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**SOURCE TEST REPORT  
COMPLIANCE TESTING  
C-BLAST FURNACE STOVES  
AK STEEL DEARBORN WORKS  
DEARBORN, MICHIGAN**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Environmental Quality Management, Inc. (EQM) was retained by AK Steel Dearborn Works to plan and conduct a compliance air sampling program at the C-Blast Furnace Stoves exhaust. The compliance program was conducted to evaluate emissions of filterable and condensable particulate (PM, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub>); metals [lead (Pb), mercury (Hg), and manganese (Mn)]; carbon monoxide (CO); and nitrogen oxide (NO<sub>x</sub>). Three 2-hour sampling runs were conducted for each method. The assumption was made that all PM CPM collected was PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub>. EPA-approved sampling methods and laboratory analysis procedures were used to meet the objectives of the sampling program.

An outline of the test program is presented in Table 1-1. Project participants and responsibilities are presented in Table 1-2.

## 2. SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS

The emission measurement program was performed on April 25, 2017. Table 2-1 presents the average results and limit comparison. Table 2-2 presents a summary of stack gas conditions. Table 2-3 presents total particulate concentrations and mass emission rates. Table 2-4 presents manganese concentrations and mass emission rates. Table 2-5 presents lead concentrations and mass emission rates. Table 2-6 presents mercury concentrations and mass emission rates. Table 2-7 presents nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) and carbon monoxide (CO) concentrations and mass emission rates.

Appendix A summarizes emission and example calculations, Appendix B presents field data, Appendix C presents laboratory results, Appendix D presents calibration data, Appendix E presents process data, and Appendix F presents the test protocol and regulatory letter regarding the test effort.

**Table 2-1. Average Results and Limit Comparison**

<b>Pollutant</b>	<b>C-Blast Furnace Stoves Limits<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>Test Results</b>
Filterable PM (lb/hr)	6.98	<b>2.08</b>
Total PM <sub>10</sub> (lb/hr)	19.72	<b>5.87</b>
Total PM <sub>2.5</sub> (lb/hr)	19.72	<b>5.87</b>
Mn (lb/hr)	0.012	<b>0.004</b>
Lead (lb/hr)	0.011	<b>0.0003</b>
Mercury (lb/hr)	0.003	<b>0.0003</b>
NO <sub>x</sub> (lb/hr)	106.3	<b>8.3</b>
CO (lb/hr)	1,756	<b>993</b>

<sup>a</sup>Limits as provided in Permit MI-ROP-A8640-2016a.

**Table 2-2. Stack Gas Conditions  
C-Blast Furnace Stoves**

April 25, 2017

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Run No.	Date/Time	Stack Gas Velocity, fps <sup>a</sup>	Volumetric Flow Rate		Stack Temperature, °F	Moisture Content, % H <sub>2</sub> O	CO <sub>2</sub> , %	O <sub>2</sub> , %
			acfm <sup>b</sup>	dscfm <sup>c</sup>				
<b>Method 5/202 Test Runs (Total Particulate)</b>								
1	4/25/2017 0827-1051	53.9	253,910	120,336	517	11.9	26.1	2.8
2	4/25/2017 1150-1403	53.7	253,203	120,170	510	12.5	25.4	3.5
3	4/25/2017 1439-1652	54.8	258,452	122,546	518	11.9	25.5	3.4
<b>Average</b>		<b>54.2</b>	<b>255,188</b>	<b>121,017</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>3.2</b>
<b>Method 5/29 Test Runs (Metals)</b>								
1	4/25/2017 0825-1050	52.6	247,984	120,045	507	11.0	26.1	2.8
2	4/25/2017 1150-1404	51.5	242,567	116,598	507	11.7	25.4	3.5
3	4/25/2017 1439-1652	53.4	251,768	120,722	517	11.0	25.5	3.4
<b>Average</b>		<b>52.5</b>	<b>247,440</b>	<b>119,122</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>3.2</b>

<sup>a</sup>Feet per second.

