



## Review and Certification

All work, calculations, and other activities and tasks performed and presented in this document were carried out by me or under my direction and supervision. I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, Montrose operated in conformance with the requirements of the Montrose Quality Management System and ASTM D7036-04 during this test project.

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## 1.0 Introduction

### 1.1 Summary of Test Program

Cleveland-Cliffs Dearborn Works contracted Montrose Air Quality Services, LLC (Montrose) to perform a compliance test program on the Pickle Line Scale Breaker Baghouse (EUSCALEBREAKER) outlet stack at the Cleveland-Cliffs Dearborn Works (CCDW) facility (State Registration ID: A8640) located in Dearborn, Michigan. Testing was performed on August 17, 2023, for the purpose of satisfying the emission testing requirements pursuant to Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Permit-to-Install (PTI) No. 120-16.

The specific objectives were to:

- Measure emissions of filterable particulate matter  $\leq 10\mu\text{m}$  (PM<sub>10</sub> Filterable) and total emissions of particulate matter  $\leq 10\mu\text{m}$  (PM<sub>10</sub>) from EUSCALEBREAKER baghouse.
- Conduct the test program with a focus on safety

Montrose performed the tests to measure the emission parameters listed in Table 1-1.

**Table 1-1**  
**Summary of Test Program**

Test Date(s)	Unit ID/ Source Name	Activity/Parameters	Test Methods	No. of Runs	Duration (Minutes)
8/17/2023	EUSCALEBREAKER	Velocity/Volumetric Flow Rate	EPA 1 & 2	3	60
8/17/2023	EUSCALEBREAKER	O <sub>2</sub> , CO <sub>2</sub>	EPA 3	3	60
8/17/2023	EUSCALEBREAKER	Moisture	EPA 4	3	60
8/17/2023	EUSCALEBREAKER	TPM* (PM <sub>10</sub> )	EPA 5/202	3	60

\*All filterable PM collected will be reported as filterable PM less than 10 microns (PM<sub>10</sub>). The summation of the filterable particulate matter and condensable particulate matter will be used to determine total particulate matter less than 10 microns.

To simplify this report, a list of Units and Abbreviations is included in Appendix D.1. Throughout this report, chemical nomenclature, acronyms, and reporting units are not defined. Please refer to the list for specific details.

This report presents the test results and supporting data, descriptions of the testing procedures, descriptions of the facility and sampling locations, and a summary of the quality assurance procedures used by Montrose. The average emission test results are summarized and compared to their respective permit limits in Table 1-2. Detailed results for individual test runs can be found in Section 4.0. All supporting data can be found in the appendices.

The testing was conducted by the Montrose personnel listed in Table 1-3. The tests were conducted according to the test plan (protocol) dated June 12, 2023 that was submitted to EGLE.

**Table 1-2**  
**Summary of Average Compliance Results – EUSCALEBREAKER**  
**August 17, 2023**

Parameter/Units	Average Results	Emission Limits
<b>Particulate Matter Less than 10 microns (Filterable)</b>		
gr/dscf	0.004	0.005
Lb/hr	1.04	N/A
<b>Particulate Matter Less than 10 microns (Total)</b>		
gr/dscf	0.005	N/A
Lb/hr	1.21	N/A



## 1.2 Key Personnel

A list of project participants is included below:

### Facility Information

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Method: EPA Method 5  
Company: Montrose-Wauconda  
Contact: Wauconda, Illinois  
Method: EPA Method 202

Test personnel and observers are summarized in Table 1-3.

**Table 1-3**  
**Test Personnel and Observers**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Role/Responsibility</b>
John Nestor	Montrose	District Manager – Royal Oak Office
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Jeff Peitzsch	Montrose	Field Technician
Cedric Ebbeler	Montrose	Field Technician
Regina Angellotti	EGLE	Observation
Katherine Koster	EGLE	Observation
David Pate	CCDW	Test Coordinator

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## 2.0 Plant and Sampling Location Descriptions

### 2.1 Process Description, Operation, and Control Equipment

The pickling process uses a mineral acid (hydrochloric acid) to remove metal oxides formed when steel is hot rolled and cooled in the presence of oxygen. These oxides need to be removed to provide a smooth, clean surface for use as hot roll steel and/or to perform subsequent cold forming operations. Prior to entering the continuous pickling line, a series of rollers are used to straighten the coiled steel (straightener) and remove or loosen scale (scale breaker). The scale breaker uses a mechanical process to grind off any unwanted surface material that has built up on the steel coils in the time that has elapsed between hot pressing and rolling of the coil and the time the coils enter the PLTCM process.

