | 216.2 | 541.3 | 111.5 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 11.9 | 28.5 | 5.4 |



19. The owner/operator shall not perform combustor tuning on each Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, or S-4) more than twice every consecutive 12 month period. Each tuning event shall not exceed 8 hours. Combustor tuning shall only be performed on one gas turbine per day. The owner/operator shall notify the District no later than 7 days prior to combustor tuning activity. The emissions during combustor tuning from each gas turbine shall not exceed the limits established below. (Basis: Offsets, Cumulative Increase)

| **Combustor Tuning** | |
|---|---|
| **Pollutant** | **lb/hour** |
| $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) | 80 |
| CO | 450 |
| POC (as $CH_4$) | 30 |

20. The owner/operator shall not allow total combined emissions from the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4), including emissions generated during gas turbine start-ups, and shutdowns to exceed the following limits during any calendar day (except for days during which combustor tuning events occur, which are subject to Paragraph 21 below):

(a) 2,309 pounds of $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)

(b) 4,858 pounds of CO per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)

(c) 476 pounds of POC (as $CH_4$) per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
(d) 864 pounds of $PM_{10}$ per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
(e) 596 pounds of $SO_2$ per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
21. The owner/operator shall not allow total combined emissions from the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4), including emissions generated during gas turbine start-ups, shutdowns, and combustor tuning events to exceed the following limits during any calendar day on which a tuning event occurs:
(a) 2,783 pounds of $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
(b) 8,378 pounds of CO per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
(c) 693 pounds of POC (as $CH_4$) per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
(d) 864 pounds of $PM_{10}$ per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
(e) 596 pounds of $SO_2$ per day (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
22. The owner/operator shall not allow cumulative combined emissions from the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4), including emissions generated during gas turbine start-ups, combustor tuning, shutdowns, and malfunctions to exceed the following limits during any consecutive twelve-month period:
(a) 71.76 tons of $NO_x$ (as $NO_2$) per year (Basis: Offsets)
(b) 138.57 tons of CO per year (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
(c) 14.21 tons of POC (as $CH_4$) per year (Basis: Offsets)
(d) 31.54 tons of $PM_{10}$ per year (Basis: Cumulative Increase)
(e) 4.94 tons of $SO_2$ per year (Basis: Cumulative Increase)


23. The owner/operator shall not allow the maximum projected annual toxic air contaminant emissions (per Part 26) from the Gas Turbines (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4) combined to exceed the following limits:
formaldehyde 7,785 pounds per year
benzene 202 pounds per year
Specified polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) 1.98 pounds per year
unless the following requirement is satisfied:
The owner/operator shall perform a health risk assessment to determine the total facility risk using the emission rates determined by source testing and the most current Bay Area Air Quality Management District approved procedures and unit risk factors in effect at the time of the analysis. The owner/operator shall submit the risk analysis to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of the source test date. The owner/operator may request that the District and the CEC CPM revise the carcinogenic compound emission limits specified above. If the owner/operator demonstrates to the satisfaction of the APCO that these revised emission limits will not result in a significant cancer risk, the District and the CEC CPM may, at their discretion, adjust the carcinogenic compound emission limits listed above. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)
24. The owner/operator shall demonstrate compliance with Parts 12 through 15, 17(a) through 17(e),
18 ($NO_x$, and CO limits), 19 ($NO_x$ and CO limits), 20(a), 20(b), 21(a), 21(b), 22(a) and 22(b) by using properly operated and maintained continuous monitors (during all hours of operation including gas turbine start-up, combustor tuning, and shutdown periods). The owner/operator shall monitor for all of the following parameters:

(a) Firing Hours and Fuel Flow Rates for each of the following sources: S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4
(b) Oxygen ($O_2$) concentration, Nitrogen Oxides ($NO_x$) concentration, and carbon monoxide (CO) concentration at exhaust points P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4.
(c) Ammonia injection rate at A-2, A-4, A-6 and A-8 SCR Systems
The owner/operator shall record all of the above parameters at least every 15 minutes (excluding normal calibration periods) and shall summarize all of the above parameters for each clock hour. For each calendar day, the owner/operator shall calculate and record the total firing hours, the average hourly fuel flow rates, and pollutant emission concentrations. The owner/operator shall use the parameters measured above and District-approved calculation methods to calculate the following parameters:
(d) Heat Input Rate for each of the following sources: S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4
(e) Corrected $NO_x$ concentration, $NO_x$ mass emission rate (as $NO_2$), corrected CO concentration, and CO mass emission rate at each of the following exhaust points: P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4.


For each source, exhaust point, the owner/operator shall record the parameters specified in Parts 24(d) and 24(e) at least once every 15 minutes (excluding normal calibration periods). As specified below, the owner/operator shall calculate and record the following data:
(f) total Heat Input Rate for every clock hour and the average hourly Heat Input Rate for every rolling 3-hour period.
(g) on an hourly basis, the cumulative total Heat Input Rate for each calendar day for the following: each Gas Turbine and for S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 combined.
(h) the average $NO_x$ mass emission rate (as $NO_2$), CO mass emission rate, and corrected $NO_x$ and CO emission concentrations for every clock hour.
(i) on an hourly basis, the cumulative total $NO_x$ mass emissions (as $NO_2$) and the cumulative total CO mass emissions, for each calendar day for the following: each Gas Turbine and for S-1, S-2, S-3 and S-4 combined.
(j) For each calendar day, the average hourly Heat Input Rates, corrected $NO_x$ emission concentration, $NO_x$ mass emission rate (as $NO_2$), corrected CO emission concentration, and CO mass emission rate for each Gas Turbine.
(k) on a monthly basis, the cumulative total $NO_x$ mass emissions (as $NO_2$) and cumulative total CO mass emissions, for the previous consecutive twelve month period for sources S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 combined.
(Basis: 1-520.1, 9-9-501, BACT, Offsets, NSPS, Cumulative Increase)
25. To demonstrate compliance with Parts 17(f), 17(g), 17(h), 17(i), 17(j), 20(c), 20(d), 20(e), 21(c),
21(d), 21(e), 22(c), 22(d), 22(e), the owner/operator shall calculate and record on a daily basis, the precursor organic compound (POC) mass emissions, fine particulate matter ($PM_{10}$) mass emissions (including condensable particulate matter), and sulfur dioxide ($SO_2$) mass emissions from each power train. The owner/operator shall use the actual heat input rates measured pursuant to Part 24, actual Gas Turbine start-up times, actual Gas Turbine shutdown times, and CEC and District-approved emission factors developed pursuant to source testing under Part 28 to calculate these emissions. The owner/operator shall present the calculated emissions in the following format:

(a) For each calendar day, POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_2$ emissions, summarized for each power train (Gas Turbine) and S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 combined
(b) on a monthly basis, the cumulative total POC, $PM_{10}$, and $SO_2$ mass emissions, for each year for S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 combined.
(Basis: Offsets, Cumulative Increase)
26. To demonstrate compliance with Part 23, the owner/operator shall calculate and record on an annual basis the maximum projected annual emissions of: Formaldehyde, Benzene, and Specified PAH's. The owner/operator shall calculate the maximum projected annual emissions using the maximum annual heat input rate of 13,994,976 MMBtu/year for S-1, S-2, S-3, and S-4 combined and the highest emission factor (pounds of pollutant per MMBtu of heat input) determined by the most recent of any source test of the S-1, S-2, S-3, or S-4 Gas Turbines. If the highest emission factor for a given pollutant occurs during minimum-load turbine operation, a reduced annual heat input rate may be utilized to calculate the maximum projected annual emissions to reflect the reduced heat input rates during gas turbine start-up and minimum-load operation. The reduced annual heat input rate shall be subject to District review and approval. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)


27. Within 90 days of start-up of each of the MLGS SGT6-5000F units, the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on exhaust point P-1, P-2, P-3, or P-4 to determine the corrected ammonia ($NH_3$) emission concentration to determine compliance with Part 17(e). The source test shall determine the correlation between the heat input rates of the gas turbine, A-2, A-4, A-6, or A-8 SCR System ammonia injection rate, and the corresponding $NH_3$ emission concentration at emission point P-1, P-2, P-3, or P-4. The source test shall be conducted over the expected operating range of the turbine (including, but not limited to, minimum and full load modes) to establish the range of ammonia injection rates necessary to achieve $NO_x$ emission reductions while maintaining ammonia slip levels. The owner/operator shall repeat the source testing on an annual basis thereafter. Ongoing compliance with Part 17(e) shall be demonstrated through calculations of corrected ammonia concentrations based upon the source test correlation and continuous records of ammonia injection rate. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of conducting the tests. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)
28. Within 90 days of start-up of each of the MLGS SGT6-5000F units and on an annual basis thereafter, the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on exhaust points P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4 while each Gas Turbine is operating at maximum load to determine compliance with Parts 17(a), 17(b), 17(c), 17(d), 17(f), 17(g), 17(h), 17(i) and 17(j) and while each Gas Turbine is operating at minimum load to determine compliance with Parts 17(c), and 17(d) and to verify the accuracy of the continuous emission monitors required in Part 24. The owner/operator shall test for (as a minimum): water content, stack gas flow rate, oxygen concentration, precursor organic compound concentration and mass emissions, nitrogen oxide concentration and mass emissions (as $NO_2$), carbon monoxide concentration and mass emissions, sulfur dioxide concentration and mass emissions, methane, ethane, and total particulate matter emissions including condensable particulate matter. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of conducting the tests. (Basis: BACT, Offsets)
29. The owner/operator shall obtain approval for all source test procedures from the District's

Source Test Section and the CEC CPM prior to conducting any tests. The owner/operator shall comply with all applicable testing requirements for continuous emission monitors as specified in Volume V of the District's Manual of Procedures. The owner/operator shall notify the District's Source Test Section and the CEC CPM in writing of the source test protocols and projected test dates at least 7 days prior to the testing date(s). As indicated above, the Owner/Operator shall measure the contribution of condensable PM (back half) to any measurement of the total particulate matter or $PM_{10}$ emissions. However, the Owner/Operator may propose alternative measuring techniques to measure condensable PM such as the use of a dilution tunnel or other appropriate method used to capture semi-volatile organic compounds. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of conducting the tests. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

30. Within 90 days of start-up of each of the MLGS SGT6-5000F gas turbines and on a biennial basis (once every two years) thereafter, the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on one of the following exhaust points P-1, P-2, P-3 or P-4 while the Gas Turbine





is operating at maximum allowable operating rates to demonstrate compliance with Part 23. The owner/operator shall also test the gas turbine while it is operating at minimum load. If three consecutive biennial source tests demonstrate that the annual emission rates calculated pursuant to Part 26 for any of the compounds listed below are less than the BAAQMD trigger levels, pursuant to Regulation 2, Rule 5, shown, then the owner/operator may discontinue future testing for that pollutant:

Benzene = 3.8 pounds/year and 2.9 pounds/hour
Formaldehyde < 18 pounds/year and 0.12 pounds/hour
Specified PAHs = 0.0069 pounds/year
(Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)

31. The owner/operator shall calculate the sulfuric acid mist (SAM) emission rate using the total heat input for the sources and the highest results of any source testing conducted pursuant to Part 32. If this SAM mass emission limit of Part 33 is exceeded, the owner/operator must utilize air dispersion modeling to determine the impact (in $\mu g/m^3$) of the sulfuric acid mist emissions pursuant to Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 306. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 306)

32. Within 90 days of start-up of each of the MLGS SGT6-5000F gas turbines and on an annual basis thereafter, the owner/operator shall conduct a District-approved source test on two of the four exhaust points P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4 while each gas turbine is operating at maximum heat input rates to demonstrate compliance with the SAM emission rates specified in Part 33. The owner/operator shall test for (as a minimum) $SO_2$, $SO_3$, and $H_2SO_4$. The owner/operator shall submit the source test results to the District and the CEC CPM within 60 days of conducting the tests. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 306, and Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

33. The owner/operator shall not allow sulfuric acid emissions (SAM) from stacks P-1, P-2, P-3, P-4
combined to exceed 7 tons in any consecutive 12 month period. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 306, and Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 419)

34. The owner/operator shall ensure that the stack height of emission points P-1, P-2, P-3 and P-4 is
each at least 165 feet above grade level at the stack base. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 5)

35. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall submit all reports (including, but not limited to

monthly
CEM reports, monitor breakdown reports, emission excess reports, equipment breakdown reports, etc.) as required by District Rules or Regulations and in accordance with all procedures and time limits specified in the Rule, Regulation, Manual of Procedures, or Enforcement Division Policies & Procedures Manual. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 403)
36. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall maintain all records and reports on site for a minimum of
5 years. These records shall include but are not limited to: continuous monitoring records (firing hours, fuel flows, emission rates, monitor excesses, breakdowns, etc.), source test and analytical records, natural gas sulfur content analysis results, emission calculation records, records of plant upsets and related incidents. The owner/operator shall make all records and reports available to District and the CEC CPM staff upon request. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 403, Regulation 2, Rule 6, Section 501)


37. The owner/operator of the MLGS shall notify the District and the CEC CPM of any violations of
these permit conditions. Notification shall be submitted in a timely manner, in accordance with all applicable District Rules, Regulations, and the Manual of Procedures. Notwithstanding the notification and reporting requirements given in any District Rule, Regulation, or the Manual of Procedures, the owner/operator shall submit written notification (facsimile is acceptable) to the Enforcement Division within 96 hours of the violation of any permit condition. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 403)
38. The Owner/Operator of MLGS shall provide adequate stack sampling ports and platforms to enable the performance of source testing. The location and configuration of the stack sampling ports shall comply with the District Manual of Procedures, Volume IV, Source Test Policy and Procedures, and shall be subject to BAAQMD review and approval, except that the facility shall provide four sampling ports that are at least 6 inches in diameter in the same plane of each gas turbine stack (P-1, P-2, P-3, P-4). (Basis: Regulation 1, Section 501)
39. Within 180 days of the issuance of the Authority to Construct for the MLGS, the Owner/Operator shall contact the BAAQMD Technical Services Division regarding requirements for the continuous emission monitors, sampling ports, platforms, and source tests required by Parts 10, 27, 28, 30 and 32. The owner/operator shall conduct all source testing and monitoring in accordance with the District approved procedures. (Basis: Regulation 1, Section 501)
40. The owner/operator shall ensure that the MLGS complies with the continuous emission monitoring requirements of 40 CFR Part 75. (Basis: Regulation 2, Rule 7)



# 11. Preliminary Determination

The APCO has made a preliminary determination that the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station power plant, which is composed of the permitted sources listed below, complies with all applicable District, state and federal air quality rules and regulations. The following sources will be subject to the permit conditions and BACT and offset requirements discussed previously.
S-1 Combustion Turbine Generator (CTG) #1, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190

MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-1 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-2 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).
S-2 Combustion Turbine Generator (CTG) #2, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-3 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-4 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).
S-3 Combustion Turbine Generator (CTG) #3, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-5 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-6 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).
S-4 Combustion Turbine Generator (CTG) #4, Siemens SGT6-5000F, Natural Gas Fired, 190 MW, 2202 MMBtu/hr (HHV) maximum rated capacity; abated by A-7 Oxidation Catalyst, and A-8 Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR).
S-5 Natural Gas-fired Fuel Preheater, 5 MMBtu/hr (HHV) (Exempt from Air District Permit requirements per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114)
S-6 Natural Gas-fired Fuel Preheater, 5 MMBtu/hr (HHV) (Exempt from Air District Permit requirements per Regulation 2, Rule 1, Section 114)
This document is subject to the public notice, public comment, and public inspection requirements of District Regulations 2-2-405 and 2-2-406. Accordingly, a notice inviting written public comment will be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station and mailed to certain entities. The public inspection and comment period will be at least 30 days in duration and will start the date of such publication. Written comments on this document should be directed to:
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# 12. Glossary of Acronyms

AAQS Ambient Air Quality Standard
ARB Air Resource Board
BTU British Thermal Unit
BAAQMD Bay Area Air Quality Management District
BACT Best Available Control Technology
Cal ISO California Independent System Operator
CAISO California Independent System Operator
CARB California Air Resources Board
CEC California Energy Commission
CEM Continuous Emission Monitor
CEQA California Environmental Quality Act
CO Carbon Monoxide
$CO_2$ Carbon Dioxide
CPUC California Public Utilities Commission
CTG Combustion Turbine Generator
EO/APCO Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer

EPA Environmental Protection Agency
ERC Emission Reduction Credit
FDOC Final Determination of Compliance
FSNL Full Speed No Load
GE General Electric Company
GHG Greenhouse Gases
GT Gas Turbine
MW Megawatt
$NH_3$ Ammonia
$N_2$ Nitrogen
NO Nitric Oxide
$NO_2$ Nitrogen Dioxide
$NO_x$ Nitrogen Oxides
NSR New Source Review
$O_2$ Oxygen
LAER Lowest Achievable Emissions Rate
LLC Limited Liability Company
MLGS Marsh Landing Generating Station
MMBtu Million Btu
NAAQS National Ambient Air Quality Standard
PAH Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon
PDOC Preliminary Determination of Compliance
PG&E Pacific Gas & Electric Company
$PM_{10}$ Particulate Matter less than 10 Microns in Diameter
$PM_{2.5}$ Particulate Matter less than 2.5 Microns in Diameter
POC Precursor Organic Compounds

ppmvd Parts Per Million by Volume, Dry
PSD Prevention of Significant Deterioration
PUC Public Utilities Commission
RACT Reasonably Available Control Technology
RATA Relative Accuracy Test Audit
SCAQMD South Coast Air Quality Management District
SNCR Selective Non-catalytic Reduction
SCR Selective Catalytic Reduction
SJVAPCD San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
$SO_2$ Sulfur Dioxide
$SO_x$ Sulfur Oxides
TAC Toxic Air Contaminant
TBACT Toxics Best Available Control Technology
U.S. EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency
VOC Volatile Organic Compounds

# Appendix A
# Emission Calculations

The following physical constants and standard conditions were utilized to derive the criteriapollutant
emission factors used to estimate and verify criteria pollutant and toxic air contaminant emissions submitted in the permit application. The criteria emission calculations were prepared by the applicant's consultant and are based on a combustion model. The District has verified these values using the calculations shown below. For the toxic air contaminants the District revised the calculation submitted by the applicant.

standard temperature[a]: 70$^{o}$F
standard pressure[a]: 14.7 psia
molar volume: 386.8 dscf/lbmol
ambient oxygen concentration: 20.95%
dry flue gas factor[b]: 8743 dscf/MM Btu
natural gas higher heating value: 1020 Btu/dscf

[a] BAAQMD standard conditions per Regulation 1, Section 228.
[b] F-factor is based upon the assumption of complete stoichiometric combustion of natural gas. In effect, it is assumed that all excess air present before combustion is emitted in the exhaust gas stream. Value shown reflects the typical composition and heat content of utility-grade natural gas in San Francisco bay area.

Table A-1 summarizes the regulated air pollutant emission factors that were used to calculate mass emission rates for each source. All units are pounds per million Btu of natural gas fired based upon the high heating value (HHV). All emission factors are after abatement by applicable control equipment.

**TABLE A-1**
**CONTROLLED REGULATED AIR POLLUTANT EMISSION FACTORS FOR GAS TURBINES AND HRSGS**

| **Source** | **Simple-Cycle Gas Turbine** | |
|---|---|---|
| **Pollutant** | **lb/MM Btu** | **lb/hr** |
| Nitrogen Oxides (as $NO_2$) | 0.009460 | 20.83 |
| Carbon Monoxide | 0.004541 | 10.0 |
| Precursor Organic Compounds | 0.001317 | 2.9 |
| Particulate Matter ($PM_{10}$) | 0.00363 | 9.0 |
| Sulfur Dioxide | 0.00282 | 6.21 |
| Sulfur Dioxide (Annual Average)[c] | 0.000705 | 1.41 |

[a] based upon stack concentration of 2.5 ppmvd $NO_x$ @ 15% $O_2$ that reflects the use of dry low-$NO_x$ combustors at the CTG and abatement by the Selective Catalytic Reduction Systems with ammonia injection.
[b] based upon the permit condition emission limit of 2 ppmvd CO @ 15% $O_2$ that reflects abatement by oxidation catalysts.
[c] based upon firing rate of 1997 MMBtu/hour (100% Load, 59ºF)

REGULATED AIR POLLUTANTS

**NITROGEN OXIDE EMISSION FACTORS**

The combined $NO_x$ emissions from the simple-cycle gas turbines will be 2.5 ppmv, dry @ 15% $O_2$. This concentration is converted to a mass emission factor as follows:

(2.5 ppmvd)(20.95 - 0)/(20.95 - 15) = 8.80 ppmv $NO_x$, dry @ 0% $O_2$

(8.80/$10^6$)(1 lbmol/386.8 dscf)(46 lb $NO_2$/lbmol)(8743 dscf/MM Btu)

= **0.00915 lb $NO_2$/MM Btu**

**Calculations shown below are based on emission factors submitted by the applicant.**

The $NO_x$(as $NO_2$) mass emission rate based upon the maximum firing rate of the simple-cycle gas turbine is calculated as follows:

(0.00946 lb/MM Btu)(2202 MM Btu/hr) = **20.83 lb $NO_x$(as $NO_2$)/hr**

**CARBON MONOXIDE EMISSION FACTORS**

The CO emissions from the simple-cycle gas turbines will be conditioned to a maximum controlled CO emission limit of 2 ppmv, dry @ 15% $O_2$ during all operating modes except gas turbine start-up, shutdown and combustor tuning. The emission factor corresponding to this emission concentration is calculated as follows:

(2 ppmv)(20.95 - 0)/(20.95 - 15) = 7.04 ppmv, dry @ 0% $O_2$

(7.04/$10_6$)(lbmol/386.8 dscf)(28 lb CO/lbmol)(8743 dscf/MM Btu)

= **0.00446 lb CO/MM Btu**

**Calculations shown below are based on emission factors submitted by the applicant.**

The CO maximum mass emission rate based upon the maximum firing rate of the simple-cycle gas turbine is calculated as follows:

(0.00454 lb/MM Btu)(2202 MM Btu/hr) = **10.0 lb CO/hr**

**PRECURSOR ORGANIC COMPOUND (POC) EMISSION FACTORS**

The POC emissions from the simple-cycle gas turbines will be conditioned to a maximum controlled emission limit of 1 ppmv, dry @ 15% $O_2$ during all operating modes except gas turbine start-up and shutdown. The POC emission factor corresponding to this emission concentration is calculated as follows:

(1 ppmv)(20.95 - 0)/(20.95 - 15) = 3.52 ppmv, dry @ 0% $O_2$

(3.52/$10_6$)(lbmol/386.8 dscf)(16 lb $CH_4$/lbmol)(8743 dscf/MM Btu)

= **0.00127 lb POC/MM Btu**

**Calculations shown below are based on emission factors submitted by the applicant.**

The POC mass emission rate based upon the maximum firing rate of the simple-cycle gas turbine is calculated as follows:

(0.00132 lb/MM Btu)(2202 MM Btu/hr) = **2.9 lb POC/hr**

**PARTICULATE MATTER ($PM_{10}$) EMISSION FACTORS**

The District has determined a $PM_{10}$ emission rate of 9.0 lb/hour corresponds to BACT for the simple-cycle gas turbines. This emission rate corresponds to 0.0041 lb per MMBtu.

**SULFUR DIOXIDE EMISSION FACTORS**

The $SO_2$ emission factor is based upon annual average natural gas sulfur content of 0.25 grains per 100 scf and a higher heating value of 1020 Btu/scf.