<sup>b</sup>Actual cubic feet per minute.

<sup>c</sup>Dry standard cubic feet per minute.

**Table 2-3. Total Particulate Emissions  
C-Blast Furnace Stoves**

April 25, 2017

AK Steel, Dearborn Works

Run No.	Date/Time	Total Particulate Matter		Filterable Particulate Matter		Condensable Particulate Matter	
		Concentration, gr/dscf <sup>a</sup>	Mass Rate, lb/hr <sup>b</sup>	Concentration, gr/dscf <sup>a</sup>	Mass Rate, lb/hr <sup>b</sup>	Concentration, gr/dscf <sup>a</sup>	Mass Rate, lb/hr <sup>b</sup>
1	4/25/2017 0825-1050	6.37E-03	6.55	2.08E-03	2.14	4.29E-03	4.42
2	4/25/2017 1150-1404	5.49E-03	5.49	2.20E-03	2.20	3.30E-03	3.29
3	4/25/2017 1439-1652	5.37E-03	5.56	1.84E-03	1.91	3.53E-03	3.65
<b>Average</b>		<b>5.74E-03</b>	<b>5.87</b>	<b>2.04E-03</b>	<b>2.08</b>	<b>3.71E-03</b>	<b>3.79</b>

<sup>a</sup>Grains per dry standard cubic foot.

<sup>b</sup>Pounds per hour.

Note – Condensable particulate results are corrected with Field Blank results.

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**Table 2-4. Front-Half and Back-Half Manganese and Total Manganese Emissions  
C-Blast Furnace Stoves**

April 25, 2017

AK Steel, Dearborn Works

Run No.	Date/Time	Front Half Manganese		Back Half Manganese		Total Manganese	
		Concentration, µg/dscm <sup>a</sup>	Mass Rate, lb/hr <sup>b</sup>	Concentration, µg/dscm <sup>a</sup>	Mass Rate, lb/hr <sup>b</sup>	Concentration, µg/dscm <sup>a</sup>	Mass Rate, lb/hr <sup>b</sup>
1	4/25/2017 0827-1051	5.15	2.32E-03	6.26	2.82E-03	11.41	5.13E-03
2	4/25/2017 1150-1403	4.32	1.94E-03	2.59	1.16E-03	6.91	3.11E-03
3	4/25/2017 1439-1652	3.17	1.45E-03	7.61	3.49E-03	10.78	4.94E-03
<b>Average</b>		<b>4.21</b>	<b>1.90E-03</b>	<b>5.49</b>	<b>2.49E-03</b>	<b>9.70</b>	<b>4.39E-03</b>

<sup>a</sup>Micrograms per dry standard cubic meter.

<sup>b</sup>Pounds per hour.

Note: Metals data was blank corrected.

**Table 2-5. Front-Half, Back-Half, and Total Lead Emissions  
C-Blast Furnace Stoves**

April 25, 2017

AK Steel, Dearborn Works

Run No.	Date/Time	Front-Half Lead		Back-Half Lead		Total Lead	
		Concentration, $\mu\text{g}/\text{dscm}^{\text{a}}$	Mass Rate, $\text{lb}/\text{hr}^{\text{b}}$	Concentration, $\mu\text{g}/\text{dscm}^{\text{a}}$	Mass Rate, $\text{lb}/\text{hr}^{\text{b}}$	Concentration, $\mu\text{g}/\text{dscm}^{\text{a}}$	Mass Rate, $\text{lb}/\text{hr}^{\text{b}}$
1	4/25/2017 0827-1051	0.32	1.44E-04	0.45	2.04E-04	0.77	3.48E-04
2	4/25/2017 1150-1403	0.24	1.06E-04	0.21	9.63E-05	0.45	2.02E-04
3	4/25/2017 1439-1652	0.23	1.06E-04	0.23	1.04E-04	0.46	2.10E-04
<b>Average</b>		<b>0.26</b>	<b>1.19E-04</b>	<b>0.30</b>	<b>1.35E-04</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>2.53E-04</b>

<sup>a</sup>Micrograms per dry standard cubic meter.