In addition, a coil welder and an accumulator section allows the steel to be continuously fed into the line. A pulse-jet filter-cartridge baghouse, rated at 35,315 acfm (actual ft<sup>3</sup>/minute), is used to capture and control emissions from the scalebreaker, coil straightener, and welder at the entry end of the pickling line process. This control device is referred to as the scalebreaker baghouse, which is manufactured by Wheelabrator. The scale breaker baghouse is rated for a 99% removal efficiency for filterable particulate.

### 2.2 Flue Gas Sampling Location

Information regarding the sampling location is presented in Table 2-1.

**Table 2-1**  
**Sampling Location**

Sampling Location	Stack Inside Diameter (in.)	Distance from Nearest Disturbance		Number of Traverse Points
		Downstream EPA "B" (in./dia.)	Upstream EPA "A" (in./dia.)	
EUSCALEBREAKER	48	384.0/8.0	200.0/4.2	Isokinetic: 12 (6/port)

Dimensions for the EUSCALEBREAKER Baghouse stack were verified in the field to conform to EPA Method 1. Acceptable cyclonic flow conditions were confirmed prior to testing using EPA Method 1, Section 11.4. See Appendix A for more information.

### 2.3 Operating Conditions and Process Data

Because the mill is designed to operate continuously when running, hourly capacity was dependent upon the characteristics of the product that was going through the line. Steel coils range from approximately 15-35 tons, depending on specific customer orders. Hourly production rates averaged 234 tons/hour during this test. The baghouse operated normally during the test.



For this test, the following process data was recorded:

1. Production Rate in tons per hour and tons per run
2. Pressure drop across the Scalebreaker baghouse at no less than 15-minute intervals

## **3.0 Sampling and Analytical Procedures**

### **3.1 Test Methods**

The test methods for this test program have been presented in Table 1-1. Additional information regarding specific applications or modifications to standard procedures is presented below.

#### **3.1.1 EPA Method 1, Sample and Velocity Traverses for Stationary Sources**

EPA Method 1 is used to assure that representative measurements of volumetric flow rate are obtained by dividing the cross-section of the stack or duct into equal areas, and then locating a traverse point within each of the equal areas. Acceptable sample locations must be located at least two stack or duct equivalent diameters downstream from a flow disturbance and one-half equivalent diameter upstream from a flow disturbance.

The sample port and traverse point locations are detailed in Appendix A.

#### **3.1.2 EPA Method 2, Determination of Stack Gas Velocity and Volumetric Flow Rate (Type S Pitot Tube)**

EPA Method 2 is used to measure the gas velocity using an S-type pitot tube connected to a pressure measurement device, and to measure the gas temperature using a calibrated thermocouple connected to a thermocouple indicator. Typically, Type S (Staubscheibe) pitot tubes conforming to the geometric specifications in the test method are used, along with an inclined manometer. The measurements are made at traverse points specified by EPA Method 1.

#### **3.1.3 EPA Method 3, Gas Analysis for the Determination of Dry Molecular Weight**

EPA Method 3 is used to calculate the dry molecular weight of the stack gas using one of three methods. The first choice is to measure the percent O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> in the gas stream using either an Orsat or a Fyrite Analyzer. A gas sample is extracted from a stack by one of the following methods: (1) single-point, grab sampling; (2) single-point, integrated sampling; or (3) multi-point, integrated sampling. In this case, a single-point grab sample was analyzed with a Fyrite analyzer to confirm ambient conditions.

