

# FIFTH MONITORING REPORT

(Version 2)

**PROJECT:**     **ACHEMA UKL-7 plant N<sub>2</sub>O abatement project**

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## Monitoring periods

### Line 1

Project campaign 3  
FROM: 23/08/2011  
TO: 21/03/2012  
ERUs 176,750

### Line 2

Project campaign 6  
FROM: 09/12/2011  
TO: 17/07/2012  
ERUs 162,864

### Line 3

Project campaign 5  
FROM: 26/08/2011  
TO: 26/07/2012  
ERUs 67,524

### Line 4

Project campaign 5  
FROM: 21/10/2011  
TO: 28/08/2012  
ERUs 130,628

### Line 5

Project campaign 5  
FROM: 28/11/2011  
TO: 10/07/2012  
ERUs 103,952

### Line 6

Project campaign 5\*  
FROM: 10/08/2011  
TO: 23/04/2012  
ERUs 175,218

### Line 7

Project campaign 5  
FROM: 02/09/2011  
TO: 07/05/2012  
ERUs 149,336

### Line 8

Project campaign 5\*  
FROM: 01/09/2011  
TO: 05/04/2012  
ERUs 89,809

Fifth monitoring period start and end: **August 10, 2011 – August 28, 2012**

Fifth monitoring period ERUs in total: 1,056,081

Emission Reductions (year 2011):	393,123	t CO2 equivalents
Emission Reductions (year 2012):	662,958	t CO2 equivalents
Emission Reductions (total):	1,056,081	t CO2 equivalents

*\* Fifth project campaigns on lines 6 and 8 have started on the same calendar days as previous 4<sup>th</sup> project campaigns were completed. There is no overlap between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> project campaigns as last valid hourly data of 4<sup>th</sup> project campaigns do not overlap with any first 5<sup>th</sup> project campaign data. Using same calendar day for end of the 4<sup>th</sup> project campaigns and start of the 5<sup>th</sup> project campaigns is true reflection of the reality at the plant and this way also calculation of emission reductions for purpose of this 5<sup>th</sup> monitoring report reflects this reality correctly.*

# MONITORING REPORT

**PROJECT:** ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N<sub>2</sub>O abatement project

**LINE:** Line 1

**MONITORING PERIOD:**

**FROM:** 23/08/2011

**TO:** 21/03/2012

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This monitoring report determines baseline emission factor for the Line 1 of ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant and quantity of emission reduction generated during the third project campaign on Line 1.

The first project campaign on Line 1 started on 11/11/2008. Secondary catalyst was installed on 30/10/2008. Total quantity of emission reductions generated during the third project period from 23/08/2011 through 21/03/2012 on Line 1 is **176 749 ERUs**.

### T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	9.63	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	1.49	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	60 691	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	60 691	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	70 044	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
GWP	GWP	310	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/tN <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>176 749</b>	<b>tCO<sub>e</sub></b>
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
<b>Abatement Ratio</b>		<b>90.3%</b>	

EMISSION REDUCTION PER YEAR			
Year	2011	2012	2013
Date from	23 Aug 2011	01 Jan 2012	
Date to	31 Dec 2011	21 Mar 2012	
Nitric Acid Production	41 914	28 130	
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>105 767</b>	<b>70 983</b>	
<i>ER_YR = ER * NAP_P_YR / NAP_P</i>			

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 1 during baseline measurement carried from 14/03/2008 through 21/10/2008 is 9.63 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Project emission factor during the third project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 1, which started on 23/08/2011 and went through 21/03/2012 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 30/10/2008, is 1.49 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

During the project campaign 70 044 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions from nitric acid production Lines at the UKL-7 nitric acid plant of AB Achema (“Achema” or “the Company”). The Company is situated in Jonava, Lithuania.

Achema has installed and operates secondary N<sub>2</sub>O reduction catalysts underneath the primary catalyst precious metal catching and catalytic gauzes package in the ammonium burners of the UKL-7 nitric acid plant.

This monitoring report contains information on Line 1 emission reductions including information on baseline emission factor setting for the Line 1.

The separate treatment of nitric acid lines and overlapping of the monitoring periods are allowed by the clarification issued Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee: “CLARIFICATION REGARDING OVERLAPPING MONITORING PERIODS UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE”. The Project meets all the requirements set out by the clarification:

1. The Project is composed of clearly identifiable components for which emission reductions or enhancements of removals are calculated independently; and
2. Monitoring is performed independently for each of these components, i.e. the data/parameters monitored for one component are not dependent on/effect data/parameters (to be) monitored for another component; and
3. The monitoring plan ensures that monitoring is performed for all components and that in these cases all the requirements of the JI guidelines and further guidance by the JISC regarding monitoring are met.

### 3. BASELINE SETTING

Baseline emission factor for line 1 has been established on the Line-specific basis. Campaign used for baseline measurements on the line 1 has been carried out from 14/03/2008 through 21/10/2008.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation as an average of the measured values for the previous 60 minutes.

Measurement results can be distorted before and after periods of downtime or malfunction of the monitoring system and can lead to mavericks. To eliminate such extremes and to ensure a conservative approach, the following statistical evaluation is applied to the complete data series of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration as well as to the data series for gas volume flow. The statistical procedure is applied to data obtained after eliminating data measured for periods where the plant operated outside the permitted ranges:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N<sub>2</sub>O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by the total output of 100% concentrated nitric acid during baseline campaign.

The overall uncertainty of the monitoring system has been determined by the QAL2 report and the measurement error is expressed as a percentage (UNC). The N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF<sub>BL</sub>) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
$EF_{BL}$	Baseline $N_2O$ emissions factor ( $tN_2O/tHNO_3$ )
$BE_{BC}$	Total $N_2O$ emissions during the baseline campaign ( $tN_2O$ )
$NCSG_{BC}$	Mean concentration of $N_2O$ in the stack gas during the baseline campaign ( $mgN_2O/m^3$ )
$OH_{BC}$	Operating hours of the baseline campaign (h)
$VSG_{BC}$	Mean gas volume flow rate at the stack in the baseline measurement period ( $m^3/h$ )
$NAP_{BC}$	Nitric acid production during the baseline campaign ( $tHNO_3$ )
UNC	Overall uncertainty of the monitoring system (%), calculated as the combined uncertainty of the applied monitoring equipment.

### 3.1 Measurement procedure for $N_2O$ concentration and tail gas volume flow

#### 3.1.1 Tail gas $N_2O$ concentration

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from the Line 1 tail gas duct at sampling point located after expansion turbine and transported by sample Line to the Monitoring room A, where the analyzer is located.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer ( $4^\circ C$ ), so  $N_2O$  concentration is measured on a dry basis.

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines.  $N_2O$  concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

$N_2O$  concentration measured data are sent from the analyzer on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

#### 3.1.2 Tail gas flow rate, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section. Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### 3.2 Permitted range of operating conditions of the nitric acid plant

Under certain circumstances, the operating conditions during the measurement period used to determine baseline  $N_2O$  emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions.  $N_2O$  baseline data measured during hours



where the operating conditions were outside the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculation of the baseline emissions factor.

Normal ranges for operating conditions have been determined for the following parameters:

- oxidation temperature;
- oxidation pressure;
- ammonia gas flow rate,
- air input flow rate.

The permitted range for these parameters has been established using the plant operation manual, as described in the PDD..

### **3.3 Historic Campaign Length**

The average historic campaign length ( $CL_{normal}$ ) defined as the average campaign length for the historic campaigns used to define operating condition (the previous 5 campaigns), has been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign.

## 4. PROJECT EMISSIONS

During the first project campaign on line 1 the tail gas volume flow in the stack of the nitric acid plant as well as N<sub>2</sub>O concentration have been measured on the continuous basis.

### 4.1.1 Estimation of campaign-specific project emissions factor

The monitoring system was installed using the guidance document EN 14181 and provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation. Same statistical evaluation that was applied to the baseline data series has been applied to the project data series:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
VSG	Mean stack gas volume flow rate for the project campaign (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N <sub>2</sub> O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN <sub>2</sub> O/m <sup>3</sup> )
PE <sub>n</sub>	Total N <sub>2</sub> O emissions of the n <sup>th</sup> project campaign (tN <sub>2</sub> O)
OH	Is the number of hours of operation in the specific monitoring period (h)

### 4.1.2 Derivation of a moving average emission factor

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

## 4.2 Minimum project emission factor

The minimum average emission factor established factor will be established after 10th project campaign.

## 4.3 Project Campaign Length

Project campaign production of nitric acid has been below defined nameplate capacity and thus all NAP produced from date of installation of secondary catalysts has been used for calculation of emission reductions.

Because the nitric acid production during the project was higher than the baseline, all of the baseline NCSG values were used to determine the baseline emission factor.

#### 4.4 Leakage

No leakage calculation is required.

#### 4.5 Emission reductions

The emission reductions for the project activity during this campaign have been determined by deducting the campaign-specific emission factor from the baseline emission factor and multiplying the result by the production output of 100% concentrated nitric acid over the campaign period and the GWP of N<sub>2</sub>O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWP_{N_2O} \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

Variable	Definition
ER	Emission reductions of the project for the specific campaign (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
NAP	Nitric acid production for the project campaign (tHNO <sub>3</sub> ). The maximum value of NAP shall not exceed the design capacity.
EFBL	Baseline emissions factor (tN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
EFP	Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from this particular campaign (i.e. the higher of EF <sub>ma,n</sub> and EF <sub>n</sub> )

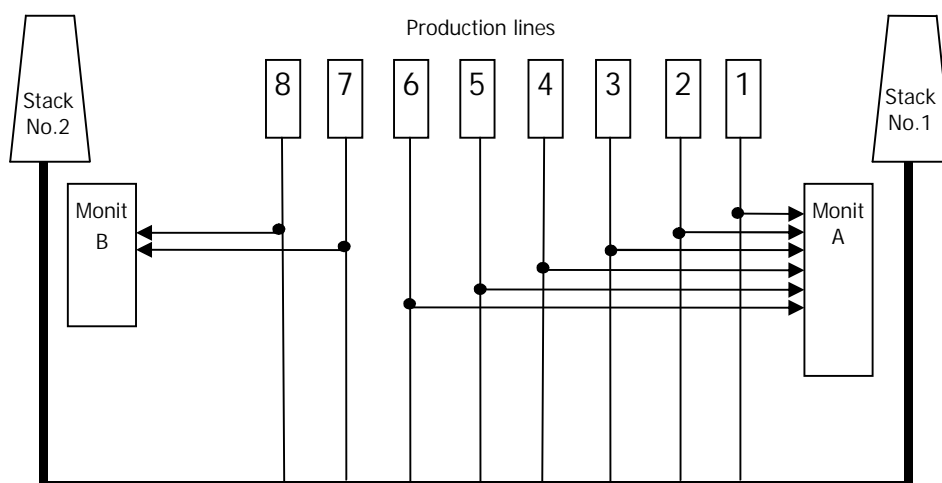
## 5. MONITORING PLAN

### Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O from the plant in such a way that is compliant with the prescriptions of the AM0034/Version 02.

### Plant description

The UKL-7 nitric acid plant comprises 8 production Lines numbered from 1 through 8, each with its own burner, absorption column and expansion turbine. Each production Line represents a separate nitric acid production unit independent from each other. The tail gases from each Line are after expansion turbines led to a common stack bus and vented through two interconnected stacks.



Primary catalyst is changed at different times thus it is necessary to measure the emissions from each Line individually. This means that eight separate sets of monitoring equipment are installed to measure tail gas flow, nitric acid production, nitric acid concentration, and the operating conditions. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

### Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N<sub>2</sub>O monitoring system that includes both a gas volume flow meter to determine the tail gas mass volume flow and an infrared gas analyser to determine the concentration of N<sub>2</sub>O.

But tail gas N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and tail gas volume flow meter alone are not sufficient for a JI project purposes. In order of being able to calculate the baseline emission factor expressed as tonnage of N<sub>2</sub>O in t CO<sub>2</sub>e per 1 tonne of HNO<sub>3</sub> (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO<sub>3</sub> measurement, and in order of being able to document normal operating conditions it is necessary to include also operating conditions measurement.

Because of this we use the term Monitoring System (MS) to describe entire monitoring system directly and indirectly used for the JI purposes, while Automated Measurement System (AMS) covers only N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and tail gas mass volume part of the MS.

Monitoring System (MS) for purpose of this monitoring plan means:

**monitoring system measuring operational conditions;**

Ammonia volume flow  
Ammonia temperature  
Ammonia pressure  
Primary air volume flow  
Primary air temperature  
Primary air pressure  
Oxidation temperature  
Oxidation pressure

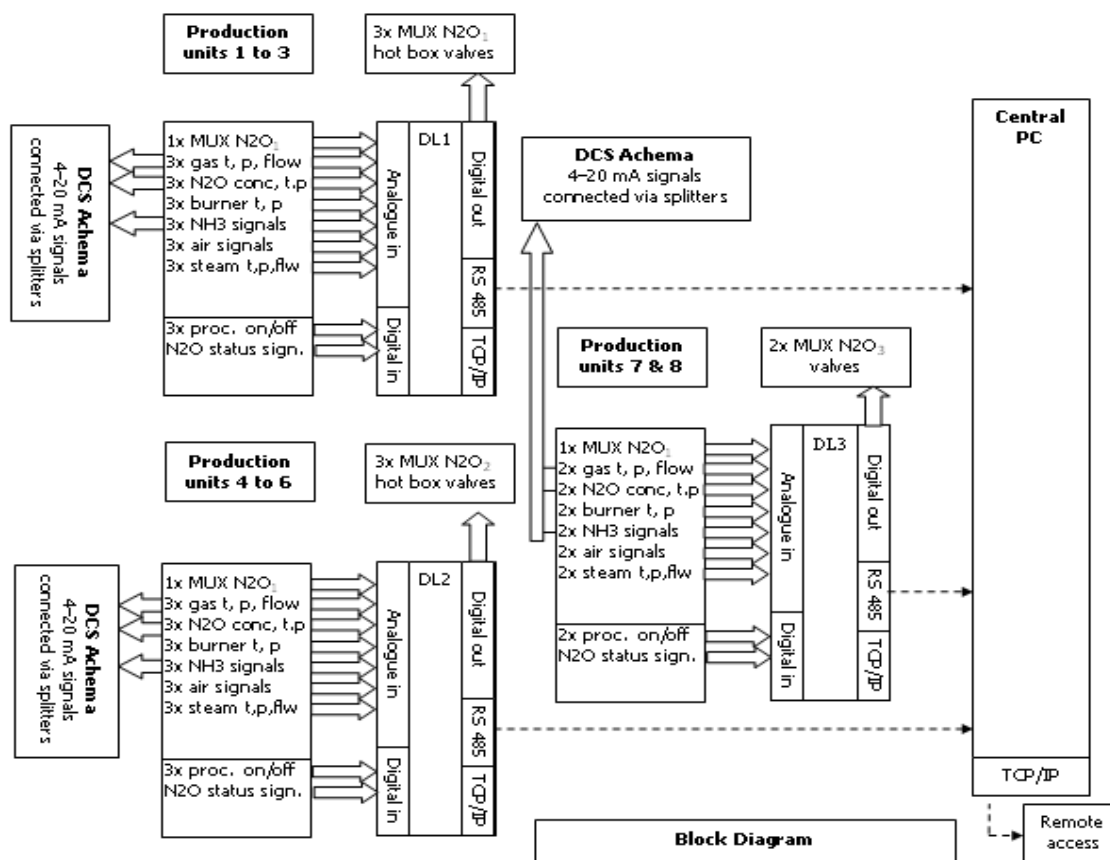
**nitric acid 100% concentrate production;**

Nitric acid concentration  
Nitric acid flow  
Nitric acid temperature

**and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)**

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the stack  
Stack volume flow rate  
Stack gas temperature  
Stack gas pressure

Incorporation of the AMS into the MS by interfacing already existing and newly installed measurement devices is documented by the diagram below.