<sup>b</sup>Pounds per hour.

Note: Metals data was blank corrected.

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**Table 2-6. Total Mercury Emissions  
C-Blast Furnace Stoves**

April 25, 2017

AK Steel, Dearborn Works

Run No.	Date/Time	Total Mercury	
		Concentration, $\mu\text{g}/\text{dscm}^{\text{a}}$	Mass Rate, $\text{lb}/\text{hr}^{\text{b}}$
1	4/25/2017 0827-1051	0.80	3.59E-04
2	4/25/2017 1150-1403	0.78	3.49E-04
3	4/25/2017 1439-1652	0.35	1.59E-04
<b>Average</b>		<b>0.64</b>	<b>2.89E-04</b>

<sup>a</sup>Micrograms per dry standard cubic meter.

<sup>b</sup>Pounds per hour.

Note: Metals data was blank corrected.

**Table 2-7. NO<sub>x</sub> and CO Emissions  
C-Blast Furnace Stoves**

April 25, 2017

AK Steel, Dearborn Works

Run Date/Time	Nitrogen Oxides			Carbon Monoxide		
	Concentration, ppm <sup>a</sup>	Mass Rate		Concentration, ppm <sup>a</sup>	Mass Rate	
		lb/hr <sup>b</sup>	lb/MMcf <sup>c</sup>		lb/hr <sup>b</sup>	lb/MMcf <sup>c</sup>
4/25/2017 0825-1041	10.2	8.76	2.51	2,633	1,380	395.5
4/25/2017 1150-1406	10.1	8.54	2.49	1,607	830	242.4
4/25/2017 1439-1654	8.7	7.55	2.24	1,450	769	228.3
<b>Average</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>8.28</b>	<b>2.42</b>	<b>1,897</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>288.8</b>

<sup>a</sup>Parts per million, dry basis.

<sup>b</sup>Pounds per hour.

<sup>c</sup>Pounds per MMcf of Blast Furnace Gas.

### **3. SAMPLING AND ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES**

The sampling and analytical procedures used in this test program conform to EPA Reference Methods 1 through 4, 5, 7E, 10, 29, and 202, as published in the Federal Register.

#### **3.1 Location of Measurement Sites**

EPA Method 1, "Sample Velocity Traverses for Stationary Sources," was used to select representative measurement sites. The sampling location was at the exhaust of the C-Blast Furnace Stoves exhaust. A schematic of the test location is shown in Figure 4-1 in Section 4.