#### **3.1.4 EPA Method 4, Determination of Moisture Content in Stack Gas**

EPA Method 4 is a manual, non-isokinetic method used to measure the moisture content of gas streams. Gas is sampled at a constant sampling rate through a probe and impinger

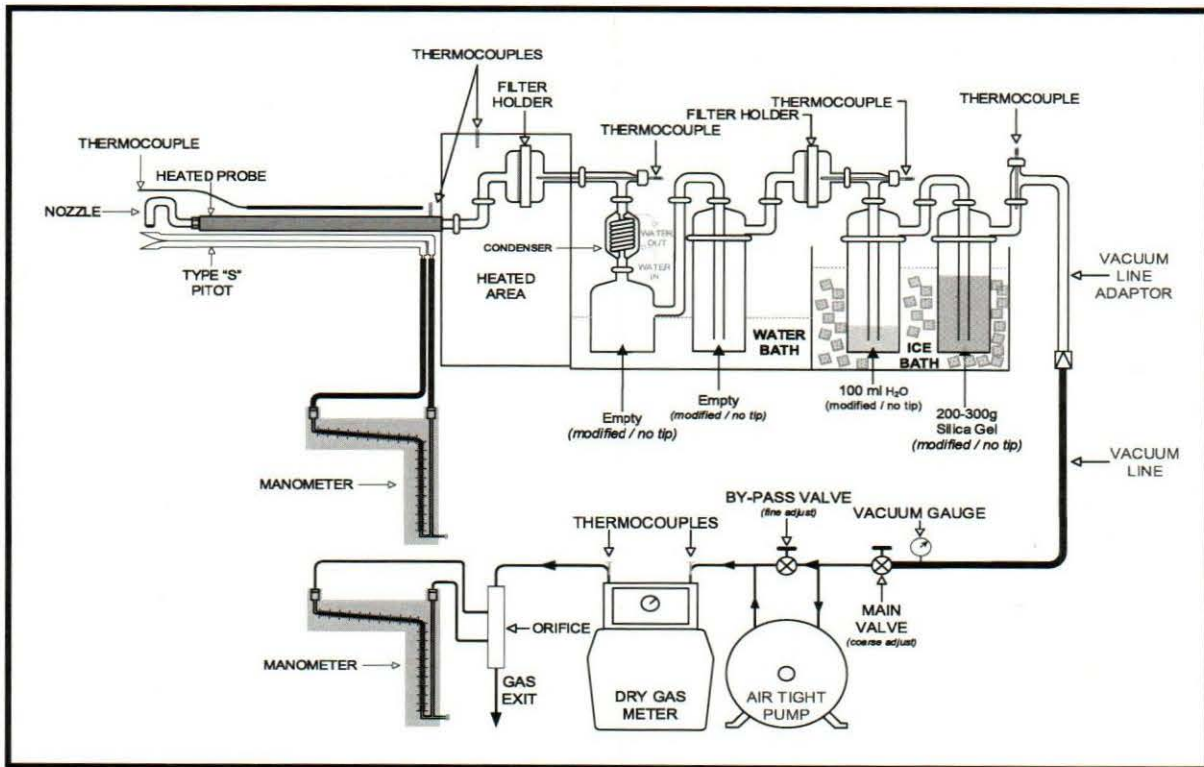
train. Moisture is removed using a series of pre-weighed impingers containing methodology-specific liquids and silica gel immersed in an ice water bath. The impingers are weighed after each run to determine the percent moisture. In this case, EPA method 4 was conducted in conjunction with Method 5 and 202.

### 3.1.5 EPA Method 5, Determination of Particulate Matter from Stationary Sources

EPA Method 5 is a manual, isokinetic method used to measure FPM emissions. The samples are analyzed gravimetrically. This method is performed in conjunction with EPA Methods 1 through 4. The stack gas is sampled through a nozzle, probe, filter, and impinger train. FPM results are reported in emission concentration and emission rate units.

The typical sampling system is detailed in Figure 3-1.