## N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

## N<sub>2</sub>O concentration

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from respective tail gas ducts at sampling points located after expansion turbines and transported by heated sample lines to the Monitoring room A located next to the main production hall. This applies to 2 concentration meters measuring lines 1-3 and lines 4-6. lines 7-8 are measured by third concentration meter located at the other side of the production hall (Monitoring room B) physically closer to respective production lines 7 and 8.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured on a dry basis. Correction of dry basis ppmV value to real wet tail

gas conditions based on steam flow injected into the system is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

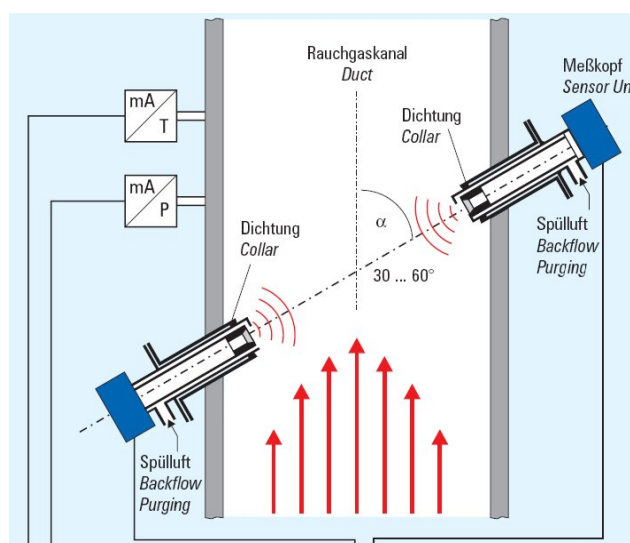
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis. Tail gas samples are automatically switched. Under-sampling uncertainty is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

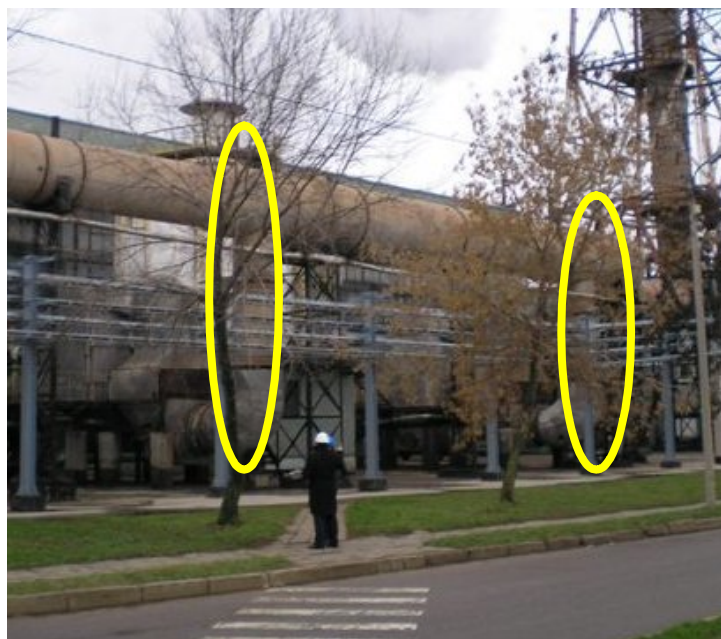
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section.



The tail gas ducts do not allow any optimum location to perform the flow monitoring. The only possible location is the quite short vertical tube behind the 90° “knee”.



Since the flow is not really laminar, a classical Pitot tube one point solution wouldn't allow good results. The ultrasonic system is under these conditions superior to differential pressure. Cross duct monitoring is more accurate than a couple of discrete point averaged pressure.

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **Tail gas steam injection elimination**

Steam injected into the Achema UKL-7 tail gas for purpose of increasing the turbine output is eliminated from the tail gas mass flow calculation by following formulae:

$$\text{flow - STVF} = \text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325) * ((100 - \text{Humi}) / 100)$$

where Humi (water content)=

$$(\text{Flow\_steam} * 1.2436) / (\text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325)) * 100 + 0.6$$

where 1.2436 is the conversion factor from kg/h to Nm<sup>3</sup>/h and 0.6% is a value of humidity present in a flue gas permanently without steam injection

The Flow\_steam parameter necessary for calculation of the water content in the dataloggers is provided in the kg/h unit.



Achema measures steam flow in kg/h using formula  $Q=C*\sqrt{dp}$  , where C is flow constant which is already integrated using an orifice plate sizing program. The orifice plate calculation for injection steam has been done for temperature 250°C and pressure 6 bar.

Flow steam in kg/h measured by using the constant steam T and P values is then recalculated to actual steam T and P values valid for relevant hours and as result the STVF value cleaned of the steam injected is used for further emission reductions calculations.

### **EN14181 compliance**

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N<sub>2</sub>O AMS consists from the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N<sub>2</sub>O measurand specifically) and after full commissioning of the monitoring system there was the QAL2 test carried out by an independent laboratory certified according to ISO17025.

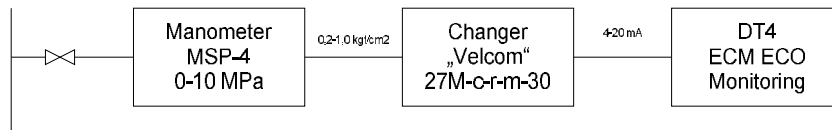
### **Operating conditions**

For purpose of the baseline emissions factor setting it is necessary to monitor and report operating conditions in all 8 burners. Namely:

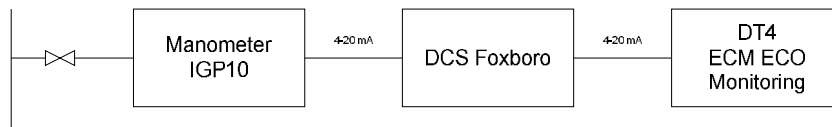
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

All these parameters are measured by the plant monitoring system as presented on diagrams below:

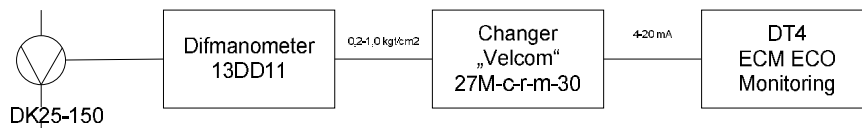
P in mixer 1-6 line



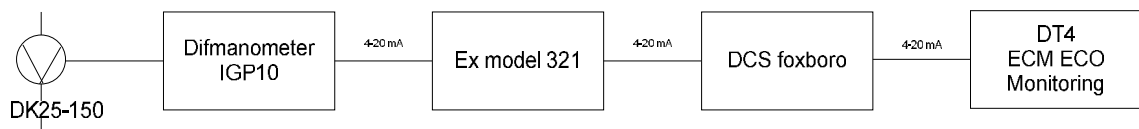
P in mixer 7-8 line

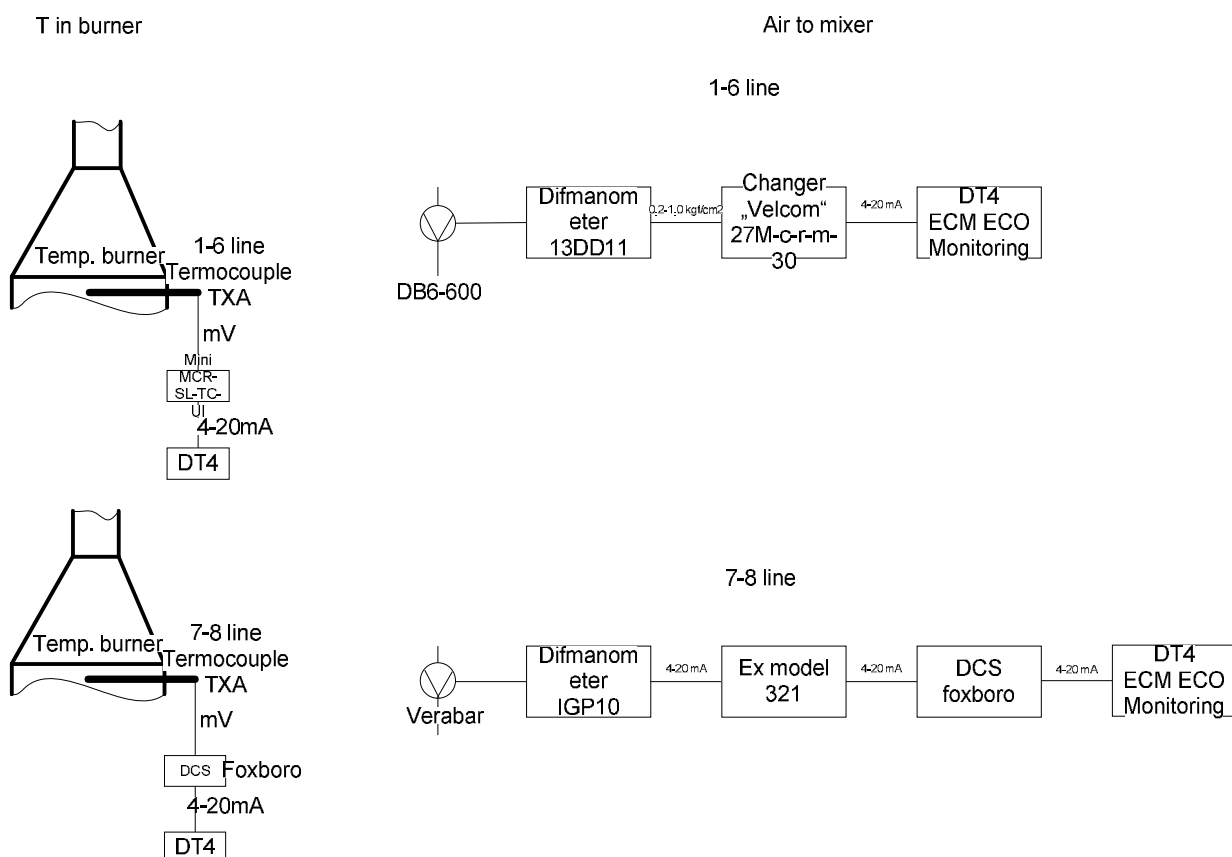


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



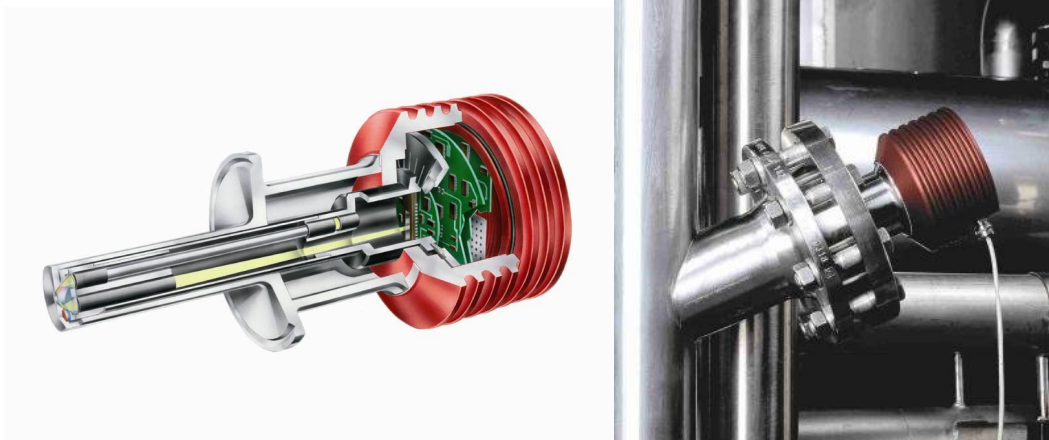


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further. Maintenance procedures for the ammonia oxidation parameters follow the existing procedures for the operation of the nitric acid plant.

### Nitric acid production

Nitric acid concentration is based on two components: nitric acid and water. Standard monitoring method is on-Line refractometry. Measurement of nitric acid (100%) mass volume production per campaign is necessary for calculation of the baseline emissions factor. Nitric acid concentration on all 8 Lines is measured by K-Patents PR-23-GP refractometers.

This analyzer is applying a prism to “return” a generated optical beam back to an LCD detector.



The detector is measuring refraction of monitored liquid based on known refraction of water and nitric acid. The instrument is calibrated for percent concentration of nitric acid. The analyzer is mounted on DIN-flange 2656, PN25 DN80. The optical prism does not require cleaning.

**PR-23-GP characteristics:**

Measuring RI is a direct concentration measurement principle. No need to rely or convert magnitudes.

Digital instrument – no calibration drift

As it is a robust instrument it is maintenance free

Dual connectivity if the installation positions allow.

On-Line data logging, through Ethernet, on whichever web browser.

No influence by bubbles or particles. It is very common that air enters the process pipeline and still the refractometer measures accurately.

Nitric acid concentration data are in an analog 4-20mA format provided to dataloggers which process these signals further.

In order of being able to calculate total mass volume of nitric acid 100% concentrate produced during the baseline campaign it is necessary to monitor also nitric acid flow and temperature. Measurement of pressure is not necessary for determination of the nitric acid mass volume flow, because nitric acid is in form of liquid and as such it has stable pressure characteristic.

Signals obtained from the nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further.

After installation of refractometers there have been occurrences of their failure and following repair service by the manufacturer. For this period starting from 27/11/2007 and ending on 29/07/2008 project uses HNO<sub>3</sub> concentration data provided by the laboratory measurements.