The sulfur emission factor is calculated as follows:

$SO_2$ lb/hr

Natural Gas 1 grains of S/100 scf for Maximum Hourly

$SO_2$ = (1 gr/100 scf)(lb/7000 gr)(1/1020 BTU/scf)(1 x 10E6 Btu/MMBtu)(64 lb $SO_2$/32 lb S) = 0.002801 lb/MMBtu

Natural Gas 0.25 grains of S/100 scf for Annual Average

$SO_2$ = (0.25 gr/100 scf)(lb/7000 gr)(1/1020 BTU/scf)(1 x 10E6 Btu/MMBtu)(64 lb $SO_2$/32 lb S) = 0.0007 lb/MMBtu

**Calculations shown below are based on emission factors submitted by the applicant.**

Max Hourly $SO_2$

The corresponding $SO_2$ emission rate for the simple-cycle gas turbine firing:

(0.00282 lb $SO_2$/MM Btu)(2202 MM Btu/hr) = 6.21 lb/hr
Annual Average $SO_2$
The corresponding $SO_2$ emission rate for the simple-cycle gas turbine firing:
(0.000705 lb $SO_2$/MM Btu)(1997 MM Btu/hr) = 1.41 lb/hr
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Simple Cycle Gas Turbines
Siemens Provided the Following Information to estimate emissions from the four Simple Cycle Gas Turbines
Average Total lbs per event
Mode Time (min) NOx CO POC
Startup 11 12 213 11
Shutdown 6 10 110 5
Startup Emissions from Worst Case 30 minute Startup
One Typical Startup 11 minutes, Balance of 30 min period at Full Load (19 minutes)
Average Winter
Maximum Startup Extreme
Pollutant (lb/event) (lb/event) lb/hour
NOx 18.6 12 20.83
CO 216.2 213 10.01
POC 11.9 11 2.90
PM10/PM2.5 4.5 9.00
SO2 3.11 6.21
Startup Emissions for Worst Case Hour Period
2 Typical Startups (11 min each), Shutdown (6 min), Balance Full Load (32 minutes)
Winter
Maximum Start Shutdown Extreme
Pollutant lb/hr lb/event lb/event lb/hour
NOx 45.1 12 10 20.83
CO 541.3 213 110 10.01
POC 28.5 11 5 2.90
PM10/PM2.5 9.0 9.00
SO2 6.21 6.21
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Simple Cycle Gas Turbines
Simens Provided the Following Information to estimate emissions from the four Simple Cycle Gas Turbines
Average Total lbs per event
Mode Time (min) NOx CO POC
Startup 11 12 213 11
Shutdown 6 10 110 5
Shutdown Emissions from Worst Case 15 minute Shutdown
Shutdown Limit 15 minutes (6 minute Typical Shutdown, 9 minutes Full Load Operation)
Winter
Maximum Shutdown Extreme
Pollutant lb/event lb/event lb/hour
NOx 13.1 10 20.83
CO 111.5 110 10.01
POC 5.4 5 2.90
PM10/PM2.5 2.25
SO2 1.55
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Maximum Hourly Emission Rates (Normal Operation) for Simple Cycle Gas Turbines
Winter Extreme: 20 deg. F Average: 59 deg. F Summer Design: 94 deg. F

100% Load 75% Load 60% Load 100% Load 75% Load 60% Load 100% Load 75% Load 60% Load
Evaporative Cooling Off Off Off Off Off Off On Off Off
NOx (lb/hr) 20.83 16.39 13.89 18.89 15.00 12.78 16.94 13.89 11.67
CO (lb/hr) 10.00 8.00 6.80 9.00 7.50 6.20 8.50 6.50 5.80
VOC (lb/hr) 2.90 2.30 1.93 2.60 2.10 1.80 2.40 1.90 1.63
PM10/PM2.5 (lb/hr) 8.00 8.00 8.00 8.00 8.00 8.00 8.00 8.00 8.00
SO2 (lb/hr) Maximum 6.21 4.90 4.17 5.63 4.51 3.84 5.08 4.11 3.52
SO2 (lb/hr) Average 1.55 1.23 1.04 1.41 1.13 0.96 1.27 1.03 0.88
Notes:
lb per hour emission rates estimated by Siemens using combustion modeling program.
BAAQMD adjusted PM emissions to a maximum of 9 lb/hour, stack gas emission rate
Maximum SO2 based on 1 grain sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas.
Annual Average based on 0.25 grain sulfur per 100 scf of natural gas.
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Simple Cycle Turbine Emissions
**NOx NOx CO CO POC POC PM10/PM2.5 PM10/PM2.5 SO2 SO2**
**Condition Hours (lb/hr) lb/year (lb/hr) lb/year (lb/hr) lb/year (lb/hr) lb/year (lb/hr) lb/year**
Yearly Average: 60 deg. F 1705 18.89 32207.45 9.00 15345.00 2.6 4433.00 9 15345.00 1.41 2404.05
event (lb/event) (lb/event) (lb/event) (lb/event) (lb/event)
Startup 167 12 2004.00 213 35571.00 11 1837.00 275.6 43.2
Shutdown 167 10 1670.00 110 18370.00 5 835.00 150.3 23.5
Total 35881.45 69286.00 7105.00 15770.90 2470.75
Total One Turbine (tons/year) 17.941 34.643 3.553 7.885 1.235
Total All Simple Cycle Units (tons) 71.763 138.572 14.210 31.542 4.942
PM from Startups = 167 events x 11 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour =275.6 lb
PM from Shutdowns = 167 events x 6 min/shutdown x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 150.3 lb
SO2 from Startups = 167 events x 11 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 1.41 lb/hour = 43.2 lb
SO2 from Shutdowns = 167 events x 6 min/shutdown x 1 hour/60 min x 1.41 lb/hour = 23.5 lb
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Simple Cycle Gas Turbine Maximum Daily Emissions for Normal Operations
**NOx NOx CO CO POC POC PM10/PM2.5 PM10/PM2.5**
**Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions**
**Condition Hours (lb/hr) lb/day (lb/hr) lb/day (lb/hr) lb/day (lb/hr) lb/day**
Winter Extreme 20 deg. F 23.15 20.83 482.21 10 231.50 2.9 67.14 9 208.35
event (lb/event) (lb/event) (lb/event) (lb/event)
Startup 3 18.6 55.80 216.2 648.60 11.9 35.70 4.95
Shutdown 3 13.1 39.30 111.5 334.50 5.4 16.20 2.70
Total 577.31 1214.60 119.04 216.00
Total Four Simple Cycle Units 2309.26 4858.40 476.14 864.00
PM from Startups = 3 events x 11 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 4.95 lb
PM from Shutdowns = 3 events x 6 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 2.7 lb
SO2 lb/day = 6.21 lb/hour x 24 hour/day = 149.04 One Unit, 596.16 Four Units
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Simple Cycle Turbine Maximum Daily Emissions with Combustor Tuning
**NOx NOx CO CO POC POC PM10/PM2.5 PM10/PM2.5**
**Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions Emissions**
**Condition Hours (lb/hr) lb/day (lb/hr) lb/day (lb/hr) lb/day (lb/hr) lb/day**
Winter Extreme 20 deg. F 15.15 20.83 315.57 10 151.50 2.9 43.94 9 136.35
event (lb/event) (lb/event) (lb/event) (lb/event)
Startup 3 18.6 55.80 216.2 648.60 11.9 35.70 4.95
Shutdown 3 13.1 39.30 111.5 334.50 5.4 16.20 2.70
Tuning 8 80 640.00 450 3600.00 30 240.00 9 72.00
Total One Simple Cycle Unit Tuning 1050.67 4734.60 335.84 216.00
Total One Simple Cycle Unit No Tuning 577.31 1214.60 119.04 216.00

Total Four Simple Cycle Units (One Tuning) 2782.62 8378.40 692.94 864.00
PM from Startups = 3 events x 11 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 4.95 lb
PM from Shutdowns = 3 events x 6 min/start x 1 hour/60 min x 9 lb/hour = 2.7 lb
SO2 lb/day = 6.21 lb/hour x 24 hour/day = 149.04 One Unit, 596.16 Four Units
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Grain Loading Calculation for 5000F Simple Cycle Gas Turbines
PM-10/PM2.5 Maximum Emission Rate 9.0 lb/hr
Firing Rate 2202 MMBtu/hr
F-factor 8743 dscf/MMBtu
lb = 7000 grains
Corrected O2 Concentration 15% for gas turbine
Ambient Air O2 Concentration 20.9%
At 15%O2
grains/dscf = (9.0 lb/hr x 7000 grains/lb)/(2202 MMBtu/hr x (8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15))
grains/dscf = 0.00092
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Simple Cycle Unit Heater
Firing Rate
ppm lb/MMBtu MMBtu/hr lb/hour lb/day hours/year lb/year ton/year
NOx 15 0.018 5 0.091 2.18 1752 159.46 0.080
CO 46 0.034 5 0.170 4.08 1752 297.66 0.149
POC 6.4 0.0027 5 0.014 0.32 1752 23.66 0.012
PM10/PM2.5 0.0029 5 0.015 0.35 1752 25.40 0.013
SO2 0.0007 5 0.004 0.08 1752 6.13 0.003
Natural Gas 1020 Btu/scf
POC, PM10, and SO2 Emission Factors from Applicants Dew Point Heater Vendor
Both Heaters
lb/day lb/year ton/year
NOx 4.37 318.92 0.159
CO 8.15 595.31 0.298
POC 0.65 47.33 0.024
PM10/PM2.5 0.70 50.81 0.025
SO2 0.17 12.26 0.006
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Commissioning Emissions
**NOx (lb) CO (lb) VOC (lb)**
**PM10/PM2.5**
**(lb)**
CTG Testing (Full Speed No Load, 8 0 0 339 19,240 1,181 71
CTG 1 Testing at 40% load 8 0 - 40 40 1,507 11,662 636 91
CTG 1 Load Test 68 50 - 100 50-101 6,615 25,673 1,620 624
Install Emissions Test Equipment 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Emissions Tuning/Drift Testing 24 50 - 100 100 1,988 5,344 286 234
RATA/Pre-performance 60 100 100 4,970 13,360 715 585
Remove emissions test 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Performance Testing 40 100 100 3,035 5,628 328 365

CAISO Certification 12 50 - 100 100 994 2,672 143 117
CAISO Certification if required 12 100 100 994 2,672 143 117
Total 232 20442 86251 5052 2204
Total Hours with Contingency
(Total Hours x 1.1)
Total (tons) 10.22 43.13 2.53 1.10
**Activity**
**Duration**
**(hours)**
**GT Load**
**(%)**
**Modeling**
**Load (%)**
**Total Emission**
255
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**Acute Chronic**
**Risk Screening Risk Screening**
**Project Project Trigger Level Trigger Level**
**Toxic Air Contaminant lb/hour lb/year (lb/hr) (lb/yr)**
1,3-Butadiene 0.00110 1.92 None 0.63
Acetaldehyde 11.05 2301 None 3.8
Acrolein 0.595 294 0.0055 14
Ammonia 123 216043 7.1 7700
Benzene 0.221 202 2.9 3.8
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.000195 0.342 None None
Benzo(a)pyrene 0.000120 0.210 None 0.0069
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 0.000098 0.171 None None
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.000095 0.166 None None
Chrysene 0.000218 0.381 None None
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 0.000203 0.356 None None
Ethylbenzene 0.282 271 None 43
Formaldehyde 39.98 7785 0.12 18
Hexane 2.24 3920 None 270000
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.000203 0.356 None None
Naphthalene 0.0143 25.1 None None
Propylene 6.66 11664 None 120000
Propylene Oxide 0.413 723 6.8 29
Toluene 0.848 1074 82 12000
Xylene (Total) 0.225 395 49 27000
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) 20.77 9097 0.26 39
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 0.000394 0.691 None 0.0069
Specified PAHs 0.00113 1.98
Notes:
Emissions from the exempt natural gas fired preheaters are included.
PAH impacts are evaluated as Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents.
Equivalency
Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1
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Maximum Hourly Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions
Commissioning Noncommissioning Maximum Maximum
**Per Turbine**
**EF Firing Rate Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine All Turbines**

**Toxic Air Contaminant lb/MMBtu MMBtu/hour lb/hour lb/hour lb/hour lb/hour**
1,3-Butadiene 1.25E-07 2202 2.74E-04 2.74E-04 2.74E-04 1.10E-03
Acetaldehyde 1.25E-03 2.76E+00 8.71E-01 2.76E+00 1.11E+01
Acrolein 6.75E-05 1.49E-01 6.01E-02 1.49E-01 5.95E-01
Ammonia 1.40E-02 3.08E+01 3.08E+01 3.08E+01 1.23E+02
Benzene 2.51E-05 5.53E-02 2.96E-02 5.53E-02 2.21E-01
Benzo(a)anthracene 2.22E-08 4.88E-05 4.88E-05 4.88E-05 1.95E-04
Benzo(a)pyrene 1.36E-08 3.00E-05 3.00E-05 3.00E-05 1.20E-04
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 1.11E-08 2.44E-05 2.44E-05 2.44E-05 9.76E-05
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 1.08E-08 2.37E-05 2.37E-05 2.37E-05 9.50E-05
Chrysene 2.47E-08 5.44E-05 5.44E-05 5.44E-05 2.18E-04
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 2.30E-08 5.07E-05 5.07E-05 5.07E-05 2.03E-04
Ethylbenzene 3.20E-05 7.04E-02 3.89E-02 7.04E-02 2.82E-01
Formaldehyde 4.54E-03 1.00E+01 3.11E+00 1.00E+01 4.00E+01
Hexane 2.54E-04 5.59E-01 5.59E-01 5.59E-01 2.24E+00
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 2.30E-08 5.07E-05 5.07E-05 5.07E-05 2.03E-04
Naphthalene 1.63E-06 3.58E-03 3.58E-03 3.58E-03 1.43E-02
Propylene 7.56E-04 1.66E+00 1.66E+00 1.66E+00 6.66E+00
Propylene Oxide 4.69E-05 1.03E-01 1.03E-01 1.03E-01 4.13E-01
Toluene 9.63E-05 2.12E-01 1.53E-01 2.12E-01 8.48E-01
Xylene (Total) 2.56E-05 5.63E-02 5.63E-02 5.63E-02 2.25E-01
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) 5.19E+00 5.19E+00 5.19E+00 2.08E+01
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 4.36E-08 9.86E-05 9.86E-05 9.86E-05 3.94E-04
Specified PAHs 2.83E-04 2.83E-04 2.83E-04 1.13E-03
Commissioning Hours Limited by Permit Condition to 232 hours/year
Equivalency
Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)
ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014
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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions for Commissioning Period
Commissioning Commissioning
**Per Turbine**
**EF Firing Rate Per Turbine Per Turbine**
**Toxic Air Contaminant lb/MMBtu MMBtu/hour lb/hour lb/year**
1,3-Butadiene 1.25E-07 2202 2.74E-04 6.36E-02
Acetaldehyde 1.25E-03 2.76E+00 6.41E+02
Acrolein 6.75E-05 1.49E-01 3.45E+01
Ammonia 1.40E-02 3.08E+01 7.15E+03
Benzene 2.51E-05 5.53E-02 1.28E+01
Benzo(a)anthracene 2.22E-08 4.88E-05 1.13E-02
Benzo(a)pyrene 1.36E-08 3.00E-05 6.96E-03
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 1.11E-08 2.44E-05 5.66E-03
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 1.08E-08 2.37E-05 5.51E-03
Chrysene 2.47E-08 5.44E-05 1.26E-02
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 2.30E-08 5.07E-05 1.18E-02
Ethylbenzene 3.20E-05 7.04E-02 1.63E+01
Formaldehyde 4.54E-03 1.00E+01 2.32E+03
Hexane 2.54E-04 5.59E-01 1.30E+02
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 2.30E-08 5.07E-05 1.18E-02
Naphthalene 1.63E-06 3.58E-03 8.31E-01
Propylene 7.56E-04 1.66E+00 3.86E+02
Propylene Oxide 4.69E-05 1.03E-01 2.39E+01
Toluene 9.63E-05 2.12E-01 4.92E+01
Xylene (Total) 2.56E-05 5.63E-02 1.31E+01
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) 5.19E+00 1.20E+03
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 4.36E-08 9.86E-05 2.29E-02
Specified PAHs 2.83E-04 6.56E-02
Commissioning Hours Limited by Permit Condition to 232 hours/year
Equivalency
Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)
ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F

MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014
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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions Maximum Hourly from Startup and Shutdown Events
SU SD 1 SU, 1 SD 2 SU, 1 SD Maximum
Startup 11 min Shutdown 6 min Normal balance Normal balance Normal balance Normal balance Normal All Cases
**Max. Hourly Max. Hourly Max. Hourly Max. Hourly Worst Case Max. Hourly**
**Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine**
**Toxic Air Contaminant lb/event lb/event lb/hour lb/hour lb/hour lb/hour lb/hour lb/hour**
1,3-Butadiene 2.85E-05 1.37E-05 2.74E-04 2.52E-04 2.60E-04 2.39E-04 2.17E-04 2.74E-04
Acetaldehyde 2.87E-01 1.38E-01 2.96E-01 5.29E-01 4.04E-01 6.37E-01 8.71E-01 8.71E-01
Acrolein 1.55E-02 7.44E-03 4.08E-02 4.88E-02 4.42E-02 5.21E-02 6.01E-02 6.01E-02
Ammonia 3.21E+00 1.54E+00 3.08E+01 2.84E+01 2.93E+01 2.68E+01 2.44E+01 3.08E+01
Benzene 5.75E-03 2.76E-03 2.87E-02 2.92E-02 2.86E-02 2.91E-02 2.96E-02 2.96E-02
Benzo(a)anthracene 5.07E-06 2.44E-06 4.88E-05 4.49E-05 4.63E-05 4.25E-05 3.86E-05 4.88E-05
Benzo(a)pyrene 3.12E-06 1.50E-06 3.00E-05 2.76E-05 2.85E-05 2.61E-05 2.37E-05 3.00E-05
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 2.54E-06 1.22E-06 2.44E-05 2.25E-05 2.32E-05 2.12E-05 1.93E-05 2.44E-05
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 2.47E-06 1.19E-06 2.37E-05 2.19E-05 2.26E-05 2.07E-05 1.88E-05 2.37E-05
Chrysene 5.66E-06 2.72E-06 5.44E-05 5.01E-05 5.17E-05 4.74E-05 4.30E-05 5.44E-05
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 5.28E-06 2.54E-06 5.07E-05 4.67E-05 4.82E-05 4.42E-05 4.01E-05 5.07E-05
Ethylbenzene 7.32E-03 3.52E-03 3.86E-02 3.89E-02 3.83E-02 3.85E-02 3.88E-02 3.89E-02
Formaldehyde 1.04E+00 5.00E-01 9.91E-01 1.85E+00 1.39E+00 2.25E+00 3.11E+00 3.11E+00
Hexane 5.81E-02 2.80E-02 5.59E-01 5.15E-01 5.31E-01 4.87E-01 4.42E-01 5.59E-01
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 5.28E-06 2.54E-06 5.07E-05 4.67E-05 4.82E-05 4.42E-05 4.01E-05 5.07E-05
Naphthalene 3.73E-04 1.79E-04 3.58E-03 3.30E-03 3.40E-03 3.12E-03 2.84E-03 3.58E-03
Propylene 1.73E-01 8.32E-02 1.66E+00 1.53E+00 1.58E+00 1.45E+00 1.32E+00 1.66E+00
Propylene Oxide 1.07E-02 5.16E-03 1.03E-01 9.50E-02 9.80E-02 8.98E-02 8.17E-02 1.03E-01
Toluene 2.20E-02 1.06E-02 1.53E-01 1.47E-01 1.49E-01 1.42E-01 1.36E-01 1.53E-01
Xylene (Total) 5.86E-03 2.82E-03 5.63E-02 5.19E-02 5.35E-02 4.91E-02 4.46E-02 5.63E-02
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) 5.19E+00 5.19E+00
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 1.03E-05 4.93E-06 9.86E-05 9.08E-05 9.37E-05 8.58E-05 7.80E-05 9.86E-05
Specified PAHs 2.94E-05 1.41E-05 2.83E-04 2.60E-04 2.69E-04 2.46E-04 2.24E-04 2.83E-04
Equivalency
Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)
ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014
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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions Maximum Annual Emissions
Summation Normal Operation
1704.7 hour/year 30.6 hours/year 16.7 hours/year Normal, SU, SD 1752 hours/year Maximum Value
**Normal Oper. Startup Shutdown Total Total Total Total**
**Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine Per Turbine All Turbines**
**Toxic Air Contaminant lb/year lb/year lb/year lb/year lb/year lb/year lb/year**
1,3-Butadiene 4.67E-01 4.76E-03 2.29E-03 4.74E-01 4.80E-01 4.80E-01 1.92E+00
Acetaldehyde 5.04E+02 4.80E+01 2.31E+01 5.75E+02 5.18E+02 5.75E+02 2.30E+03
Acrolein 6.96E+01 2.58E+00 1.24E+00 7.34E+01 7.15E+01 7.34E+01 2.94E+02
Ammonia 5.26E+04 5.35E+02 2.57E+02 5.33E+04 5.40E+04 5.40E+04 2.16E+05
Benzene 4.89E+01 9.59E-01 4.61E-01 5.04E+01 5.03E+01 5.04E+01 2.01E+02
Benzo(a)anthracene 8.32E-02 8.47E-04 4.07E-04 8.44E-02 8.55E-02 8.55E-02 3.42E-01
Benzo(a)pyrene 5.12E-02 5.21E-04 2.51E-04 5.19E-02 5.26E-02 5.26E-02 2.10E-01
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 4.16E-02 4.23E-04 2.04E-04 4.22E-02 4.27E-02 4.27E-02 1.71E-01
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 4.05E-02 4.12E-04 1.98E-04 4.11E-02 4.16E-02 4.16E-02 1.66E-01
Chrysene 9.27E-02 9.44E-04 4.54E-04 9.41E-02 9.53E-02 9.53E-02 3.81E-01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 8.65E-02 8.81E-04 4.24E-04 8.78E-02 8.89E-02 8.89E-02 3.56E-01
Ethylbenzene 6.59E+01 1.22E+00 5.88E-01 6.77E+01 6.77E+01 6.77E+01 2.71E+02
Formaldehyde 1.69E+03 1.73E+02 8.35E+01 1.95E+03 1.74E+03 1.95E+03 7.78E+03
Hexane 9.53E+02 9.70E+00 4.67E+00 9.68E+02 9.80E+02 9.80E+02 3.92E+03

Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 8.65E-02 8.81E-04 4.24E-04 8.78E-02 8.89E-02 8.89E-02 3.56E-01
Naphthalene 6.11E+00 6.22E-02 2.99E-02 6.20E+00 6.28E+00 6.28E+00 2.51E+01
Propylene 2.84E+03 2.89E+01 1.39E+01 2.88E+03 2.92E+03 2.92E+03 1.17E+04
Propylene Oxide 1.76E+02 1.79E+00 8.62E-01 1.79E+02 1.81E+02 1.81E+02 7.23E+02
Toluene 2.61E+02 3.68E+00 1.77E+00 2.67E+02 2.69E+02 2.69E+02 1.07E+03
Xylene (Total) 9.61E+01 9.78E-01 4.70E-01 9.75E+01 9.87E+01 9.87E+01 3.95E+02
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) 2.21E+03 2.25E+01 1.08E+01 2.25E+03 2.27E+03 2.27E+03 9.10E+03
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 1.68E-01 1.71E-03 8.23E-04 1.71E-01 1.73E-01 1.73E-01 6.91E-01
Specified PAHs 4.82E-01 4.91E-03 2.36E-03 4.89E-01 4.95E-01 4.95E-01 1.98E+00
This spreadsheet summarizes emissions for Normal Operations (1704.7 hours/year), Startup (30.6 hours/year), and Shutdown (16.7 hours/year)
The spreadsheet compares the value that includes Startups and Shutdowns to the value that assumes continuous operation for 1752 hours per year.
The annual emissions are based on the maximum value calculated.
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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions from Normal Operations (1752 hours/year)
**Per Turbine Per Turbine**
**EF Firing Rate Firing Rate Per Turbine Per Turbine Total CT Total CT**
**Toxic Air Contaminant lb/MMBtu MMBtu/hour MMBtu/year lb/hour lb/year lb/hour lb/year**
1,3-Butadiene 1.25E-07 2202 3857904 2.74E-04 4.80E-01 1.10E-03 1.92E+00
Acetaldehyde 1.34E-04 2.96E-01 5.18E+02 1.18E+00 2.07E+03
Acrolein 1.85E-05 4.08E-02 7.15E+01 1.63E-01 2.86E+02
Ammonia 1.40E-02 3.08E+01 5.40E+04 1.23E+02 2.16E+05
Benzene 1.30E-05 2.87E-02 5.03E+01 1.15E-01 2.01E+02
Benzo(a)anthracene 2.22E-08 4.88E-05 8.55E-02 1.95E-04 3.42E-01
Benzo(a)pyrene 1.36E-08 3.00E-05 5.26E-02 1.20E-04 2.10E-01
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 1.11E-08 2.44E-05 4.27E-02 9.76E-05 1.71E-01
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 1.08E-08 2.37E-05 4.16E-02 9.50E-05 1.66E-01
Chrysene 2.47E-08 5.44E-05 9.53E-02 2.18E-04 3.81E-01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 2.30E-08 5.07E-05 8.89E-02 2.03E-04 3.56E-01
Ethylbenzene 1.75E-05 3.86E-02 6.77E+01 1.55E-01 2.71E+02
Formaldehyde 4.50E-04 9.91E-01 1.74E+03 3.96E+00 6.94E+03
Hexane 2.54E-04 5.59E-01 9.80E+02 2.24E+00 3.92E+03
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 2.30E-08 5.07E-05 8.89E-02 2.03E-04 3.56E-01
Naphthalene 1.63E-06 3.58E-03 6.28E+00 1.43E-02 2.51E+01
Propylene 7.56E-04 1.66E+00 2.92E+03 6.66E+00 1.17E+04
Propylene Oxide 4.69E-05 1.03E-01 1.81E+02 4.13E-01 7.23E+02
Toluene 6.96E-05 1.53E-01 2.69E+02 6.13E-01 1.07E+03
Xylene (Total) 2.56E-05 5.63E-02 9.87E+01 2.25E-01 3.95E+02
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) 5.90E-04 1.30E+00 2.27E+03 5.19E+00 9.10E+03
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 4.48E-08 9.86E-05 1.73E-01 3.94E-04 6.91E-01
Specified PAHs 2.83E-04 4.95E-01 1.13E-03 1.98E+00
Formaldehyde emissions reflect 50% destruction efficiency due to oxidation catalyst.
Equivalency
Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)
ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014
This Spreadsheet calculates TAC emissions for turbines operating normally for 1752 hours/year with no startups or shutdowns.
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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions from Normal Operations (1704.7 hours/year)
**Per Turbine Per Turbine**
**EF Firing Rate Firing Rate Per Turbine Per Turbine Total CT Total CT**
**Toxic Air Contaminant lb/MMBtu MMBtu/hour MMBtu/year lb/hour lb/year lb/hour lb/year**
1,3-Butadiene 1.25E-07 2202 3753749.4 2.74E-04 4.67E-01 1.10E-03 1.87E+00
Acetaldehyde 1.34E-04 2.96E-01 5.04E+02 1.18E+00 2.02E+03
Acrolein 1.85E-05 4.08E-02 6.96E+01 1.63E-01 2.78E+02
Ammonia 1.40E-02 3.08E+01 5.26E+04 1.23E+02 2.10E+05
Benzene 1.30E-05 2.87E-02 4.89E+01 1.15E-01 1.96E+02
Benzo(a)anthracene 2.22E-08 4.88E-05 8.32E-02 1.95E-04 3.33E-01
Benzo(a)pyrene 1.36E-08 3.00E-05 5.12E-02 1.20E-04 2.05E-01
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 1.11E-08 2.44E-05 4.16E-02 9.76E-05 1.66E-01
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 1.08E-08 2.37E-05 4.05E-02 9.50E-05 1.62E-01
Chrysene 2.47E-08 5.44E-05 9.27E-02 2.18E-04 3.71E-01

Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 2.30E-08 5.07E-05 8.65E-02 2.03E-04 3.46E-01
Ethylbenzene 1.75E-05 3.86E-02 6.59E+01 1.55E-01 2.63E+02
Formaldehyde 4.50E-04 9.91E-01 1.69E+03 3.96E+00 6.76E+03
Hexane 2.54E-04 5.59E-01 9.53E+02 2.24E+00 3.81E+03
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 2.30E-08 5.07E-05 8.65E-02 2.03E-04 3.46E-01
Naphthalene 1.63E-06 3.58E-03 6.11E+00 1.43E-02 2.44E+01
Propylene 7.56E-04 1.66E+00 2.84E+03 6.66E+00 1.13E+04
Propylene Oxide 4.69E-05 1.03E-01 1.76E+02 4.13E-01 7.04E+02
Toluene 6.96E-05 1.53E-01 2.61E+02 6.13E-01 1.05E+03
Xylene (Total) 2.56E-05 5.63E-02 9.61E+01 2.25E-01 3.84E+02
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) 5.90E-04 1.30E+00 2.21E+03 5.19E+00 8.85E+03
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 4.48E-08 9.86E-05 1.68E-01 3.94E-04 6.72E-01
Specified PAHs 2.83E-04 4.82E-01 1.13E-03 1.93E+00
Formaldehyde emissions reflect 50% destruction efficiency due to oxidation catalyst.
Equivalency
Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)
ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014
Maximum Normal Firing Rate = 2202 MMBtu/hour
Normal MMBtu/year = 2202 MMBtu/hour x 1704.7 hour/year = 3,753,749.4
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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions from Startup Events (30.6 hour/year)
**Per Turbine Per Turbine Average**
**EF Firing Rate Firing Rate Per Turbine Per Turbine Total CT**
**Toxic Air Contaminant lb/MMBtu MMBtu/hour MMBtu/year lb/event lb/year lb/year**
1,3-Butadiene 1.25E-07 1249 38219.4 2.85E-05 4.76E-03 1.90E-02
Acetaldehyde 1.25E-03 2.87E-01 4.80E+01 1.92E+02
Acrolein 6.75E-05 1.55E-02 2.58E+00 1.03E+01
Ammonia 1.40E-02 3.21E+00 5.35E+02 2.14E+03
Benzene 2.51E-05 5.75E-03 9.59E-01 3.84E+00
Benzo(a)anthracene 2.22E-08 5.07E-06 8.47E-04 3.39E-03
Benzo(a)pyrene 1.36E-08 3.12E-06 5.21E-04 2.08E-03
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 1.11E-08 2.54E-06 4.23E-04 1.69E-03
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 1.08E-08 2.47E-06 4.12E-04 1.65E-03
Chrysene 2.47E-08 5.66E-06 9.44E-04 3.78E-03
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 2.30E-08 5.28E-06 8.81E-04 3.52E-03
Ethylbenzene 3.20E-05 7.32E-03 1.22E+00 4.89E+00
Formaldehyde 4.54E-03 1.04E+00 1.73E+02 6.94E+02
Hexane 2.54E-04 5.81E-02 9.70E+00 3.88E+01
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 2.30E-08 5.28E-06 8.81E-04 3.52E-03
Naphthalene 1.63E-06 3.73E-04 6.22E-02 2.49E-01
Propylene 7.56E-04 1.73E-01 2.89E+01 1.16E+02
Propylene Oxide 4.69E-05 1.07E-02 1.79E+00 7.16E+00
Toluene 9.63E-05 2.20E-02 3.68E+00 1.47E+01
Xylene (Total) 2.56E-05 5.86E-03 9.78E-01 3.91E+00
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) 5.90E-04 1.35E-01 2.25E+01 9.01E+01
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 4.36E-08 1.03E-05 1.71E-03 6.84E-03
Specified PAHs 2.94E-05 4.91E-03 1.96E-02
Typical Startup is approximately 11 minutes
Equivalency
Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)
ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014
Startup Average Firing Rate = 1249 MMBtu/hour
Annual Startup MMBtu/year = 1249 MMBtu/hour x 30.6 hours/year = 38,219.4
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Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions from Shutdown Events (16.7 hours/year)
**Per Turbine Per Turbine Average**
**EF Firing Rate Firing Rate Per Turbine Per Turbine Total CT**
**Toxic Air Contaminant lb/MMBtu MMBtu/hour MMBtu/year lb/event lb/year lb/year**
1,3-Butadiene 1.25E-07 1101 18386.7 1.37E-05 2.29E-03 9.16E-03
Acetaldehyde 1.25E-03 1.38E-01 2.31E+01 9.23E+01
Acrolein 6.75E-05 7.44E-03 1.24E+00 4.97E+00
Ammonia 1.40E-02 1.54E+00 2.57E+02 1.03E+03
Benzene 2.51E-05 2.76E-03 4.61E-01 1.85E+00
Benzo(a)anthracene 2.22E-08 2.44E-06 4.07E-04 1.63E-03
Benzo(a)pyrene 1.36E-08 1.50E-06 2.51E-04 1.00E-03
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 1.11E-08 1.22E-06 2.04E-04 8.15E-04
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 1.08E-08 1.19E-06 1.98E-04 7.93E-04
Chrysene 2.47E-08 2.72E-06 4.54E-04 1.82E-03
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 2.30E-08 2.54E-06 4.24E-04 1.69E-03
Ethylbenzene 3.20E-05 3.52E-03 5.88E-01 2.35E+00
Formaldehyde 4.54E-03 5.00E-01 8.35E+01 3.34E+02
Hexane 2.54E-04 2.80E-02 4.67E+00 1.87E+01
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 2.30E-08 2.54E-06 4.24E-04 1.69E-03
Naphthalene 1.63E-06 1.79E-04 2.99E-02 1.20E-01
Propylene 7.56E-04 8.32E-02 1.39E+01 5.56E+01
Propylene Oxide 4.69E-05 5.16E-03 8.62E-01 3.45E+00
Toluene 9.63E-05 1.06E-02 1.77E+00 7.08E+00
Xylene (Total) 2.56E-05 2.82E-03 4.70E-01 1.88E+00
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4) 5.90E-04 6.49E-02 1.08E+01 4.34E+01
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 4.36E-08 4.93E-06 8.23E-04 3.29E-03
Specified PAHs 1.41E-05 2.36E-03 9.45E-03
Typical Shutdown is approximately 6 minutes
Equivalency
Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = ppm x 1/molar volume x MW x Fd x 20.9/(20.9 - %O2)
ppm = 10 ppm @15%O2 limit
molar volume = 386.8 dscf/lbmol @ 14.696 psia, 70 deg. F
MW = molecular weight, lb/lb-mol
Fd = 8743 dscf/MMBtu for Natural Gas @ 70 deg. F
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 10 E-06 ft3 of NH3/ft3 stack gas x 1/386.8 dscf/lb-mol x 17 lb/lb-mol x 8743 dscf/MMBtu x 20.9/(20.9 - 15)
Ammonia lb/MMBtu = 0.014
Shutdown Average Firing Rate = 1101 MMBtu/hour
Annual Shutdown MMBtu/year = 1101 MMBtu/hour x 16.7 hours/year = 18,386.7
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CATEF SDAPCD SDAPCD Startup
EF EF EF EF
Toxic Air Contaminant lb/MMBtu lb/MMscf lb/MMBtu lb/MMBtu
1,3-Butadiene 1.25E-07 CATEF 1.25E-07 CATEF
Acetaldehyde 1.34E-04 CATEF 1.28E+00 SDAPCD 1.25E-03 1.25E-03 SDAPCD
Acrolein 1.85E-05 CATEF 6.89E-02 SDAPCD 6.75E-05 6.75E-05 SDAPCD
Ammonia 1.40E-02 Permit Limit 1.40E-02 Permit Limi
Benzene 1.30E-05 CATEF 2.56E-02 SDAPCD 2.51E-05 2.51E-05 SDAPCD
Benzo(a)anthracene 2.22E-08 CATEF ND 2.25E-05 SDAPCD 2.21E-08 2.22E-08 CATEF
Benzo(a)pyrene 1.36E-08 CATEF ND 1.39E-05 SDAPCD 1.36E-08 1.36E-08 SDAPCD
Benzo(b)fluoranthene 1.11E-08 CATEF 1.11E-08 CATEF
Benzo(k)fluoranthene 1.08E-08 CATEF 1.08E-08 CATEF
Chrysene 2.47E-08 CATEF ND 2.25E-05 SDAPCD 2.21E-08 2.47E-08 CATEF
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 2.30E-08 CATEF ND 2.25E-05 SDAPCD 2.21E-08 2.30E-08 CATEF
Ethylbenzene 1.75E-05 CATEF 3.26E-02 SDAPCD 3.20E-05 3.20E-05 SDAPCD
Formaldehyde 8.99E-04 CATEF 4.63E+00 SDAPCD 4.54E-03 4.54E-03 SDAPCD
Hexane 2.54E-04 CATEF 2.54E-04 CATEF
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 2.30E-08 CATEF ND 2.25E-05 SDAPCD 2.21E-08 2.30E-08 CATEF
Naphthalene 1.63E-06 CATEF 1.04E-03 SDAPCD 1.02E-06 1.63E-06 CATEF
Propylene 7.56E-04 CATEF 7.56E-04 CATEF
Propylene Oxide 4.69E-05 CATEF 4.69E-05 CATEF
Toluene 6.96E-05 CATEF 9.82E-02 SDAPCD 9.63E-05 9.63E-05 SDAPCD
Xylene (Total) 2.56E-05 CATEF 3.48E-03 SDAPCD 3.41E-06 2.56E-05 CATEF
Sulfuric Acid Mist (H2SO4)
Benzo(a)pyrene equivalents 4.48E-08 Calculated 4.48E-08 Calculated
Specified PAHs
Equivalency
Factor
Benzo(a)anthracene 0.1
Benzo(a)pyrene 1
Benzo(b)fluoranthrene 0.1

Benzo(k)fluoranthene 0.1
Chrysene 0.01
Dibenz(a,h)anthracene 1.05
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene 0.1
1) CATEF = California Air Toxics Emission Factors Database maintained by the California Air Resources Board
2) SDAPCD = San Diego Air Pollution Control District Emission Factors developed by source testing
of Palomar GE Frame 7FA turbine during the 1st hour of a cold startup.
Data from Carlsbad Energy Center Final Determination of Compliance, Appendix B, August 4, 2009, SDAPCD
3) ND = Non Detect, Emission Factor is one half of the detection limit.
4) Natural Gas Higher Heating Value = 1020 Btu/scf
5) Startup Emission Factors are the highest value of the CATEF or SDAPCD Emission Factors.
CATEF Gas Turbine TAC Emission Factors

**System Material APC Other Max**
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4544 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 106-99-0 1,3-Butadiene 1.33E-04 1.27E-04 1.24E-04 lbs/MMcf 1.25E-07
4569 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 75-07-0 Acetaldehyde 5.11E-01 1.37E-01 5.38E-02 lbs/MMcf 1.34E-04
4574 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 107-02-8 Acrolein 6.93E-02 1.89E-02 1.09E-02 lbs/MMcf 1.85E-05
4586 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 71-43-2 Benzene 4.72E-02 1.33E-02 1.01E-02 lbs/MMcf 1.30E-05
4594 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 56-55-6 Benzo(a)anthracene 1.34E-04 2.26E-05 3.61E-06 lbs/MMcf 2.22E-08
4599 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 50-32-8 Benzo(a)pyrene 9.16E-05 1.39E-05 2.57E-06 lbs/MMcf 1.36E-08
4604 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 205-99-2 Benzo(b)fluoranthene 6.72E-05 1.13E-05 2.87E-06 lbs/MMcf 1.11E-08
4619 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 207-08-9 Benzo(k)fluoranthene 6.72E-05 1.10E-05 2.87E-06 lbs/MMcf 1.08E-08
4624 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 218-01-9 Chrysene 1.50E-04 2.52E-05 4.99E-06 lbs/MMcf 2.47E-08
4629 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 53-70-3
Dibenz(a,h)anthrace
ne 1.34E-04 2.35E-05 3.03E-06 lbs/MMcf 2.30E-08
4634 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 100-41-4 Ethylbenzene 5.70E-02 1.79E-02 9.74E-03 lbs/MMcf 1.75E-05
4649 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 50-00-0 Formaldehyde 6.87E+00 9.17E-01 1.12E-01 lbs/MMcf 8.99E-04
4654 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 110-54-3 Hexane 3.82E-01 2.59E-01 2.19E-01 lbs/MMcf 2.54E-04
4659 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 193-39-5
Indeno(1,2,3-
cd)pyrene 1.34E-04 2.35E-05 2.87E-06 lbs/MMcf 2.30E-08
4664 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 91-20-3 Naphthalene 7.88E-03 1.66E-03 9.26E-04 lbs/MMcf 1.63E-06
4679 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 115-07-1 Propylene 2.00E+00 7.71E-01 5.71E-01 lbs/MMcf 7.56E-04
4684 Turbine
Natural

gas 20200203 None None 75-56-9 Propylene Oxide 5.87E-02 4.78E-02 4.48E-02 lbs/MMcf 4.69E-05
4694 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 108-88-3 Toluene 1.68E-01 7.10E-02 5.91E-02 lbs/MMcf 6.96E-05
4709 Turbine
Natural
gas 20200203 None None 1330-20-7 Xylene (Total) 6.26E-02 2.61E-02 1.93E-02 lbs/MMcf 2.56E-05
**ID SCC**
**CAS**
**Substance Mean Median Unit** lb/MMBtu
Marsh Landing Generating Station
Plant No. 19169
Application No. 18404
BAAQMD February 2010
H2SO4 Estimate
Worst Case lb/hr
1 grain Sulfur/100 scf
lb S/MMBtu = 1 grain S/100 scf x lb/7000 grains x scf/1020 Btu x 1E06 Btu/MMBtu = 0.0014 lb S/MMBtu
lb SO2/MMBtu = 0.0014 lb S/MMBtu x 64/32 = 0.0028 lb SO2/MMBtu
Worst Case lb/hour assume 55% SO2 converts to H2SO4
lb H2SO4/MMBtu = 0.0028 lb SO2/MMBtu x 98/64 x 0.55 = 0.002358 lb H2SO4/MMBtu
Simple Cycle Turbine lb/hr H2SO4 = 2202 MMBtu/hour x 0.002358 lb H2SO4/MMBtu = 5.192 lb/hour per turbine
Annual Average assume 55% SO2 converts to H2SO4
0.25 grain Sulfur/100 scf
lb S/MMBtu = 0.25 grain S/100 scf x lb/7000 grains x scf/1020 Btu x 1E06 Btu/MMBtu = 0.00035 lb S/MMBtu
lb SO2/MMBtu = 0.00035 lb S/MMBtu x 64/32 = 0.0007 lb SO2/MMBtu
Worst Case Annual Average lb/hour assume 55% SO2 converts to H2SO4
lb H2SO4/MMBtu = 0.0007 lb SO2/MMBtu x 98/64 x 0.55 = 0.0005895 lb H2SO4/MMBtu
Simple Cycle Turbine lb/hr H2SO4 = 2202 MMBtu/hour x 0.0005895 lb H2SO4/MMBtu = 1.298 lb/hour per turbine, 1752 hours/year
Total H2SO4 = 4 x (1.298 lb/hour x 1752 hour/year) = 9096 lb/year, 4.55 ton/year
Marsh Landing Generating Station
Plant No. 19169
Application No. 18404
BAAQMD February 2010
Simple Cycle Unit Heater
Firing Rate
lb/MMscf lb/MMBtu MMBtu/hr lb/hour lb/day hours/year lb/year ton/year
Benzene 2.10E-03 2.06E-06 5 1.03E-05 2.47E-04 1752 1.80E-02 9.02E-06
Formaldehyde 7.50E-02 7.35E-05 5 3.68E-04 8.82E-03 1752 6.44E-01 3.22E-04
Toluene 3.40E-03 3.33E-06 5 1.67E-05 4.00E-04 1752 2.92E-02 1.46E-05
Natural Gas 1020 Btu/scf
Notes: Emission Factors AP-42 Section 1.4 (7/98)
Benzene lb/hour = 5 MMBtu/hour x 2.1E-03 lb/MMscf x (1/1020 Btu/scf) = 1.03 E-05
Both Heaters
lb/hour lb/day lb/year ton/year
Benzene 2.06E-05 4.94E-04 3.61E-02 1.80E-05
Formaldehyde 7.35E-04 1.76E-02 1.29E+00 6.44E-04
Toluene 3.33E-05 8.00E-04 5.84E-02 2.92E-05

## Memorandum

September 7, 2005
To: Engineering Division Staff
From: Brian Bateman
Director of Engineering
Subject: Emission Factors for Toxic Air Contaminants from Miscellaneous

Natural Gas Combustion Sources

This memorandum serves to provide guidelines on the emission factors to use to calculate toxic air contaminant (TAC) emissions from miscellaneous natural gas combustion sources. When site specific or source category specific emission factors are not available, the following emission factors shall be used to calculate TAC emissions from miscellaneous natural gas combustion sources:

TAC Emission Factors for Miscellaneous Natural Gas Combustion

| TAC | Emission Factor, lbs/Mscf | Emission Factor, lbs/therms * |
|---|---|---|
| Benzene | 2.1 E-6 | 2.06 E-7 |
| Formaldehyde | 7.5 E-5 | 7.35 E-6 |
| Toluene | 3.4 E-6 | 3.33E-7 |

* based on 1020 Btu/scf

These emission factors are taken from AP42 Table 1.4-3, Emission Factors for Speciated Organic Compounds from Natural Gas Combustion, and are those for which a reasonable number of sources had been tested and the tests were performed using sound methodology. AP42 emission factors for PAHs are not used because they are based on single tests in which the speciated PAH emissions were found to be below detection levels. AP42 emission factors for metal emissions are not used because they are based on a small number of tests and have poor EPA data quality ratings. CATEF factors are not used because there was inadequate data, the data quality was poor, or the quality of AP42 data was better. Based on the data from their websites, neither Ventura nor San Diego APCD use metal emission factors and except for naphthalene, neither uses any other speciated or benzo(a)pyrene equivalent PAH emission factor.

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# Appendix B
# PSD Modeling Results
# OFFICE MEMORANDUM

***March 22, 2010***

**TO:** Brian Lusher **VIA:** Glen Long
Scott Lutz
Barry Young
Brenda Cabral

**FROM:** Jane Lundquist

**SUBJECT:** Mirant Marsh Landing Generating Station, Antioch, Ca., Plant # 19169, PSD Modeling Analysis, Permit Application # 18404

I have reviewed the September 2009 modeling analysis prepared by URS and submitted by Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC for the Marsh Landing Generating Station Project. This project has been changed from two combined cycle turbines and two simple cycle turbines to four simple cycle turbines. With the elimination of the heat recovery steam generators, the project is not a fossil fuel-fired steam electric plant and is not a “major” stationary source under the federal PSD regulations because project emissions are less

than 250 tons per year of any regulated pollutant.

However, at your request, an air quality impact analysis was performed in accordance with Sections 52.21(k)-(o) of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations and Section 414 of the District's NSR Rule (Regulation 2, Rule 2) using EPA-approved models and calculation procedures. Based upon the information provided in the URS report and your emission estimates, my analysis shows that the proposed project would not cause or contribute to a violation of any applicable ambient air quality standards for any PSD pollutant. Attached is my report.

SUMMARY OF AIR QUALITY IMPACT ANALYSIS
FOR THE MIRANT MARSH LANDING GENERATING STATION

*March 22, 2010*

**Background**

Mirant Marsh Landing, LLC has submitted permit application (# 18404) for the Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) in Antioch, California. The proposed MLGS will be a 760 MW facility designed to provide peaking power and is expected to operate at a maximum of 20 percent annual capacity factor. The MLGS will consist of four natural gas-fired Siemens 5000F simple cycle (SC) gas turbines and two natural gas-fired fuel preheaters. The MLGS will be constructed wholly within the existing Contra Costa Power Plant site. The proposed project will result in an increase in PSD-regulated air pollutant emissions of nitrogen dioxide ($NO_2$), sulfur dioxide ($SO_2$), particulate matter ($PM_{2.5}$ and $PM_{10}$), and carbon monoxide (CO).

**Air Quality Impact Analysis Requirements**

Requirements for air quality impact analysis are given in the Code of Federal Regulations 40 CFR Section 52.21(k)-(o) and related authorities. The Bay Area Air Quality Management District has also adopted regulations on performing air quality impact analysis in its New Source Review (NSR) Rule: Regulation 2, Rule 2. These regulations provide additional guidance on performing air quality impact analyses, but do not override the EPA regulations. In the case of any inconsistency between Air District Regulation 2, Rule 2 and 40 CFR Section 52.21, the federal regulations are controlling.

The worst-case annual criteria pollutant emission increases for the MLGS project are listed in Table 1, along with the corresponding significant emission rates above which an air quality impact analysis is required.

Table 1 Comparison of Proposed Project's Worst-Case Annual Emissions to Significant Emission Rates for Air Quality Impact Analysis

| Pollutant | Proposed Project's Emissions (tons/year) | PSD "Major Source" Threshold Emission Rate (tons/year) | EPA PSD Significant Emission Rates for Major Stationary Sources (tons/year) | Air Quality Impact Modeling Required? (yes/no) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 71.9 | 250 | 40 | no |
| $SO_2$ | 7.9 | 250 | 40 | no |

$PM_{10}$ 31.6 250 15 no
$PM_{2.5}$ 31.6 250 10 no
CO 138.9 250 100 no

As of December 14, 2009, the San Francisco Bay Area was designated non-attainment for the 2006 24-hour $PM_{2.5}$ National Ambient Air Quality Standard. As such, PSD analysis for $PM_{2.5}$ is not applicable for the 24-hour $PM_{2.5}$ standard. However, to be conservative, an analysis of 24-hour $PM_{2.5}$ impacts has been included in this analysis. As shown in Table 1, the proposed project emissions do not exceed the PSD "major source" threshold level for any of the regulated pollutants and an air quality impact analysis is not required. However, at the request of the permit engineer, an air quality impact has been investigated for all pollutants emitted in quantities larger than the EPA PSD significant emission rates. The proposed project $SO_2$ emissions are below the PSD significant emission rate; thus, an air quality impact analysis was not conducted for the emissions of $SO_2$. The MLGS project emissions of $NO_2$, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$, and CO exceed the PSD significant emission rates and an air quality impact analysis was therefore performed for these pollutants. The detailed requirements for an air quality impact analysis for these pollutants are given in 40 CFR Section 52.21, District Regulation 2, Rule 2 and EPA guidance documents.
The PSD Regulations also contain requirements for certain additional impact analyses associated with air pollutant emissions. An applicant for a permit that requires an air quality impact analysis must also, according to 40 CFR Section 52.21(o) and Section 2-2-417 of the District's NSR Rule, provide an analysis of the impact of the source and source-related growth on visibility, soils and vegetation.