**Figure 3-1**  
**EPA Method 5/202 Sampling Train**





### **3.1.6 EPA Method 202, Dry Impinger Method for Determining Condensable Particulate Emissions from Stationary Sources**

The CPM is collected in dry impingers after filterable PM has been collected on a filter maintained as specified in either Method 5 of Appendix A-3 to 40 CFR 60, Method 17 of Appendix A-6 to 40 CFR 60, or Method 201A of Appendix M to 40 CFR 51. The organic and aqueous fractions of the impingers and an out-of-stack CPM filter are then taken to dryness and weighed. The total of the impinger fractions and the CPM filter represents the CPM. Compared to the version of Method 202 that was promulgated on December 17, 1991, this method eliminates the use of water as the collection media in impingers and includes the addition of a condenser followed by a water dropout impinger immediately after the final in-stack or heated filter. This method also includes the addition of one modified Greenburg Smith impinger (backup impinger) and a CPM filter following the water dropout impinger.

CPM is collected in the water dropout impinger, the modified Greenburg Smith impinger, and the CPM filter of the sampling train as described in this method. The impinger contents are purged with nitrogen immediately after sample collection to remove dissolved SO<sub>2</sub> gases from the impingers. The CPM filter is extracted with water and hexane. The impinger solution is then extracted with hexane. The organic and aqueous fractions are dried and the residues are weighed. The total of the aqueous and organic fractions represents the CPM.

The potential artifacts from SO<sub>2</sub> are reduced using a condenser and water dropout impinger to separate CPM from reactive gases. No water is added to the impingers prior to the start of sampling. To improve the collection efficiency of CPM, an additional filter (the "CPM filter") is placed between the second and third impingers

The typical sampling system is detailed in Figure 3-1.

## **3.2 Process Test Methods**

The test plan did not require that process samples be collected during this test program; therefore, no process sample data is presented in this test report.



## **4.0 Test Discussion and Results**

### **4.1 Field Test Deviations and Exceptions**

No field deviations or exceptions from the test plan or test methods occurred during this test program.

### **4.2 Presentation of Results**

Due to PLTCM mill issues, testing was not completed during the first two mobilizations. One run was completed on July 13 and two runs were completed on July 27 before the tests were terminated due to process issues. Samples from the aborted testing were collected and are presented in appendix A.2.1 and A.2.2 for review. Process data for the aborted testing is presented in appendices B.2 and B.3. EGLE personnel were notified of the aborted test runs and correspondence can be found in Appendix E.1.

The average results are compared to the permit limits in Table 1-2. The results of individual compliance test runs performed are presented in Table 4-1. Emissions are reported in units consistent with those in the applicable regulations or requirements. Additional information is included in the appendices as presented in the Table of Contents.

**Table 4-1  
TPM Emissions Results -  
EUSCALEBREAKER**

Parameter/Units	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Average
Date	8/17/2023	8/17/2023	8/17/2023	--
Time	8:45-9:45	12:10-16:20	17:55-19:23	--
<b>Process Data*</b>				
Production Rate, TPH	301.02	190.67	211.35	234.35
<b>Sampling &amp; Flue Gas Parameters</b>				
sample duration, minutes	60	60	60	--
O <sub>2</sub> , % volume dry	20.90	20.90	20.90	20.90
CO <sub>2</sub> , % volume dry	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
flue gas temperature, °F	89.2	90.6	89.8	89.9
moisture content, % volume	2.12	2.04	2.25	2.14
volumetric flow rate, dscfm	28,673	28,553	28,638	28,621
<b>Filterable Particulate Matter (FPM)†</b>				
gr/dscf	0.0043	0.0042	0.0042	0.0042
lb/hr	1.048	1.038	1.034	1.040
<b>Condensable PM</b>				
gr/dscf	0.0008	0.0006	0.0007	0.0007
lb/hr	0.192	0.150	0.178	0.174
<b>Total PM<sub>10</sub></b>				
gr/dscf	0.0050	0.0049	0.0049	0.0049

\* Process data was provided by CCDW personnel.

† FPM is considered PM<sub>10</sub> (caustic) (filterable) for compliance determination.

## 5.0 Internal QA/QC Activities

### 5.1 QA/QC Audits

The meter box and sampling trains used during sampling performed within the requirements of their respective methods. All post-test leak checks, minimum metered volumes, minimum sample durations, and percent isokinetics met the applicable QA/QC criteria.