## 6. QAL 2 CALIBRATION ADJUSTMENTS

### 6.1 Applied principle

As required in the applicable norm EN14181: “The relation between the instrument readings of the recording measuring procedure and the quantity of the measuring objects has to be described by using a suitable convention method. The results have to be expressed by a regression analysis.”

As it is described in the Calibration Report issued by Airtec laboratory, the measurement results derived from the analog signals (4 mA to 20 mA) provided the installed instruments have been compared to the comparative measurements.

Linearity check of the instruments characteristics is stated in the QAL2 Calibration Report issued by the laboratory. The valid ranges of Linearity are determined by statistical analysis according to the guideline and the Linearity assumptions are further used in the Calibration Report establishing Linear regression Lines.

The general formula of the regression Line, established in the EN14181 and used in the Calibration Report is:

$$Y = a + bX$$

where:

X is the measured value of the instrument in mA  
Y is the value of the parameter being objective of the measurement  
a is a constant of the regression Line  
b is the slope of the regression Line

After a comparative test the laboratory issued the old and new regression Lines properties, namely “a” and “b” applying for all of the measured parameters that are subject to calibration as stated in the Calibration Report.

The QAL2 corrections are based on the fact that the actual analog current outputs (in mA) of the measurement instruments are relevant for both, the old and new regression Lines:

$$X_o = X_n = X$$

where:

X<sub>n</sub>: X new  
X<sub>o</sub>: X old

This allows us to derive a calibrating formula that gives us the corrected value of the measured physical parameters. The applied calibrating equation is:

$$Y_n = A_n + (B_n/B_o) * (Y_o - A_o)$$

In order to take into account the properties of the AMS and their implication to the QAL 2 implementation in the model, we will further introduce several remarks to the conversion and normalization of the data.

The units returned by the AMS “nm<sup>3</sup>/h” stand for normalized cubic meters of the gas volume at normal gas conditions (0° C, 1 atm.).

## 6.2 Stack gas volume flow

Based on the real conditions measured and applied by the AMS for normalization (TSG in °C and PSG in hPa), the stack gas volume flow values are converted to real conditions before the regression analysis using the ideal gas law. The actual gas volume flow rates are derived from gas velocity measurements, therefore, before applying the regression analysis the gas speed is calculated from the volume flow and the duct cross-section and is fed into the calibrating equation. The calibrated values derived from the calibrating equation then converted back to normalized units using the calibrated real conditions (calibrated TSG and PSG). The normalized calibrated stack gas flow rates are further fed into the emission calculation model for further processing as set out by the Approved Baseline and Monitoring Methodology AM\_0034.

## 6.3 Nitric acid concentration in stack gas

The nitric acid concentration in the raw data set from the AMS is in mgN<sub>2</sub>O/m<sub>3</sub>. The concentration was converted to ppmv to make it compatible with the regression Lines parameters. The nitrous gas concentration values are then calibrated using the provided regression Lines parameters and are input in the model.

## 6.4 Stack gas Temperature

The stack gas temperature was calibrated by the regression conversion formula

## 6.5 Stack gas Pressure

The calibration report provides us with a regression Line for the stack gas pressure. We calibrate the readings of the measurements system using the regression formula and applying the values (in kPa).

## 7. EMISSION REDUCTION CALCULATIONS

Table T 2 illustrates the establishment of historic campaign length based on 5 previous campaigns. Average production in 5 campaigns preceding the baseline campaign was 65 461 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and time duration was on average 261 days. Table contains also information on suppliers of primary catalysts for the line 1.

**T 2 Historic campaigns**

Line	ACHEMA UKL-1	Production	Start	End	Days	Production per day	Primary Catalyst	Composition
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	61 581	29 Jul 2004	26 Apr 2005	271	227	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	2 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	-	29 Apr 2005	24 Oct 2005	178	-	Heraeus	N/A *
	3 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	58 648	24 Oct 2005	20 Sep 2006	331	177	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	4 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	65 266	21 Sep 2006	24 Jul 2007	306	213	Umicore	N/A *
	5 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	76 351	07 Aug 2007	13 Mar 2008	219	349	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
Average HNO <sub>3</sub> production	t HNO <sub>3</sub>	65 461			261	251	* Confidential but available for the verification	
Project Campaigns	BL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	60 691	14 Mar 2008	21 Oct 2008	221	275	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	PL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	70 044	23 Aug 2011	21 Mar 2012	211	332	Johnson Matthey	N/A *

The project campaign production value of 70 044 tHNO<sub>3</sub> was higher than historic nitric acid production set at level of 65 461 tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

It is business as usual scenario in Achema UKL-7 plant to keep using primary catalysts from several suppliers and with several compositions. Selection of primary catalysts is determined by technical parameters of their use and price levels offered by suppliers in specific time. Primary catalysts used during the baseline campaign, if other than used in previous campaign/s, did not increase emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O as confirmed by relevant statements provided to the verifier.

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started on 14/03/2008 and continued through 21/10/2008 when the 60 691 tHNO<sub>3</sub> nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached - tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

**T 3 Baseline campaign length**

ACHEMA UKL-1	Historic Campaigns End	Start of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Measurement NCSG	End of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Campaign
Dates	2008 Mar 13	2008 Mar 14	2008 Oct 21	2008 Oct 21	2008 Oct 22
Baseline Factor kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	9.63	9.63	9.63
Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	60 691	60 691	-
Per Day Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	250.8				
Baseline less Historic Production	(4 770.2)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(19.0)				



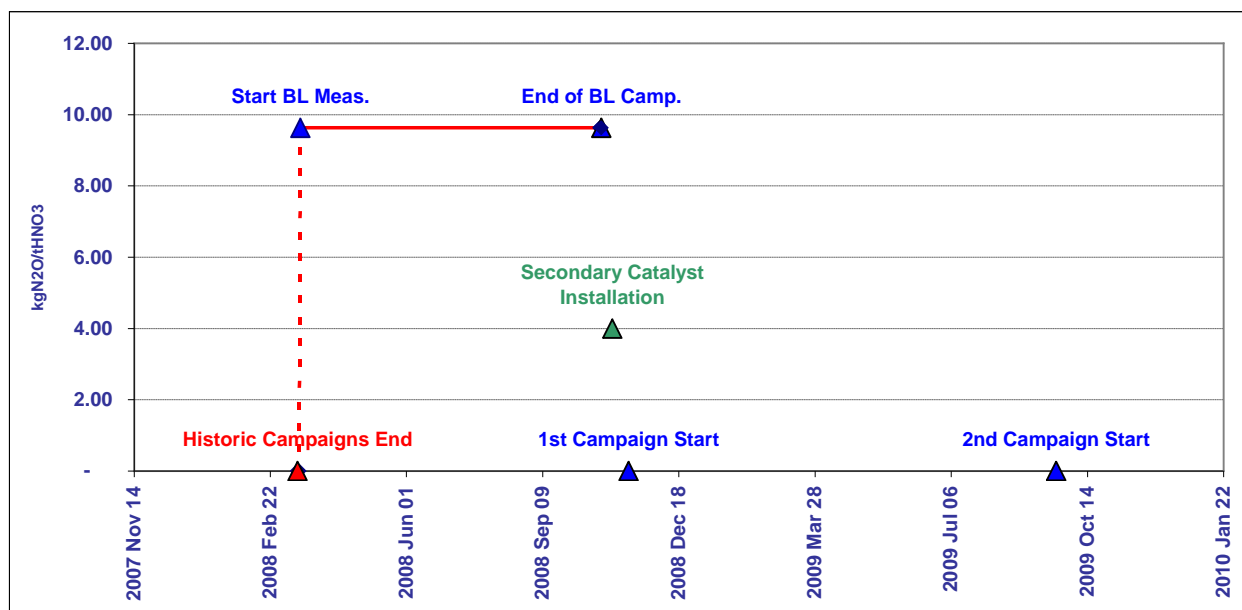
**C 1 Baseline campaign length**


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 1 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 14/03/2008 through 21/10/2008.

Extreme values and data measured during hours when one or more of operating conditions were outside of the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculations. As a next step we have eliminated data beyond 95% confidence interval and calculated new mean values of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and stack gas volume flow using following method:

- a) Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

Using the means values we have calculated the baseline emissions as set out in the PDD.

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were 620 tN<sub>2</sub>O.

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.670%, which is further modified by an uncertainty of 0.089% due to under-sampling. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 9.63 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 1 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 23/08/2011 and went through 21/03/2012.

We have eliminated extreme values and data beyond the 95% confidence interval as prescribed by the PDD.

- a) Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

Using the mean values we have calculated total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions ( $PE_n$ ) as follows:

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours (OH) defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred.

By dividing total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions by the nitric acid production (capped by nameplate capacity 350 tHNO<sub>3</sub>/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 1.49 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

$$EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

### T 4 Baseline emission factor

BASELINE EMISSION FACTOR											
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure	AMS in Operation	Nitric Acid Production NCSG	
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa	h	NAP t/h	
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>											
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	50	0		0	
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000		50	
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>											
Count	4 933	4 999	4 989	4 921	5 054	5 028	5 275	5 275	4 483	4 999	
as % of Dataset	93%	94%	94%	93%	95%	95%	99%	99%	85%	94%	
Minimum		-	0	80	1 246	-	0	0		-	
Maximum		15.28	2 401	82 164	6 281	17.17	902	605		15	
Mean		12.14	1 806	67 547	5 825	10.28	857	554		12	
Standard Deviation		3.42	261	11 066	194	1.04	162	46		3	
Total		60 691								60 691	
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		602 t N2O									
Emission Factor		9.35 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Permitted Range</b>											
Minimum					4 500	0	880	0			
Maximum					7 500	11.70	910	800			
<b>Data within the permitted range</b>											
Count	4 926		4 627	4 627					4 483		
as % of Operating Hours	100%		94%	94%					91%		
Minimum			219	3 822							
Maximum			2 401	227 671							
Mean			1 752	69 348							
Standard Deviation			318	3 984							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		599 t N2O									
Emission Factor		9.32 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			1 130	61 538							
Upper bound			2 375	77 158							
Count			4 353	4 610							
as % of Operating Hours			88%	93%							
Minimum			1 320	65 098							
Maximum			2 374	73 692							
Mean			1 808	69 474							
Standard Deviation			218	1 214							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		620 t N2O									
Emission Factor (EF_BL)		9.63 kgN2O / tHNO3									

**T 5 Project emission factor**

PROJECT EMISSION FACTOR								
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>								
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	50	0
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>								
Count	2 910	4 777	4 500	4 515	5 065	4 648	5 057	5 018
as % of Dataset	57%	94%	89%	89%	100%	92%	100%	99%
Minimum		0.94	46	70 014	-	4	0	0
Maximum		18.51	543	83 328	6 301	17.62	914	650
Mean		14.66	300	74 999	5 382	10.72	821	569
Standard Deviation		2.63	32	2 075	1 508	0.47	242	104
Total		70 044						
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		66 t N2O						
Emission Factor		0.94 kgN2O / tHNO3						
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>								
95% Confidence interval								
Lower bound			238	70 932				
Upper bound			363	79 065				
Count			2 369	2 745				
as % of Operating Hours			81%	94%				
Minimum			238	70 990				
Maximum			362	79 054				
Mean			303	74 588				
Standard Deviation			20	1 251				
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		66 t N2O						
Actual Project Emission Factor (EF_PActual)		0.94 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		90.3%						
<b>Moving Average Emission Factor Correction</b>								
	Actual Factors	Moving Average Rule						
	1	2.10						
	2	1.43						
	3	0.94						
	4	-						
	5	-						
Project Emission Factor (EF_P)		1.49 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		84.5%						

# MONITORING REPORT

**PROJECT:** ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N<sub>2</sub>O abatement project

**LINE:** Line 2

**MONITORING PERIOD:**

**FROM:** 09/12/2011

**TO:** 17/07/2012

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This monitoring report determines baseline emission factor for the Line 2 of ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant and quantity of emission reduction generated during the sixth project campaign on Line 2.

The first project campaign on Line 2 started on 30/05/2008. Secondary catalyst was installed on 07/11/2008. Total quantity of emission reductions generated during the sixth project period from 09/12/2011 through 17/07/2012 on Line 2 is **162 864 ERUs**.

### T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	9.51	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	1.72	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	60 767	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	60 767	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	67 441	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
GWP	GWP	310	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/tN <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>162 864</b>	<b>tCO<sub>2</sub>e</b>
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
<b>Abatement Ratio</b>		<b>83.8%</b>	

EMISSION REDUCTION PER YEAR			
Year	2011	2012	2013
Date From	09 Dec 2011	01 Jan 2012	
Date To	31 Dec 2011	17 Jul 2012	
Nitric Acid Production	7 175	60 267	
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>17 326</b>	<b>145 538</b>	
<i>ER_YR = ER * NAP_P_YR / NAP_P</i>			

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 2 during baseline measurement carried from 09/11/2007 through 20/05/2008 is 9.51 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Project emission factor during the sixth project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 2, which started on 09/12/2011 and went through 17/07/2012 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 07/11/2008, is 1.72 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

During the project campaign 67 441 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions from nitric acid production Lines at the UKL-7 nitric acid plant of AB Achema (“Achema” or “the Company”). The Company is situated in Jonava, Lithuania.

Achema has installed and operates secondary N<sub>2</sub>O reduction catalysts underneath the primary catalyst precious metal catching and catalytic gauzes package in the ammonium burners of the UKL-7 nitric acid plant.

This monitoring report contains information on Line 2 emission reductions including information on baseline emission factor setting for the Line 2.

The separate treatment of nitric acid lines and overlapping of the monitoring periods are allowed by the clarification issued Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee: “CLARIFICATION REGARDING OVERLAPPING MONITORING PERIODS UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE”. The Project meets all the requirements set out by the clarification:

1. The Project is composed of clearly identifiable components for which emission reductions or enhancements of removals are calculated independently; and
2. Monitoring is performed independently for each of these components, i.e. the data/parameters monitored for one component are not dependent on/effect data/parameters (to be) monitored for another component; and
3. The monitoring plan ensures that monitoring is performed for all components and that in these cases all the requirements of the JI guidelines and further guidance by the JISC regarding monitoring are met.



### 3. BASELINE SETTING

Baseline emission factor for line 2 has been established on the Line-specific basis. Campaign used for baseline measurements on the line 2 has been carried out from 09/11/2007 through 20/05/2008.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation as an average of the measured values for the previous 60 minutes.

Measurement results can be distorted before and after periods of downtime or malfunction of the monitoring system and can lead to mavericks. To eliminate such extremes and to ensure a conservative approach, the following statistical evaluation is applied to the complete data series of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration as well as to the data series for gas volume flow. The statistical procedure is applied to data obtained after eliminating data measured for periods where the plant operated outside the permitted ranges:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N<sub>2</sub>O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by the total output of 100% concentrated nitric acid during baseline campaign.