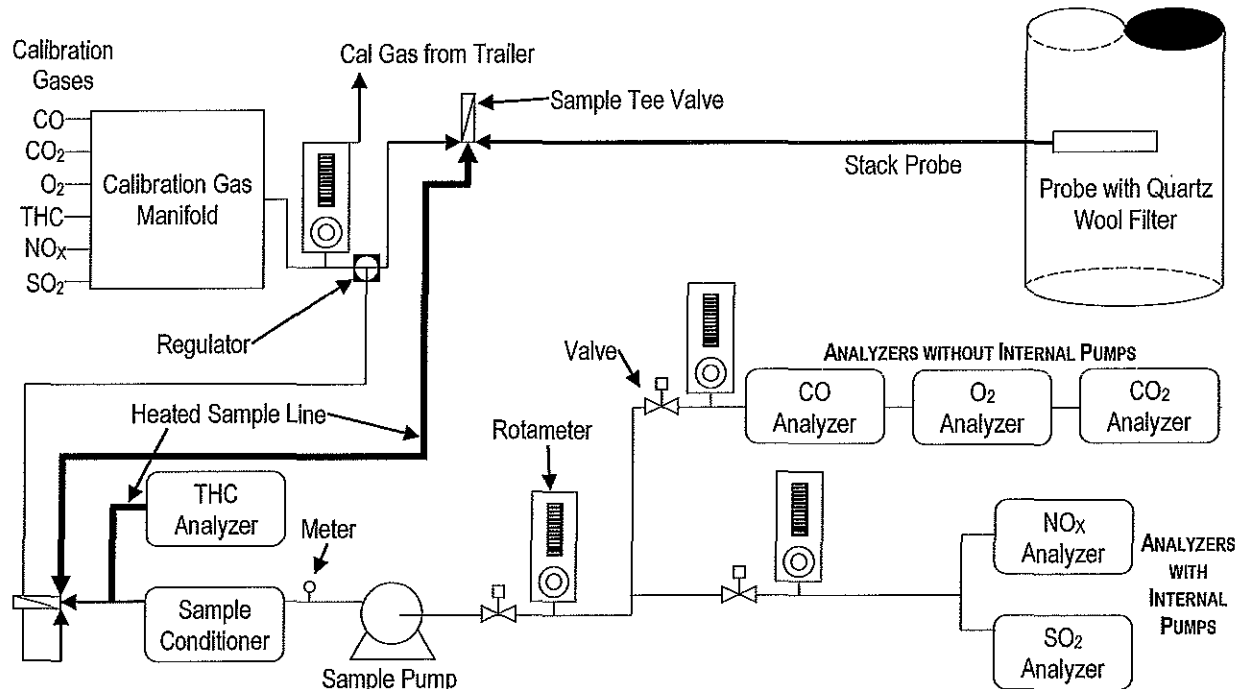
#### **3.2 Stack Gas Volumetric Flow Rate**

EPA Method 2, "Determination of Stack Gas Velocity and Volumetric Flow Rates," was used to determine stack gas volumetric flow rates. Type "S" pitot tubes meeting EPA specifications and an inclined manometer were used to measure velocity pressures. A calibrated Type "K" thermocouple attached directly to the pitot tube was used to measure stack gas temperature. The stack gas velocity was calculated from the average square root of the stack gas velocity pressure, average stack gas temperature, stack gas molecular weight, and absolute static pressure. The volumetric flow rate is the product of velocity and stack cross-sectional area.

#### **3.3 Stack Gas Dry Molecular Weight**

The stoves sampling location was sampled continuously for CO<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> by using non-dispersive infrared analyzers (CO<sub>2</sub>) or paramagnetic analyzers (O<sub>2</sub>); gaseous pollutants were measured according to EPA Reference Method 3A, "Determination of Oxygen and Carbon Dioxide Concentrations in Emissions From Stationary Sources (Instrumental Analyzer Procedure)." Figure 3-1 is a schematic of the sampling system.





