Characterization of a Test Stand for Evaluating Performance and Qualifying AG-1 FI Metal Media Filters and FO Ceramic Filters Under ASME AG-1

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Housing

- Three Sections
 - Cap, Middle Section, Base
 Air Flow Inlet & Exit
 - Ports
 - Camera
 - Sampling
 - Differential Pressure
 - Temperature
 - Static Pressure











Tubesheet















Piping

Upstream Piping

- Aerosol Injection Port
- Aerosol Sampling Port
- Sensors
 - Temperature
 - Relative Humidity
 - Static Pressure

Downstream

- Aerosol Sampling Ports
- Sensors
 - Temperature
 - Static Pressure
 - Venturi









Sensor Locations

Sensors Include

- Static Pressure x 6
 0 to 30 PSIG
- Temperature x 6
 -58° F to 932° F
- Relative Humidity and Temperature
 - **0** to 100%
 - -94° F to 356° F
- Differential Pressure
 0 to 2.5 PSIG
 0 to 5 PSIG
 0 to 15 PSIG









Control System

- Test Stand System Control and Data Acquisition Computer
 - CPU
 - Program Logic Controller (PLC)
 - Wonderware Software for User Interface
- Baldor Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) 20-60 Hz









Air Supply System

- Spencer Vortex Blowers
- Elmo-Rietschle Claw Compressor
- Pneumatic Air Bleed Off Valve
- Primary Flow Signal Venturi















Chiller and Heat Exchangers

Water Chiller

Capacity 51,900 BTU/hr



Heat Exchangers

- Air to Air Reheat Heat
 Exchanger
- Air to Chilled Fluid Heat Exchanger









Aerosol Generation

Large Scale Aerosol Generator – Potassium Chloride (KCl)









Aerosol Measurement

Instrument	#/cc (min)	#/cc (max)	Particle Size Distribution
			(µm)
Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer (SMPS)	2	1x10 ⁸	0.008 - 1
TSI Model 3080 Electrostatic Classifier			
• 95 cm Custom Differential Mobility Analyzer (DMA)			
• TSI Model 3775 Condensation Particle Counter (CPC)			
Scanning Mobility Particle Sizer (SMPS)	2	1x10 ⁸	0.008 – 0.6
TSI Model 3080 Electrostatic Classifier			
• TSI Model 3081 Differential Mobility Analyzer (DMA)			
• TSI Model 3772 Condensation Particle Counter (CPC)			
TSI Model 3321 APS	1	1x10 ³	0.3 – 20
(with TSI Model 3302A Diluter)		(1x10 ⁵)	
TSI Model 3340 LAS	< 0.02	1.8x10 ³	0.09 – 7.5





Pressure Reducer

- Elevated Differential Pressure
 - Loading Test
 - Instrument
- Pressure Reducer is Necessary for > 1 PSIG











Image Collection

- Camera System
 Digital Camera
 Lighting
 - Access Ports











Air Supply System

 Two Systems Characterized
 Spencer Vortex Blowers in Series
 133 ACFM Maximum
 Elmo-Rietschle Claw Compressor

160 ACFM Maximum









Claw Compressor Performance Curve









Temperature and Relative Humidity for 50 CFM







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Temperature and Relative Humidity for 160 CFM







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Preliminary Metal Media Filter Element Testing

Filter Elements Tested

- Porvair Filtration
- Sintered Fiber
- Pleated Media
- 3 ¼ Feet Length
- 3 inch Diameter
- Testing
 - 120 CFM
 - 5 ½ Hours
 - Potassium Chloride (KCl)









Preliminary Metal Media Efficiency Curve & MPPS Efficiency vs Particle Diameter

Efficiency Increases with Loading







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Preliminary Metal Media Total Filtering Efficiency

Total FE vs Time

- Increases with Loading
- Differential Pressure vs Time
 - Increases with Loading









Recommendations

- Upstream HEPA Filters
- Aerosol Generation
 - Aerosol Injection
 Against Elevated
 Pressure.
 - Temperature and Moisture Reduction

- High Temperature Section
- High Pressure Test Stand
- Back Pulse Capability







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