The overall uncertainty of the monitoring system has been determined by the QAL2 report and the measurement error is expressed as a percentage (UNC). The N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF<sub>BL</sub>) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
$EF_{BL}$	Baseline $N_2O$ emissions factor (t $N_2O$ /t $HNO_3$ )
$BE_{BC}$	Total $N_2O$ emissions during the baseline campaign (t $N_2O$ )
$NCSG_{BC}$	Mean concentration of $N_2O$ in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mg $N_2O$ /m <sup>3</sup> )
$OH_{BC}$	Operating hours of the baseline campaign (h)
$VSG_{BC}$	Mean gas volume flow rate at the stack in the baseline measurement period (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
$NAP_{BC}$	Nitric acid production during the baseline campaign (t $HNO_3$ )
UNC	Overall uncertainty of the monitoring system (%), calculated as the combined uncertainty of the applied monitoring equipment.

### **3.1 Measurement procedure for $N_2O$ concentration and tail gas volume flow**

#### **3.1.1 Tail gas $N_2O$ concentration**

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from the Line 2 tail gas duct at sampling point located after expansion turbine and transported by sample Line to the Monitoring room A, where the analyzer is located.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so  $N_2O$  concentration is measured on a dry basis.

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines.  $N_2O$  concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

$N_2O$  concentration measured data are sent from the analyzer on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

#### **3.1.2 Tail gas flow rate, pressure and temperature**

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section. Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **3.2 Permitted range of operating conditions of the nitric acid plant**

Under certain circumstances, the operating conditions during the measurement period used to determine baseline  $N_2O$  emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions.  $N_2O$  baseline data measured during hours

where the operating conditions were outside the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculation of the baseline emissions factor.

Normal ranges for operating conditions have been determined for the following parameters:

- oxidation temperature;
- oxidation pressure;
- ammonia gas flow rate,
- air input flow rate.

The permitted range for these parameters has been established using the plant operation manual, as described in the PDD..

### **3.3 Historic Campaign Length**

The average historic campaign length ( $CL_{normal}$ ) defined as the average campaign length for the historic campaigns used to define operating condition (the previous 5 campaigns), has been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign.

## 4. PROJECT EMISSIONS

During the first project campaign on line 2 the tail gas volume flow in the stack of the nitric acid plant as well as N<sub>2</sub>O concentration have been measured on the continuous basis.

### 4.1.1 Estimation of campaign-specific project emissions factor

The monitoring system was installed using the guidance document EN 14181 and provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation. Same statistical evaluation that was applied to the baseline data series has been applied to the project data series:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

where:

Variable	Definition
VSG	Mean stack gas volume flow rate for the project campaign (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N <sub>2</sub> O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN <sub>2</sub> O/m <sup>3</sup> )
PE <sub>n</sub>	Total N <sub>2</sub> O emissions of the n <sup>th</sup> project campaign (tN <sub>2</sub> O)
OH	Is the number of hours of operation in the specific monitoring period (h)

### 4.1.2 Derivation of a moving average emission factor

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

## 4.2 Minimum project emission factor

The minimum average emission factor established factor will be established after 10th project campaign.

## 4.3 Project Campaign Length

Project campaign production of nitric acid has been below defined nameplate capacity and thus all NAP produced from date of installation of secondary catalysts has been used for calculation of emission reductions.

Because the nitric acid production during the project was higher than the baseline, all of the baseline NCSG values were used to determine the baseline emission factor.

#### 4.4 Leakage

No leakage calculation is required.

#### 4.5 Emission reductions

The emission reductions for the project activity during this campaign have been determined by deducting the campaign-specific emission factor from the baseline emission factor and multiplying the result by the production output of 100% concentrated nitric acid over the campaign period and the GWP of N<sub>2</sub>O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWP_{N_2O} \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
ER	Emission reductions of the project for the specific campaign (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
NAP	Nitric acid production for the project campaign (tHNO <sub>3</sub> ). The maximum value of NAP shall not exceed the design capacity.
EFBL	Baseline emissions factor (tN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
EFP	Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from this particular campaign (i.e. the higher of EF <sub>ma,n</sub> and EF <sub>n</sub> )

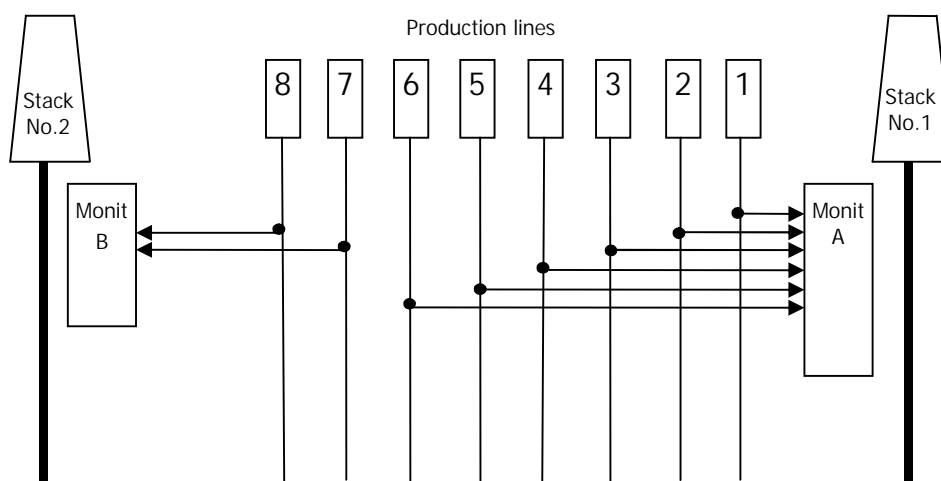
## 5. MONITORING PLAN

### Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O from the plant in such a way that is compliant with the prescriptions of the AM0034/Version 02.

### Plant description

The UKL-7 nitric acid plant comprises 8 production Lines numbered from 1 through 8, each with its own burner, absorption column and expansion turbine. Each production Line represents a separate nitric acid production unit independent from each other. The tail gases from each Line are after expansion turbines led to a common stack bus and vented through two interconnected stacks.



Primary catalyst is changed at different times thus it is necessary to measure the emissions from each Line individually. This means that eight separate sets of monitoring equipment are installed to measure tail gas flow, nitric acid production, nitric acid concentration, and the operating conditions. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

### Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N<sub>2</sub>O monitoring system that includes both a gas volume flow meter to determine the tail gas mass volume flow and an infrared gas analyser to determine the concentration of N<sub>2</sub>O.

But tail gas N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and tail gas volume flow meter alone are not sufficient for a JI project purposes. In order of being able to calculate the baseline emission factor expressed as tonnage of N<sub>2</sub>O in t CO<sub>2</sub>e per 1 tonne of HNO<sub>3</sub> (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO<sub>3</sub> measurement, and in order of being able to document normal operating conditions it is necessary to include also operating conditions measurement.

Because of this we use the term Monitoring System (MS) to describe entire monitoring system directly and indirectly used for the JI purposes, while Automated Measurement System (AMS) covers only N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and tail gas mass volume part of the MS.

Monitoring System (MS) for purpose of this monitoring plan means:

**monitoring system measuring operational conditions;**

- Ammonia volume flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air volume flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

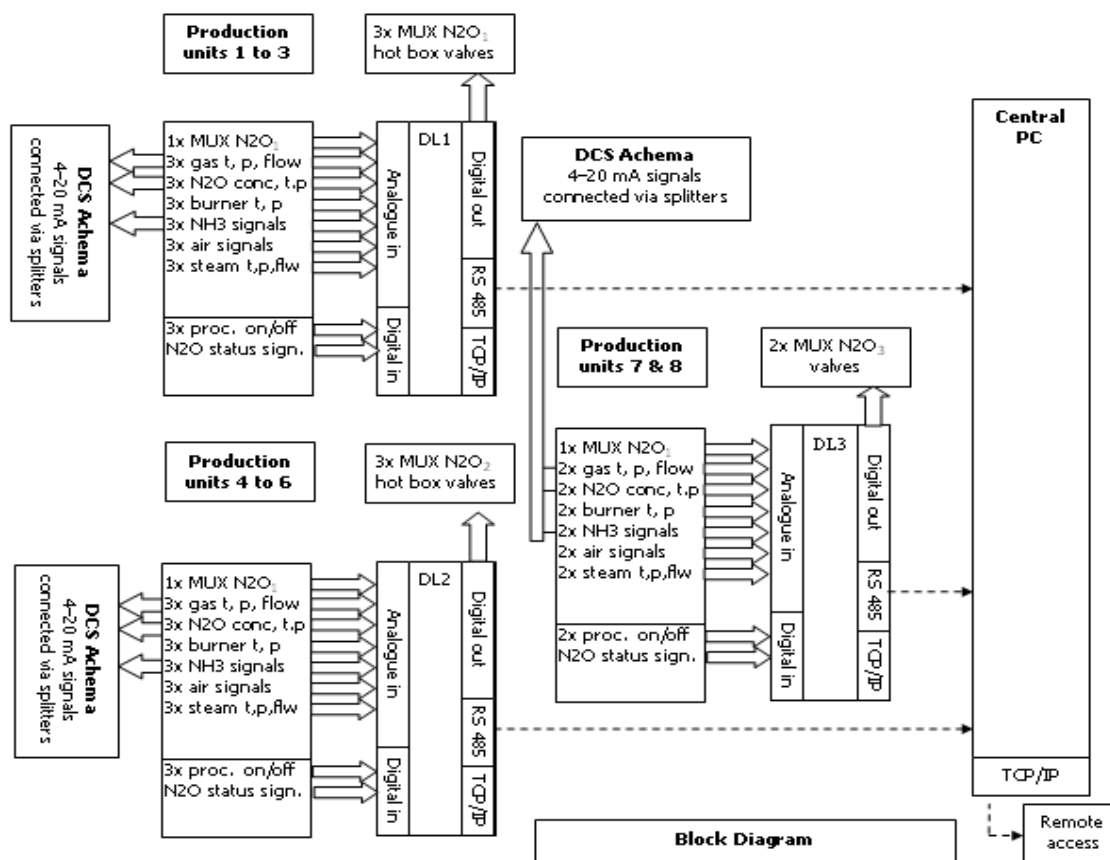
**nitric acid 100% concentrate production;**

- Nitric acid concentration
- Nitric acid flow
- Nitric acid temperature

**and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)**

- N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the stack
- Stack volume flow rate
- Stack gas temperature
- Stack gas pressure

Incorporation of the AMS into the MS by interfacing already existing and newly installed measurement devices is documented by the diagram below.



## N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

## N<sub>2</sub>O concentration

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from respective tail gas ducts at sampling points located after expansion turbines and transported by heated sample lines to the Monitoring room A located next to the main production hall. This applies to 2 concentration meters measuring lines 1-3 and lines 4-6. lines 7-8 are measured by third concentration meter located at the other side of the production hall (Monitoring room B) physically closer to respective production lines 7 and 8.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured on a dry basis. Correction of dry basis ppmV value to real wet tail



gas conditions based on steam flow injected into the system is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

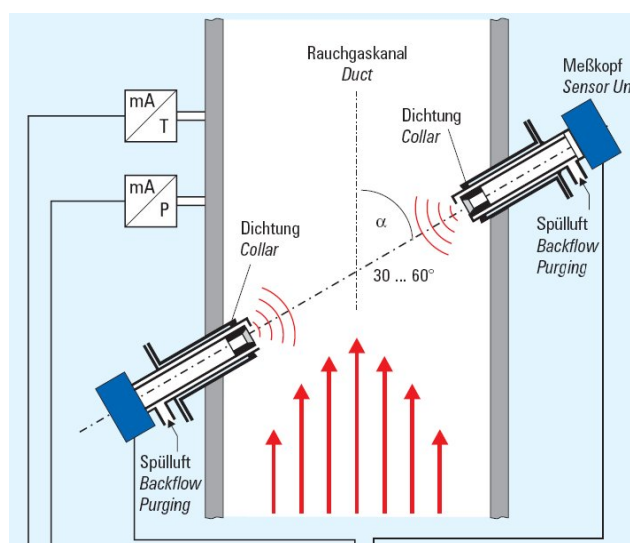
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis. Tail gas samples are automatically switched. Under-sampling uncertainty is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

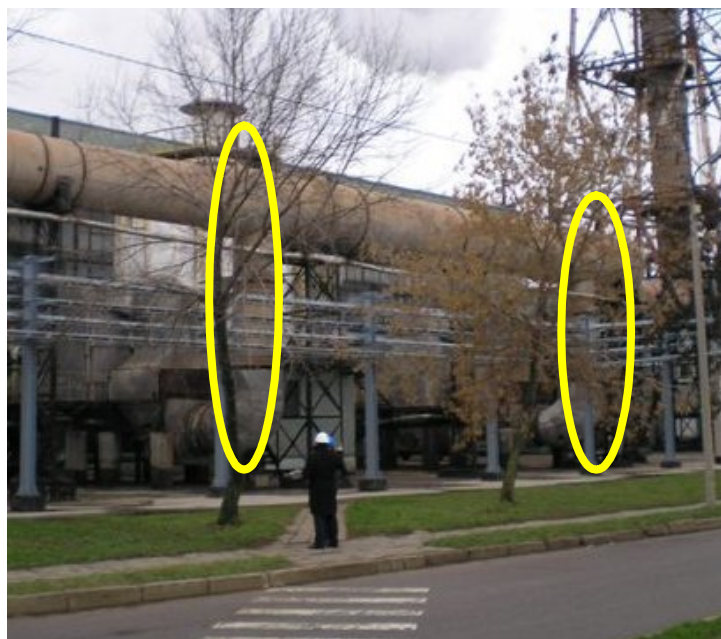
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section.



The tail gas ducts do not allow any optimum location to perform the flow monitoring. The only possible location is the quite short vertical tube behind the 90° “knee”.



Since the flow is not really laminar, a classical Pitot tube one point solution wouldn't allow good results. The ultrasonic system is under these conditions superior to differential pressure. Cross duct monitoring is more accurate than a couple of discrete point averaged pressure.

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **Tail gas steam injection elimination**

Steam injected into the Achema UKL-7 tail gas for purpose of increasing the turbine output is eliminated from the tail gas mass flow calculation by following formulae:

$$\text{flow - STVF} = \text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325) * ((100 - \text{Humi}) / 100)$$

where Humi (water content)=

$$(\text{Flow\_steam} * 1.2436) / (\text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325)) * 100 + 0.6$$

where 1.2436 is the conversion factor from kg/h to Nm<sup>3</sup>/h and 0.6% is a value of humidity present in a flue gas permanently without steam injection

The Flow\_steam parameter necessary for calculation of the water content in the dataloggers is provided in the kg/h unit.