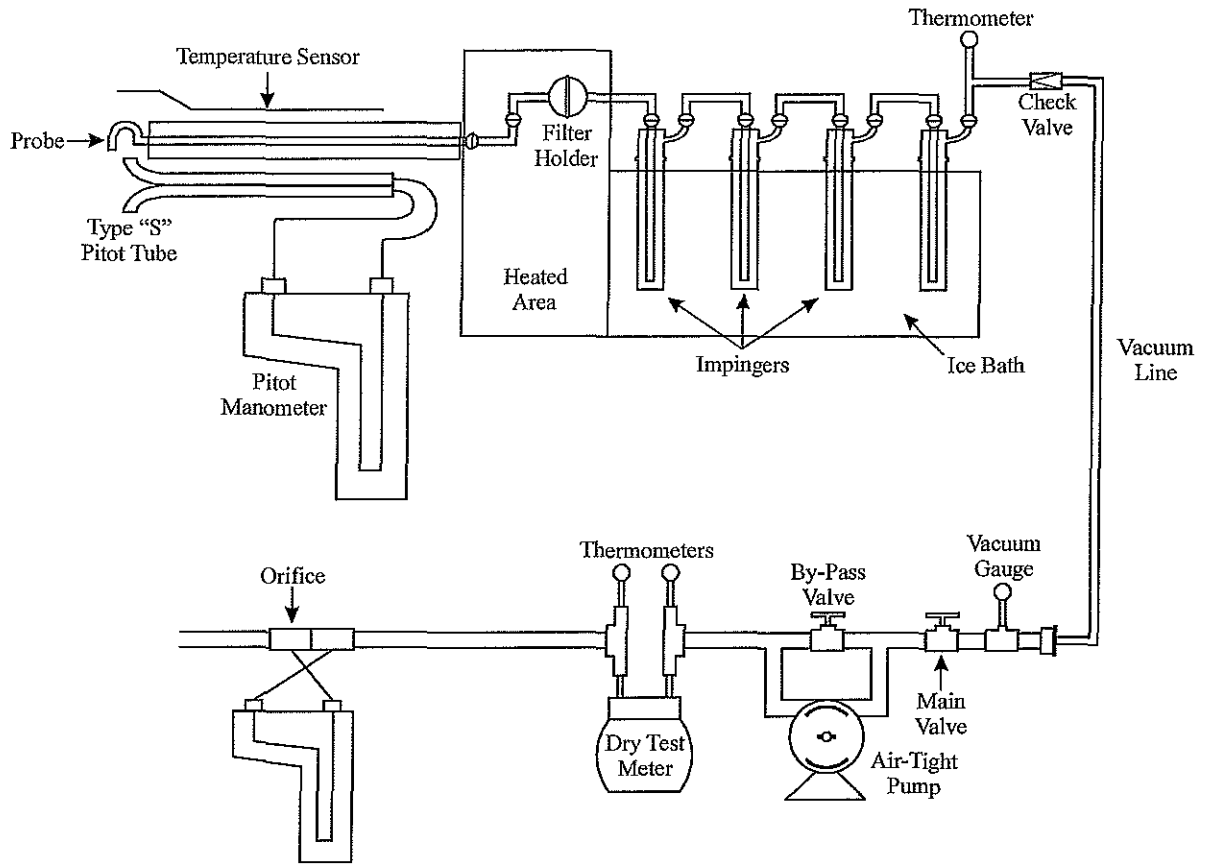
**Figure 3-1. CEM Sample Flow and Calibration System**  
 Note: This study used the CO, NO<sub>x</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, and O<sub>2</sub> analyzers.

### 3.4 Stack Gas Moisture Content

EPA Reference Method 4, “Determination of Moisture Content in Stack Gases,” was used to determine stack gas moisture content. This method was conducted as part of each particulate and metals measurement run. The initial and final contents of all impingers were determined gravimetrically.

### 3.5 Filterable Particulate and Condensable

EPA Methods 5/202 were used to measure the concentration and mass emission rate of total filterable particulate matter. Particulate matter of less than 10 microns (PM<sub>10</sub>) and particulate matter of less than 2.5 microns (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) were determined as the sum of the filterable and condensable fractions. Three sampling runs and a blank were collected at the stoves exhaust location. Figures 3-2 and 3-3 present schematics of the sampling trains for Method 5 and Method 202, respectively.