**Air Quality Impact Analysis Summary**

The required contents of an air quality impact analysis are specified in EPA's NSR Workshop Manual and Section 2-2-414 of the District's NSR Rule. According to subsection 2-2-414.1 and the NSR Workshop Manual, if the maximum air quality impacts of a new or modified stationary source do not exceed significant impact levels for air quality impacts, as defined in Section 2-2-233 and the NSR Workshop Manual, no further analysis is required. In September 2007, EPA proposed three different 24-hour and annual average significant impact levels for $PM_{2.5}$.[1] The $PM_{2.5}$ levels have not been promulgated and EPA does not have plans to finalize them until May 2010. The District has reviewed EPA's methodology underlying each of its alternative proposed significant impact levels and has concluded that the lowest of the three proposed significant impact levels is the most appropriate measure of significance for each averaging period for comparison purposes.
Consistent with EPA regulations, it is assumed that emission increases will not cause or contribute to a violation of an ambient air quality standard (AAQS), or cause or contribute to an exceedance of a PSD increment, if the resulting maximum air quality impacts are less than specified significance levels. If the maximum impact for a particular pollutant is predicted to exceed the significant impact level, a full impact analysis is required involving estimation of

1 Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) for Particulate Matter Less than 2.5 Micrometers ($PM_{2.5}$) – Increments, Significant Impact Levels (SILs) and Significant Monitoring Concentration (SMC)"; Proposed Rule, Federal Register, Volume 72, Number 183, pages 54111-54156, September 21, 2007


background pollutant concentrations and, if applicable, a PSD increment consumption analysis. EPA also requires an analysis of any PSD source that may impact a Class I area.

*Air Quality Modeling Methodology*

Maximum ambient concentrations of $NO_2$, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ and CO were estimated for various

plume dispersion scenarios using established modeling procedures. The plume dispersion scenarios addressed include simple terrain impacts (for receptors located below stack height), complex terrain impacts (for receptors located at or above stack height), impacts due to building downwash, impacts due to inversion breakup fumigation, and impacts due to shoreline fumigation.

Emissions from each of the four 5000F turbines will be exhausted from separate 31.3-feet diameter, 165-feet tall exhaust stacks. Emissions from each of the two fuel preheaters will be exhausted from separate 8 inch diameter, 26-feet tall exhaust stacks. Initial screening model runs for the turbines were made for various operating conditions to determine the worst-case operating conditions that yielded the highest concentrations of $NO_2$, $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ and CO; three different operating loads and three different ambient conditions were evaluated. The worst-case operating conditions found for the SC turbines were then used to model the maximum predicted impacts of the proposed project. Model runs were made for each of the following scenarios to determine the maximum predicted 1-hour, 8-hour, 24-hour and annual average pollutant concentrations: worst-case normal operating conditions, turbine startup, inversion break-up fumigation and shoreline fumigation.[2] The pollutants emitted, averaging period evaluated, operating scenario description and emission rates used in the modeling for each source are shown in Table 2, on the next page.

The EPA guideline models AERMOD (version 09292) SCREEN3 model (version 96043) were used to determine air quality impacts during worst-case normal operation, inversion breakup fumigation and shoreline fumigation conditions. An Auer land use analysis of the facility and its surroundings showed that the area within 3 kilometers is considered rural. Using the rural land use option, F stability and a stack height wind speed of 2.5 m/s, the SCREEN3 model was run for each source and TIBL factor 2 through 6 to determine inversion breakup fumigation and shoreline fumigation. Because the area is classified as rural, the AERMOD model option of increased surface heating due to the urban heat island was not selected.

Meteorological data was available from the station located on site at the Contra Costa Power Plant (CCP). The site was divided into 5 sectors: 62°-150°, 150°-182°, 182°-243°, 243°-274°and 274°-62° for determining surface characteristics. Surface moisture conditions for the determination of Bowen ratio was obtained from the Antioch Pump Plant 3 climate station.

2 Commissioning is the original startup of the turbines and only occurs during the initial operation of the equipment after installation. Commissioning emissions are temporary emissions that are not subject to the Air Quality Impact Analysis requirement. EPA only requires an analysis of commissioning activity impacts if it is shown that the emissions impact a Class I area or an area where a PSD increment is known to be violated. 40 CFR Section 52.21(i)(3).



These data were processed with EPA's AERSURFACE (version 08009) to determine a set of surface characteristics in accordance with EPA's January 2008 "AERMOD Implementation Guide." Five years (2000, 2001, 2002, 2004 and 2005) of CCP meteorological data, Oakland Airport upper air data, Concord/Buchannan Airport cloud cover data, and the set of surface characteristics were processed with EPA's AERMET (version 06341). AERMOD model runs were made using the no urban areas option and the five years of AERMET processed meteorological data. The Plume Volume Molar Ratio Method was used to convert $NO_x$ impacts into $NO_2$ impacts. Hourly ozone monitoring data for the same period as the AERMET-processed meteorological data (2000, 2001, 2002, 2004 and 2005) was obtained from the District's Bethel Island monitoring station located approximately 10 km east of the project site. Because the exhaust stacks do not exceed Good Engineering Practice (GEP) stack height, ambient impacts due to building downwash were evaluated using the Building Profile Input Program for PRIME

[BPIPPRM (version 04274)]. Stack and building parameters used in the analysis are those provided by the applicant. Complex terrain impacts were also considered. Elevation data from USGS digital elevation maps were processed in AERMAP (version 06341).

Table 2

Source Emission Rates Used in the Modeling Analysis for Various Scenarios and Pollutant Averaging Times

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Scenario: description | SC Turbine Emission Rate w/o tuning, lbs/hr | SC Turbine tuning Emission Rate, lbs/hr | SC Fuel Preheater Emission Rate, lbs/hr |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | STARTUP & TUNING: 1 SC turbine tuning and 3 SC turbines with 2 startups, 1 shutdown and rest of hour at normal operation; fuel preheaters at maximum operating rates | 45.1 | 80.0 | 0.091 |
| CO | 1-hour | STARTUP: All SC turbines with 2 startups, 1 shutdown and rest of hour at normal operation; fuel preheaters at maximum operating rates | 541.3 | 450 | 0.170 |
| CO | 8-hour | STARTUP: All SC turbines with 2 startups, 1 shutdown and rest of hour at normal operation; fuel preheaters at maximum operating rates – this occurs for each of the 8 hours | 541.3 | 450 | 0.170 |
| $PM_{2.5}/PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | STARTUP & TUNING: 1-SC turbine tuning; all SC turbines with 3 startups, 3 shutdown, rest of period at normal operations; fuel preheaters at maximum operating rates | 9.0 | 9.0 | 0.015 |
| $NO_2$ | Annual | All SC turbines operate annually 1705 hours at $60_oF$, with 167 startups and 167 shutdowns (1752 hours total); fuel preheaters operate 1752 hours at maximum operating rates | 4.1 | 4.1 | 0.018 |
| $PM_{2.5}/PM_{10}$ | Annual | All SC turbines operate annually 1705 hours at $60_oF$, with 167 startups and 167 shutdowns (1752 hours total); fuel preheaters operate 1752 hours at maximum operating rates | 1.8 | 1.8 | 0.0029 |

a. Start-up occurs when a turbine is brought from idle status to power production.
b. All four turbines are conservatively assumed to start in the same hour.
c. SC turbine $NO_2$ emission rates during tuning are higher than during startup and shutdown. The scenario modeled for 1-hour average $NO_2$ includes one SC turbine tuning.
d. SC turbine CO emission rates during startup and shutdown are higher than during tuning. The scenario modeled for 1-hour and 8-hour average CO involves all SC turbines starting up and shutting down.

### *Air Quality Modeling Results*

The maximum predicted ambient impacts determined from the modeling are summarized in Table 3 for the averaging periods for which AAQS and PSD Increments have been set. Also shown in Table 3 are the corresponding significant air quality impact levels listed in the NSR



Workshop Manual, Section 2-2-233 of the District's NSR Rule, and the most conservative of the draft proposed 2007 significant air quality impact levels for $PM_{2.5}$.

Table 3

Maximum Predicted Ambient Impacts of the Proposed Project and
PSD Class II Significant Air Quality Impact Levels

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Operating Case | Maximum Modeled Impact, µg/m3 | Significant Air Quality Impact Level (SIL) a, µg/m3 | SIL exceeded? (yes/no) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 41 | 19 | yes |
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 11 | 19 | no |
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 64 | 19 | yes |
| $NO_2$ | annual | Maximum Operation | 0.08 | 1.0 | no |
| CO | 1-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 464 | 2,000 | no |
| CO | 1-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 96 | 2,000 | no |
| CO | 1-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 576 | 2,000 | no |
| CO | 8-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 187 | 500 | no |
| CO | 8-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 19 | 500 | no |
| CO | 8-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 82 | 500 | no |
| $PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 1.1 | 5 | no |
| $PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 0.2 | 5 | no |
| $PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 0.4 | 5 | no |
| $PM_{10}$ | annual | Normal Operation | 0.02 | 1 | no |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | 24-hour | Normal w/startup & tuning | 1.1 | 1.2 | no |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | 24-hour | Inversion Break-up Fumigation | 0.2 | 1.2 | no |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | 24-hour | Shoreline Fumigation | 0.4 | 1.2 | no |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | annual | Normal Operation | 0.02 | 0.3 | no |

a. EPA recently adopted a rule establishing a new one-hour $NO_2$ National AAQS. The effective date of the final rule is April 12, 2010. No federal significant air quality impact level (SIL) has yet been established for one-hour average $NO_2$ concentrations. The one-hour average $NO_2$ SIL listed above is from District Regulation 2-2-233 and was established to determine compliance with the California AAQS.

In accordance with the NSR Workshop Manual and Section 2-2-414 of the District's NSR Rule, further analysis is required only for those pollutants and averaging times with modeled impacts above the significant air quality impact levels. As shown in Table 3, the 1-hour average $NO_2$ impact would require further analysis to determine that the emission increases from the proposed project would not cause or contribute to an AAQS violation or an exceedance of a PSD increment. However, no PSD increment has been established for the 1-hour average $NO_2$. Thus, the 1-hour average $NO_2$ impact is evaluated only to determine if a National AAQS violation would occur. Figure 1 shows the locations of the maximum modeled impacts. (Note that the PSD analysis applies only for the National AAQS, but this analysis evaluates the potential for a California AAQS violation as well because this project will be reviewed for compliance with the California AAQS by the California Energy Commission.)



Figure 1 Location of Project Maximum Impacts

598000 600000 602000 604000 606000 608000 610000 612000

UTM Easting, meters

4200000
4202000
4204000
4206000
4208000
UTM Northing, meters
Project Fence Line
8-hour CO
24-hour PM2.5/10
1-hour CO
1-hour NO2
Annual
PM2.5/10
Annual NO2

*Impact Area*

The geographical area, or impact area, for which the analysis for the NAAQS is carried out is defined as the circular area that includes all receptor locations where the proposed project causes a significant ambient impact (equal to or exceeding the significant air quality impact level (SIL)). A federal SIL has not yet been established for one-hour average $NO_2$ concentrations. However, the one-hour average CO SIL is five percent of the one-hour CO NAAQS. Applying this percentage to the one-hour $NO_2$ NAAQS results in a value of 9 $\mu g/m^3$; this value was used as the $NO_2$ SIL to establish the impact area. Nearby sources that could have a significant impact in the project impact area should also be modeled. The following nearby new and proposed facilities were identified as sources that should be modeled: Gateway Generating Station, Willow Pass Generating Station and Oakley Generating Station. The MLGS project and these three new and proposed generating stations were then modeled with the dispersion model AERMOD as described under the section *Air Quality Modeling Methodology* above. The Pittsburg and Bethel Island monitoring stations are also within the MLGS project impact area.



*Background Air Quality Levels*

A PSD full impacts analysis evaluates the proposed project's impacts in connection with background concentrations and contributions from other nearby sources. Guidance in EPA's NSR Workshop Manual allows the use of background data from existing regional monitoring sites if the site is representative of air quality of the area and the following criteria are considered: monitor location, quality of data and currentness of data. The proposed project site is located mid-way between the Bethel Island monitoring station and the Pittsburg monitoring station. The District-operated Pittsburg monitoring station, which is located east of the project and has the higher $NO_2$ concentrations of the two stations, was analyzed for representativeness of background $NO_2$ concentrations. A comparison of grid cell emissions, within a 5 mile radius of the Pittsburg monitoring station and within a 5 mile radius of the proposed project site, show that $NO_2$ emissions in the Pittsburg monitoring station area are almost 2 times higher than the emissions in the proposed project area. We can reasonably assume that background ambient concentrations are similar, if not lower, at the proposed project site than at the Pittsburg monitoring station location. The Pittsburg monitoring station is a currently operated site and meets all EPA ambient monitoring data requirements ("Ambient Monitoring Guidelines for Prevention of Significant Deterioration", EPA-450/4-87-007, May 1987). Therefore, representativeness and all three criteria have been met. One-hour average $NO_2$ concentrations recorded at the Pittsburg monitoring station, which is within the MLGS project impact area, represent impacts from existing sources.

In order to determine that the project will not cause an exceedance of an AAQS, the proposed project's $NO_2$ impact is added to the background concentrations and compared to the AAQS.

The California AAQS for one-hour average $NO_2$ is based on the maximum one-hour average concentration. The highest one-hour average $NO_2$ concentration recorded at the Pittsburg monitoring station during the period from 2004 to 2008 was 110 μg/m$^3$; this value is used as the background concentration to determine whether or not the proposed project will cause an exceedance of the California AAQS. The National AAQS for one-hour average $NO_2$ is based on the three-year average of the 98$^{th}$ percentile of the annual distribution of daily maximum onehour average concentration. The highest three-year average of the 98$^{th}$ percentile of the annual distribution of daily maximum one-hour average $NO_2$ concentrations recorded at the Pittsburg monitoring station during the periods from 2005 to 2007 and from 2006 to 2008 was 83 μg/m$^3$; this value is used as the background concentration to determine whether or not the proposed project will cause an exceedance of the National AAQS.

*Ambient Air Quality Standard Modeling Comparison*

The maximum modeled one-hour $NO_2$ impact added to the maximum background concentrations is compared to the ambient air quality standards in Table 4. The proposed project will not cause or contribute to an exceedance of the California AAQS for one-hour average $NO_2$ or of the National AAQS for one-hour average $NO_2$ based on the three-year average of the 98$^{th}$ percentile of the annual distribution of daily maximum one-hour average concentrations.



Table 4

Proposed Project One-hour $NO_2$ Ambient Air Quality Levels and California and National AAQS

| Standard | Maximum Modeled Impact [a], μg/m$^3$ | Maximum Background, μg/m$^3$ | Maximum Project Impact Plus Maximum Background, μg/m$^3$ | AAQS, μg/m$^3$ |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| California | 41 | 110 | 152 | 338 |
| National | 95 | 83 | 178 | 188 |

a. To determine that the California AAQS would not be exceeded, only the impact due to $NO_2$ emissions from the proposed MLGS is considered. To determine that the National AAQS would not be exceeded, the combined impact due to $NO_2$ emissions from the proposed MLGS as well as the Gateway Generating Station, the Willow Pass Generating Station and the Oakley Generating Station is considered. For the California AAQS, the table shows the maximum one-hour $NO_2$ concentration due to the emissions from MLGS only. For the National AAQS the table shows the maximum one-hour $NO_2$ concentration due to the emissions from the four generating stations combined.

*PSD Increment Consumption Analysis*

Although the impact from the proposed project exceeds the PSD significant air quality impact levels for 1-hour $NO_2$, the EPA has not established a PSD increment for this pollutant and averaging period; thus, no PSD increment consumption analysis is required for this project.

**Class I Area Impact Analysis**

In accordance with the NSR Workshop Manual, an impact analysis must be performed for any PSD source within 100 km of a Class I area which increases air pollutant concentrations by 1 μg/m$^3$ or more (24-hour average) inside the Class I area. EPA has proposed three options for the Class I Significant Impact Levels (SILs) for $PM_{2.5}$ in the Proposed Rule for $PM_{2.5}$ (see footnote 1). Table 5 presents the most conservative SILs proposed. The nearest Class I area is the Point Reyes National Seashore, located roughly 82 km to the west of the project. The results of an impact analysis using AERMOD modeling of the maximum 24-hour average $NO_2$, $PM_{10}$/$PM_{2.5}$ and CO concentrations within 50 km of the proposed MLGS facility area are shown in Table 5.

Since pollutant concentrations decrease with distance away from the source, the proposed project impacts at the Point Reyes National Seashore, which is 32 km further away, will be less that the maximum model impacts at 50km. All impacts are below the corresponding SIL; therefore, a Class I PSD increment consumption analysis is not required.

Table 5

Maximum Predicted Ambient Impacts of Proposed Project at the Point Reyes National Seashore, Class I Area

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Maximum Modeled Class I Impact, μg/m3 | Significant Air Quality Impact Level (SIL), μg/m3 | SIL exceeded? (yes/no) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 24-hour | 0.12 | 1.0 | no |
| PM | 24-hour | 0.041 | 0.07 | no |
| $_{10}$/$PM_{2.5}$ | annual | 0.02 | 0.04 | no |
| CO | 24-hour | 0.40 | 1.0 | no |

## Additional Impacts Analysis

The EPA NSR Workshop Manual and Section 2-2-417 of the District's NSR Rule requires that all PSD analysis include an additional impacts analysis which assesses the impacts on soils, vegetation, and visibility caused by any increase in emissions of any regulated pollutant from the source and associated growth.



### *Visibility Impairment Analysis*

Visibility impacts were assessed using EPA's VISCREEN (version 88341) visibility screening model. The Level I analysis shows that the proposed project will not cause any impairment of visibility at Point Reyes National Seashore, the nearest Class I area.

### *Soils and Vegetation Analysis*

The following soil and vegetation inventory excerpt is from the Impacts to Soils and Vegetation document submitted by the applicant:

The Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) site has been historically used as a power plant since 1952 and is surrounded by other industrial and commercial uses. Much of the area is developed, lacking natural soils, vegetation and habitat.

Many of the soils found in the vicinity of the project are hydric (high moisture) soils associated with the floodplains, marshes and wetlands adjacent to the San Joaquin River. Delhi Sands cover most of the project site and surrounding area (including the areas of the proposed water lines and treatment facility at Bridgehead Lift Station). Delhi Sands while not hydric soils, are typically associated with floodplains and alluvial fans. The remaining areas are largely mucky soils, which are high in organic material content and associated with the shoreline marshes. Soil types present offsite include: Joice Muck, Shima Muck, Sycamore Silty Clay Loam, Zamora Silty Clay Loam, Fluvaquents, Gazwell Mucky Clay, Medisaprists, Rindge Muck and Rindge Mucky Silt Loam, and Xeropsamments. Absent from this area are nutrient-poor soil types such as are associated with rock outcroppings found in other, higher elevations in the Bay Area. Therefore, potential deposition of nitrogen-based nutrients from the air will not cause a significant increase in the nutritive properties of the local soils.

Natural vegetation communities within a one-mile radius around the project site include: freshwater wetlands, riparian woodland, woodlands, stabilized interior dunes, tidal marshes, and annual grassland. The majority of the area south of the project site however consists of disturbed/ruderal grasslands, agriculture, landscaping, and developed areas. Several special-status species are known to occur near the project site. Federal special-status plants that are known to occur or could potentially occur within one mile of the project area include the Antioch Dunes Evening Primrose (*Oenothera deltoides* ssp. *howellii*) and the Contra Costa Wallflower (*Erysimum capitatum* ssp. *angustatum*). Neither of these plants occurs on the project site.

EPA has established a screening procedure for determining impacts to plants, soils and animals (EPA 450/2-81-078, “A Screening Procedure for the Impacts of Air Pollution Sources on Plants, Soils, and Animals,” December 1980). Table 3.1 of this EPA guidance document lists screening concentrations for various pollutants. The screening concentrations represent minimum concentrations at which adverse growth effects or tissue injuries have been reported in the scientific literature. A comparison of the maximum concentrations that may result from the proposed MLGS project and the screening concentrations from the EPA document are shown Table 6 on the next page. The maximum concentrations that may result from the proposed MLGS project are calculated by summing the maximum modeled impact and the maximum background concentration.



Table 6
Comparison of Maximum Project Concentrations to
the National Ambient Air Quality Standard and the EPA Screening Concentrations

| Pollutant | Averaging Period | Maximum Background Conc., µg/m3 | Maximum Modeled Impact, µg/m3 | Maximum Conc. (impact plus background) µg/m3 | Screening Conc.,[a] µg/m3 | Screening Averaging Period |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | 116 | 64 | 180 | 3,760 | 4 & 8 hour |
| $NO_2$ | 1-hour | 116 | 64 | 180 | 564 | 1 month |
| $NO_2$ | annual | 23 | 0.09 | 23 | 94 | 1 year |
| CO | 1-hour | 4,753 | 576 | 5,329 | - | - |
| CO | 8-hour | 2,226 | 187 | 2,413 | 1,800,000 | 1-week |
| $PM_{10}$ | 24-hour | 84 | 1.1 | 85 | - | - |
| $PM_{10}$ | annual | 21.7 | 0.02 | 22 | - | - |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | 24-hour | 74 | 1.1 | 75 | - | - |
| $PM_{2.5}$ | annual | 11 | 0.02 | 11 | - | - |

[a]EPA 450/2-81-078, “A Screening Procedure for the Impacts of Air Pollution Sources on Plants, Soils, and Animals,” December 1980.

The maximum 1-hour average $NO_2$ concentration, including background, was compared to the screening concentrations with 4-hour, 8-hour and 1-month averaging periods. Likewise, the maximum 8-hour average CO concentration, including background, was compared to the screening concentration with a 1-week averaging period. This conservative comparison shows that maximum predicted $NO_2$ and CO concentrations are below the EPA screening concentrations and thus, below concentrations at which adverse growth effects or tissue injuries have been reported in the scientific literature.

The deposition of airborne particulates ($PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$) can affect vegetation through either physical or chemical mechanisms. Physical mechanisms include the blocking of stomata so that

normal gas exchange is impaired, as well as potential effects on leaf adsorption and reflectance of solar radiation. Deposition rates of 365 g/m$^2$/year have been shown to cause damage to fir trees, but rates of 274 g/m$^2$/year and 400-600 g/m$^2$/year did not damage vegetation at other sites (Lerman, S.L. and E.F. Darley. 1975. Particulates, pp. 141-158. In: Responses of plants to air pollution, edited by J.B. Mudd and T.T. Kozlowski. Academic Press. New York.) The maximum annual predicted concentration for $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ emissions from the MLGS is 0.02 μg/m$^3$. Assuming a deposition velocity of 2 cm/sec (worst-case deposition velocity, as recommended by the California Air Resources Board [CARB]), this concentration converts to an annual deposition rate of 0.01 g/m$^2$/year, which is several orders of magnitude below that which is expected to result in injury to vegetation (i.e., 365 g/m$^2$/year). The maximum annual average $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ background concentration was 21.7 μg/m$^3$. The total annual average $PM_{2.5}$, $PM_{10}$ concentration, project plus background, is 22 μg/m$^3$. Using the same 2 cm/sec deposition velocity yields a total estimated particulate deposition rate of 14 g/m$^2$/year. This total is still 26 times less than levels expected to result in plant injury.

Maximum project $NO_2$, CO, $PM_{10}$ and $PM_{2.5}$ concentrations would be less than the threshold levels at which scientific studies have shown a potential for negative impacts on soils and




vegetation; thus, pollutant emissions from the proposed MLGS project are not expected to have any adverse soils and vegetative impacts.

**Growth Analysis**

The applicant has prepared the following growth analysis:

According to the Federal PSD Regulation 40 CFR section 52.21(o), a growth induced air quality impact analysis on emissions from “general commercial, residential, industrial and other growth associated with the project” is required under PSD.