Achema measures steam flow in kg/h using formula  $Q=C*\sqrt{dp}$  , where C is flow constant which is already integrated using an orifice plate sizing program. The orifice plate calculation for injection steam has been done for temperature 250°C and pressure 6 bar.

Flow steam in kg/h measured by using the constant steam T and P values is then recalculated to actual steam T and P values valid for relevant hours and as result the STVF value cleaned of the steam injected is used for further emission reductions calculations.

### **EN14181 compliance**

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N<sub>2</sub>O AMS consists from the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N<sub>2</sub>O measurand specifically) and after full commissioning of the monitoring system there was the QAL2 test carried out by an independent laboratory certified according to ISO17025.

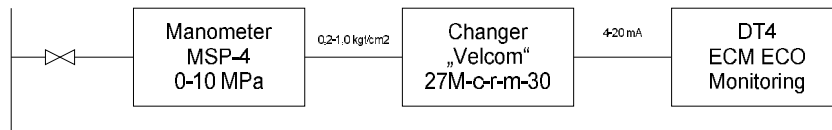
### **Operating conditions**

For purpose of the baseline emissions factor setting it is necessary to monitor and report operating conditions in all 8 burners. Namely:

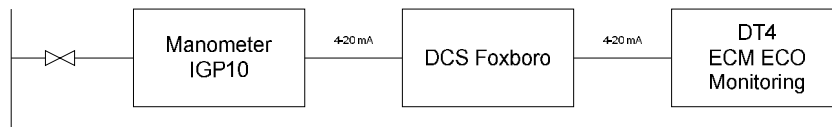
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

All these parameters are measured by the plant monitoring system as presented on diagrams below:

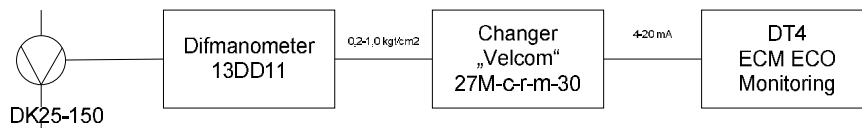
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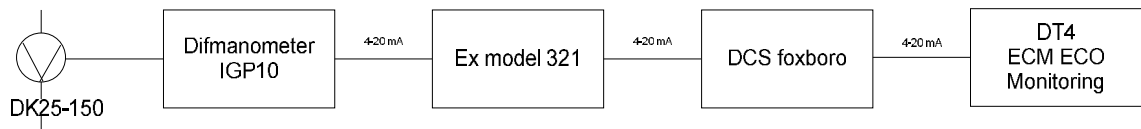
P in mixer 7-8 line

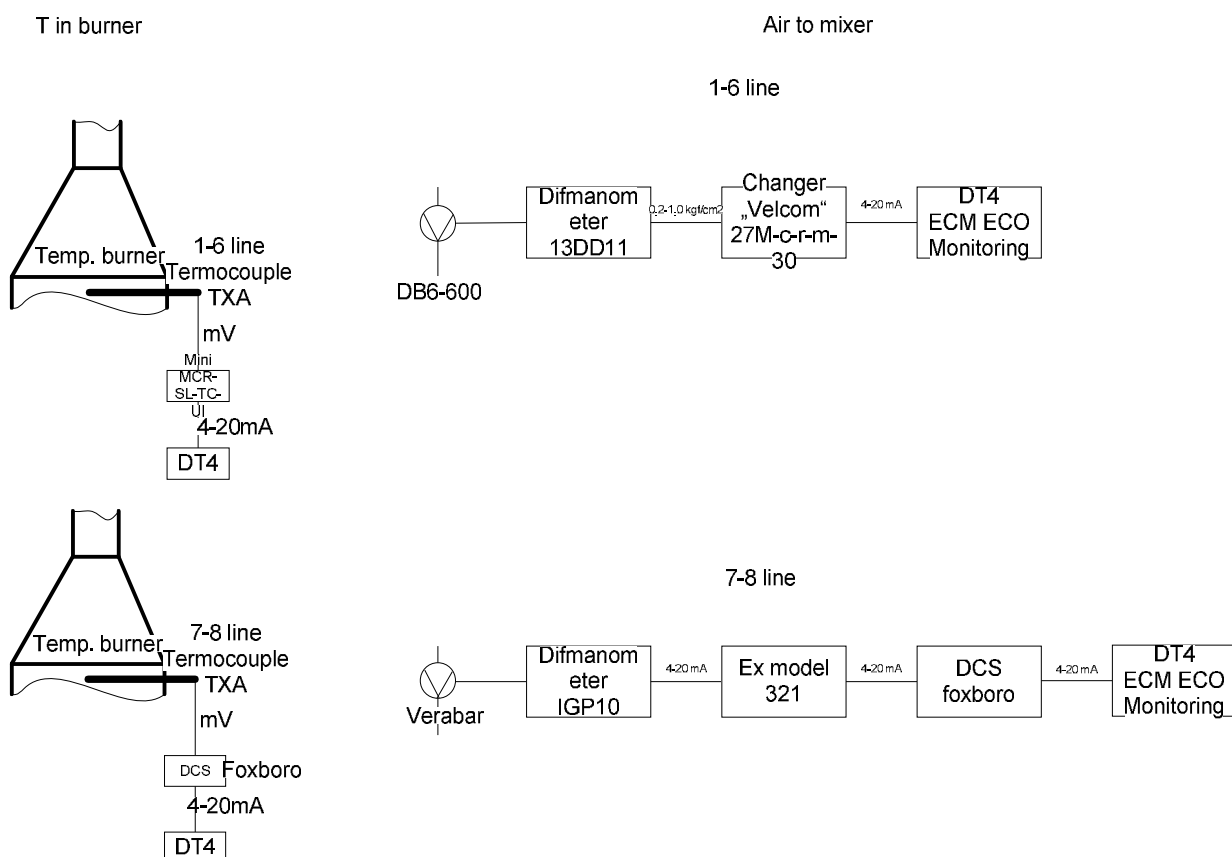


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



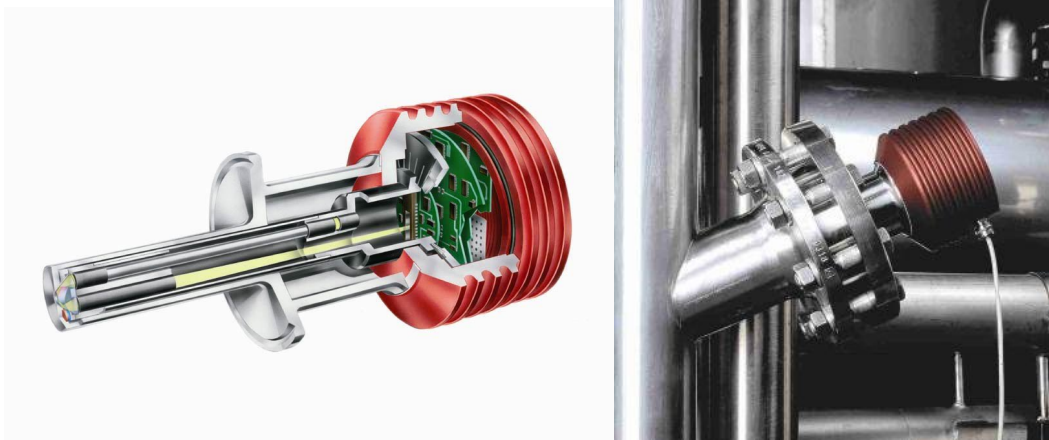


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further. Maintenance procedures for the ammonia oxidation parameters follow the existing procedures for the operation of the nitric acid plant.

### Nitric acid production

Nitric acid concentration is based on two components: nitric acid and water. Standard monitoring method is on-Line refractometry. Measurement of nitric acid (100%) mass volume production per campaign is necessary for calculation of the baseline emissions factor. Nitric acid concentration on all 8 Lines is measured by K-Patents PR-23-GP refractometers.

This analyzer is applying a prism to “return” a generated optical beam back to an LCD detector.



The detector is measuring refraction of monitored liquid based on known refraction of water and nitric acid. The instrument is calibrated for percent concentration of nitric acid. The analyzer is mounted on DIN-flange 2656, PN25 DN80. The optical prism does not require cleaning.

**PR-23-GP characteristics:**

Measuring RI is a direct concentration measurement principle. No need to rely or convert magnitudes.

Digital instrument – no calibration drift

As it is a robust instrument it is maintenance free

Dual connectivity if the installation positions allow.

On-Line data logging, through Ethernet, on whichever web browser.

No influence by bubbles or particles. It is very common that air enters the process pipeline and still the refractometer measures accurately.

Nitric acid concentration data are in an analog 4-20mA format provided to dataloggers which process these signals further.

In order of being able to calculate total mass volume of nitric acid 100% concentrate produced during the baseline campaign it is necessary to monitor also nitric acid flow and temperature. Measurement of pressure is not necessary for determination of the nitric acid mass volume flow, because nitric acid is in form of liquid and as such it has stable pressure characteristic.

Signals obtained from the nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further.

After installation of refractometers there have been occurrences of their failure and following repair service by the manufacturer. For this period starting from 08/11/2007 and ending on 29/07/2008 project uses HNO<sub>3</sub> concentration data provided by the laboratory measurements.

## 6. QAL 2 CALIBRATION ADJUSTMENTS

### 6.1 Applied principle

As required in the applicable norm EN14181: “The relation between the instrument readings of the recording measuring procedure and the quantity of the measuring objects has to be described by using a suitable convention method. The results have to be expressed by a regression analysis.”

As it is described in the Calibration Report issued by Airtec laboratory, the measurement results derived from the analog signals (4 mA to 20 mA) provided the installed instruments have been compared to the comparative measurements.

Linearity check of the instruments characteristics is stated in the QAL2 Calibration Report issued by the laboratory. The valid ranges of Linearity are determined by statistical analysis according to the guideline and the Linearity assumptions are further used in the Calibration Report establishing Linear regression Lines.

The general formula of the regression Line, established in the EN14181 and used in the Calibration Report is:

$$Y = a + bX$$

where:

X is the measured value of the instrument in mA  
Y is the value of the parameter being objective of the measurement  
a is a constant of the regression Line  
b is the slope of the regression Line

After a comparative test the laboratory issued the old and new regression Lines properties, namely “a” and “b” applying for all of the measured parameters that are subject to calibration as stated in the Calibration Report.

The QAL2 corrections are based on the fact that the actual analog current outputs (in mA) of the measurement instruments are relevant for both, the old and new regression Lines:

$$X_o = X_n = X$$

where:

X<sub>n</sub>: X new  
X<sub>o</sub>: X old



This allows us to derive a calibrating formula that gives us the corrected value of the measured physical parameters. The applied calibrating equation is:

$$Y_n = A_n + (B_n/B_o) * (Y_o - A_o)$$

In order to take into account the properties of the AMS and their implication to the QAL 2 implementation in the model, we will further introduce several remarks to the conversion and normalization of the data.

The units returned by the AMS “nm<sup>3</sup>/h” stand for normalized cubic meters of the gas volume at normal gas conditions (0° C, 1 atm.).

## 6.2 Stack gas volume flow

Based on the real conditions measured and applied by the AMS for normalization (TSG in °C and PSG in hPa), the stack gas volume flow values are converted to real conditions before the regression analysis using the ideal gas law. The actual gas volume flow rates are derived from gas velocity measurements, therefore, before applying the regression analysis the gas speed is calculated from the volume flow and the duct cross-section and is fed into the calibrating equation. The calibrated values derived from the calibrating equation then converted back to normalized units using the calibrated real conditions (calibrated TSG and PSG). The normalized calibrated stack gas flow rates are further fed into the emission calculation model for further processing as set out by the Approved Baseline and Monitoring Methodology AM\_0034.

## 6.3 Nitric acid concentration in stack gas

The nitric acid concentration in the raw data set from the AMS is in mgN<sub>2</sub>O/m<sub>3</sub>. The concentration was converted to ppmv to make it compatible with the regression Lines parameters. The nitrous gas concentration values are then calibrated using the provided regression Lines parameters and are input in the model.

## 6.4 Stack gas Temperature

The stack gas temperature was calibrated by the regression conversion formula

## 6.5 Stack gas Pressure

The calibration report provides us with a regression Line for the stack gas pressure. We calibrate the readings of the measurements system using the regression formula and applying the values (in kPa).

## 7. EMISSION REDUCTION CALCULATIONS

Table T 2 illustrates the establishment of historic campaign length based on 5 previous campaigns. Average production in 5 campaigns preceding the baseline campaign was 62 710 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and time duration was on average 239 days. Table contains also information on suppliers of primary catalysts for the line 2.

**T 2 Historic campaigns**

Line	ACHEMA UKL-2	Production	Start	End	Days	Production per day	Primary Catalyst	Composition
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	63 318	07 Jun 2004	26 Jan 2005	233	272	Heraeus	N/A *
	2 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	65 490	27 Jan 2005	21 Sep 2005	237	276	Umicore	N/A *
	3 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	51 101	22 Sep 2005	10 Apr 2006	200	256	Heraeus	N/A *
	4 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	63 008	11 Apr 2006	24 Jan 2007	288	219	Heraeus	N/A *
	5 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	70 635	14 Mar 2007	08 Nov 2007	239	296	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
Average HNO <sub>3</sub> production	t HNO <sub>3</sub>	62 710			239	262	* Confidential but available for the verification	
Project Campaigns	BL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	60 767	09 Nov 2007	20 May 2008	193	315	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	PL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	67 441	09 Dec 2011	17 Jul 2012	222	304	Johnson Matthey	N/A *

The project campaign production value of 67 441 tHNO<sub>3</sub> was higher than historic nitric acid production set at level of 62 710 tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

It is business as usual scenario in Achema UKL-7 plant to keep using primary catalysts from several suppliers and with several compositions. Selection of primary catalysts is determined by technical parameters of their use and price levels offered by suppliers in specific time. Primary catalysts used during the baseline campaign, if other than used in previous campaign/s, did not increase emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O as confirmed by relevant statements provided to the verifier.