**Figure 3-2. Method 5 Front-half of Sampling Train**

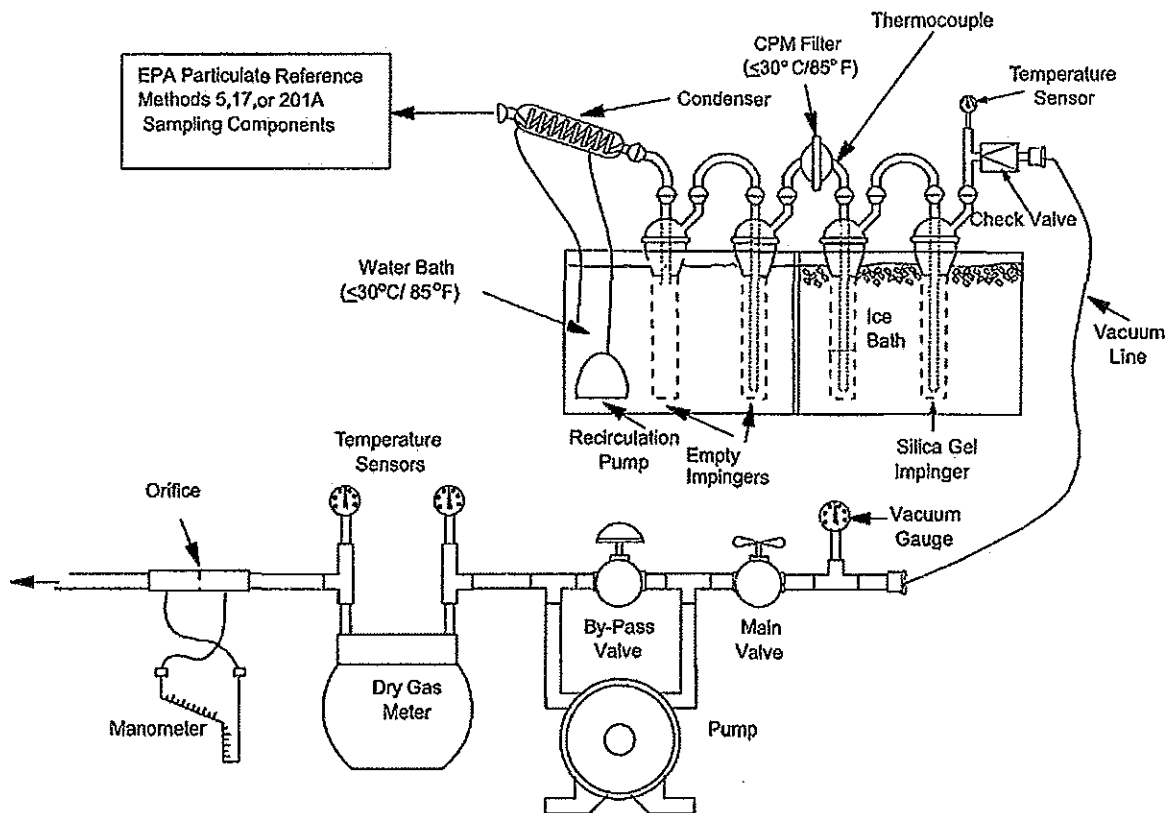


Figure 3-3. Method 202 Sampling Train

### 3.6 Nitrogen Oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

Nitrogen oxide concentrations were analyzed following the procedures of EPA Reference Method 7E, "Determination of Nitrogen Oxide Emissions from Stationary Sources by Instrumental Analyzer Technique." The sampling system consists of a stainless steel probe, a glass fiber filter for particulate matter removal, a heated Teflon sampling line, and a sample gas conditioner to remove moisture prior to the gas entering the chemiluminescent analyzer. A zero gas and two Protocol One calibration gases were used to calibrate the instrument. Data was recorded on a data-logging system recording 1-minute averages of pollutant data. Figure 3-1 is a schematic of the continuous emission analyzer system. An NO<sub>2</sub>-NO<sub>x</sub> converter efficiency test was conducted according to EPA Method 7E. An NO<sub>2</sub> calibration gas with a value of 48.3 ppm was introduced to the analyzer. The lowest response observed was 44.36 ppm, which is an efficiency of 91.8%. This result is above the 90% converter efficiency that is required. Results are provided in Appendix B.

### 3.7 Carbon Monoxide (CO)

Carbon monoxide concentrations were sampled and analyzed continuously following the procedures of EPA Method 10, "Determination of Carbon Monoxide Emissions from Stationary Sources by Instrumental Analyzer Technique." The same sampling system that was used for the other continuous analyzers was used for the CO analyzer. The instrument used is a non-dispersive infrared analyzer manufactured by Thermo Environmental.

A zero gas and two calibration gases were used to calibrate the instrument. Figure 3-1 is a schematic of the sampling system.

