

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
AIR QUALITY DIVISION  
ACTIVITY REPORT: Scheduled Inspection

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FACILITY: VECTOR PIPELINE L.P.		SRN / ID: N7624
LOCATION: 12708 30 MILE RD, WASHINGTON		DISTRICT: Southeast Michigan
CITY: WASHINGTON		COUNTY: MACOMB
CONTACT: Matt DiPaola, Technical Supervisor		ACTIVITY DATE: 04/24/2015
STAFF: Sebastian Kallumkal	COMPLIANCE STATUS: Compliance	SOURCE CLASS: MAJOR
SUBJECT: Onsite Inspection		
RESOLVED COMPLAINTS:		

On Thursday, April 24, 2015, I conducted a targeted annual inspection at the Vector Pipeline L. P.- Washington Compressor Station located 12708 30 Mile Road, Romeo, Michigan. The purpose of the inspection was to verify facility's compliance with requirements of Article II, Air Pollution Control, Part 55 of Act 451 of 1994, and the requirements of the Renewable Operating Permit No.: MI-ROP-N7624-2014.

Vector Pipeline Compressor Station is involved in the transportation of natural gas in the pipeline system from Joliet, Illinois to Dawn Township, Ontario, Canada. This facility is operated 24 hours and all year around. It operates two Solar Turbines Incorporated (Solar) Mars 100S natural gas fired turbines. Each turbine is rated at 15,000 Horse Power with a maximum heat input rate of 120 MMBTU/hr. These turbines are designed with nitrogen oxides (NOx) emission control referred to as dry low NOx (DLN) or SoLoNOx. Each turbine drives a SOLAR C65 compressor. The facility also has one natural gas-fired internal combustion engine, 9.654 MMBTU/hr, emergency generator. The turbine operations can also be remotely controlled by from office in Houston, Texas.

The facility is a true minor source for HAP emissions and hence not subject to the National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutant (NESHAP) for turbines. The PTI has PSD-Opt Out limit for CO emissions. Facility started operations in November 2007. It conducted emission tests to verify NOx and CO emissions from the SOLAR turbines on January 15 and 16, 2008 (See MACES Report No. CA N762401213). Other annual NOx emission tests were conducted on March 4, 2010, April 1, 2011, May 9, 2012 and July 16, 2013.

Turbine maintenance includes washing and emergency testing. The natural gas from the turbine testing and from the annual full station ESD testing is vented to the atmosphere through a muffler. Emergency shut down and natural gas venting need to be reported to the Michigan Public Service Commission and to AQD under Rule 285(mm) if it meets the criteria.

I arrived at the facility about 2:00 PM. I met Mr. Matt Depola, Technical Supervisor, Enbridge Energy Company, Inc. and Mr. Zach Szeplakay, Mechanical Technician, Enbridge Energy. I introduced myself and stated the purpose of the visit. I provided him the MDEQ Brochure for Environmental Inspections: Rights and Responsibilities. Matt told me that Unit 200 (EUTURBINE2) is under maintenance and Unit 100 (EUTURBINE1) is running.

#### EUTURBINE1 (Unit 100)

NGP = 100.0%, NPT = 92.3%, T1 = 36°F, T5 = 1330°F  
Engine Fired Hours- 9108; Fuel System Mode = SoLoNOx Mode Active

Next, Matt gave me the safety instructions prior to the facility inspection. Initially we went to the emergency generator room. The generator was not operating. Next we visited the engine room. The Turbine Unit 100 was operating. Unit 200 was not operating. It was under maintenance. They were adding an additional filtration system to the seal gas. The engines are maintained every 6 months and replaced every 30,000 operating hours. The engines for the turbines were replaced in May 2013 for the first time since starting the facility. The facility started keeping records of the replacements.

Next he provided me the records that the facility keeps to assure compliance with the ROP. I reviewed various records including Turbine operating data (natural gas producer speed), start/shut down, emission reports, etc. He provided me electronic copies of the records for December 2013, December 2014 and March 2015. Currently the facility is keeping records in 10 Tables:

**Table:            Table Name & Content**

1. Turbine 1 Hourly Emission Data (hourly NGP, HP, SoloNOx Mode, CO and NOx emissions)
2. Turbine 2 Hourly Emission Data (hourly NGP, HP, SoloNOx Mode, CO and NOx emissions)
3. Turbine Daily Operating Hours and Fuel Consumption (For both turbines separately-daily operating hours, number of starts, and natural gas fuel usage)
4. Turbine Monthly Operating Hours and Fuel Consumption (For both turbine separately-monthly operating hours and monthly natural gas usage)
6. Turbine No.1 Monthly Emission Data (Monthly operating hours, monthly and 12-month rolling CO, NOx, & SO2 emissions)
7. Turbine No.2 Monthly Emission Data (Monthly operating hours, monthly and 12-month rolling CO, NOx, & SO2 emissions)
8. SPU (Emergency Generator) Daily Operating Hours and Fuel Consumption
9. SPU Monthly Emission Data (monthly operating hours, monthly & 12 month rolling natural gas usage, CO emissions, NOx emissions and SO2 emissions)
10. Source-Wide 12-Month Rolling Total Emission (Monthly and 12-monthly rolling facility-wide CO, NOx and SO2 emissions)

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**SOURCE-WIDE** Conditions includes requirements for Rule 285(mm) to notify AQD in case of natural gas venting (emergency or routine) of more than 1 Million cubic feet. The facility made three natural gas venting reports during June, 2014-February 2015.

