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Oven Solvent Loading  
Test Report

General Motors, LLC  
Detroit-Hamtramck Assembly  
2500 East General Motors Boulevard  
Detroit, MI 48211

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Source Name General Motors, LLC - Detroit-Hamtramck Assembly County Wayne

Source Address 2500 EAST GENERAL MOTORS BLVD City Detroit, MI 48211-2002

AQD Source ID (SRN) M4199 ROP No. MI-ROP-M4199-2010 ROP Section No. 1

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Reporting period (provide inclusive dates): From Nov. 17, 2015 To Nov. 17, 2015

Additional monitoring reports or other applicable documents required by the ROP are attached as described:

GM Detroit-Hamtramck Assembly is submitting the test report for the oven solvent loading testing of the Primer Surfacer (EUPRIMERSURFACER V.2.b) and Topcoat (EUTOPCOATSYSTEM V.2.b) operations pursuant to approved test methods.

I certify that, based on information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the statements and information in this report and the supporting enclosures are true, accurate and complete

Gary L. West Plant Manager 313-972-6020  
Name of Responsible Official (print or type) Title Phone Number

Gary L. West  
Signature of Responsible Official

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## **1. Introduction**

General Motors Detroit Hamtramck Assembly (GM) retained Axalta to conduct Oven Solvent Loading for the GM Detroit Hamtramck facility located at 2500 E. General Motors Blvd., Detroit, MI 48211, MI-ROP-M4199-2010. Oven Solvent Loading Testing of the Primer Surfacer and Topcoat (base solid, base metallic, clearcoat) operations. Testing included: Oven exhaust control device VOC loading rates (Oven Solvent Loading).

AQD has published a guidance document entitled "Format for Submittal of Source Emission Test Plans and Reports" (December 2013). The following is a summary of the emissions test plan in the format suggested by the aforementioned document.

### **1.a Identification, Location, and Dates of Test**

Oven Solvent Loading Testing of the Primer Surfacer and Topcoat was conducted September 28, 2015. Testing was conducted at the Axalta Coating Systems facility in Mount Clemens, MI.

### **1.b Purpose of Test**

As a result of changing paint suppliers, testing was conducted for EUPRIMERSURFACER (TESTING/SAMPLING V.2.b) and EUTOPCOATSYSTEM (TESTING/SAMPLING V.2.b) operations as prescribed by Permit Number MI-ROP-M4199-2010 and the test plan as approved by the Air Quality Division (letter dated September 10, 2015).

### **1.c Source Description**

The GM facility is an automotive assembly center. The facility utilizes numerous raw materials in the process of automotive assembly, varying from imported parts and products to pre-assembled automotive supplies. The materials utilized that are influential for the proposed emissions test program are paints that are cured in curing ovens. The facility is restricted in the number of finished products produced as being 78.5 fully assembled vehicles per hour and not more than 337,500 assemblies per year.

### **1.d Test Program Contacts**

The contact for the source and test report is:

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## **2. Summary of Results**

### **2.a Operating Data**

The operating parameters of the thermal oxidizers are as follows:

Temp – minimum 1300 degrees Fahrenheit  
Minimum of 0.5 second gas retention time  
90% destruction efficiency.

The attached report provided as Appendix A provides a summary of process operating parameters.

### **2.b Applicable Permit**

The applicable permit number is MI-ROP-M4199-2010. The emission unit ID is EUPRIMERSURFACER and EUTOPCOATSYSTEM.

### **2.c Results**

The attached report provided as Appendix A provides a summary of results.

## **3. Source Description**

### **3.a Process Description**

EUTOPCOATSYSTEM - A topcoat spray booth followed by a curing oven. There is a heated flash-off area located between the basecoat portion of the booth and the clearcoat portion of the booth. The waterborne basecoat is applied automatically with air atomized or electrostatic spray guns. The solventborne clearcoat is applied automatically with air atomized or electrostatic spray guns. The topcoat booth is equipped with a downdraft water wash system to control particulate emissions from paint overspray. VOC emissions from the curing ovens are controlled by a thermal oxidizer.