Growth induced impacts associated with this project are caused by the growth necessity in local infrastructure to accommodate the project. This growth may include but is not limited to additional residential housing, schools, retail suppliers, and additional local business or industry to provide materials and support services for the facility.

The Marsh Landing Generating Station (MLGS) would occupy approximately 27 acres within the western portion of the Contra Costa Power Plant (CCPP) property. The project will occupy an already developed industrial site dedicated to electricity generation. Therefore, there will be little or no associated industrial, commercial, or residential growth as a result of this project. In addition, the electrical generating capacity from the project will be connected into a regional electrical supply grid and therefore the proposed project does not stimulate local growth.

The applicant estimates that operation and maintenance of the project would require 20 skilled fulltime employees (Marsh Landing Generating Station AFC (08-AFC-3), May 2008, Table 2.8-1). To the extent practicable, the applicant has committed to give local preference in hiring and procurements. Therefore, there will be no significant impact on local employment associated with the operation and maintenance of the project.

Based on the location, electricity distribution, and estimated workforce of the proposed project, no significant growth is expected to result from the proposed project.

**CONCLUSIONS**

The results of the air quality impact analysis indicate that the proposed project would not cause or contribute to a violation of any PSD or California AAQS ($NO_2$, CO, $PM_{10}$ and $PM_{2.5}$). This analysis was based on EPA-approved models and calculation procedures and was performed in accordance with 40 CFR Section 52.21, Section 2-2-414 of the District's NSR Rule, and related guidance.

# Appendix C
# Health Risk Assessment Results

**INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

February 24, 2010

TO: Brian K. Lusher Via: Scott B. Lutz

FROM: Jane H. Lundquist Daphne Y. Chong

SUBJECT: Revised Health Risk Assessment for Mirant Marsh Landing Generating Station, Antioch, Plant #19169, Application #18404

At your request, a revised health risk screening analysis was performed for the above referenced application to reflect your updated estimate of sulfuric acid emissions from the project. The analysis estimates the incremental health risk resulting from toxic air contaminant (TAC) emissions from the following natural gas-fired equipment: four simple cycle turbines and two fuel preheaters. Results from the analysis indicate that, for this project, the maximum incremental cancer risk is estimated at **0.03 in a million**, the chronic hazard index is **0.003**, and the acute hazard index is **0.3**. In accordance with the District's Regulation 2, Rule 5, these risk levels are considered acceptable.

*EMISSIONS:* TAC emission rates used in this analysis are those you provided in your "Marshlanding Amendment TAC Final 021810" spreadsheet. Table 1 shows the emission rates for a simple cycle turbine

**Table 1 - Simple Cycle Turbine TAC Emission Rates per Turbine**

| | Max. Annual Emission Rate | | Max. Hourly Emission Rate | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Toxic Air Contaminant | lbs/yr | g/s | lbs/hr | g/s |
| 1,3-Butadiene | 4.80E-01 | 6.91E-06 | 2.74E-04 | 3.45E-05 |
| Acetaldehyde | 5.75E+02 | 8.27E-03 | 2.76E+00 | 3.48E-01 |
| Acrolein * | 7.34E+01 | 1.06E-03 | 1.49E-01 | 1.87E-02 |
| Ammonia | 5.40E+04 | 7.77E-01 | 3.08E+01 | 3.88E+00 |
| Benzene | 5.04E+01 | 7.24E-04 | 5.53E-02 | 6.96E-03 |
| Benz[a]anthracene | 8.55E-02 | 1.23E-06 | 4.88E-05 | 6.15E-06 |
| Benzo[a]pyrene | 5.26E-02 | 7.56E-07 | 3.00E-05 | 3.78E-06 |
| Benzo[b]fluoranthene | 4.27E-02 | 6.15E-07 | 2.44E-05 | 3.07E-06 |
| Benzo[k]fluoranthene | 4.16E-02 | 5.98E-07 | 2.37E-05 | 2.99E-06 |
| Chrysene | 9.53E-02 | 1.37E-06 | 5.44E-05 | 6.85E-06 |
| Dibenz[a,h]anthracene | 8.89E-02 | 1.28E-06 | 5.07E-05 | 6.39E-06 |
| Ethyl benzene | 6.77E+01 | 9.74E-04 | 7.04E-02 | 8.87E-03 |
| Formaldehyde | 1.95E+03 | 2.80E-02 | 1.00E+01 | 1.26E+00 |
| Hexane | 9.80E+02 | 1.41E-02 | 5.59E-01 | 7.05E-02 |
| Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene | 8.89E-02 | 1.28E-06 | 5.07E-05 | 6.39E-06 |
| Naphthalene | 6.28E+00 | 9.03E-05 | 3.58E-03 | 4.52E-04 |
| Propylene | 2.92E+03 | 4.19E-02 | 1.66E+00 | 2.10E-01 |
| Propylene oxide | 1.81E+02 | 2.60E-03 | 1.03E-01 | 1.30E-02 |
| Toluene | 2.69E+02 | 3.86E-03 | 2.12E-01 | 2.67E-02 |
| Xylenes (mixed) | 9.87E+01 | 1.42E-03 | 5.63E-02 | 7.10E-03 |
| Sulfuric acid | 2.27E+03 | 3.27E-02 | 5.19E+00 | 6.54E-01 |

* Note: Currently, CARB does not have certified emission factors or an analytical test method for acrolein. Until the tools needed to implement and enforce acrolein emission limits are available, the District will not conduct a HRSA for acrolein emissions.



Table 2 shows the annual TAC emission rates for a fuel preheater; emission are based on maximum operation rates for 1752 hours per year.

**Table 2 - Natural Gas Fuel Pre-Heater, each per Heater**

| | Max. Annual Emission Rate | | Max. Hourly Emission Rate | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Toxic Air Contaminant | lbs/yr | g/s | lbs/hr | g/s |
| Benzene | 1.80E-02 | 2.59E-07 | 1.03E-05 | 1.30E-06 |
| Formaldehyde | 6.44E-01 | 9.26E-06 | 3.68E-04 | 4.63E-05 |

Toluene 2.92E-02 4.20E-07 1.67E-05 2.10E-06

The health values used in calculating the health risk is shown Table 3.

**Table 3 – TAC Health Risk Values**

Toxic Air Contaminant
Resident Cancer
Unit Risk Factor,
$(ug/m^3)^{-1}$
Worker Cancer
Unit Risk Factor,
$(ug/m^3)^{-1}$
Chronic REL,
$ug/m^3$
Acute REL,
$ug/m^3$
1,3-Butadiene 1.7E-04 3.4E-05 2.0E+01 na
Acetaldehyde 2.9E-06 5.7E-07 1.4E+02 4.7E+02
Ammonia na na 2.0E+02 3.2E+03
Benzene 2.9E-05 5.7E-06 6.0E+01 1.3E+03
Benz[a]anthracene 1.7E-03 6.0E-04 na na
Benzo[a]pyrene 1.7E-02 6.0E-03 na na
Benzo[b]fluoranthene 1.7E-03 6.0E-04 na na
Benzo[k]fluoranthene 1.7E-03 6.0E-04 na na
Chrysene 1.7E-04 6.0E-05 na na
Dibenz[a,h]anthracene 6.5E-03 2.2E-03 na na
Ethyl benzene 2.5E-06 5.0E-07 2.0E+03 na
Formaldehyde 6.1E-06 1.2E-06 9.0E+00 5.5E+01
Hexane na na 7.0E+03 na
Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene 1.7E-03 6.0E-04 na na
Naphthalene 3.5E-05 6.9E-06 9.0E+00 na
Propylene na na 3.0E+03 na
Propylene oxide 3.8E-06 7.4E-07 3.0E+01 3.1E+03
Toluene na na 3.0E+02 3.7E+04
Xylenes (mixed) na na 7.0E+02 2.2E+04
Sulfuric acid na na 1.0E+00 1.2E+02

Note: The Unit Risk Factor (URF) are derived from HARP for each receptor (residential and worker) and includes exposure adjustments based on the continuous operation of the source. The URF for polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, which are TACs that have multipathway effects, includes the impacts from soil ingestion and dermal adsorption pathways.

Weighted emissions were calculated and used as model emissions inputs so that the modeled results are in terms of cancer risk, chronic hazard index and acute hazard index. The weighted emissions for cancer risk include an age sensitivity factors (1.7 for the residential receptor and 1.0 for the worker receptor). The weighted emissions for chronic and acute hazard indices were conservatively estimated, summing all weighted emissions regardless of the target organ that is affected by the TAC. Table 4 shows the health value weighted-emissions for each TAC as well as the sum for the simple cycle turbine inputs and for the fuel preheater inputs.




**Table 4 – Health Value Weighted Emission Inputs**

Toxic Air Contaminant
Resident Cancer
Risk Weighted
Emissions x 1E6
Worker Cancer
Risk Weighted
Emissions x 1E6
Chronic HQ
Weighted

Emissions
Acute HQ
Weighted
Emissions
1,3-Butadiene 2.04E-03 2.37E-04 3.45E-07 0.00E+00
Acetaldehyde 4.08E-02 4.73E-03 5.91E-05 7.41E-04
Ammonia 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 3.88E-03 1.21E-03
Benzene 3.57E-02 4.14E-03 1.21E-05 5.36E-06
Benz[a]anthracene 3.45E-03 7.38E-04 0.00E+00 0.00E+00
Benzo[a]pyrene 2.12E-02 4.54E-03 0.00E+00 0.00E+00
Benzo[b]fluoranthene 1.72E-03 3.69E-04 0.00E+00 0.00E+00
Benzo[k]fluoranthene 1.68E-03 3.59E-04 0.00E+00 0.00E+00
Chrysene 3.85E-04 8.23E-05 0.00E+00 0.00E+00
Dibenz[a,h]anthracene 1.41E-02 2.83E-03 0.00E+00 0.00E+00
Ethyl benzene 4.17E-03 4.84E-04 4.87E-07 0.00E+00
Formaldehyde 2.89E-01 3.36E-02 3.11E-03 2.29E-02
Hexane 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 2.01E-06 0.00E+00
Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene 3.59E-03 7.67E-04 0.00E+00 0.00E+00
Naphthalene 5.34E-03 6.20E-04 1.00E-05 0.00E+00
Propylene 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 1.40E-05 0.00E+00
Propylene oxide 1.66E-02 1.93E-03 8.67E-05 4.19E-06
Toluene 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 1.29E-05 7.22E-07
Xylenes (mixed) 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 2.03E-06 3.23E-07
Sulfuric acid 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 9.58E-03 9.92E-04
**SC Turbine Inputs (sum): 4.40E-01 5.54E-02 4.29E-02 3.78E-02**
Benzene 1.28E-05 1.48E-06 4.32E-09 9.98E-10
Formaldehyde 9.58E-05 1.11E-05 1.03E-06 8.42E-07
Toluene 0.00E+00 0.00E+00 1.40E-09 5.68E-11
**Fuel Preheater Inputs**
**(sum): 1.09E-04 1.26E-05 1.04E-06 8.43E-07**

1. For each source, the sum of the URF-weighted emissions is entered into the model so that cancer risk in a million is the dispersion model result.
Cancer Risk Model Emission Input = Sum of [ (Annual average emission rate, g/s) * (URF, (ug/m3)-1 ) * (Age Sensitivity Factor: 1.7 for resident, 1.0 for worker)* 1 E6 ]
2. For each source, the sum of the inverse chronic REL-weighted emissions is entered into the model so that chronic hazard index is the dispersion model result. Since the REL-weighted emissions are summed regardless of the target organ affected, the chronic hazard index will be conservatively estimated.
Chronic Hazard Index Model Emission Input = Sum of [ (Annual average emission rate, g/s) / (chronic REL, (ug/m3) )]
3. For each source, the sum of the inverse acute REL-weighted emissions is entered into the model so that acute hazard index is the dispersion model result. Since the REL-weighted emissions are summed regardless of the target organ affected, the acute hazard index will be conservatively estimated.
Acute Hazard Index Model Emission Input = Sum of [ (One-hour average emission rate, g/s) / (acute REL, (ug/m3) ) ]

*MODELING:* AERMOD model runs were executed to estimate the chronic and acute health risks. The meteorological data, terrain data, source and building parameters that were used in the PSD analysis for this project were also used in this risk assessment.

*HEALTH RISK:* The health risk assessment was performed in accordance with the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) guidelines. The health risk results are presented below.

**Receptor Cancer Risk in a million UTM_E UTM_N Met. Year**
Resident 0.029 609800 4207300 2002
Worker 0.0041 609269 4207710 2002
Max. Chronic HI 0.0031 609269 4207710 2002
Max. Acute HI 0.26 601000 4199675 2000
Residential
Cancer Risk
in a million

Maximum Chronic
Hazard Index


Maximum Acute
Hazard Index

Output File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2009Fall\CancerResident_2002_CANCRRES.LST
Met File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\metdata\Marsh_Landing_1k_02ccpmet.SFC
*** AERMOD - VERSION 09292 *** *** Marsh Landing Generating Station P19169 A18404 Cancer Risk w/ASF f *** 01/12/10
*** SIMPLE CYCLE TURBINES *** 15:44:09
*** MODEL SETUP OPTIONS SUMMARY ***
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**Model Is Setup For Calculation of Average CONCentration Values.
-- DEPOSITION LOGIC --
**NO GAS DEPOSITION Data Provided.
**NO PARTICLE DEPOSITION Data Provided.
**Model Uses NO DRY DEPLETION. DRYDPLT = F
**Model Uses NO WET DEPLETION. WETDPLT = F
**Model Uses RURAL Dispersion Only.
**Model Uses Regulatory DEFAULT Options:
1. Stack-tip Downwash.
2. Model Accounts for ELEVated Terrain Effects.
3. Use Calms Processing Routine.
4. Use Missing Data Processing Routine.
5. No Exponential Decay.
**Model Assumes No FLAGPOLE Receptor Heights.
**Model Calculates PERIOD Averages Only
**This Run Includes: 6 Source(s); 9 Source Group(s); and 6913 Receptor(s)
**Misc. Inputs: Base Elev. for Pot. Temp. Profile (m MSL) = 3.00 ; Decay Coef. = 0.000 ; Rot. Angle = 0.0
*** POINT SOURCE DATA ***
NUMBER EMISSION RATE BASE STACK STACK STACK STACK BLDG URBAN CAP/ EMIS RATE
SOURCE PART. (GRAMS/SEC) X Y ELEV. HEIGHT TEMP. EXIT VEL. DIAMETER EXISTS SOURCE HOR SCALAR
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SC2 0 0.44000E+00 608478.7 4208241.7 4.4 50.29 672.04 14.97 9.55 YES NO NO
SC3 0 0.44000E+00 608521.4 4208242.9 3.9 50.29 672.04 14.97 9.55 YES NO NO
SC4 0 0.44000E+00 608564.0 4208244.0 3.6 50.29 672.04 14.97 9.55 YES NO NO
HEATER1 0 0.10900E-03 608480.9 4208278.2 4.4 7.93 486.33 15.27 0.20 YES NO NO
HEATER2 0 0.10900E-03 608485.8 4208278.4 4.3 7.93 486.33 15.27 0.20 YES NO NO
*** SOURCE IDs DEFINING SOURCE GROUPS ***
GROUP ID SOURCE IDs
ALL SC1 , SC2 , SC3 , SC4 , HEATER1 , HEATER2 ,
HEATERS HEATER1 , HEATER2 ,
SCS SC1 , SC2 , SC3 , SC4 ,
SC1 SC1 ,
SC2 SC2 ,
SC3 SC3 ,
SC4 SC4 ,
HEATER1 HEATER1 ,
HEATER2 HEATER2 ,


*** THE PERIOD ( 8784 HRS) AVERAGE CONCENTRATION VALUES FOR SOURCE GROUP: ALL ***
INCLUDING SOURCE(S): SC1 , SC2 , SC3 , SC4 , HEATER1 , HEATER2 ,
*** DISCRETE CARTESIAN RECEPTOR POINTS ***
** CONC OF CANCRRES IN MICROGRAMS/M**3 **

| X-COORD (M) | Y-COORD (M) | CONC | X-COORD (M) | Y-COORD (M) | CONC |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 608600.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.00532 | 608700.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.00651 |
| 608800.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.00777 | 608900.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.00903 |
| 609000.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01030 | 609100.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01171 |
| 609200.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01347 | 609300.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01573 |
| 609400.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.01849 | 609500.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02148 |
| 609600.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02427 | 609700.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02650 |
| 609800.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02792 | 609900.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02850 |
| 610000.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02836 | 610100.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02767 |
| 610200.00 | 4207200.00 | 0.02662 | 607300.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00306 |
| 607400.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00296 | 607500.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00284 |
| 607600.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00272 | 607700.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00258 |
| 607800.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00246 | 607900.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00236 |
| 608000.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00231 | 608100.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00233 |
| 608200.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00247 | 608300.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00278 |
| 608400.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00333 | 608500.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00417 |
| 608600.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00527 | 608700.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00655 |
| 608800.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00791 | 608900.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.00927 |
| 609000.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.01074 | 609100.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.01256 |
| 609200.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.01500 | 609300.00 | 4207300.00 | 0.01811 |

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Input File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2009Fall\Chronic20091214_2002_CANCRWRK.DTA
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Met File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\metdata\Marsh_Landing_1k_02ccpmet.SFC
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*** SIMPLE CYCLE TURBINES *** 13:38:40
*** MODEL SETUP OPTIONS SUMMARY ***
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**Model Assumes No FLAGPOLE Receptor Heights.
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** CONC OF CANCRWRK IN MICROGRAMS/M**3 **
NETWORK
GROUP ID AVERAGE CONC RECEPTOR (XR, YR, ZELEV, ZHILL, ZFLAG) OF TYPE GRID-ID
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HEATERS 1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS 0.00041 AT ( 608763.00, 4208169.40, 2.74, 2.74, 0.00) DC
SCS 1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS 0.00401 AT ( 609300.00, 4207700.00, 4.06, 4.06, 0.00) DC
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SC4 1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS 0.00102 AT ( 609268.80, 4207760.00, 3.66, 3.66, 0.00) DC
HEATER1 1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS 0.00021 AT ( 608715.80, 4208120.90, 2.74, 2.74, 0.00) DC
HEATER2 1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS 0.00021 AT ( 608763.00, 4208169.40, 2.74, 2.74, 0.00) DC

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HEATER2 0 0.10400E-05 608485.8 4208278.4 4.3 7.93 486.33 15.27 0.20 YES NO NO
*** THE SUMMARY OF MAXIMUM ANNUAL RESULTS AVERAGED OVER 1 YEARS ***
** CONC OF CHRON_HI IN MICROGRAMS/M**3 **
NETWORK
GROUP ID AVERAGE CONC RECEPTOR (XR, YR, ZELEV, ZHILL, ZFLAG) OF TYPE GRID-ID
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HEATERS 1ST HIGHEST VALUE IS 0.00003 AT ( 608763.00, 4208169.40, 2.74, 2.74, 0.00) DC
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Input File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\a18404_2010Feb\HazardIndex_2000_ACUTE_HI.DTA
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Met File - C:\riskscreens\p19169\metdata\Marsh_Landing_1k_00ccpmet.SFC
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*** SIMPLE CYCLE TURBINES *** 13:35:26
*** MODEL SETUP OPTIONS SUMMARY ***
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*** THE SUMMARY OF HIGHEST 1-HR RESULTS ***
** CONC OF ACUTE_HI IN MICROGRAMS/M**3 **
DATE NETWORK
GROUP ID AVERAGE CONC (YYMMDDHH) RECEPTOR (XR, YR, ZELEV, ZHILL, ZFLAG) OF TYPE GRID-ID
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ALL HIGH 1ST HIGH VALUE IS 0.25697 ON 00122907: AT ( 601000.00, 4199675.00, 368.00, 1084.00, 0.00)
DC Max. Acute Hazard Index
SC1 HIGH 1ST HIGH VALUE IS 0.06452 ON 00122907: AT ( 600975.00, 4199675.00, 370.33, 1084.00, 0.00)
DC
SC2 HIGH 1ST HIGH VALUE IS 0.06438 ON 00122907: AT ( 601000.00, 4199675.00, 368.00, 1084.00, 0.00)
DC
SC3 HIGH 1ST HIGH VALUE IS 0.06417 ON 00122907: AT ( 601000.00, 4199675.00, 368.00, 1084.00, 0.00)
DC
SC4 HIGH 1ST HIGH VALUE IS 0.06391 ON 00122907: AT ( 601000.00, 4199675.00, 368.00, 1084.00, 0.00)
DC
HEATER1 HIGH 1ST HIGH VALUE IS 0.00045 ON 00102321: AT ( 608493.80, 4208410.00, 2.64, 2.64, 0.00)
DC
HEATER2 HIGH 1ST HIGH VALUE IS 0.00045 ON 00102321: AT ( 608506.20, 4208440.00, 2.34, 2.34, 0.00)
DC

# Appendix D
# Siemens Emission Estimates

From: Brian Lusher
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 9:57 AM
To: Vanessa Hodgson
Subject: FW: Additional Marsh Landing comment

Attachments: MARSHPDOC COMMENTS SIMPSON.ZIP

-----Original Message-----
From: rob@redwoodrob.com [mailto:rob@redwoodrob.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 02, 2010 10:39 PM
To: Brian Lusher
Subject: Additional Marsh Landing comment

TO: Brian K. Lusher

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510-909-1800 rob@redwoodrob.com

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Subject: RE: Marsh Landing comment extension?
From: rob@redwoodrob.com
Date: Fri, April 30, 2010 11:57 pm
To: "Brian Lusher" <blusher@baaqmd.gov>
Cc: Sarveybob@aol.com

Ok Here is what I have before Midnight
Rob

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Subject: RE: Marsh Landing comment extension?
From: "Brian Lusher" <blusher@baaqmd.gov>
Date: Fri, April 30, 2010 5:02 pm
To: <rob@redwoodrob.com>

Rob,

The District is not extending the comment period at this time. Please provide the comments you have or are working on by midnight tonight. If you need additional time for more in depth comments, then the District will make every attempt to consider the additional comments if you can provide them by Sunday at midnight.

Regards,

Brian K Lusher
Senior Air Quality Engineer
Bay Area Air Quality Management District
(415) 749-4623, Fax (415) 749-5030

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# Appendix F

# District Response to Comments

# Responses to Public Comments

# Final Determination of Compliance

# Marsh Landing Generating Station

Bay Area Air Quality Management District
Application Number 18404

June 2010

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (District) has received comments regarding the District's Preliminary Determination of Compliance (PDOC) for the proposed Marsh Landing Generating Station. The District has considered all comments that were submitted, and has made a final determination that the proposed project meets all applicable District Regulations as well as applicable State and Federal regulatory requirements. The public comments received on the Preliminary Determination of Compliance are addressed below. The District appreciates the public's interest and values the public's input into this permitting process.

**<u>Comment 1</u>: $NO_x$ Best Available Control Technology (BACT)**

A commenter stated that EMx is BACT for the facility and questioned whether EMx would be a preferable control system for $NO_x$. The commenter asked whether the District has contacted the manufacturer for further information. The commenter also claimed that in evaluating EMx, the District did not "factor the potential permitting delays caused by adopting SCR which does not appear to be BACT compared to EMx which appears to be."

Other commenters stated that they disagreed with the District's analysis of the potential ancillary impacts related to the fact that the SCR system uses ammonia. These commenters disagreed with the District's conclusion that the facility will not have a significant secondary $PM_{2.5}$ impact because of its ammonia slip emissions, and stated that the District should conduct a study of local conditions at the project location to evaluate how ammonia slip emissions may affect secondary particulate formation.

**Response to Comment 1**

The District disagrees that EMx should be required as BACT. The District considered EMx in detail in its $NO_x$ BACT analysis in the PDOC, but concluded that it should not be required as BACT at this time for several reasons, including (i) uncertainties regarding whether EMx would have any substantial air quality benefit by eliminating the use of ammonia required for an SCR system; (ii) the significant additional costs that would be necessary to implement EMx; and (iii) significant technical concerns related to scaling the technology up to 190 MW from the current largest installation of 45 MW, the fact that the technology has not been demonstrated on a utility scale (greater than 40 MW) simple cycle gas turbine in a peaking application, and difficulties in implementing the technology at the Redding site, and the fact that the Marsh Landing project does not have a source of steam to regenerate the catalyst modules. The comments regarding EMx did not provide any substantive reasons to question any of the bases for the District's determination, and the District continues to believe that EMx should not be required as BACT for all of these reasons. The commenter did state that the District should take into account potential permitting delays caused by adopting SCR instead of EMx, but there is no reason why permitting the facility with SCR should take any longer than permitting it with EMx. The District also notes that even without the cost difference between the two technologies, the District still would not require EMx instead of SCR because of the other reasons noted above.