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started on 09/11/2007 and continued through 20/05/2008 when the 60 767 tHNO<sub>3</sub> nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached - tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

**T 3 Baseline campaign length**

ACHEMA UKL-2	Historic Campaigns End	Start of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Measurement NCSG	End of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Campaign
Dates	2007 Nov 08	2007 Nov 09	2008 May 20	2008 May 20	2008 May 21
Baseline Factor kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	9.51	9.51	9.51
Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	60 767	60 767	-
Per Day Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	261.9				
Baseline less Historic Production	(1 943.4)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(7.4)				

### C 1 Baseline campaign length

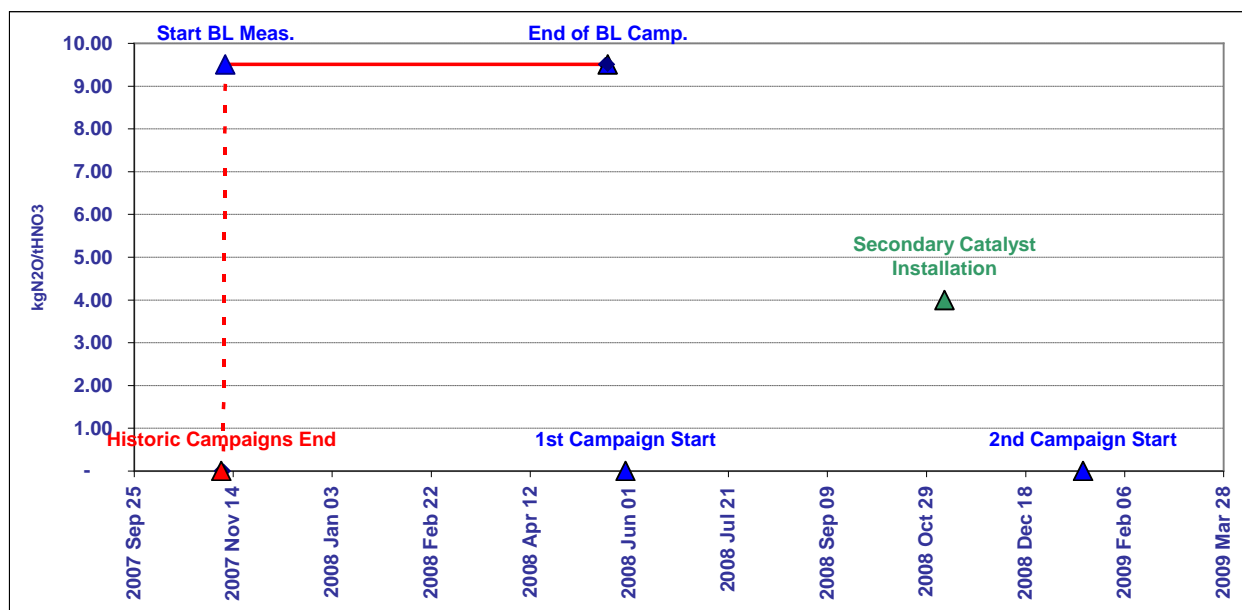


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 2 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 09/11/2007 through 20/05/2008.

Extreme values and data measured during hours when one or more of operating conditions were outside of the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculations. As a next step we have eliminated data beyond 95% confidence interval and calculated new mean values of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and stack gas volume flow using following method:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

Using the means values we have calculated the baseline emissions as set out in the PDD.

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were 618 tN<sub>2</sub>O.

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 6.460%, which is further modified by an uncertainty of 0.087% due to under-sampling. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 9.51 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 2 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 09/12/2011 and went through 17/07/2012.

We have eliminated extreme values and data beyond the 95% confidence interval as prescribed by the PDD.

- a) Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

Using the mean values we have calculated total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions ( $PE_n$ ) as follows:

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours (OH) defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred.

By dividing total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions by the nitric acid production (capped by nameplate capacity 350 tHNO<sub>3</sub>/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 1.72 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

$$EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

### T 4 Baseline emission factor

BASELINE EMISSION FACTOR											
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure	AMS in Operation	Nitric Acid Production NCSG	
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa	h	NAP t/h	
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>											
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	-	50	0	0	
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00		1 200	1 000	50	
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>											
Count	4 254	4 633	4 353	4 216	4 296	4 277		4 606	4 576	3 828	4 633
as % of Dataset	92%	100%	94%	91%	93%	92%		99%	99%	83%	100%
Minimum		-	0	140	2 069	-		42	5		-
Maximum		15.73	2 356	106 649	6 243	18.13		1 100	679		16
Mean		13.12	1 576	83 679	5 815	9.78		843	604		13
Standard Deviation		3.81	323	18 036	263	1.67		207	45		4
Total		60 767									60 767
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		561 t N2O									
Emission Factor		8.64 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Permitted Range</b>											
Minimum					4 500	0		880	0		
Maximum					7 500	11.70		910	800		
<b>Data within the permitted range</b>											
Count	3 710		3 710	3 710						3 828	
as % of Operating Hours	87%		87%	87%						90%	
Minimum			465	10 197							
Maximum			2 356	105 388							
Mean			1 588	85 591							
Standard Deviation			293	14 825							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		578 t N2O									
Emission Factor		8.90 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			1 014	56 534							
Upper bound			2 162	114 648							
Count			3 430	3 604							
as % of Operating Hours			81%	85%							
Minimum			1 118	77 416							
Maximum			2 156	105 388							
Mean			1 654	87 784							
Standard Deviation			173	7 591							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		618 t N2O									
Emission Factor (EF_BL)		9.51 kgN2O / tHNO3									

**T 5 Project emission factor**

PROJECT EMISSION FACTOR								
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>								
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	50	0
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>								
Count	4 200	5 169	4 132	4 161	4 846	4 811	5 315	5 211
as % of Dataset	79%	97%	78%	78%	91%	91%	100%	98%
Minimum		0.70	207	46 350	824	6	15	0
Maximum		17.70	913	83 047	6 718	19.70	1 100	730
Mean		13.05	369	70 225	5 622	10.68	734	599
Standard Deviation		3.82	75	2 615	1 601	0.71	332	95
Total		67 441						
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		109 t N2O						
Emission Factor		1.61 kgN2O / tHNO3						
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>								
95% Confidence interval								
Lower bound			222	65 100				
Upper bound			515	75 351				
Count			3 828	3 957				
as % of Operating Hours			91%	94%				
Minimum			224	65 120				
Maximum			515	75 350				
Mean			353	70 093				
Standard Deviation			44	2 136				
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		104 t N2O						
Actual Project Emission Factor (EF_PActual)		1.54 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		83.8%						
<b>Moving Average Emission Factor Correction</b>								
	Actual Factors	Moving Average Rule						
	1	1.80	1.80					
	2	1.84	1.84					
	3	1.99	1.99					
	4	1.67	1.83					
	5	1.47	1.75					
	6	1.54	1.72					
Project Emission Factor (EF_P)		1.72 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		81.9%						

# MONITORING REPORT

**PROJECT:** ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N<sub>2</sub>O abatement project

**LINE:** Line 3

**MONITORING PERIOD:**

**FROM:** 26/08/2011

**TO:** 26/07/2012

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This monitoring report determines baseline emission factor for the Line 3 of ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant and quantity of emission reduction generated during the fifth project campaign on Line 3.

The first campaign on Line 3 started on 27/08/2008. Secondary catalyst was installed on 04/07/2008. Total quantity of emission reductions generated during the fifth project period from 26/08/2011 through 26/07/2012 on Line 3 is **67 523 ERUs**.

### T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	5.46	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	2.51	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	59 042	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	59 042	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	73 836	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
GWP	GWP	310	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/tN <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>67 523</b>	<b>tCO<sub>e</sub></b>
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
<b>Abatement Ratio</b>		<b>72.2%</b>	

EMISSION REDUCTION PER YEAR			
Year	2010	2011	2012
Date From		26 Aug 2011	01 Jan 2012
Date To		31 Dec 2011	26 Jul 2012
Nitric Acid Production		22 845	50 991
<b>Emission Reduction</b>		<b>20 892</b>	<b>46 632</b>
<i>ER_YR = ER * NAP_P_YR / NAP_P</i>			

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 3 during baseline measurement carried using overlapping approach from 01/02/2008 to 04/07/2008 and from 01/09/2007 through 03/11/2007 is 5.46 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Project emission factor during fifth project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 3, which started on 26/08/2011 and went through 26/07/2012 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 04/07/2008, is 2.51 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

During the project campaign 73 836 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions from nitric acid production Lines at the UKL-7 nitric acid plant of AB Achema (“Achema” or “the Company”). The Company is situated in Jonava, Lithuania.

Achema has installed and operates secondary N<sub>2</sub>O reduction catalysts underneath the primary catalyst precious metal catching and catalytic gauzes package in the ammonium burners of the UKL-7 nitric acid plant.

This monitoring report contains information on Line 3 emission reductions including information on baseline emission factor setting for the Line 3.

The separate treatment of nitric acid lines and overlapping of the monitoring periods are allowed by the clarification issued Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee: “CLARIFICATION REGARDING OVERLAPPING MONITORING PERIODS UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE”. The Project meets all the requirements set out by the clarification:

1. The Project is composed of clearly identifiable components for which emission reductions or enhancements of removals are calculated independently; and
2. Monitoring is performed independently for each of these components, i.e. the data/parameters monitored for one component are not dependent on/effect data/parameters (to be) monitored for another component; and
3. The monitoring plan ensures that monitoring is performed for all components and that in these cases all the requirements of the JI guidelines and further guidance by the JISC regarding monitoring are met.

### 3. BASELINE SETTING

Baseline emission factor for line 3 has been established on the Line-specific basis. Campaign used for baseline measurements on the line 3 has been carried out using overlapping approach from 01/02/2008 to 04/07/2008 and from 01/09/2007 through 03/11/2007.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation as an average of the measured values for the previous 60 minutes.

Measurement results can be distorted before and after periods of downtime or malfunction of the monitoring system and can lead to mavericks. To eliminate such extremes and to ensure a conservative approach, the following statistical evaluation is applied to the complete data series of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration as well as to the data series for gas volume flow. The statistical procedure is applied to data obtained after eliminating data measured for periods where the plant operated outside the permitted ranges:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N<sub>2</sub>O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by the total output of 100% concentrated nitric acid during baseline campaign.

The overall uncertainty of the monitoring system has been determined by the QAL2 report and the measurement error is expressed as a percentage (UNC). The N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF<sub>BL</sub>) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
$EF_{BL}$	Baseline $N_2O$ emissions factor ( $tN_2O/tHNO_3$ )
$BE_{BC}$	Total $N_2O$ emissions during the baseline campaign ( $tN_2O$ )
$NCSG_{BC}$	Mean concentration of $N_2O$ in the stack gas during the baseline campaign ( $mgN_2O/m^3$ )
$OH_{BC}$	Operating hours of the baseline campaign (h)
$VSG_{BC}$	Mean gas volume flow rate at the stack in the baseline measurement period ( $m^3/h$ )
$NAP_{BC}$	Nitric acid production during the baseline campaign ( $tHNO_3$ )
UNC	Overall uncertainty of the monitoring system (%), calculated as the combined uncertainty of the applied monitoring equipment.

### 3.1 Measurement procedure for $N_2O$ concentration and tail gas volume flow

#### 3.1.1 Tail gas $N_2O$ concentration

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from the Line 3 tail gas duct at sampling point located after expansion turbine and transported by sample Line to the Monitoring room B, where the analyzer is located.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer ( $4^\circ C$ ), so  $N_2O$  concentration is measured on a dry basis.

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines.  $N_2O$  concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

$N_2O$  concentration measured data are sent from the analyzer on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

#### 3.1.2 Tail gas flow rate, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section. Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### 3.2 Permitted range of operating conditions of the nitric acid plant

Under certain circumstances, the operating conditions during the measurement period used to determine baseline  $N_2O$  emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions.  $N_2O$  baseline data measured during hours

where the operating conditions were outside the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculation of the baseline emissions factor.

Normal ranges for operating conditions have been determined for the following parameters:

- oxidation temperature;
- oxidation pressure;
- ammonia gas flow rate,
- air input flow rate.

The permitted range for these parameters has been established using the plant operation manual, as described in the PDD.

### **3.3 Historic Campaign Length**

The average historic campaign length ( $CL_{normal}$ ) defined as the average campaign length for the historic campaigns used to define operating condition (the previous 5 campaigns), has been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign.

## 4. PROJECT EMISSIONS

During the first project campaign on line 3 the tail gas volume flow in the stack of the nitric acid plant as well as N<sub>2</sub>O concentration have been measured on the continuous basis.

### 4.1.1 Estimation of campaign-specific project emissions factor

The monitoring system was installed using the guidance document EN 14181 and provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation. Same statistical evaluation that was applied to the baseline data series has been applied to the project data series:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH \text{ (tN}_2\text{O)}$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
VSG	Mean stack gas volume flow rate for the project campaign (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N <sub>2</sub> O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN <sub>2</sub> O/m <sup>3</sup> )
PE <sub>n</sub>	Total N <sub>2</sub> O emissions of the n <sup>th</sup> project campaign (tN <sub>2</sub> O)
OH	Is the number of hours of operation in the specific monitoring period (h)

### 4.1.2 Derivation of a moving average emission factor

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

## 4.2 Minimum project emission factor

Because this campaign was fifth project campaign on Line 3 there has been no minimum average emission factor established yet for this campaign. This factor will be established after 10th project campaign.

## 4.3 Project Campaign Length

Project campaign production of nitric acid has been below defined nameplate capacity and thus all NAP produced from date of installation of secondary catalysts has been used for calculation of emission reductions.

Because the nitric acid production during the project was higher than the baseline, all of the baseline NCSG values were used to determine the baseline emission factor.

#### 4.4 Leakage

No leakage calculation is required.

#### 4.5 Emission reductions

The emission reductions for the project activity during this campaign have been determined by deducting the campaign-specific emission factor from the baseline emission factor and multiplying the result by the production output of 100% concentrated nitric acid over the campaign period and the GWP of N<sub>2</sub>O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWP_{N_2O} \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

Variable	Definition
ER	Emission reductions of the project for the specific campaign (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
NAP	Nitric acid production for the project campaign (tHNO <sub>3</sub> ). The maximum value of NAP shall not exceed the design capacity.
EFBL	Baseline emissions factor (tN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
EFP	Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from this particular campaign (i.e. the higher of EF <sub>ma,n</sub> and EF <sub>n</sub> )

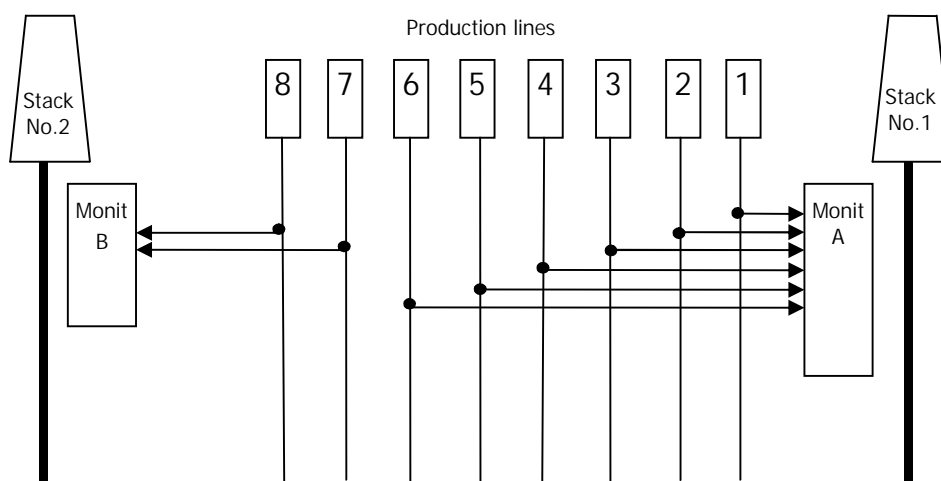
## 5. MONITORING PLAN

### Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O from the plant in such a way that is compliant with the prescriptions of the AM0034/Version 02.