EUPRIMERSURFACER - A guidecoat (primer surfacer) spray booth followed by a curing oven. The solventborne primersurfacer is applied automatically with air atomized or electrostatic spray guns. The primer surfacer booth is equipped with a downdraft water

wash system to control particulate emissions from paint overspray. VOC emissions from the curing ovens are controlled by a thermal oxidizer.

Oven solvent loading test results are used to calculate paint shop VOC emissions.

### **3.b Type of Raw and Finished Materials**

The following materials were used in the testing program:

- 224E Medium Gray solventborne primer surfacer
- 8555 Black waterborne basecoat
- 636R Switchblade Silver Metallic waterborne basecoat
- 8032 2K Clearcoat Part A, 2K Clearcoat Part B

### **3.c Capacity of the Process**

The facility is restricted in the number of finished products produced as being 78.5 fully assembled vehicles per hour and not more than 337,500 assemblies per year.

### **3.d Process Instrumentation**

Process instrumentation is not associated with this testing.

## **4. Sampling and Analytical Procedures**

### **Oven Solvent Loading**

**Primer Surfacer** (Gray primer – 765-224E), Filmbuild: 0.8 - 1.4 mils

W0 = weight of bare panel

Apply primer surfacer

W1 = Weight of panel + primer surfacer (immediately after spraying as practical)

Flash for 5 minutes at 85°F (ambient)

W2 = Weight of primed panel after flash

Bake for 25' @ 265°F

Let panel cool

W3 = Weight of cooled, cured primed panel

**Waterborne Basecoat Body System** (Switchblade Silver Metallic – 561-636R, filmbuild: 0.7 - 0.9 mils and Black – 562-8555, filmbuild: 0.5 - 0.7 mils)

W0 = weight of bare panel

Apply basecoat

W1 = Weight of panel + basecoat (immediately after spraying as practical)

Flash for 1 minute at 88 °F (1st pass to 2nd pass of BC) + 20'' at 88 °F

W2 = Weight of basecoated panel after flash

Dehydrate for 6'45" at 160°F

W3 = Weight of basecoated panel after heated flash

Flash for 2' @ 88 °F + 1' @ 88F (from 1st CC pass to 2nd) + 4'25" @ 88°F (CC flash)

W4 = Weight of basecoated panel after flash

Determine the amount of water in the film by spraying extra panels and analyze using Karl Fisher or GC

Bake for 25 minutes at 250°F

Let panel cool

W5 = Weight of cooled, cured basecoated panel

### **Clearcoat Body System** (RK-8032, filmbuild: 1.8-2.2 mils)

W0 = Weight of bare panel

W1 = Weight of panel + clearcoat (immediately after spraying as practical)

Flash for 2' @ 88 °F + 1' @ 88F (from 1st CC pass to 2nd) + 4'25" @ 88°F (CC flash)

W2 = Weight of clearcoated panel after flash

Bake for 25 minutes at 250F

Let panel cool

W3 = Weight of cooled, cured clearcoated panel

## **5. Test Results**

### **5.a-b Test Results Summary**

A summary is presented in the attached reports provided as Appendix A. Results from this test program will be used to calculate associated emissions from the respective sources.

### **5.c Sampling Procedure Variation**

Not applicable for this testing.

### **5.d Process or Control Device Upsets**

Not applicable for this testing.

### **5.e Control Device Maintenance**

Not applicable for this testing.

### **5.f Re-test**

This was not a re-test.

**5.g Quality Assurance Audit Samples**

Not applicable for this testing.

**5.h Calibration Sheets**

Certification of scale accuracy documentation is provided as Appendix B.

**5.i Sample calculations**

Not applicable for this testing.

**5.j Field Data Sheets**

Included in attached reports provided as Appendix A.

**5.k Laboratory Data**

Included in attached reports provided as Appendix A.