The District has been in regular contact with Emerachem, the manufacturer of EMx (formerly SCONOx), regarding these issues related to EMx. Late in 2008 Emerachem provided cost information to the District for use in BACT analyses. In 2009, a District permit engineer attended an update on the EMx technology that was held in Sacramento. The District has also

recently contacted Emerachem to update the latest costs and ask about the current state of the technology. None of the information that the District has obtained from Emerachem provides any reason to alter this analysis. The District notes that Emerachem has stated that there are no significant obstacles to implementing EMx on an F-class gas turbine, but despite these representations the District has the concerns related to this technology that are discussed in the $NO_x$ BACT section of the PDOC and FDOC.

Finally, with respect to the potential ancillary impacts from ammonia slip emissions associated with SCR, the District is continuing to study and evaluate the connection between ammonia emissions and secondary particulate matter formation throughout the Bay Area. This work is still in its relatively early stages, as discussed in the PDOC and FDOC, and does not give a clear enough indication at this point to determine with certainty whether ammonia slip emissions from this facility will have any significant impact on secondary particulate matter formation. The District disagrees that its permitting programs should be put on hold until the state of the science becomes more certain.

**<u>Comment 2</u>: Ammonia Slip Emissions**

Commenters stated that the ammonia slip limit should be reduced from the 10 ppm limit that the District proposed in the PDOC to 5 ppm. The commenters stated that a 5 ppm limit was required to meet Best Available Control Technology requirements. The commenters also stated that the District should require mitigation for secondary particulate matter impacts by requiring additional particulate matter Emission Reduction Credits to be surrendered.

**Response to Comment 2**

Ammonia slip emissions are not subject to Best Available Control Technology requirements under District Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 301, and so there is no regulatory basis for requiring a lower ammonia slip limit here. And in any event, a lower ammonia slip limit would not be achievable for this facility. The District has reviewed other simple-cycle gas turbine permits and is not aware of any F-class simple-cycle gas turbines that are meeting a 5 ppm ammonia slip limit that many CEC licensed combined-cycle power plants are meeting, and none of the commenters has identified any. Furthermore, achieving such a low limit would not be technically feasible for several reasons, including the fact that the Marsh Landing turbines will have the ability to change loads at rates exceeding 25 MW per minute. It is difficult for the $NO_x$ control system to respond to these rapid changes in load (greater than 25 MW per minute). The amount of ammonia to be injected is determined based on turbine operating conditions and the $NO_x$ concentration at the stack exhaust. There is an optimal amount of ammonia based on the incoming $NO_x$ and the ammonia injection system provides a slight excess to ensure the $NO_x$ emissions are minimized while ammonia slip levels are also minimized. The gas turbine can change operating conditions much more rapidly than the ammonia injection system can respond due to the lag time in the ammonia injection control system and the $NO_x$ continuous emission monitor. This control system lag and continuous emission monitor lag time make meeting the 2.5 ppm $NO_x$ permit limit averaged over one hour much more difficult when the gas turbine is changing loads at rates exceeding 25 MW per minute. The difficulty in controlling $NO_x$ during rapidly changing loads also means that it may require more ammonia to maintain compliance with the not to exceed permit limit for $NO_x$, making a 5 ppm ammonia slip limit not technically feasible.

The District is interested in actual ammonia emissions from SCR systems installed on large combustion turbines. Currently, ammonia emissions are measured by an annual stack test to demonstrate compliance with permit limits. The facility also uses the results of the ammonia testing and the ammonia injection rate to predict ammonia emission rates during the rest of the year. In order to gather more ammonia emissions data in the future, the District has added permit condition language (see Part 17e) that will allow the District to require the installation of an ammonia continuous emission monitor (CEM) on one gas turbine in the future. The ammonia monitor will only be required if an adequate Quality Assurance/Quality Control protocol for the CEM has been established.

Regarding extra emission reduction credits to offset potential additional secondary particulate matter as a result of ammonia emissions, the facility's particulate matter emissions are well below the 100 ton-per-year threshold at which emission reduction credits would be required. Even if secondary particulate formation were to triple the facility's particulate emissions, credits would not be required. And as a general matter, the District lacks the regulatory basis to require additional offsets based on secondary particulate formation, and would be hesitant to do so here in any event because of the lack of clear evidence to conclude that there will be any substantial secondary particulate matter formation. The District explained the uncertainties surrounding the potential connections between ammonia emissions and secondary particulate matter formation in the PDOC as noted above, and also observed that as a peaker plant the Marsh Landing facility will operate primarily in the summer months when secondary particulate is not a problem. For both of these reasons the District cannot conclude that there will be any substantial additional particulate matter formed because of ammonia slip emissions, and there is no basis for requiring additional emission reduction credits.

**<u>Comment 3</u>: $PM_{10}$ Best Available Control Technology**

Commenters stated that the emissions guarantee from Siemens is 8 lb/hour, which is lower than the 9 lb/hour proposed permit limit. Commenters noted that the average emissions seen in test data from similar simple-cycle gas turbines is lower than the proposed permit limit on a pound-per-million-Btu basis. Commenters also stated that the District should require the facility to install an air filter on the intake point for the dilution air used in the SCR system. A commenter also stated that the District should further evaluate the potential for using an electrostatic precipitator (ESP) or baghouse to control particulate matter.

**Response to Comment 3**

The Siemens guarantee of 8 lb/hour is for the gas turbine only. It does not include any particulate matter entrained in the dilution air, and it does not include sulfuric acid mist that may be created across the oxidation catalyst and ammonium sulfates that may be formed after the SCR unit. These additional particulate matter contributions were described in the PDOC, and the commenters have not provided any reason to question the District's analyses in this regard. These additional contributions mean that a permit limit of 8 lb/hour at the exhaust stack would not be feasible for this facility, even if the emissions from the turbine itself can be guaranteed not to exceed 8 lb/hr. The District therefore disagrees with these comments and continues to conclude that 9 lb/hour is the Best Available Control Technology permit limit for the Marsh Landing simple cycle gas turbines.

Commenters noted that the average emission rates from the simple cycle gas turbines in Table 11 of the PDOC are lower than the not-to-exceed permit limit of 9 lb/hour (which corresponds to 0.0041 lb/MMBtu). This observation is correct, but it is not appropriate to establish enforceable not-to-exceed permit limits based on average emissions. The data summarized in Table 11 is for identical equipment and clearly shows the large amount of variation observed in natural gas fired gas turbine test results. A permit limit below 9 lb/hour would not be feasible because it would not accommodate the level of variability that is inherent in particulate emissions from this type of equipment.

With respect to requiring an air filter for the dilution air used in the SCR system, air filtration would not be feasible for this purpose. The amount of dilution air that the SCR system will use is very large, amounting to approximately half of the total volume of air in the turbine exhaust (depending on ambient conditions). Installing a filtration system to filter particulate from this large volume of air would require a very large filter and would result in a significant pressure drop in the system, which would cause a significant increase in the auxiliary power needed to operate the dilution air fan. This increase in auxiliary power load from the dilution air fan would reduce the overall efficiency of the plant, resulting in an increase in greenhouse gas emissions and emissions of other pollutants per unit of output. And the addition of an air filter would not do anything to address pollutants generated by the facility itself: the entrained particulate matter in the dilution air is already present in the ambient air around the facility, it is not something that the facility itself creates (and in any event amounts to only approximately 0.5 pounds per hour of the particulate matter in the facility's exhaust, a small fraction of the total of 9 pounds per hour). For these reasons, the District has concluded that it would not be feasible to require an air filtration system for the dilution air to address particulate matter that already exists in the ambient air and is not created by the facility.[1]

With respect to using additional add-on control devices such as a baghouse or electrostatic precipitator (ESP), the District considered these devices in the PDOC and concluded that they would not be feasible here and are not achieved in practice. These devices would also create a significant back-pressure that would reduce the overall efficiency of the plant, and they are designed to apply to emission streams with far higher particulate emissions (such as operations burning solid fuels) and would not be as effective on the emissions from this facility, which will burn natural gas and have very low particulate emissions. The comments have not provided any reason to question this analysis, and so the District continues to believe that such add-on control devices should not be required as BACT.

**<u>Comment 4</u>: CO Best Available Control Technology**

Comments stated that the District should adopt its own cost-effectiveness threshold for CO, and not rely on determinations from other agencies in determining whether additional CO control is justified for this case.

[1] In addition, the District is not aware of any other similar facility that uses an air filtration system for such a large volume of SCR dilution air, and none of the commenters has identified any either.

**Response to Comment 4**

The District performs a "case-by-case" CO BACT analysis and considered all of the available information to make the CO BACT determination for the Marsh Landing project. Regarding cost-effectiveness, the District considered all available information about what level of costs other similar facilities would be required to bear to achieve a similar level of emission reductions. This information included cost-effectiveness thresholds that are used by other agencies. In response to this comment, the District also reviewed recent CO BACT determinations in EPA's RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse to see what level of cost-effectiveness other agencies have been using in specific CO BACT determinations. This review did not reveal any permits that had imposed CO controls at a cost-per-ton in the range that would be required here. The permits in the Clearinghouse going back through 2005 that included cost-effectiveness information showed a limit of 1.8 ppm being imposed based upon an average cost-effectiveness of $1,750 per ton of CO; a limit of 3.5 ppm based upon an average cost-effectiveness of $2,736 per ton and an incremental cost-effectiveness of $5,472 per ton; and a limit of 2.0 ppm an average cost-effectiveness of $1,161 per ton of CO. The District also examined a database of other combustion turbine permitting decisions from around the country maintained by EPA Region 4. This database lists over 800 combustion turbine plants and provides information about how they were permitted and what control technology they use. For many of the plants, the database also provides information about the costs of control technologies that were not selected. The database lists many projects where CO control measures were rejected where they had a cost-effectiveness of less than $2,000 per ton. The District is including this information in the FDOC, and based on all of the information the District has reviewed the District has concluded that the costs that would be involved in implementing a CO limit below 2.0 ppm would be far greater than the costs that other similar facilities have been required to bear to achieve CO reductions.

This is an appropriate method of determining cost-effectiveness as it provides for a level playing field for this project and other similar projects. The District therefore disagrees with these comments. The District also disagrees that it is required to adopt its own cost-effectiveness threshold for CO instead of evaluating cost-effectiveness on a case-by-case basis. The comments did not provide any reason why doing so is required, and the District is not aware of any.

**<u>Comment 5</u>: Startup/Shutdown $NO_x$ Limits for Gas Turbines**

The project applicant commented that based on new information that has come to light since the PDOC was issued, the proposed $NO_x$ emissions limits in the PDOC for startups and shutdowns will not be technically feasible and do not reflect BACT. The applicant stated that it had received new data from its control device vendors, as well as a revised startup $NO_x$ emissions estimate received from Siemens dated March 22, 2010, showing that the BACT limit for $NO_x$ emissions from startups should be 36.4 pounds, not 18.6 pounds as proposed in the PDOC. The applicant further stated that it had received new data from Siemens for shutdowns showing that the BACT limit $NO_x$ emissions from shutdowns should be 15.1 pounds instead of 13.1 pounds as proposed in the PDOC. The applicant also commented that the annual $NO_x$ emissions limit should be 78.571 tons per year instead of 71.763 tons per year because of these changes in the startup and shutdown BACT limits.

**Response to Comment 5**

The District has reviewed the information from the equipment manufacturers and vendors and agrees that based on the most current information the $NO_x$ startup and shutdown limits proposed in the PDOC do not reflect BACT. The District therefore agrees with the applicant's comments and is including revised $NO_x$ startup and shutdown limits in the FDOC.

For startups, the District's initial limits in the PDOC were based on (i) an emission estimate from Siemens showing that $NO_x$ emissions during a turbine startup would be 12 pounds (*see* Siemens Estimate dated March 27, 2008 in Appendix D of the FDOC), and (ii) information from an SCR vendor that the SCR system would be expected to be up to temperature and fully functional as soon as the turbine startup was complete 11 minutes after fuel is first introduced.[2] For the PDOC, the District anticipated that it could potentially take up to 30 minutes for the startup to be completed and for emissions to come within the steady-state $NO_x$ emissions limit of 2.5 ppm under a worst-case scenario, but based on the information outlined above it conservatively assumed that emissions would be no worse than if the turbine had 12 pounds of emissions in the first 11 minutes and then emissions at 2.5 ppm for the rest of the 30-minute startup.

The current information from Siemens and the SCR vendors shows that the basis for the District's original analysis was incorrect. The new information shows that Siemens' current estimate for $NO_x$ emissions during a turbine startup is 14 pounds, not 12 pounds, (*see* Siemens Estimate dated March 22, 2010 in Appendix D of the FDOC); and (ii) that the SCR system may take as long as 28 minutes to come up to temperature and start to become effective in reducing $NO_x$ emissions.[3,4] The reasons why the SCR system may take this long to begin operating effectively can be seen in the startup timing diagram set forth below, and include time needed for the equipment to warm up, for ammonia injection to be initiated and for the catalyst to become saturated, and time needed for the CEM to stabilize.[5]

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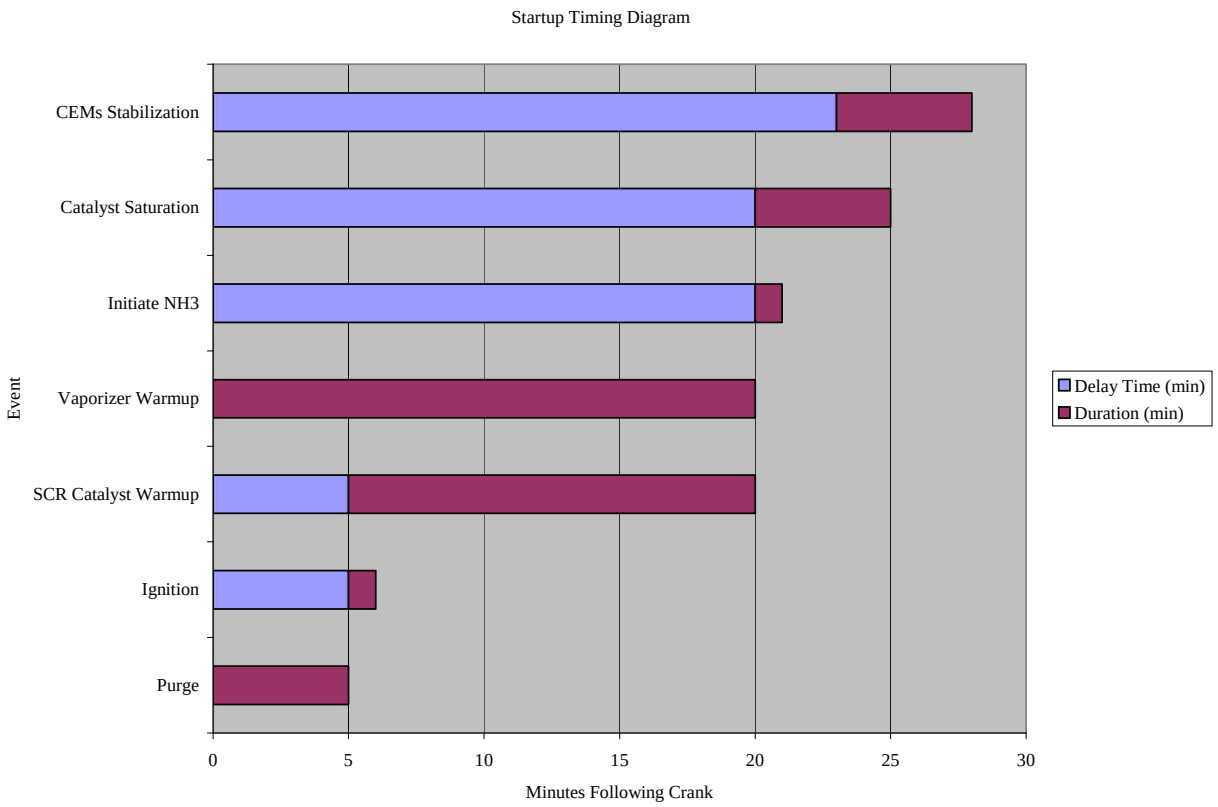
[2] Please see Letter dated October 14, 2009 from Mitsubishi to Robert E. Smith of CH2M Hill regarding Mirant Marsh Landing SCR System.

[3] Please see Letter dated May 11, 2010 from Johnson Matthey to Jon Sacks of Mirant regarding Startup Sequence for Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines.

[4] Please see Letter dated May 11, 2010 from Peerless to Jon Sacks of Mirant regarding Startup Sequence for Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines.

[5] Please see Letter dated May 11, 2010 from Johnson Matthey to Jon Sacks of Mirant regarding Startup Sequence for Marsh Landing simple-cycle gas turbines, from which the startup timing diagram is reproduced here.




The SCR vendor estimates that it would take approximately 23 minutes from ignition for this process to be completed. In order to develop a not-to-exceed BACT permit limit, and in order to accommodate inherent variability in individual startups, the District has assumed that under a worst-case scenario it could take as long as 28 minutes for the SCR system to begin effectively reducing $NO_x$ emissions. This additional 5 minutes provides a reasonable safety margin to ensure that the BACT limits will be achievable under all operating scenarios and that the facility will be able to comply with its permit limits even if a particular SCR warm-up takes a little longer than the vendor's 23-minute estimate. Once the SCR system is at temperature and fully functioning, it should only take a short time for $NO_x$ emissions levels to ramp down to the 2.5 ppm steady-state emissions limit, and so the applicant continues to believe that the gas turbines can complete startups within the 30-minute limit the District proposed in the PDOC, even with a 28-minute delay in the SCR system becoming effective.

Based on this new information on what startups would entail, it is clear that the 18.6 lb startup $NO_x$ limit proposed in the PDOC would not be feasible and is not BACT. Instead, BACT needs to be based on the 14 pounds of emissions from the turbine during the 11 minutes it will take the turbine to start up and reach its uncontrolled $NO_x$ emissions rate of 9 ppm (*i.e.*, the steady-state emissions rate for the turbine only without the SCR system); then an additional 15 minutes of operation at 9 ppm with no reduction from the SCR system during the time needed for the SCR system to start working; and then rapidly declining $NO_x$ emissions during the last 3 minutes of the 30-minute startup period. This calculation is set forth in the spreadsheet on the next page, which is based on emissions information submitted by the project applicant and reviewed by the District. It assumes 14 pounds of $NO_x$ emitted during the 11-minute turbine startup, then 15 minutes of operation without the SCR system with emissions of 1.25 pounds per minute (based

on a 75 lb/hr emissions rate corresponding to 9 ppm $NO_x$ from the turbine), and then a final 3 minutes of declining $NO_x$ emissions as the SCR system kicks in. As the spreadsheet shows, the total $NO_x$ emissions for this worst-case startup scenario would be 36.4 pounds. The District therefore agrees with the applicant's comment and is including a revised limit of 36.4 pounds in the FDOC for $NO_x$ emissions during startups.

**NOx** **20.83 lb/hour** **cold temperature mass emission rate for 2.5 ppm NOx**
**75 lb/hour** **cold temperature mass emission rate for 9 ppm NOx (assumed by scaling based on ppm)**

**14 pounds is cumulative NOx emissions during first 11 minutes of startup (to reach 9 ppm)**
**12 pounds is cumulative NOx emissions during a 6 minute shutdown**

**Assume linear decrease in mass emissions of NOx during minutes 28-30 to reach 2.5 ppm**

| | | | | Em Rate @ start of minute (lb/hr) | Em Rate @ end of minute (lb/hr) | Avg rate during minute (lb/hr) | pounds during minute | Event total lb to end of minute | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **First startup** | **11 min** | Min 1-11 | 14 pounds | starting up | | | | 14 | pounds |
| | | Min 12 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 15.25 | |
| | | Min 13 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 16.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 14 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 17.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 15 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 19.00 | pounds |
| | **NO SCR** | Min 16 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 20.25 | pounds |
| | | Min 17 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 21.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 18 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 22.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 19 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 24.00 | pounds |
| | | Min 20 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 25.25 | pounds |
| | | Min 21 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 26.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 22 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 27.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 23 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 29.00 | pounds |
| | | Min 24 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 30.25 | pounds |
| | | Min 25 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 31.50 | pounds |
| | | Min 26 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 32.75 | pounds |
| | | Min 27 | | 75.00 | 75.00 | 75.00 | 1.25 | 34.00 | pounds |
| | **SCR** | Min 28 | | 75.00 | 56.94 | 65.97 | 1.10 | 35.10 | pounds |
| | **kicks in** | Min 29 | | 56.94 | 38.89 | 47.92 | 0.80 | 35.90 | pounds |
| | | **Min 30** | | **38.89** | **20.83** | **29.86** | **0.50** | **36.40** | **pounds** |

For shutdowns, the District based its proposed BACT limit in the PDOC on an estimate from Siemens that a typical shutdown was estimated to take 6 minutes and involve 10 pounds of $NO_x$ emissions (*See* Siemens Estimate dated March 27, 2008 in Appendix D of the FDOC). The District anticipated that it could potentially take up to 15 minutes for the shutdown to be completed under a worst-case scenario, and so, as with startups, it based the BACT limit on 10 pounds of emissions during 6 minutes of the shutdown and then the remainder of the 15 minute shutdown period with emissions at the 2.5 ppm steady-state level, which came to 13.1 pounds. Siemens has now revised its emissions estimate in its letter of March 22, 2010, and now believes that $NO_x$ emissions for a typical 6-minute shutdown period will be 12 pounds, not 10 pounds as initially believed. The District therefore agrees with the comments that the $NO_x$ emissions limit for shutdowns proposed in the PDOC does not reflect BACT, and that it should be based on the current 12 pound estimate. With emissions at 12 pounds during 6 minutes of the shutdown and at the 2.5 ppm steady-state limit for the remainder of the 15-minute shutdown period, total shutdown emissions would come to 15.1 pounds. The District therefore agrees with the comments that this should be the shutdown BACT limit and is including it in the FDOC.

The District also agrees with the comment that the increase in startup and shutdown emissions will also increase the maximum annual emissions of $NO_x$ for the project from 71.763 tons per year to 78.571 tons per year. The District has also revised its air quality analysis with respect to the annual $NO_2$ NAAQS to reflect this increase in annual emissions, and the results of the revised analysis still demonstrate that these emissions remain well below the Significant Impact Level for the annual $NO_2$ NAAQS. Please see the memorandum from Jane Lundquist dated June 1, 2010 regarding revised $NO_2$ annual modeling contained in Appendix B of the FDOC. (Hourly $NO_x$ emissions rates will be the same as proposed in the PDOC, so there has been no need to update the analysis for the 1-hour $NO_2$ NAAQS.) Additionally, the applicant will be required to provide additional emission reduction credits to offset its $NO_x$ emissions increase at a level corresponding to the new annual emissions limit. Please see Section 6 of the FDOC for details.

**<u>Comment 6</u>: Commissioning Period-Limit on Number of Turbines**

Commenters stated that with all four turbines in simultaneous commissioning, the facility's $NO_2$ emissions when combined with background $NO_2$ levels would cause $NO_2$ to exceed the new federal 1-hour $NO_2$ National Ambient Air Quality Standard. Comments stated that the District should limit commissioning operations to two turbines at any one time as a BACT work practice to reduce $NO_2$ emissions.

**Response to Comment 6**

The District agrees that only two turbines should be commissioning at any one time and is revising permit condition part 7 to reflect this change. The District is inserting the underlined sentence shown in the permit language below.

7. The owner/operator shall not fire S-1, S-2, S-3, or S-4 Gas Turbine without abatement of nitrogen oxide emissions by the corresponding SCR System A-2, A-4, A-6, or A-8 and/or abatement of carbon monoxide emissions by the corresponding Oxidation Catalyst A-1, A-3, A-5, or A-7 for more than 232 hours each during the commissioning period. <u>The owner/operator shall operate the facility such that simultaneous commissioning of no more than two gas turbines</u>

will occur without abatement of nitrogen oxides and CO by its SCR system and oxidation catalyst system. Such operation of any Gas Turbine (S-1, S-2, S-3, S-4) without abatement shall be limited to discrete commissioning activities that can only be properly executed without the SCR system and/or oxidation catalyst in place. Upon completion of these activities, the owner/operator shall provide written notice to the District Engineering and Enforcement Divisions and the unused balance of the 232 firing hours without abatement shall expire. (Basis: BACT, Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 409).