### Plant description

The UKL-7 nitric acid plant comprises 8 production Lines numbered from 1 through 8, each with its own burner, absorption column and expansion turbine. Each production Line represents a separate nitric acid production unit independent from each other. The tail gases from each Line are after expansion turbines led to a common stack bus and vented through two interconnected stacks.



Primary catalyst is changed at different times thus it is necessary to measure the emissions from each Line individually. This means that eight separate sets of monitoring equipment are installed to measure tail gas flow, nitric acid production, nitric acid concentration, and the operating conditions. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

### Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N<sub>2</sub>O monitoring system that includes both a gas volume flow meter to determine the tail gas mass volume flow and an infrared gas analyser to determine the concentration of N<sub>2</sub>O.



But tail gas N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and tail gas volume flow meter alone are not sufficient for a JI project purposes. In order of being able to calculate the baseline emission factor expressed as tonnage of N<sub>2</sub>O in t CO<sub>2</sub>e per 1 tonne of HNO<sub>3</sub> (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO<sub>3</sub> measurement, and in order of being able to document normal operating conditions it is necessary to include also operating conditions measurement.

Because of this we use the term Monitoring System (MS) to describe entire monitoring system directly and indirectly used for the JI purposes, while Automated Measurement System (AMS) covers only N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and tail gas mass volume part of the MS.

Monitoring System (MS) for purpose of this monitoring plan means:

**monitoring system measuring operational conditions;**

Ammonia volume flow  
Ammonia temperature  
Ammonia pressure  
Primary air volume flow  
Primary air temperature  
Primary air pressure  
Oxidation temperature  
Oxidation pressure

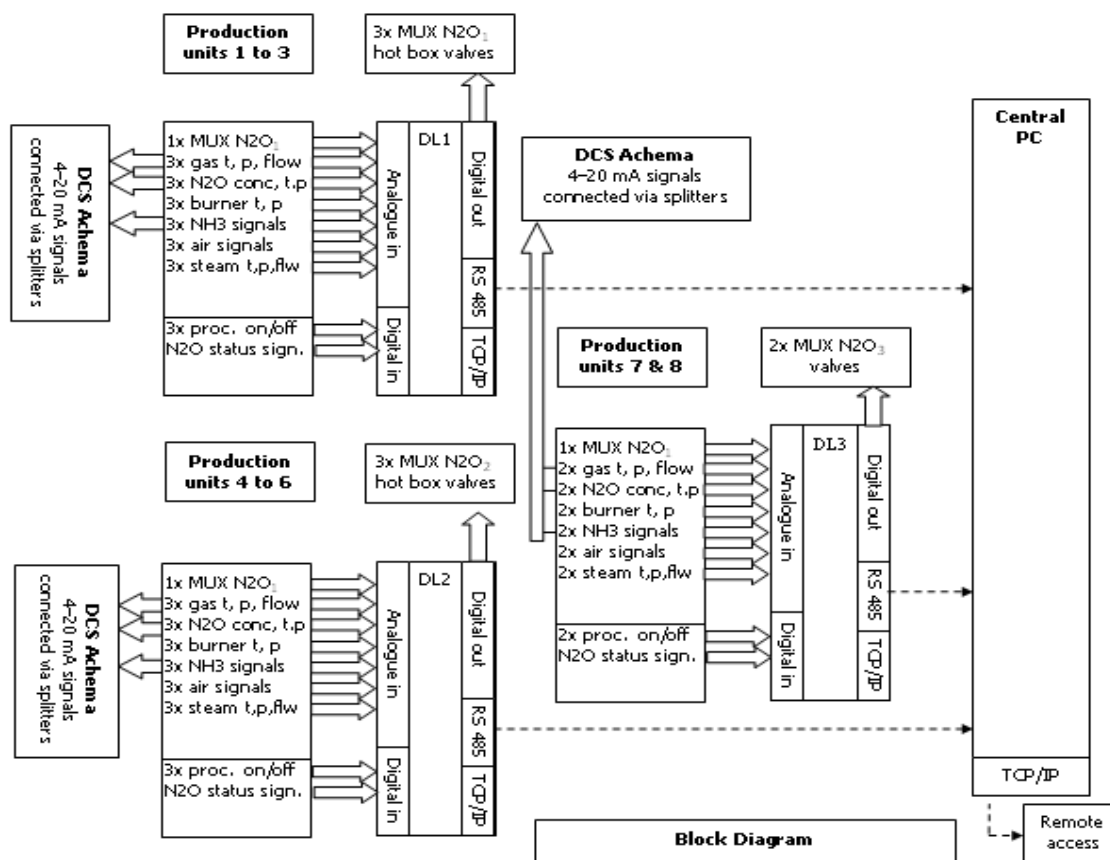
**nitric acid 100% concentrate production;**

Nitric acid concentration  
Nitric acid flow  
Nitric acid temperature

**and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)**

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the stack  
Stack volume flow rate  
Stack gas temperature  
Stack gas pressure

Incorporation of the AMS into the MS by interfacing already existing and newly installed measurement devices is documented by the diagram below.



## N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

## N<sub>2</sub>O concentration

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from respective tail gas ducts at sampling points located after expansion turbines and transported by heated sample lines to the Monitoring room A located next to the main production hall. This applies to 2 concentration meters measuring lines 1-3 and lines 4-6. lines 7-8 are measured by third concentration meter located at the other side of the production hall (Monitoring room B) physically closer to respective production lines 7 and 8.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured on a dry basis. Correction of dry basis ppmV value to real wet tail

gas conditions based on steam flow injected into the system is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

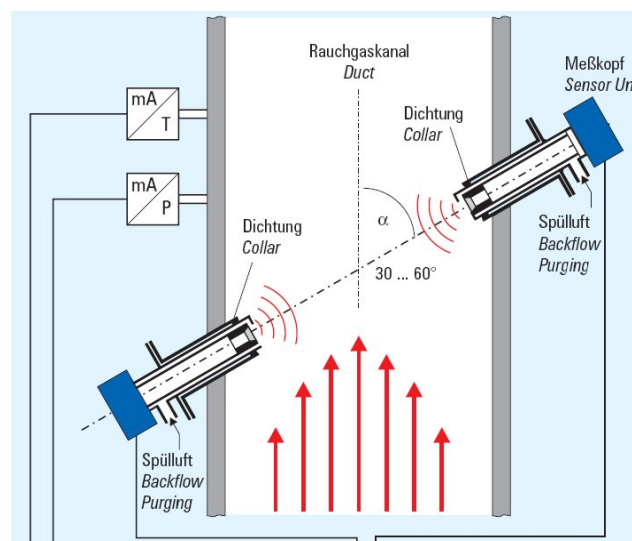
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis. Tail gas samples are automatically switched. Under-sampling uncertainty is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

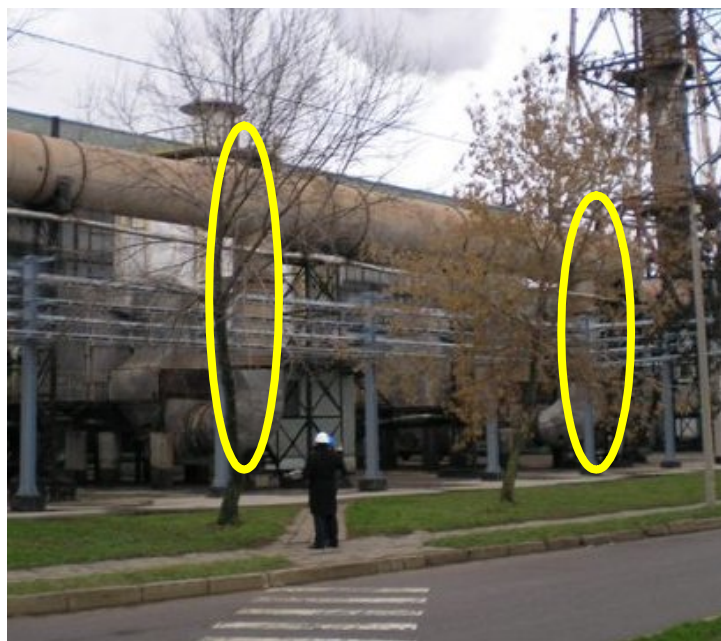
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section.



The tail gas ducts do not allow any optimum location to perform the flow monitoring. The only possible location is the quite short vertical tube behind the 90° “knee”.



Since the flow is not really laminar, a classical Pitot tube one point solution wouldn't allow good results. The ultrasonic system is under these conditions superior to differential pressure. Cross duct monitoring is more accurate than a couple of discrete point averaged pressure.

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### Tail gas steam injection elimination

Steam injected into the Achema UKL-7 tail gas for purpose of increasing the turbine output is eliminated from the tail gas mass flow calculation by following formulae:

$$\text{flow - STVF} = \text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325) * ((100 - \text{Humi}) / 100)$$

where Humi (water content)=

$$(\text{Flow\_steam} * 1.2436) / (\text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325)) * 100 + 0.6$$

where 1.2436 is the conversion factor from kg/h to Nm<sup>3</sup>/h and 0.6% is a value of humidity present in a flue gas permanently without steam injection

The Flow\_steam parameter necessary for calculation of the water content in the dataloggers is provided in the kg/h unit.

Achema measures steam flow in kg/h using formula  $Q = C * \sqrt{dp}$ , where C is flow constant which is already integrated using an orifice plate sizing program. The orifice plate calculation for injection steam has been done for temperature 250°C and pressure 6 bar.

Flow steam in kg/h measured by using the constant steam T and P values is then recalculated to actual steam T and P values valid for relevant hours and as result the STVF value cleaned of the steam injected is used for further emission reductions calculations.

### **EN14181 compliance**

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N<sub>2</sub>O AMS consists from the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N<sub>2</sub>O measurand specifically) and after full commissioning of the monitoring system there was the QAL2 test carried out by an independent laboratory certified according to ISO17025.

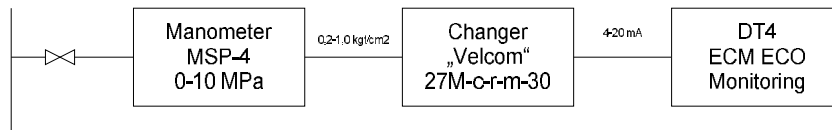
### **Operating conditions**

For purpose of the baseline emissions factor setting it is necessary to monitor and report operating conditions in all 8 burners. Namely:

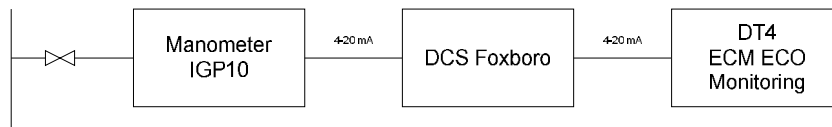
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

All these parameters are measured by the plant monitoring system as presented on diagrams below:

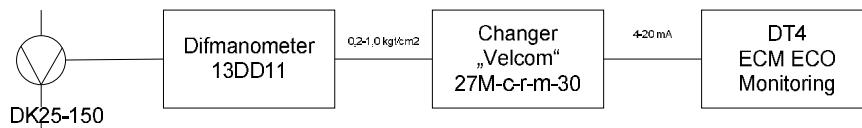
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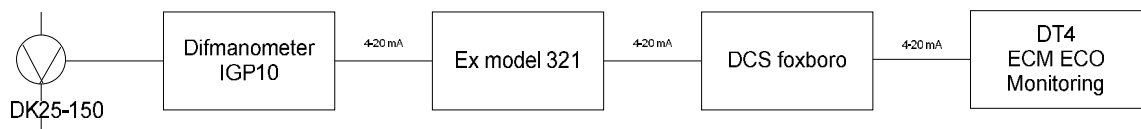
P in mixer 7-8 line

