

September 18, 2014

Ms. Gloria Torello Environmental Quality Analyst MDEQ Air Quality Division 2100 West M-32 Gaylord, MI 49735-9282



SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO AUGUST 21, 2014 AQD CORRESPONDENCE

VIOLATION NOTICE – JULY 21, 2014 TRENDWELL ENERGY CORPORATION

SRN: N6150, MONTMORENCY COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Dear Ms. Torello:

On behalf of Trendwell Antrim Inc. (formerly Trendwell Energy Corporation (Trendwell)), Otwell Mawby, P.C. (Otwell Mawby) is pleased to present our response to your August 21, 2014 correspondence pertaining to the Notice of Violation (NOV) issued by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) Air Quality Division (AQD) at the SRN: N6150 (Vienna 31) site located in Montmorency County, Michigan.

Your letter asked that the following three points be addressed:

- provide a formula to calculate NOx and CO emissions using "actual fuel used," to the AQD for review;
- provide a the calculated values for NOx and CO emissions using "actual fuel used"; and
- submit an updated Malfunction Abatement Plan (MAP) revised to include more frequent inspections of the catalyst element.

#### Formula to Calculate NOx and CO Emissions

Upon further review, for the purposes of evaluating field emissions check data, we concur with the formula presented in AQD's July 21, 2014 letter:

Emissions (TPY) = fuel usage (MMCF) x control efficiency (%) x manufacturer's emission factor ( $\frac{1b}{MMCF}$ ) / 2000  $\frac{1b}{ton}$ .

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Please note, for the purpose of MAERS, we will continue to use the manufacturer specifications for emissions factors and the MDEQ-AQD guidance (Fact Sheet Number 9845) for catalyst control efficiencies.

#### **Calculated NOx and CO Emissions**

Otwell Mawby calculated current emissions using an actual fuel rate equal to the current annual average (September 2013 through August 2014), using control efficiencies established in the Exterran Field Check per the MAP (8/6/2014, provided as Attachment A), and conservatively using the manufactured supplied emission factor (MAERS emission factor) as follows:

- $NOx = 42.962 \text{ MMCF } \times 0.016 \times 2,194.17 \text{ lb/MMCF} / 2,000 \text{ lbs/ton} = 0.75 \text{ tons/year}$
- CO = 42.962 MMCF x 0.025 x 2,278.56 lb/MMCF / 2,000 lbs/ton = 1.22 tons/year

#### **Updated Malfunction Abatement Plan (MAP)**

MDEQ-AQD has requested an updated MAP to include more frequent inspections of the catalyst. Per the existing MAP the catalyst is to be inspected in accordance with Table 4 of the MAP. The checks performed and frequency of each include: temperature (daily), differential pressure (monthly), emissions (12 to 18 months), and maintenance (12 to 18 months).

Part of the past issue involved the catalyst seal, which is part of the Maintenance inspection to be performed at 12 to 18 month intervals. This frequency will be reduced to a once/12-month (annual) basis. Table 4 of the PM-MAP has been revised to reflect this change, a copy of which is provided as Attachment B to this letter.

We trust that the information provided herein appropriately addresses the NOV and that the violation is no longer considered in effect. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

OTWELL MAWBY, P.C.

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Robert M. Koltuniak, P.E. Principal/Project Manager

Attachment

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Rick Sandtveit (TEC) Danita Green (TEC) Brian Keelean (AGS) Project File (06-252)

## ATTACHMENT A EXTERRAN TEST REPORT 8/6/2014



#### **ENGINE EMISSIONS ANALYSIS**

Customer:

Trendwell

Engine CID:

3,928

Location:

Vienna 31

Engine RPM:

935

Unit:

952

**BMEP Calc:** 

72 86

Serial Number:

49C00237

Amb Temp F: Date of Test:

08/06/14

Engine Model: Caterpillar 399 T/A

**Engine Timing:** 

26

#### DATA OBSERVED

**ENGINE** 

1,188

NOx Observed - PPM

CONVERTER

19

CO Observed - PPM

NOx Observed - PPM

11,300

CO Observed - PPM

286

O2 Observed - %

0.7

**Engine Horsepower** 

335

Fuel Used - cu-ft/hr

5,044

Fuel Analysis - BTU/cu-ft

785

CALCULATED RESULTS			
	g/BHP-Hr	lbs/hr	TPY
ENGINE NOX	6.85	5.06	22.17
ENGINE CO	39.63	29.27	128.22
CONVERTER NOX	0.11	0.08	0.35
CONVERTER CO	1.00	0.74	3.25

NOx CONVERSION	CO CONVERSION	
98.4%	97.5%	

RATIO:	NO /		NO2	
	98.7	% /		1.3%

Calculated results are derived from a series of emissions readings from the identified engine at the conditions listed. Test instrument reads NO and NO2 separately with NOx based on the combined

total and calculated as NO2. Concentrations in PPMv are given at the observed O2 levels with no correction factor made. Engine loading is confirmed using WPI proprietary software and / or driven equipment loading. Test instrument is spanned with known gas concentrations before each series of tests. Printout of the raw data is attached. Test instrument is an electro-chemical cell type. Method of calculation is per EPA Method 19 based on fuel usage and analysis.

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			lb/hr g/BHP-Hr
PRE	NOx Lbs/Hr =	5.06	6.85
PRE	CO Lbs/Hr =	29.27	39.63
POST	NOx Lbs/Hr =	0.08	0.11
<b>POST</b>	CO Lbs/Hr =	0.74	1.00
	BMEP =	72.2	

DATA INPUT AREA		
Customer:	Trendwell	
Location:	Vienna 31	
Unit:	952	
Engine Serial Number:	49C00237	
Engine Model:	Caterpillar 399 T/A	
Engine CID:	3,928	
Engine RPM:	935	
Ambient Temp - deg F:	86	
Test Date - m/d/yr	08/06/14	
Engine NO Observed - PPM:	1,172	
Engine NO2 Observed - PPM:	16	
Engine CO Observed - PPM:	11,300	
Exhaust O2 Observed - %:	0.7	
Engine Horsepower:	335	
Fuel Flow - cu-ft/hr	5,044	
Fuel Analysis - BTU/cu-ft	785	
Converter NO Observed - PPM:	19	
Converter NO2 Observed - PPM:	0	
Converter CO Observed - PPM:	286	
Engine Timing:	26	

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# ATTACHMENT B CATALYTIC CONVERTER MONITORING AND PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE (9/16/2014)

### Table 4 Catalytic Converter Monitoring and Preventative Maintenance Schedule Trendwell Energy Corporation

Item	Activity	Equipment Status	Frequency
Catalyst	Scheduled Maintenance: Vacuum and/or blow clean the catalyst face, clearing any fouling debris or ash build-up.	Off Line	
	If the catalyst does not respond to annual cleaning, remove and replace insert. Send removed insert to manufacturer for factory cleaning and service.  Purchase replacement insert for inventory.  Replace catalyst gaskets any time the catalyst insert is cleaned or the seal is broken for inspection or cleaning.		Every 12 months of catalyst operating time or, in the event of an engine malfunction where fluids may have entered the catalyst.
Thermocouple	Check temperature read-outs with independent thermocouple.  Clean or replace thermocouple within 5 days if not functioning properly. Normal operating range 0-1,300 degrees Fahrenheit.	On Line	As needed
Catalyst	Solution Replacement: Replace catalyst insert solution to remove surface contamination.	Off Line	If catalyst not functioning properly after manufacturer cleaning, or in lieu of manufacturer cleaning.

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