The District also notes that this facility is not subject to PSD requirements, and so there is no requirement to conduct an analysis of whether the facility will cause or contribute to a violation of the NAAQS. The District has nevertheless conducted such an analysis, and has found that the facility will not cause or contribute to a violation of the 1-hour $NO_2$ NAAQS. As provided in guidance for conducting air quality analysis issued by EPA, this analysis does not include emissions that are only temporary in nature such as emissions from construction or commissioning of the facility.

**Comment 7: Emission Reduction Credits**

A commenter raised issues related to the Emission Reduction Credits (ERCs) being proposed to offset the emissions from the project, stating that the ERCs are not adequately identified and are not contemporaneous. Comments also questioned whether the community would benefit from using what they called "local" ERCs more than from the ERCs that are being proposed. Commenters also stated that the applicant should provide additional particulate matter ERCs to mitigate secondary particulate matter generated by the ammonia slip emitted by each SCR.

**Response to Comment 7**

The use of Emission Reduction Credits is the second step in a two-step process to ensure that air pollution is minimized and reduced in the Bay Area. The first step requires that all new projects meet strict regulations to minimize emissions. All new projects that will emit over 10 pounds per highest day of $NO_x$, POC, CO, $PM_{10}$, or $SO_x$ must use the Best Available Control Technology ("BACT") to reduce emissions to the maximum feasible extent. Then, once a project has minimized its emissions as much as feasible, the second step requires that any remaining emissions that cannot be minimized must be "offset" by the use of Emission Reduction Credits to ensure that there is no net emissions increase overall as a result of the new project. Thus, the use of Emission Reduction Credits is an integral part of the air quality regulations. In fact, this system is required by the California Clean Air Act.

The use of Emission Reduction Credits – also known as "Emissions Banking" – has worked to improve air quality in the Bay Area, in other parts of California, and on a national level. In California, ozone levels have been reduced in many areas in part because of Emissions Banking. On a national and international level, Emissions Banking has helped to reduce acid rain in the Northeast and in Canada.

Emissions Reduction Credits are generated by closing sources down or by reducing emissions from sources beyond what air quality regulations require. The District maintains a "bank" of Emissions Reduction Credits generated by such reductions, from which new projects must obtain Emission Reduction Credits to offset their emissions. A facility wanting to bank its emissions

reductions must submit a Banking Application to the District. The Application is evaluated by an engineer to determine the quantity of emissions reductions that may become Emission Reduction Credits.

When a facility closes only the actual emissions based on operational records are eligible to become ERCs and this amount is verified by a District engineer. The amount of ERCs generated from a plant shutdown may be further reduced by the District engineer based on the regulatory requirements contained in current rules and regulations for a given source.

District regulations require the proposed project to obtain offsets for its $NO_x$ and POC emissions because the facility will emit greater than 35 tons per year of $NO_x$ and 10 tons per year of POC. The proposed facility will be required to offset its $NO_x$ emissions at a ratio of 1 to 1.15, meaning that for every ton emitted the facility will have to provide 1.15 tons of Emissions Reduction Credits. The proposed facility will be required to offset its POC emissions at a ratio of 1 to 1. $NO_x$ and POC are both ozone precursors, and District regulations allow POC offsets to be used interchangeably for $NO_x$. The proposed facility will be required to provide the Emissions Reduction Credits before the District issues the Authority to Construct for the project.

The District's regulations require only that the ERCs be provided before the Authority to Construct is issued, and they do not require that ERCs be identified in a PDOC or FDOC. The District has nevertheless identified the ERCs held by Mirant in Table 23 of the PDOC and Table 22 of the FDOC. The ERCs are clearly identified by certificate number, by issue date, by the company at which the credits were created, and by the company's location. The District therefore disagrees with the comments that the credits are not adequately identified.

The District's regulations also require only that ERCs used for a project be from within the District's geographical jurisdiction, and not that the ERCs have any proximity to the facility at which they are used. This is because ERCs are used to address regional air pollution problems. Regionally, if a project in Antioch uses ERCs that were generated in San Jose, for example, that situation may be counterbalanced by another project located in San Jose that uses ERCs generated in Antioch. When all of the projects throughout the entire region are taken together in this way, the overall impact of the use of ERCs region wide will lead to an overall reduction in emissions region wide, even if every individual project does not use only ERCs that were generated near that individual project's location. Furthermore, this is especially true with $NO_x$ and POC, the pollutants for which offsets are required here, because those pollutants are precursors to ozone (smog), which is a regional phenomenon and may not even be formed at all in the vicinity of the project where the precursors are emitted. The District therefore disagrees that there is any need for "local" ERCs to be used, either legally or from the standpoint of reducing regional ozone emissions, which is the air quality purpose that ERCs serve. Nevertheless, as the identifying information in the PDOC and FDOC shows, the majority of the ERCs involved here were in fact generated in the Antioch area near where the facility is located. Thus even if there were some reason to require "local" ERCs to be used, the project would be able to satisfy any such requirement. Furthermore, the District disagrees that credits that have been generated by closing older sources at some time in the past are not sufficiently contemporaneous. The environmental benefit from eliminating a source of emissions is the same whether the source is shut down today or whether it was shut down several years ago, and that environmental benefit can be used to offset the new emissions that would be cause by a new source. For these reasons, the District's emissions offset rules provide for "banking" of emission

reductions when sources close, which is how the credits that Mirant has obtained here were generated.

Regarding the comments about requiring additional particulate matter credits because of potential secondary particulate matter formation as a result of the facility's ammonia slip emissions, the District addressed this issue in the Response to Comment 2 above and incorporates that response here.

**<u>Comment 8</u>: Health Risk Assessment Issues**

A commenter referenced the Health Risk Screening Analysis prepared for the proposed project. The commenter stated, "What is the degree of variability in these 'estimates'?" The commenter also suggested that the District should consider the potential that elevated $CO_2$ levels in the vicinity of the facility could increase health risks, alluding to recent research in this area by Dr. Mark Z. Jacobson.

**Response to Comment 8**

The Air District uses the methodology developed by California's Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") to assess chronic and acute health impacts from toxic airborne emissions. The OEHHA methodology is highly appropriate for this purpose and is designed to be health protective of sensitive populations. The health risk assessment is inherently conservative to account for variation in emissions from the source and local meteorological conditions. Health effect values (reference exposure levels and cancer potency factors) are derived using uncertainty factors that increase the margin of safety. Conservative emission estimates, on an hourly and an annual basis, and five years of meteorological data are used in an atmospheric dispersion model to determine ambient concentrations in the area surrounding the facility. The maximum modeled concentrations are compared to reference exposure levels for chronic and acute noncancer health impacts, and used in calculating cancer risk for exposure to carcinogenic air contaminants. The cancer risk calculation includes the assumption that a residential receptor is exposed at the same location for 24 hours/day and 350 days/yr over a seventy-year duration. Risk to off-site workers is calculated assuming exposure for 8 hours/day and 245 days/yr for a 40 year duration. Use of maximum concentrations and exposure durations is clearly conservative and ensures that the results of the health risk assessment are health protective. To the extent that there is any "variability" in the estimates of what potential health risks, the health risk assessment procedures are designed to be health protective of sensitive populations.

With respect to the potential impacts of elevated $CO_2$ levels on health risks from the facility, the Air District has reviewed Dr. Jacobson's research, but this research does not mean that the District can or should depart from currently accepted Health Risk Assessment or Air Quality Impact Analysis methodologies at this point. The District's Health Risk Assessment follows a strict regulatory methodology set forth by OEHHA, and at the present time this methodology does not increase predicted health risks because of elevated $CO_2$ levels. And Dr. Jacobson's published findings are relatively preliminary and tentative at this point in any event, and are not at the level of scientific certainty that would be required in order to base a health risk assessment methodology on them. Moreover, even taking Dr. Jacobson's published findings at face value, they predict only a relatively small increase in overall health risks (or potentially even a slight

decrease) from air pollution because of increases in $CO_2$ levels. Dr. Jacobson's published estimates of the additional health impacts from all anthropogenic sources of $CO_2$ based on the Los Angeles area, California as a whole, and for the entire United States are summarized in the Table below. For the most part, these estimates show that the total impact from all anthropogenic $CO_2$ sources will be an increase of less than one percent (with a few outliers showing a decrease in the impact or an increase of more than one percent). These are relatively small changes to the estimated cancer rates and mortality rates. Even if the results of the District's health risk assessment were increased by a percent or two, the health risks would still be well below a level of any significant risk. The District therefore disagrees that there is any appreciable concern regarding health risks related to potential elevated $CO_2$ levels in the Bay Area.

**Table: Summary of Data Published by Dr. Mark Z. Jacobson Regarding Changes In Air Pollution-Related Health Impacts Due To The Effect of $CO_2$ Emissions[6]**

| | California | | | Los Angeles Area | | | United States | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Base Case | Change from $CO_2$ | % Change | Base Case | Change from $CO_2$ | % Change | Base Case | Change from $CO_2$ | % Change |
| **Cancer:** | | | | | | | | | |
| USEPA Cancers/year | 44.1 | +0.016 | +0.036% | 22.0 | +0.28 | +1.27% | 573 | +6.9 | +1.20% |
| OEHHA Cancers/year | 54.4 | -0.038 | -0.070% | 37.8 | +0.39 | +1.03% | 561 | +11.8 | +2.10% |
| **Ozone:** | | | | | | | | | |
| Deaths/year (high) | 6860 | +19 | +0.28% | 2140 | +20 | +0.93% | 52,300 | +245 | +0.47% |
| Deaths/year (med.) | 4600 | +13 | +0.28% | 1430 | +14 | +0.98% | 35,100 | +166 | +0.47% |
| Deaths/year (low) | 2300 | +6 | +0.26% | 718 | +7 | +0.97% | 17,620 | +85 | +0.48% |
| Hospitilizations per year | 26,300 | +65 | +0.25% | 8270 | +75 | +0.91% | 200,000 | +867 | +0.43% |
| ER Visits per year | 23,200 | +56 | +0.24% | 7320 | +66 | +0.90% | 175,000 | +721 | +0.41% |
| **Particulate:** | | | | | | | | | |
| Deaths/year (high) | 42,000 | +60 | +0.14% | 16,220 | +147 | +0.906% | 44,800* | +810 | +1.8%* |
| Deaths/year (med.) | 22,500 | +39 | +0.17% | 8500 | +81 | +0.095% | 169,000* | +607 | +0.36%* |
| Deaths/year (low) | 5900 | +13 | +0.22% | 2200 | +22 | +1% | 316,000* | +201 | +0.064* |

Notes: USEPA = Cancer rates calculated using EPA's methodologies.

OEHHA = Cancer rates calculated using OEHHA methodologies

Deaths (high/med./low) = Predicted additional deaths from increased air pollution formation associated with increased $CO_2$, based on three varied assumptions of the impact on additional mortality per unit increase in air pollutant concentrations.

Hosp. = Predicted additional hospitalizations

ER Visits = Predicted additional emergency room visits.

[6] *See The Enhancement of Local Air Pollution by Urban CO2 Domes*, Mark Z. Jacobson (Oct. 3, 2009) (hereinafter, "Jacobson Paper") (available at: www.stanford.edu/group/efmh/ jacobson/CO2loc0709EST.pdf).

*Note that the US particulate matter death numbers are highly suspect because the high estimate is the lowest number and the low estimate is the highest number. In addition, it seems highly unlikely that there could be 42,000 particulate-related deaths in California but only an additional 2,800 throughout the rest of the entire United States. This apparent oversight may be the result of the fact that Dr. Jacobson's paper has not at this point been peer-reviewed.

**<u>Comment 9</u>: Water Vapor Emissions and Water Usage**

A commenter posed questions related to the facilities water use for cooling including (i) how much water will the facility use, (ii) how the evaporated water will impact air quality or contribute to other pollutant formation, (iii) where the water will come from; and (iv) whether the District has considered the energy required to deliver and purify the water. The comments asked whether any of these issues has been analyzed. Commenters also stated that the District should consider the effects of water vapor emissions from the cooling system.

**Response to Comment 9**

The District has considered these issues regarding water usage and water vapor emissions. The amount of water the facility will use and where the water will come from may be found in the Project Description and Soil and Water Resources of the CEC staff assessment. The amount of water used will be relatively small compared with combined-cycle facilities with wet cooling systems, as this project will utilize simple-cycle gas turbines with no wet cooling towers.

The Marsh Landing gas turbines will be using evaporative air inlet cooling (water spray at the turbine inlet) during warm ambient conditions to cool the air entering the compressor section of the gas turbine. This cooling increases the density of the air passing through the turbine and results in a higher efficiency. The combustion process also emits water vapor as a product of complete combustion:

$$CH_4 + 2\ O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + 2\ H_20$$

Water vapor is not an air pollutant (although water vapor in the exhaust gases may react with sulfur species to form sulfuric acid mist at low enough temperatures). The additional water used for evaporative cooling at the turbine air intake would simply increase the amount of water vapor in the stack exhaust gases. The District notes that there are large amounts of naturally occurring water vapor in the atmosphere, and the water vapor emissions from this facility will be relatively small by comparison. In addition, the water vapor from the facility will be released with a high temperature and at a sufficient height that it is unlikely that ambient conditions near the plant would be impacted. For all of these reasons, the District does not believe that the Health Risk Assessment or Air Quality Impact Analysis results are impacted significantly by any elevated water vapor levels near the facility, and the commenter has not provided any evidence to that effect.

Regarding the energy that would be needed to deliver and purify the water, the amount of energy needed will be relatively small compared the overall energy generated by the facility, and is accounted for in the comparison of gross versus net output ratings for the facility. Please see the Project Description section of the CEC staff assessment for additional information.

**<u>Comment 10</u>: Greenhouse Gases (GHGs)**

Commenters stated that the District should compare the GHG efficiency between this facility and other equipment. The comments stated that the District's analysis of the Russell City Energy Center set the precedent for District GHG permitting and that the District should impose GHG limits here and not treat this facility any differently. A commenter also stated that the greenhouse gas emissions from the facility would cause a public nuisance and are prohibited under California Health & Safety Code section 41700.

**Response to Comment 10**

Greenhouse gases from this facility are not subject to regulation under any federal, state or District regulatory requirements at this time.[7] The Russell City Energy Center GHG emission limits were voluntary. The applicant in this case has not volunteered to accept GHG emission limits. There is therefore no regulatory basis for imposing GHG permit conditions at this time. GHG emissions from the proposed project have been reviewed by the CEC in its CEQA-equivalent environmental analysis (please see the CEC staff assessment Section 4.1 Air Quality Appendix Air-1). Information on GHG emissions from specific types of equipment may be found by reviewing information available on the CEC website and using standard GHG emission factors (California Air Resources Board Mandatory Reporting Rule Factors).

The District also disagrees that the facility's greenhouse gas emissions will constitute a public nuisance. Although the problem of global climate change is a serious one, the problem is caused by emissions from a very many sources around the globe, not solely by the emissions that would be emitted from the Marsh Landing Generating Station. The Marsh Landing facility's contribution to the problem will be so small relatively to the total amount of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere that it will not make any noticeable difference taken by itself. The Marsh Landing facility will therefore not constitute a public nuisance under Health & Safety Code section 41700.

**<u>Comment 11</u>: Evaluation of Fast-Start Combined-Cycle Alternative**

A commenter noted EPA guidance stating that permitting authorities should use their ability to consider ancillary environmental impacts in BACT analyses to address GHG emissions. The commenters stated that energy efficiency should be considered for GHGs and other pollutants. The commenters also stated that originally the project was designed to use combined-cycle gas turbines with fast-start technology, and that this technology could be considered BACT for energy efficiency and GHGs. Commenters questioned whether the benefits from using a simple-cycle design outweigh the efficiency benefits that could be obtained from using a combined-cycle system with fast-start technology.

[7] California does have an Emissions Performance Standard (EPS) requirement for procurement of power from combined-cycle, baseload facilities (those with an annual capacity factor of 60% or greater) which provides that such facilities must have greenhouse gas emissions below 1100 lb/MW-hr. But the EPS does not apply to this facility because it is a simple-cycle peaker plant with a maximum annual capacity factor of 20%.

**Response to Comment 11**

The proposed Marsh Landing facility is not subject to any federal permitting requirements and so EPA's guidance on applying BACT is not directly applicable. Moreover, the District disagrees that it would be appropriate to require this facility to be redesigned as a combined-cycle facility using fast-start technology, because a combined-cycle facility would not satisfy the same operating requirements as a simple-cycle "peaker" plant. The Marsh Landing facility is intended to provide generating capacity that can start up quickly and rapidly increase output and then rapidly decrease output when necessary. This type of operation will be crucial as California moves to greater renewable energy sources as AB32 is implemented, as most renewable power sources are intermittent and can fluctuate over the short term. Simple-cycle equipment is best suited to this purpose. Each of the turbines at the Marsh Landing facility will be capable of starting up and reaching full load in approximately 12 minutes. In contrast, while some state-of-the-art combined-cycle facilities equipped with fast-start technology can provide some power very quickly, they generally require at least an hour to reach full load. More specifically, while state-of-the-art combined-cycle facilities can reach approximately 40 percent of full load within 10 minutes, the Marsh Landing turbines will be capable of reaching 80 percent of full load within 10 minutes and 100 percent within 12 minutes. In addition, the Marsh Landing facility will have very low minimum operating times, so it will be able to be started up, operated for a short period, and then shut down again when no longer needed. This will allow the facility to be operated surgically to supply energy only when and in the increments needed. Requiring the applicant to redesign its facility to use combined-cycle turbines would mean that the facility would lose the benefits of being able to come on-line very quickly and operate only for short intermittent periods, which would not be an appropriate application of the BACT requirement.

The comments are correct that the facility design that was included in Mirant's original permit application included two combined-cycle gas turbines and two simple-cycle turbines. After Mirant submitted the permit application, however, it became clear that a hybrid simple-cycle/combined-cycle design would not satisfy the power generation needs that the facility will serve, and so Mirant submitted a revised application with the current design of four simple-cycle turbines. Requiring Mirant to switch back to a hybrid design would mean that the facility would not be able to meet these needs, as described above.

The commenter should also review Appendix Air-1 of Section 4.1 of the CEC staff assessment for the project that concludes that the Marsh Landing project will lower GHG emissions from the electricity system that provides energy to California.

**<u>Comment 12</u>: Applicability of Federal "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" and $PM_{2.5}$ "Non-Attainment New Source Review" permit requirements.**

The District received comments disagreeing with the District's conclusions (i) that the proposed Marsh Landing facility is not subject to the federal "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" requirements in 40 C.F.R. section 52.21 ("PSD"), and (ii) that the proposed facility is not subject to "Non-Attainment New Source Review" requirements for $PM_{2.5}$ in 40 C.F.R. Part 51, Appendix S ("Appendix S"). The comments disagreed with the District's conclusion that the proposed Marsh Landing facility is a new stand-alone project, and claimed that the facility should be treated as a modification to the existing Contra Costa Power Plant, which is located next to the Marsh Landing project site. These comments noted that both Mirant Marsh Landing

LLC and Mirant Delta LLC are under the control of the same ultimate parent corporation, and also stated that (i) some officer(s)/employee(s) of both companies are the same; (ii) the companies have taken the same positions in certain regulatory proceedings; (iii) the two facilities will share the common transmission facilities and have a common connection to the grid; (iv) the two facilities will share a common emergency fire pump; (v) the two facilities will use the same storm water control system; and (vi) the Marsh Landing facility will use some of the Contra Costa Power Plant site for construction staging and letdown; among other points. The comments stated that the Marsh Landing facility should be treated as a modification to the existing Contra Costa plant because of these reasons, and stated that as a modification to an existing facility it would require a PSD permit because the emissions from the Marsh Landing facility would have to be treated as increases at an existing major facility above the thresholds for a PSD "major modification". The comments also disagreed with the District's statement that EPA has issued guidance interpreting independent operations as separate facilities even where they are ultimately owned by the same parent corporation.

**Response to Comment 12**

The District has reviewed the points raised in these comments regarding the operation of the Contra Costa Power Plant and the proposed Marsh Landing facility, and has found nothing that would alter the District's conclusion that they should be treated as separate facilities under EPA guidance. The comments are correct that there will be some common executive management personnel for both the existing Contra Costa Power Plant and the new Marsh Landing facility, but there will not be any common plant management or operating personnel. Common executive management, and taking similar positions in regulatory proceedings, is not incompatible with treating the facilities as separate facilities under EPA interpretive guidance. With respect to a common connection to the grid and common transmission facilities, the comments are incorrect on this point. The Marsh Landing facility will have its own connection to the electric transmission system, and there is no shared transmission facility between the two plants. With respect to the fire pump, the comments are correct that the Marsh Landing facility will add a new firewater loop that will tie into the Contra Costa Power Plant's existing firewater loop, and will use the existing firewater pump at the San Joaquin River. With respect to storm water runoff, the new Marsh Landing facility will use the existing Contra Costa Power Plant outfall 001 to discharge storm water runoff, but all other process and sanitary wastewater discharges from the Marsh Landing facility will be discharged via an independent connection to the municipal sewer system of the City of Antioch, and the new facility will have its own independent water supply. And with respect to construction activities, the comments are correct that the Marsh Landing facility will use portions of the Contra Costa Power Plant site for temporary construction letdown and parking, although such use will cease by the time Marsh Landing begins commercial operation, and it has no bearing on the operation of either of the plants in any event. Thus on the whole the comments correctly state that there are certain minor facilities and ancillary equipment that will be shared by the Contra Costa Power Plant and the Marsh Landing facility, but these minor points do not alter the analysis the District set forth in the PDOC that the two facilities will be operated as separate and independent facilities despite their common ownership, and that under EPA guidance, this means that they should be treated as separate facilities.

Regarding the District's reference to EPA guidance that has interpreted situations like this one to mean that the facilities involved are separate and independent facilities, the commenters have apparently misunderstood what guidance EPA was referring to. In noting EPA's earlier

interpretations of situations like this one, the District was referring to the EPA permitting determinations discussed in the White Paper cited in footnote 43 of the PDOC. In these permitting determinations, EPA clearly provided its interpretation that where facilities are operated separately and independently, they should be treated as separate facilities regardless of ultimate common ownership. The commenters apparently believed that the District was referring to the January 8, 2010, letter from EPA Region 9, also cited in footnote 43 of the PDOC, in which EPA concurred that it would be reasonable to treat the facilities as separate facilities. The commenters are not incorrect in their characterization of this letter from EPA Region 9, although the District emphasizes that the letter clearly states that it would be reasonable to treat the facilities as separate for purposes of PSD permitting, which is the point the District made in the PDOC.

In addition, the District contacted EPA again after receiving these comments to obtain further guidance on how to treat this facility for purposes of federal PSD and Appendix S permitting requirements, and provided EPA with copies of the comments. EPA responded that "we still believe that it is reasonable to treat the Marsh Landing Generating Station and Contra Costa Power Plant as separate facilities." *See* Letter from G. Rios, EPA Region 9, to B. Bateman, BAAQMD, June 7, 2010. The District notes that EPA is the agency in charge of implementing the federal PSD and Appendix S permitting programs, and believes that it is appropriate to defer to EPA's interpretation of the applicability of those programs. If EPA believes that it is reasonable to treat the facilities as separate facilities, then the District also believes that it would be reasonable to do so. The District also notes that EPA would be faced with a potential PSD non-compliance situation if the Marsh Landing facility were subject to PSD requirements and was built without a valid PSD permit. This is what has happened with the Gateway Generating Station located adjacent to the proposed Marsh Landing facility, and EPA has had to take enforcement action to address that violation. The District approached EPA informally on this issue and asked whether EPA would find any need for similar enforcement action with respect to the proposed Marsh Landing facility if it were built without a PSD permit. EPA did not identify any such need, although it declined to make any formal determination because as a policy matter it does not provide compliance assurances that may bind it with respect to future enforcement actions. But EPA is clearly aware that Mirant intends to build the Marsh Landing facility without applying for or receiving a PSD permit or an Appendix S permit and EPA has chosen not to raise any objection or take any action to prevent Mirant from doing so. The District takes this situation as a further strong indication that EPA's interpretation of this situation is that the new Marsh Landing facility should be treated as a separate facility and not subject to PSD or Appendix S requirements.

**<u>Comment 13</u>: Closure/Replacement of Existing Facility**

The District received comments stating that there is no binding commitment to close the Contra Costa Power Plant before the Marsh Landing facility begins commercial operation.