### 3.8 Metals

EPA Method 29 was used to determine metals (Pb, Mn, and Hg) emissions. The test apparatus consisted of a glass nozzle, a heated glass-lined probe, a heated 83-mm quartz fiber filter, seven chilled impingers, and a metering console. The samples were withdrawn isokinetically from the source. Particulate emissions were collected in the probe and on the heated filter, and the gaseous emissions were then collected in an aqueous acidic solution of hydrogen peroxide in order to measure lead and manganese. The last two impingers contain potassium permanganate ( $\text{KMnO}_4$ ) for the collection of mercury. The recovered samples are digested and analyzed at the laboratory. Three test runs were performed at the stoves exhaust. Figure 3-4 is a schematic of the Method 29 sampling train.

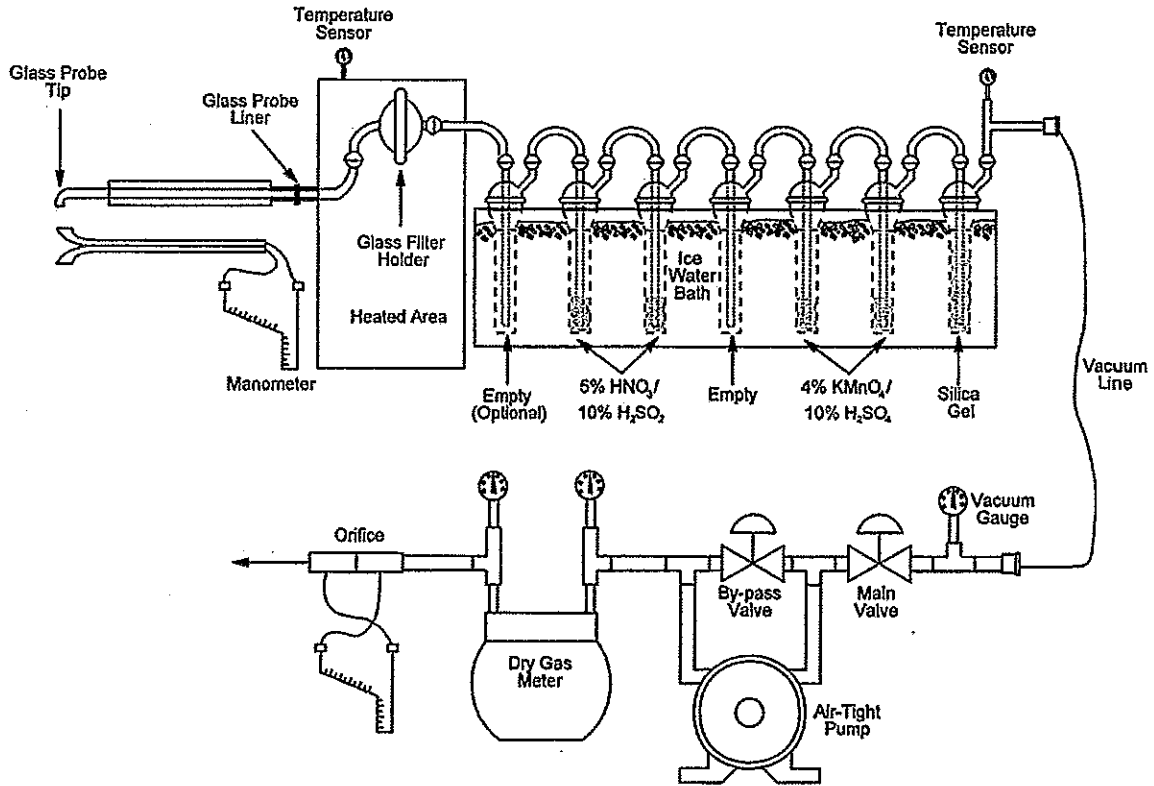


Figure 3-4. Method 5/29 Sampling Train

### 3.9 Test Comments

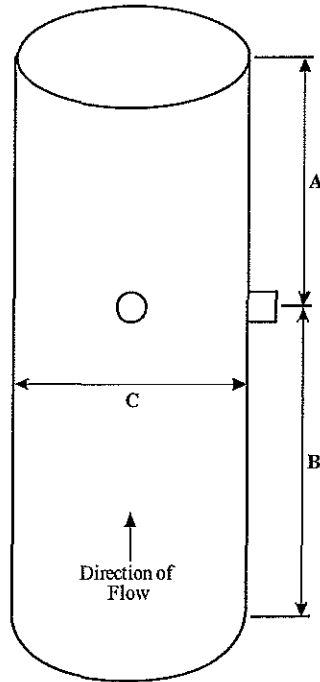
1. The analysis of the samples included the audit samples for lead, mercury, and manganese. The audit results were within the acceptable range and are presented in Appendix C.
2. Emission rates for CO and NO<sub>x</sub> were calculated using an average of the flows from the separate PM and metals runs.

#### **4. PROCESS DESCRIPTION/SAMPLING LOCATIONS**

The blast furnace stoves provide “hot blast” air for injection into the blast furnace. Blast furnace gas (BFG) produced by the furnace is cleaned, and then recycled to the blast furnace stoves to be used as fuel. The BFG, along with a small amount of natural gas (NG), is fired in the stove burners and used to heat checker brick within the stoves. The stoves are cycled between periods of heating up (“on gas”) while firing BFG and NG, and periods of supplying hot blast air to the furnace (“on blast”). During firing, the checker brick is being heated up with no air passing through the stoves.