Fyrite analyzer audits were performed during this test in accordance with EPA Method 3, Section 10.1 requirements. The results were within  $\pm 0.5\%$  of the respective audit gas concentrations.

EPA Method 5 analytical QA/QC results are included in the laboratory report. The method QA/QC criteria were met, except if noted in Section 5.2. An EPA Method 5 reagent blank was analyzed. The maximum allowable amount that can be subtracted is 0.001% of the weight of the acetone used. The blank did not exceed the maximum residue allowed.

EPA Method 202 analytical QA/QC results are included in the laboratory report. The method QA/QC criteria were met. An EPA Method 202 Field Train Recovery Blank (FTRB) was performed for each source category. An EPA method 202 Field Train Proof Blank (FTPB) was performed for all sets of impingers used.

### 5.2 QA/QC Discussion

All QA/QC criteria were met during this test program

### 5.3 Quality Statement

Montrose is qualified to conduct this test program and has established a quality management system that led to accreditation with ASTM Standard D7036-04 (Standard Practice for Competence of Air Emission Testing Bodies). Montrose participates in annual functional assessments for conformance with D7036-04 which are conducted by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA). All testing performed by Montrose is supervised on site by at least one Qualified Individual (QI) as defined in D7036-04 Section 8.3.2. Data quality objectives for estimating measurement uncertainty within the documented limits in the test methods are met by using approved test protocols for each project as defined in D7036-04 Sections 7.2.1 and 12.10. Additional quality assurance information is included in the report appendices. The content of this report is modeled after the EPA Emission Measurement Center Guideline Document (GD-043).



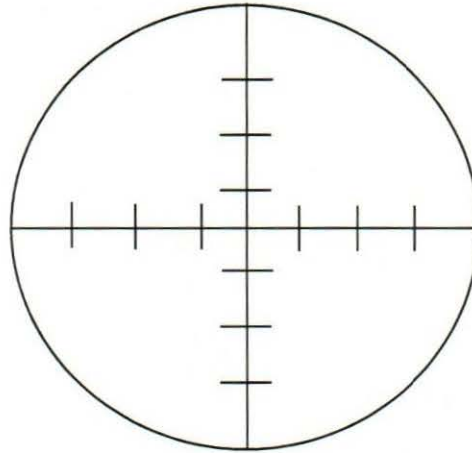
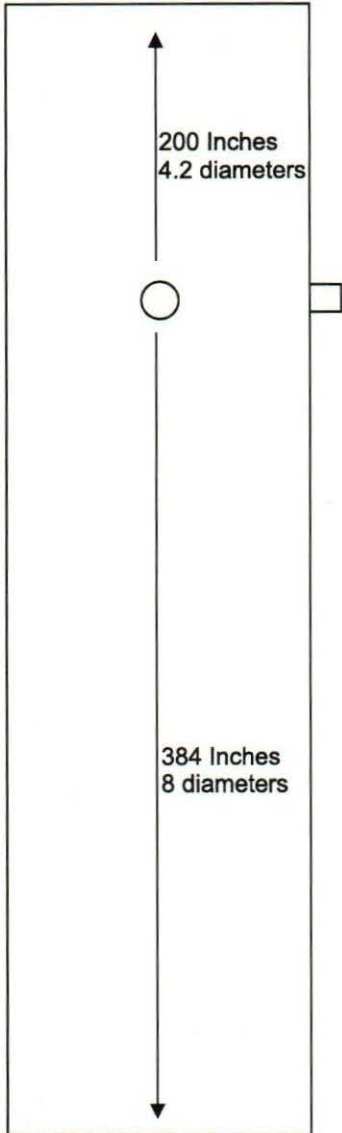
## **Appendix A**

### **Field Data and Calculations**

## **Appendix A.1**

### **Sampling Locations**

diameter = 48



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Points	Distance "
1	2.1
2	7.0
3	14.2
4	33.8
5	41.0
6	45.9

**Site:**  
PLTCM Scalebreaker Baghouse Stack  
Cleveland Cliffs Dearborn Works  
Dearborn, Michigan

**Sampling Dates:**  
8/17/2023

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