**Response to Comment 13**

These comments correctly observe that the plans to close the Contra Costa Power Plant before the Marsh Landing facility begins commercial operation do not amount to a 100% legally

binding guarantee that this will happen.[8] But that fact does not change the permitting analysis, as there is no legal requirement that the Contra Costa Power Plant close before the Marsh Landing facility begins operation. The District noted in the PDOC that the Marsh Landing facility is planned as a replacement for the Contra Costa Power Plant in order to provide the public with information about the context in which the new facility is being built, not because this is a legal requirement for the project. Moreover, all indications are that the Contra Costa Power Plant will in fact shut down before the Marsh Landing facility begins commercial operation, and nothing in the comments suggests that there is any serious likelihood that the Contra Costa plant will in fact remain in operation after the Marsh Landing facility starts up. Furthermore, after receiving these comments the District contacted the ISO regarding the likelihood that the Contra Costa Power Plant could remain in operation after Marsh Landing begins commercial operation, and the ISO responded that it does not foresee any need for the existing Contra Costa plant to operate after Marsh Landing becomes operational. (*See* Letter from K. Casey, Cal ISO, to B. Young, BAAQMD, June 24, 2010.) The District therefore agrees with these comments' characterization of the legal effect of Mirant's plans to shut down the Contra Costa Power Plant before starting commercial operation of Marsh Landing, but disagrees to the extent that the comments suggest that this fact somehow means that a permit for the new Marsh Landing plant cannot be issued, or that there is any substantial possibility that the Contra Costa Power Plant will continue operating after Marsh Landing comes online.

**<u>Comment 14</u>: Air Quality Impact Analysis Issues**

The District also received several comments regarding the Air Quality Impact Analysis that the District undertook for this project. Commenters stated that the District should evaluate the potential impacts that could occur if the Marsh Landing is undergoing commissioning at the same time as the Contra Costa Power Plant is operating. Commenters also stated that they could not find adequate monitoring information, and that one-year of monitoring in the impact area would be appropriate for use in the analysis. Commenters suggested that the District should consider whether elevated levels of $CO_2$ in the project vicinity could cause increased pollution levels above what is predicted by the District's modeling, which could mean that the modeling analysis could be under-representing actual pollution levels. Commenters also stated that the District should consider the potential impacts that water vapor emissions could have on air quality.

[8] Mirant Delta, LLC, has agreed to include the following enforceable permit condition in its air permits: "Subject to: (i) receipt of final, non-appealable California Public Utilities Commission approval of the Tolling Agreement for Units 6 and 7 at the Contra Costa Power Plant by and between Mirant Delta, LLC and Pacific Gas and Electric Company and dated as of September 2, 2009, as amended from time to time, without material condition or modification unacceptable to either party thereto in its sole discretion; and (ii) the receipt of all other approvals and consents from the relevant local, state and federal governmental agencies (including but not limited to the California Independent System Operator) necessary for the shutdown and permanent retirement from service of Units 6 and 7; Mirant Delta, LLC will shut down and permanently retire Units 6 and 7 from service at 2400 PDT on April 30, 2013." Mirant Delta has submitted an application for an amendment to its Air District permit to incorporate the foregoing permit condition. Please see letter dated May 11, 2010 from Tom Bertollini of Mirant to Craig Ullery of BAAQMD.

**Response to Comment 14**

This facility is not subject to federal PSD requirements as described above, and so conducting an Air Quality Impact Analysis is not a legal requirement here. Any concerns about the District's analysis would therefore not provide any reason to refrain from issuing this permit, even if they were valid. Furthermore, the District has examined the concerns raised by these comments and has found that they do not provide any reason why the Air Quality Impact Analysis is incorrect.

With respect to commissioning impacts, EPA guidance establishes that an air quality impact analysis does not include emissions from temporary operations such as construction or commissioning of a facility. EPA only requires an analysis of commissioning activity impacts if it is shown that the emissions impact a Class I area or an area where a PSD increment is known to be violated, which is not the case here. The applicant submitted commissioning impact analysis for two turbines commissioning at the same time in the response to CEC data request 74 (See CEC website for Marsh Landing). Table 74-2 summarizes the $NO_2$ impacts due to two turbines commissioning at the same time. In response to comments received on the PDOC, the District will be revising Part 7 of the permit conditions to limit commissioning activities to two turbines at the same time. The impact is below the new federal $NO_2$ standard. It should be noted that the new federal standard would allow statistical treatment of the modeled impact and the background $NO_2$ values and this would likely lower the total $NO_2$ impact further. The Contra Costa Power Plant was not included as a source in this analysis, but it could be considered to be included in the background concentration. Under District Rules and Regulations there is no requirement to model emissions from the Marsh Landing during commissioning and the Contra Costa Power Plant during normal operation. The commenter is encouraged to raise this issue during the CEC licensing process.

With respect to the monitoring data that the District used in its analysis, the District used background ambient air quality data that is representative of conditions in the project area. The District addressed the representativeness of the background monitoring data under the criteria established by EPA in the Air Quality Impact Analysis Memorandum dated March 22, 2010. The use of this background monitoring data is appropriate and authorized by EPA for use in an air quality impact analysis, and the District does not agree that one year of site-specific monitoring data is required or is appropriate.

With respect to the impact of elevated $CO_2$ levels, the District addressed this issue in response to Comment 8 above and incorporates its response here. Dr. Jacobson's research does not provide a basis to depart from the legally-mandated modeling approaches required by EPA to be used for air quality impact analyses. Furthermore, the state of scientific understanding of the connection between elevated $CO_2$ levels and air pollutant formation is still in a relatively preliminary state, and would not provide a sufficiently strong basis to depart from EPA's required methodologies even if the District had the discretion to do so. And even taking Dr. Jacobson's published findings at face value, the additional increases in air pollutant formation he cites are relatively small – on the order of a percentage point or less – and do not suggest that elevated $CO_2$ would make any appreciable difference in the outcome of the air quality impact analysis.

Finally, with respect to the impact of water vapor on the results of the air quality impact analysis, the District addressed water vapor issues in response to Comment 9 above and incorporates its response here. As explained above, there is no indication that the emissions of water vapor from

the facility will have any significant effect on water vapor levels in the vicinity of the facility, and there is no reason to believe that water vapor issues would alter the results of the air quality impact analysis.

**Comment 15: Endangered Species Issues**

Commenters claimed that the District should review a full Biological Opinion from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS). The comments stated that the project identified in the September 16, 2008 letter to the FWS is not the same as the project identified in the PDOC.

**Response to Comment 15**

This project is not subject to PSD permitting and so the Fish and Wildlife Service does not conduct an Endangered Species Act review as it would if the District were issuing a PSD permit. The District at one point believed that the facility would be subject to PSD permit requirements and so letters were sent to U.S. EPA and FWS requesting a Section 7 consultation under the Endangered Species Act. But as explained in the PDOC and FDOC, the District has now determined that, based on EPA guidance, the facility will not in fact be subject to PSD requirements. Furthermore, the comments are correct in their observation that the project as identified in the letter to FWS is different from the project as currently being proposed. But as explained above FWS review is not required, and so this difference will not have any impact on any FWS determination.

The fact that the facility is not subject to PSD permitting or FWS review does not mean that endangered species issues are not important, however. Endangered species issues are one of the areas of potential environmental impacts that the CEC evaluates in its CEQA-equivalent environmental review. The District directs interested commenters to Section 4.2 Biological Resources of the CEC staff assessment, which describes of how the project will comply with Endangered Species Act requirements and provides additional information on Biological impacts of the project.

**Comment 16: Solar Preheater**

A commenter wondered whether a "solar preheater" would be preferable and whether it could reduce emissions. The commenter also questioned why the District's exemption for the facility's preheater does not require the installation of a solar preheater. The commenter also asked what emissions the exempt preheaters would have.

**Response to Comment 16**

The facility may be dispatched at any time day or night during the year. A solar preheater that may be feasible during daylight hours would not be available at night. The commenter provided no information on what type of solar preheater might work in this application. Moreover, there is no regulatory requirement that a solar preheater be used in this type of application.

The facility uses two small natural gas fired preheaters (5 MMBtu/hour) to heat the natural gas prior to combustion in the gas turbines. The emission estimates for these preheaters are in the Appendices of the PDOC and FDOC. The GHG emissions of these units are also the GHG

Section of the PDOC and FDOC. The District's regulatory exemption for these preheaters does not require that a solar preheater be used instead because (i) a solar preheater may not be able to serve the same function as a gas-fired preheater, as discussed above; and (ii) if the regulatory exemption prohibited a gas-fired preheater from being used by requiring a solar preheater instead, it would cease to be a regulatory exemption and become a regulatory ban.

**Comment 17: Temperature Concerns**

A comment requested that the District consider the impact of exhaust gases temperature on local ambient air temperatures and the potential for cumulative temperature effects.

**Response to Comment 17**

The impact of any one facility on local or regional ambient temperatures would be minimal. Ambient temperatures are governed by climatic factors that are far larger than any impact that could arise from the heat exhausted from any single facility, and there is nothing in this comment to suggest otherwise. The District therefore disagrees that there is any need to evaluate temperature impacts from this facility, and notes that there is no regulatory requirement to do so either. Regarding the potential for cumulative temperature effects, the comment does not provide any indication that even cumulative impacts from multiple facilities would have any appreciable impact and the District is not aware of any. But in any event, cumulative environmental impacts are addressed through the CEC's CEQA-equivalent process, and so the District refers the commenter to the CEC on this issue.

**Comment 18: Transport of Emissions to San Joaquin Valley**

A commenter stated that the District is currently evaluating four other power plant projects, including projects at the edge of the District boundary. The commenter stated that a large portion of the emissions would be transported into the San Joaquin Valley. The comments claimed that the ERCs proposed for use to offset the Marsh Landing project are old and may help in the Bay Area, but do not mitigate impacts in the San Joaquin Valley. Comments claimed that under the Health & Safety Code the District must ensure that Marsh Landing emissions do not negatively affect health and safety of residents in neighboring District. Commenter also claimed that Title 17 California Code of Regulation Sections 70600 & 70601 require mitigation of transport into San Joaquin Valley. The commenter stated that the District should provide a strategy to mitigate transport of pollutants from the Marsh Landing facility and other plants to the San Joaquin Valley.

**Response to Comment 18**

The District's air quality regulatory programs do address the transport of pollutants from the Bay Area to downwind areas, including the San Joaquin Valley. To the extent that emissions in the Bay Area may be transported to downwind areas, every emission reduction in the Bay Area would have some benefit to those downwind areas. The ERCs held by the applicant that may be used to offset the emissions from the proposed project or other projects within the District will therefore benefit the San Joaquin Valley as a result of air pollutant transport.

The District has addressed the potential health risk and air quality impacts of the emissions from the proposed project, and has found that there would not be any significant adverse health impacts or air quality impacts in the vicinity of the project location. Based on these analyses, there would not be any significant health risk or air quality impacts downwind of the facility in the San Joaquin Valley, either. Please see the health risk screening analysis results presented in Section 8 of the FDOC.

Title 17 Sections 70600 & 70601 require District Clean Air Plans and other planning efforts to address transport of pollutants into the San Joaquin Valley, which the District is doing. The District's efforts to implement these provisions and other legal requirements provide the strategy to mitigate transport of pollutants from all sources in the Bay Area to downwind areas such as the San Joaquin Valley. The Sections do not reference mitigation of individual stationary sources.

**Comment 19: Environmental Justice**

A commenter stated the District is required to conduct a 5-step Environmental Justice analysis using the guidelines set forth in the 1998 EPA Environmental Justice guidance document; and also cited Government Code 65040.12, which defines Environmental Justice under California law. The commenter also stated that District is required to perform an Environmental Justice analysis examining risks from ammonia transport, storage and use.

**Response to Comment 19**

As stated in Section 9.5 of the PDOC, "The District anticipates that there will be no significant impacts due to air emissions related to the Marsh Landing after all of the mitigations required by District Rules and the California Energy Commission are implemented. The District does not anticipate an adverse impact on any community due to air emissions from the Marsh Landing and therefore there is no disparate adverse impact on any Environmental Justice community located near the facility." The District also evaluated potential risks from ammonia transport, storage, and use and found that this would not create any significant impacts either. Since there will be no significant adverse impacts on any community, there will not be any significant adverse impacts on an environmental justice community, and it is not necessary to conduct a 5-step analysis or any other specific type of analysis to confirm this conclusion. In addition, District Rules and Regulations do not require an Environmental Justice analysis to be prepared for a CEC licensed power plant such as the Marsh Landing Generating Station. Environmental Justice issues for power plants are addressed by the CEC under its CEQA-equivalent environmental review process. The commenter should also see the discussion of environmental justice in the CEC staff assessment on pg 1-3.

**Comment 20: Compliance Certification for facilities owned by Mirant**

A commenter alleged that Mirant Contra Costa Power Plant is a high priority violator with an unaddressed violation according to the EPA Echo website. The commenter stated that prior to the issuance of the FDOC the District must verify whether this stationary source is in compliance or on a schedule of compliance. The commenter stated that District must also confirm whether Mirant's other facilities are in compliance.

**Response to Comment 20**

The District has reviewed the compliance history for the Mirant Contra Costa Power Plant and has discovered that EPA's Echo website is incorrect. The unaddressed violations referred to by this comment noted on the EPA's Echo website are actually for the Gateway Generating Station, which is owned by PG&E and not Mirant. The Gateway Generating Station was originally owned and permitted by Mirant Delta, LLC as Contra Costa Power Plant Unit 8 prior to its transfer to PG&E in 2006. EPA apparently did not update the Echo website and the NOV is incorrectly shown to be associated with Contra Costa Power Plant.

The applicant has provided a compliance certification dated February 10, 2009. The District is required to obtain a compliance certification in accordance with Regulation 2, Rule 2, Section 307, which states that the District cannot issue an Authority to Construct (not an FDOC) unless a valid compliance certification is provided. If the project is licensed by the CEC, then prior to the District issuing an Authority to Construct the applicant will be required to provide an additional up to date compliance certification for all its facilities within the state of California.

**Comment 21: Need For Natural Gas Fired Plants versus Renewable Power Sources**

A commenter raised questions concerning the need for additional fossil fuel fired facilities versus renewable sources of power. The commenter questioned the justification for more natural gas fired power plants needed to support the transition to renewables where, according to the commenter, there does not seem to be much development of renewables.

**Response to Comment 21**

The demand and supply of electricity in California is overseen by other expert agencies such as the California Energy Commission, the California ISO, and the California Public Utilities Commission. The District defers to the judgment of expert agencies such as those in determining how demand will be met and what new generating capacity is needed and how it should be provided. The District therefore does not take a position on the need for this facility, whether this facility is the most appropriate way to meet that need, and what the appropriate mix of fossil fuel and renewable generation capacity is. But in any event, these issues are not directly related to air quality and whether the facility will meet applicable air quality-related regulatory requirements, which is the subject of the District's Determination of Compliance.

**Comment 22: Project Location and Use of Electricity From the Project**

A commenter wondered whether the Marsh Landing facility will provide power to serve San Francisco, and if so whether it is fair that the burden of hosting the generation is in Contra Costa County while the benefits from using the power are in San Francisco.

**Response to Comment 22**

Marsh Landing will supply power to the grid that can deliver power over a wide area. Questions regarding where demand is located and where generating capacity should be sited to meet that demand are addressed by the other expert agencies referred to in response to Comment 21 above. These are energy policy issues not directly related to whether the facility would meet applicable

air quality-related regulatory requirements, which is the subject of the District's Determination of Compliance.

**<u>Comment 23</u>: Peaker versus Baseload Operation**

A commenter was concerned whether the facility could be built as a simple-cycle peaker, but operated as a baseload facility. The commenter also raised questions regarding what the effect on air quality will be from changing peaking to baseload operation, whether there would be a benefit from doing this, and whether this approach could be used to avoid PSD permitting.

**Response to Comment 23**

The facility will not be able to operate as a baseload facility. The facility will have permit conditions that limit the annual operating profile to a 20% annual capacity factor (hours of operation, MMBtu/year of fuel, tons per year of emissions). The facility would be required to amend its permit in order to operate as a base load facility. The facility would need to increase its hours of operation substantially and revise its District permit to accommodate this change. Furthermore, there would not be a benefit from doing so, as the proposed facility is a simple-cycle design that is less efficient than the combined-cycle design typically used for baseload facilities, and so it would be more expensive to operate and would have greater emissions because it would have to burn more fuel per unit of output. Finally, changing to baseload operation would not be a way to avoid PSD permitting, because doing so would require a permit amendment and would require a PSD permit (to the extent that the baseload operation involved emissions above the PSD applicability thresholds).

**<u>Comment 24</u>: Determination of Compliance and CEC Process**

A commenter raised a number of questions regarding the regulatory process for approval of new power plants, including (i) whether the District will respond to comments on the PDOC; (ii) whether the comments "become part of the CEC record" before or after the FDOC is issued; (iii) whether the CEC considers comments received by the District before it issues the Final Staff Assessment (FSA); (iv) what the public's recourse would be if it has concerns with the District's determination and the District does not respond to comments in a satisfactory way; (v) in particular, whether the FDOC is an appealable "final action" by the District, and how it would be appealed (and to whom); and (vi) what happens if the CEC and District determinations differ.

**Response to Comment 24**

The District is responding to comments on the PDOC. The comments submitted to the District are not formally made part of the record of the CEC's proceedings, although the comments and these responses are being included with the FDOC that is being sent to the CEC for consideration in the licensing process, and commenters are free to submit their comments to the CEC directly if they want them to be part of the CEC's formal record. The CEC will consider the FDOC (including these responses) and any comments submitted to it before making any final licensing decision. If members of the public have concerns about the District's determination or disagree with it, they are always free to raise such concerns in the CEC process and request that the CEC make a different determination, as the CEC is entitled to do given its supremacy over power plant permitting requirements under the Warren-Alquist Act. Finally, if the CEC disagrees with

any determination made by the District, it is free to override the District's determinations under the Warren-Alquist Act.

**<u>Comment 25</u>: Warren-Alquist Act Power Plant Licensing Process**

A commenter opined that the Warren-Alquist Act "preclude[s] districts [*sic*] satisfaction of their obligations under the Clean Air Act by interjecting itself between California air Districts and review of their actions."

**Response to Comment 25**

The District disagrees that the Warren-Alquist Act is inconsistent with the Clean Air Act, and does not find anything in this comment to suggest that the District or the Energy Commission cannot satisfy all of their legal obligations under both the Warren-Alquist Act and the Clean Air Act. The District will continue in its practice of complying with all applicable requirements of both of these statutes.

**<u>Comment 26</u>: Request for Public Hearing**

The District received one comment requesting that the District hold a public hearing to receive oral comments. The reason the commenter gave for requesting a hearing is that "I am sure that we would have a large response." The comment requested that a public meeting be held during the PDOC comment period, and not as part of the CEC proceeding.

**Response to Comment 26**

The District does not believe that a public hearing would be warranted. The District received only a single request for a hearing, and only three comment letters in total from members of the public. The District therefore respectfully disagrees that there would be significant oral comments that would be elicited by holding a public hearing, over and above the opportunity the District has already provided for the public to submit written comments. The District is therefore declining to hold a public hearing on the Determination of Compliance. The District does note, however, that the CEC will be holding hearings regarding all issues involving the project, including air quality issues, and so the commenter will have a chance to provide verbal input to the licensing process there.

**<u>Comment 27</u>: Identification of Facility Location**

The District received comments claiming that the public notice that the District issued for the facility did not include a street address, ZIP code or "further identification of the location" of the facility. The comments suggest that the failure to include such information could "preclude" public participation. The comments asked whether there is a rule that requires a street address to be included in public notices, or whether there should be.

**Response to Comment 27**

The District disagrees that it did not properly identify the project location. The District's public notice described the location as "at a site adjacent to the existing Mirant Contra Costa Power

Plant and near the Gateway Generating Station located on Wilbur Avenue near Antioch, CA." This is a specific description that informed the public about where the project would be located, such that any member of the public who was interested in activities in that area would be in a position to learn about the project and get involved in the permitting process if they were interested in doing so. There is no requirement that a street address or zip code be provided in order to do so, either legally or practically. The District's public notice requirement in Regulation 2-2-405 does not require it, and there is no need for the rule to require it as long as the notice contains sufficient information for the public to understand where the facility will be located, as the District's notice did here.

**Comment 28: Permitting Record:**

The District received comments applauding its efforts in posting record documents on its website, but claiming that it still is a daunting task for public to understand the basis for power plant permitting.

**Response to Comment 28**

The District thanks the commenters for recognizing its efforts to make more information for this project available electronically on its website. The District also recognizes the complexity of the legal and technical issues involved in power plant permitting, and stands ready to help any member of the public in understanding these issues as part of the permitting process. The District has done so by explaining the basis for its permitting determination in the PDOC (for its preliminary determination) and in the FDOC (for the final determination), and is available to answer questions or provide more information upon request. The District stands by these efforts to inform and engage the public and believes that they fully satisfy all legal requirements regarding public participation.

**Comment 29: Public Notice**

The District received comments claiming that the District's public notice of the PDOC was deficient because it allegedly (i) did not contain the address of facility or a sufficient identification of the project location; (ii) did not identify opportunity to request hearing; (iii) did not identify whether it was a notice for a District draft Authority to Construct; (iv) did not identify the project's impact on air quality in relationship to the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) and the District's attainment status with respect to the NAAQS; (v) did not identify the pollutants that the facility will emit (other than through the use of acronyms, which the commenter claimed is inadequate; (vi) could mislead people into believing that the area is in attainment, especially if the District closes the record and then concludes that the facility is subject to PSD later on, which may preclude people from participating based on earlier statements that its not subject to PSD requirements; and (vii) is conclusory in that it says the project will use BACT and that it will not be subject to PSD, but does not provide a full explanation to support these conclusions. With regard to the last point regarding the application of BACT and the fact that the facility will not be subject to PSD, the commenter claimed that these are questions that should be posed to the public.

**Response to Comment 29**

The District disagrees that its public notice of the PDOC was deficient in any way. The purpose of the public notice is simply to alert people that there is a permitting action underway and let them know where they can find full, detailed information if they are interested. The public notice does not need to provide all of this detailed information in order to put the public on notice of the project, and it is not legally required. The District's public notice requirement, set forth in District Regulation 2-2-405, simply requires that the District provide notice of its preliminary decision, the location of the materials and analysis on which the preliminary decision is based, and the opportunity to submit public comments. The District's notice went well beyond these minimum requirements and provided a brief summary of what the project will entail. The notice also clearly stated that "[a] detailed description of how the facility would operate, and the air pollutants that it would emit, can be found in the Preliminary Determination of Compliance document," and invited the public to contact the District to learn more about the project (with contact persons provided for both English and Spanish communications). All of the information alluded to in these comments – including a map with the exact project location, information on how to request a public hearing, a full description of project emissions, the full discussion of PSD applicability, *etc*. – was contained in the PDOC, and so any interested member of the public could easily have obtained it and become fully informed simply by reading the PDOC or calling or writing the District for information. The District believes that these efforts at public outreach were more than adequate to satisfy the District's obligations to inform and engage the public as part of the permitting process. Finally, with regard to giving the public the opportunity to provide input on whether the facility will use BACT or is subject to PSD, the District did pose these "questions" to the public by inviting the public to comment on them, and the commenter has not provided any reason why this opportunity was inadequate.

**<u>Comment 30</u>: Permitting timetable:**

The District received comments asking what the time limit is between the time of the AFC and the time of the PDOC. The comments claimed that it should be short, considering the rapidly evolving landscape.

**Response to Comment 30**

District Regulation 2-3-403 provides that the District shall make its Preliminary Determination of Compliance within 180 days after accepting an Application for Certification (AFC) as complete. The District adhered to this timeline in this case. The AFC amendment for the revised project was accepted as complete on September 22, 2009. 180 days after September 22, 2009, was March 20, 2010. That day was a Saturday, and so issuance of the PDOC on the next business day, Monday March 22, 2010, is considered to be within Regulation 2-3-403's 180-day time period. The District issued the PDOC on Monday, March 22, 2010.

**<u>Comment 31</u>: Appendix S permitting in District ATCs:**

The District received comments citing the correspondence between the District and EPA Region 9 referenced in footnotes 46-47 of the PDOC regarding how to implement Appendix S conditions in District permits. The comments asked whether this correspondence constitutes a formal rulemaking in which the public will have a notice-and-comment opportunity.

**Response to Comment 31**

Correspondence regarding EPA's interpretation of how it will implement the federal Non-Attainment NSR requirements of Appendix S does not constitute formal rulemaking and so there is no formal notice-and-comment opportunity. But that does not mean that members of the public cannot provide comments to EPA (or to the District) if they have concerns about this correspondence. The District invites any member of the public to contact EPA and/or the District if they have suggestions about how Appendix S permitting can be improved in the Bay Area.