When the stove reaches the desired temperature, the stove is put “on blast,” at which time air supplied by the blower passes through the heated checker brick, creating the hot blast air, which is injected into the furnace through the tuyeres. Typically, only one stove is supplying hot blast at any given time; however, sometimes two stoves supply hot blast depending on the circumstances of the process and stove performance.

A diagram of the sampling location is shown in Figure 4-1. During the testing day, blast furnace production averaged approximately 280 tons/hour.



<b>Location</b>	<b>Upstream A</b>	<b>Downstream B</b>	<b>Inside Diameter C</b>
C Furnace Stove Stack	>240 inches	>960 inches	120 inches
4 Sample Ports	Three Traverse Points per Port		12 Total Sample Points
Traverse Pt 1: 5 ¼"	Traverse Pt 2: 17 ½"		Traverse Pt 3: 35 ½"

**Figure 4-1. Sampling Location**

**Table 5-1. Field Equipment Calibration Summary<sup>a</sup>**

Equipment	Calibrated Against	Allowable Error
Method 5 meter box	Reference test meter	Y ±0.02 Y ΔH@ ±0.20 ΔH@ post-test Y ±0.05 Y
Pitot tube	Geometric specifications	See EPA Method 2
Thermocouple	ASTM-3F thermometer	±1.5%
Impinger (or condenser thermometer)	ASTM-3F	±2°F
Dry gas meter thermometer	ASTM-3F	±5°F
Probe nozzles	Caliper	±0.004 in.
Barometer	NBS traceable barometer	±0.1 in. Hg

<sup>a</sup>As recommended in the *Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems: Volume III. Stationary Source-Specific Methods*. EPA-600/4-77-027b, August 1977.

**Table 5-2. Field Checks of Sampling Equipment**

Equipment	Checked Against	Allowable Difference
Pitot tube	Inspection	No visible damage
Thermocouples	ASTM 2F or 3F	±1.5%
Probe nozzles	Caliper	±0.004 in.

**Table 5-3. Field Checks of O<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, CO, and NO<sub>x</sub> Analyzers**

Calibration	Instrument Check	Acceptable Limit
Initial Calibration	O <sub>2</sub> , CO <sub>2</sub> , CO, & NO <sub>x</sub> Calibration Error, % Span	±2% ±5%
	Sampling System Bias	±5% of Span
Daily Calibration	O <sub>2</sub> , CO <sub>2</sub> , CO, & NO <sub>x</sub> Calibration Error, % Span	±2% ±3%
	O <sub>2</sub> , CO <sub>2</sub> , CO, & NO <sub>x</sub> Drift, % Span	±3% of Span