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The facility has a natural gas fired internal combustion engine emergency power unit rated at 8.43 MMBTU/hr. At the time of my inspection, this emergency generator was not operating. Facility is keeping records of the hours of operation and fuel usage on a daily basis. The hours of operation are limited to 500 hours per year. The records show that facility operated less than 12.7 hours in 2013, 154.5 in 2014, and 1.3 hours in Jan-March 2015. The facility is only burning natural gas in this emergency generator. The facility also keeps records of monthly fuel usage and NOx and CO emissions on a daily and monthly basis. The stack dimensions appear to be in compliance with the ROP requirements.

Under quality of gas in the Tariff kept at the facility, the sulfur content is limited to 20 grains per 100 cubic feet (1/4 grain H2S per 100 cubic feet of gas) which is in compliance with 40 CFR Part 72.2. The sulfur content, N2 content and other gas quality information are posted on the company's website ([www.vectorpipeline.com/informational/postings/gas quality/gas quality information](http://www.vectorpipeline.com/informational/postings/gas%20quality/gas%20quality%20information)). This site also has the Tariff information. The company monitors the gas quality continuously along many sites on the pipeline, but the web site shows analyses from two sites (Springwell and Belle River). The results show that the sulfur content is less than 20 grains sulfur per 100 cubic feet (CCF) of natural gas.

This emergency generator installed after June 12, 2006 and located at an area source of Hazardous Air Pollutant (HAP) emissions is subject to 40 CFR 63, Subpart ZZZZ- NESHAP for Stationary Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (Area Source MACT). 40 CFR 63.6590 (c)(1) requires that spark ignition stationary reciprocating internal combustion engines must meet the requirements of 40 CFR 63, Subpart ZZZZ by meeting the requirements of 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart JJJJ—Standards of

## Performance for Stationary Spark Ignition Internal Combustion Engines.

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The facility has two SOLAR Turbine Incorporated MARS 100S natural gas fired turbines (EUTURBINE1 and EUTURBINE2) rated each at 15,000 HP and 120 MMBTU/hr. These turbines are equipped with dry low NOx emission controls (SOLONOX). The NOx emissions are limited to 25 ppm at 15% oxygen (O<sub>2</sub>) and sulfur dioxide emissions are limited to 0.06 lb per MMBTU per 40 CFR 60, Subpart KKKK. Compliance with sulfur dioxide emissions are based on the sulfur content of the natural gas. The Carbon monoxide emissions are limited to 800 pounds per hour while the natural gas producer speed (NGP) is between 87 to 92% and 18.8 pounds per hour while operating above 92%. The hourly and annual NOx and CO emissions are calculated based on the emission factors generated during emission tests and the average hourly NGP.

The turbines at this facility are subject to NSPS Subpart KKKK which requires annual testing for NOx emissions unless the NOx emissions are less than 75% of the limit (25 PPM at 100% load). If the emissions are less than 75% of the limit, the testing is only required once in two years. ROP requires verification of CO emission rates and develop emission factor for CO once in every 5 years.

At the facility I reviewed the 2013-15 operations records. Based on the records facility did not appear to have operated the turbines below 92% NGP except for times during startup and shutdown. The CO and NOx emissions tests were conducted on July 16, 2013 for both turbines. The report showed that the both pollutant emissions were in compliance with the permit limits and the NOx emissions were below 75% of the permit limit (25 ppm at 15% O<sub>2</sub>). The facility is continuously monitoring the "SOLONOX" ON/OFF mode.

The facility verifies NOx emissions and Oxygen emissions from each turbine in accordance with 40 CFR Parts 60.8, 60.4400 and 60.4340(a). July 16, 2013 test showed that the NOx emissions from both turbines were less than 75% of the limit. So NOx emission test need not to be repeated for another two years, pursuant to Section V, Condition 1. The facility has completed the initial NOx and CO emission verifications on January 2008.

The facility is keeping hourly records of hourly %NGP, SOLONOX ON/OFF and NOx and CO emissions for each turbine, copy of the tariff, amount of natural gas combusted, number of startups and shut downs, and the operating hours for each turbine on hourly basis. Each turbine control monitor has indicator for SOLONOX ON/OFF mode. The SOLONOX MODE ACTIVE sign is highlighted while the system runs on SOLONOX Mode. The facility also keeps records of annual CO and NOx emissions based on a monthly basis. The facility keeps a copy of the tariff. Facility also keeps records for the maintenance performed on the turbines. The stack dimensions appear to be in compliance with the permit requirements.

## FGFACILITY

The facility-wide Carbon Monoxide (CO) and Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx) are limited to 219.18 tons and 81.34 tons per year based on a rolling 12-month time period. The calculated 12 month rolling NOx, CO and VOC emission rates as of March 2015 were 9.41 TPY, 2.71 TPY and 1.48 TPY respectively.

Conclusion: From the facility inspection, records and reports review, this facility appears to be in compliance with the applicable requirements.

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