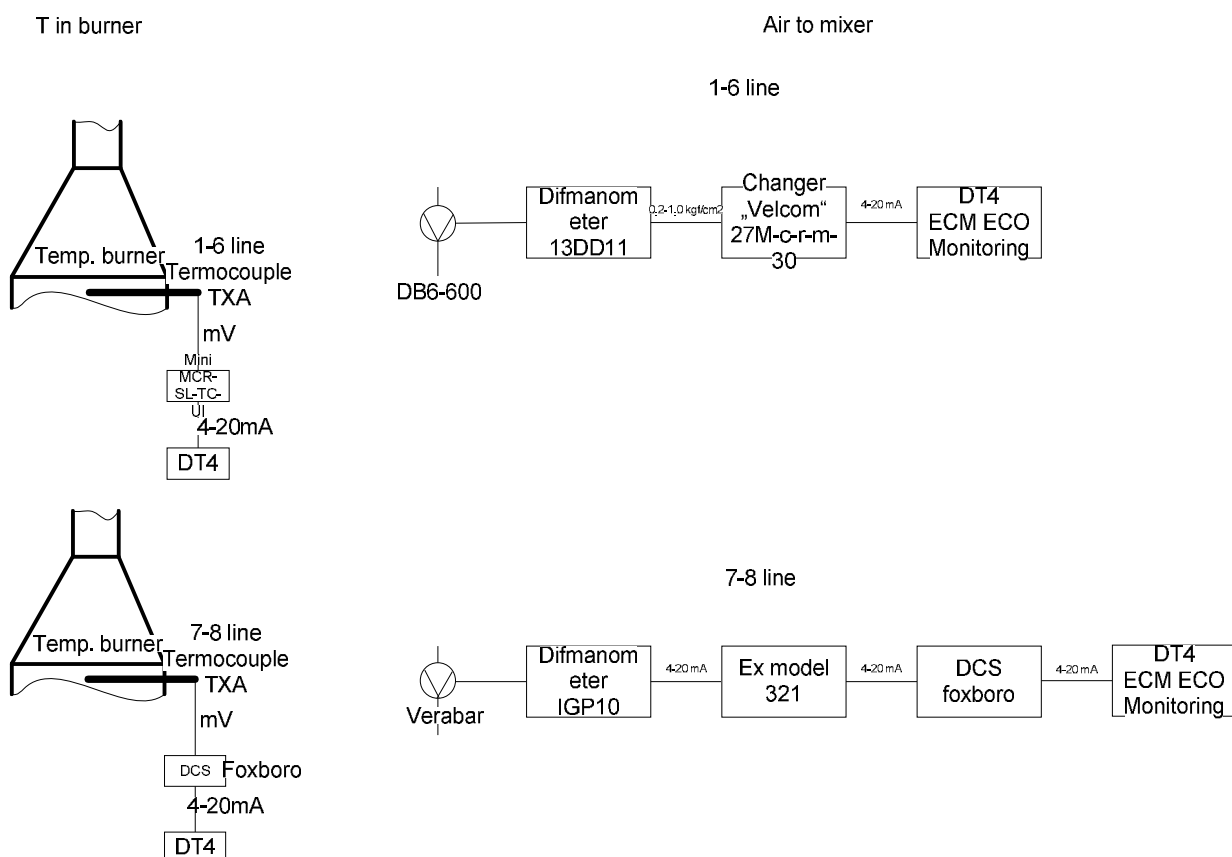


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



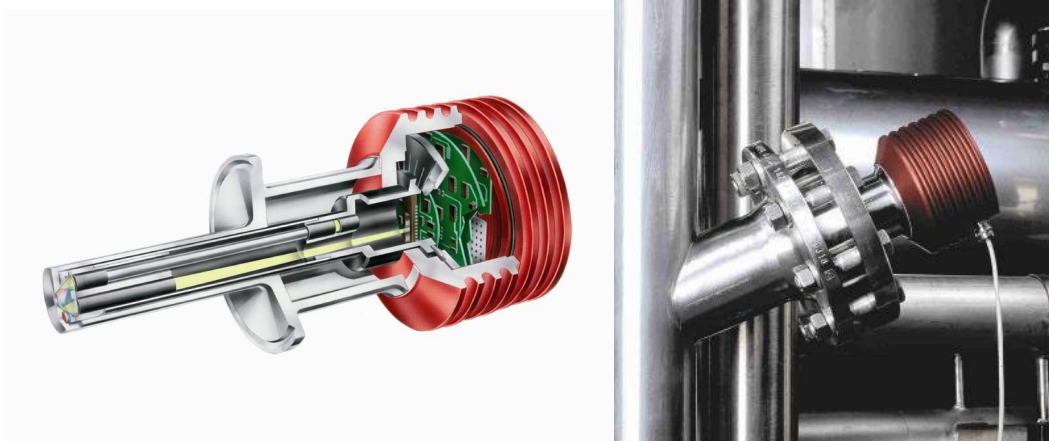


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further. Maintenance procedures for the ammonia oxidation parameters follow the existing procedures for the operation of the nitric acid plant.

### Nitric acid production

Nitric acid concentration is based on two components: nitric acid and water. Standard monitoring method is on-Line refractometry. Measurement of nitric acid (100%) mass volume production per campaign is necessary for calculation of the baseline emissions factor. Nitric acid concentration on all 8 Lines is measured by K-Patents PR-23-GP refractometers.

This analyzer is applying a prism to “return” a generated optical beam back to an LCD detector.



The detector is measuring refraction of monitored liquid based on known refraction of water and nitric acid. The instrument is calibrated for percent concentration of nitric acid. The analyzer is mounted on DIN-flange 2656, PN25 DN80. The optical prism does not require cleaning.

#### PR-23-GP characteristics:

Measuring RI is a direct concentration measurement principle. No need to rely or convert magnitudes.

Digital instrument – no calibration drift

As it is a robust instrument it is maintenance free

Dual connectivity if the installation positions allow.

On-Line data logging, through Ethernet, on whichever web browser.

No influence by bubbles or particles. It is very common that air enters the process pipeline and still the refractometer measures accurately.

Nitric acid concentration data are in an analog 4-20mA format provided to dataloggers which process these signals further.

In order of being able to calculate total mass volume of nitric acid 100% concentrate produced during the baseline campaign it is necessary to monitor also nitric acid flow and temperature. Measurement of pressure is not necessary for determination of the nitric acid mass volume flow, because nitric acid is in form of liquid and as such it has stable pressure characteristic.

Signals obtained from the nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further.



After installation of refractometers there have been occurrences of their failure and following repair service by the manufacturer. For this period starting from 09/11/2007 and ending on 30/07/2008 project uses HNO<sub>3</sub> concentration data provided by the laboratory measurements.

## 6. QAL 2 CALIBRATION ADJUSTMENTS

### 6.1 Applied principle

As required in the applicable norm EN14181: “The relation between the instrument readings of the recording measuring procedure and the quantity of the measuring objects has to be described by using a suitable convention method. The results have to be expressed by a regression analysis.”

As it is described in the Calibration Report issued by Airtec laboratory, the measurement results derived from the analog signals (4 mA to 20 mA) provided the installed instruments have been compared to the comparative measurements.

Linearity check of the instruments characteristics is stated in the QAL2 Calibration Report issued by the laboratory. The valid ranges of Linearity are determined by statistical analysis according to the guideline and the Linearity assumptions are further used in the Calibration Report establishing Linear regression Lines.

The general formula of the regression Line, established in the EN14181 and used in the Calibration Report is:

$$Y = a + bX$$

where:

X is the measured value of the instrument in mA  
Y is the value of the parameter being objective of the measurement  
a is a constant of the regression Line  
b is the slope of the regression Line

After a comparative test the laboratory issued the old and new regression Lines properties, namely “a” and “b” applying for all of the measured parameters that are subject to calibration as stated in the Calibration Report.

The QAL2 corrections are based on the fact that the actual analog current outputs (in mA) of the measurement instruments are relevant for both, the old and new regression Lines:

$$X_o = X_n = X$$

where:

X<sub>n</sub>: X new  
X<sub>o</sub>: X old

This allows us to derive a calibrating formula that gives us the corrected value of the measured physical parameters. The applied calibrating equation is:

$$Y_n = A_n + (B_n/B_o) * (Y_o - A_o)$$

In order to take into account the properties of the AMS and their implication to the QAL 2 implementation in the model, we will further introduce several remarks to the conversion and normalization of the data.

The units returned by the AMS “nm<sup>3</sup>/h” stand for normalized cubic meters of the gas volume at normal gas conditions (0° C, 1 atm.).

## 6.2 Stack gas volume flow

Based on the real conditions measured and applied by the AMS for normalization (TSG in °C and PSG in hPa), the stack gas volume flow values are converted to real conditions before the regression analysis using the ideal gas law. The actual gas volume flow rates are derived from gas velocity measurements, therefore, before applying the regression analysis the gas speed is calculated from the volume flow and the duct cross-section and is fed into the calibrating equation. The calibrated values derived from the calibrating equation then converted back to normalized units using the calibrated real conditions (calibrated TSG and PSG). The normalized calibrated stack gas flow rates are further fed into the emission calculation model for further processing as set out by the Approved Baseline and Monitoring Methodology AM\_0034.

## 6.3 Nitric acid concentration in stack gas

The nitric acid concentration in the raw data set from the AMS is in mgN<sub>2</sub>O/m<sub>3</sub>. The concentration was converted to ppmv to make it compatible with the regression Lines parameters. The nitrous gas concentration values are then calibrated using the provided regression Lines parameters and are input in the model.

## 6.4 Stack gas Temperature

The stack gas temperature was calibrated by the regression conversion formula

## 6.5 Stack gas Pressure

The calibration report provides us with a regression Line for the stack gas pressure. We calibrate the readings of the measurements system using the regression formula and applying the values (in kPa).

## 7. EMISSION REDUCTION CALCULATIONS

Table T 2 illustrates the establishment of historic campaign length based on 5 previous campaigns. Average production in 5 campaigns preceding the baseline campaign was 59 680 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and time duration was on average 316 days. Table contains also information on suppliers of primary catalysts for the line 3. As shown in the table, it is usual practice in Achema to use primary catalysts from various suppliers.

**T 2 Historic campaigns**

Line	ACHEMA UKL-3	Production	Start	End	Days	Production per day	Primary Catalyst	Composition
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	64 017	05 Feb 2004	09 Oct 2005	612	105	Heraeus	N/A *
	2 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	63 115	10 Oct 2005	28 Jun 2006	261	242	Heraeus	N/A *
	3 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	59 912	01 Jul 2005	24 Jan 2006	207	289	Heraeus	N/A *
	4 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	56 702	25 Jan 2006	23 Nov 2006	302	188	Heraeus	N/A *
	5 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	54 654	24 Dec 2006	09 Jul 2007	197	277	Heraeus	N/A *
Average HNO <sub>3</sub> production	t HNO <sub>3</sub>	<b>59 680</b>			<b>316</b>	<b>189</b>	* Confidential but available for the verification	
Project Campaigns	BL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	59 042	01 Sep 2007	04 Jul 2008	308	192	Heraeus	N/A *
	PL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	73 836	26 Aug 2011	26 Jul 2012	336	220	Heraeus	N/A *

The project campaign production value of 73 836 tHNO<sub>3</sub> was higher than historic nitric acid production set at level of 59 680 tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

It is business as usual scenario in Achema UKL-7 plant to keep using primary catalysts from several suppliers and with several compositions. Selection of primary catalysts is determined by technical parameters of their use and price levels offered by suppliers in specific time. Primary catalysts used during the baseline campaign, if other than used in previous campaign/s, did not increase emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O as confirmed by relevant statements provided to the verifier.

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started using overlapping approach from 01/02/2008 to 04/07/2008 then from 01/09/2007 through 03/11/2007 when the 59 042 tHNO<sub>3</sub> nitric acid production was reached. The baseline measurement for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration (NCSG) was carried out until the production of 59 042 tHNO<sub>3</sub> was reached.

We have two campaigns available that we can use for the baseline. AMS was installed in the middle of the first campaign, whereas the secondary catalyst was installed in the middle of the consecutive second one. We use these two campaigns to construct the baseline campaign using the overlapping approach as set out by the PDD. To get a clear start, that is, the baseline series has to start with a primary catalyst change, we use the beginning of the second campaign as the basis, until the secondary catalyst installation is reached. If this baseline turns out to be shorter than the project line, we use data available from the first campaign from the AMS installation to overlap the two series, and get a comparable baseline. Since we use the earliest available data from the first campaign, where emissions are generally lower, this is a conservative approach and fully in line with the PDD.

### T 3 Baseline campaign length

ACHEMA UKL-3	Historic Campaigns End	Start of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Measurement NCSG	End of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Campaign
Dates	2007 Jul 09	2007 Sep 01	2008 Jul 04	2008 Jul 04	2008 Jul 05
Baseline Factor kgN2O/tHNO3	-	-	5.46	5.46	5.46
Production tHNO3	-	-	59 042	59 042	-
Per Day Production tHNO3	189.0	-	-	-	-
Baseline less Historic Production	(637.7)	-	-	-	-
Baseline less Historic Days	(3.4)	-	-	-	-

### C 1 Baseline campaign length

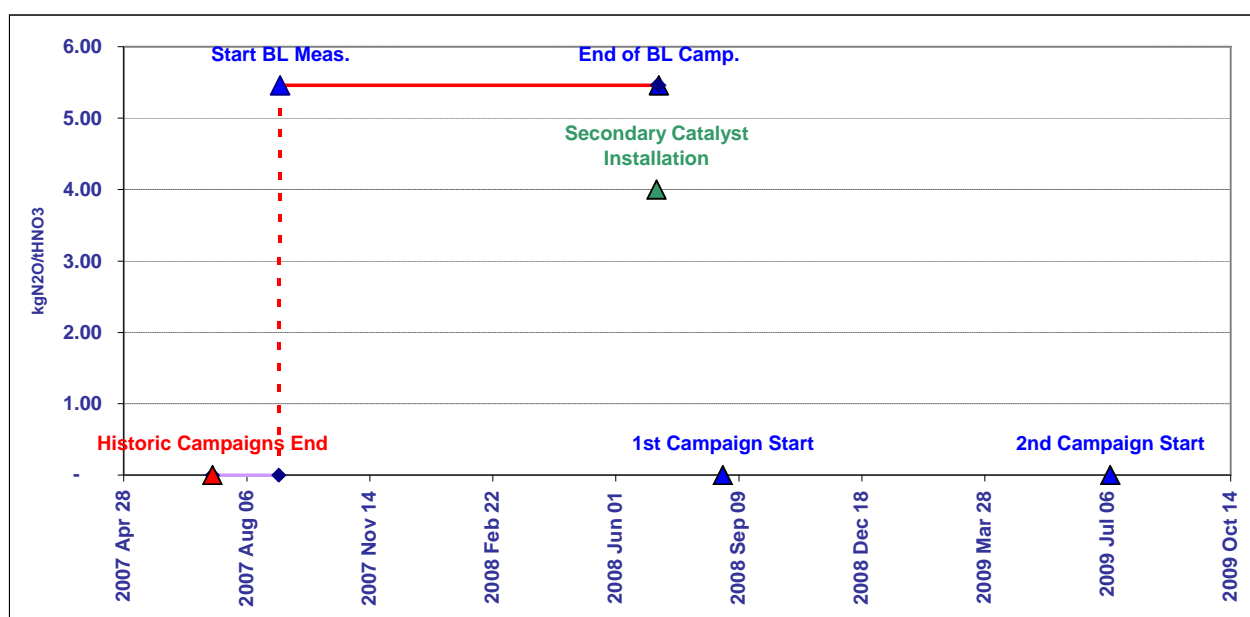


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on line 3 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD.

Extreme values and data measured during hours when one or more of operating conditions were outside of the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculations. As a next step we have eliminated data beyond 95% confidence interval and calculated new mean values of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and stack gas volume flow using following method:

- Calculate the sample mean (x)
- Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

Using the means values we have calculated the baseline emissions as set out in the PDD.

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were 342 tN<sub>2</sub>O.

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.630%, which was further modified by an uncertainty of 0.090% due to under-sampling. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 5.46 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 3 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 26/08/2011 and went through 26/07/2012.

We have eliminated extreme values and data beyond the 95% confidence interval as prescribed by the PDD.

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

Using the mean values we have calculated total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions (PE<sub>n</sub>) as follows:

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours (OH) defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred.

By dividing total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by the nitric acid production (capped by nameplate capacity 350 tHNO<sub>3</sub>/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 2.51 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

$$EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

### T 4 Baseline emission factor

BASELINE EMISSION FACTOR															
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure	AMS in Operation	Nitric Acid Production	NCSG NAP				
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa	h	NCSG NAP t/h					
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>															
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	50	0		0					
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000		50					
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>															
Count	4 524	5 074	4 743	4 623	5 148	4 843	5 235	5 232	4 155	5 074					
as % of Dataset	86%	97%	90%	88%	98%	92%	100%	100%	79%	97%					
Minimum		-	0	10	1	0	0	0		-					
Maximum		16.63	1 864	90 517	6 221	19.99	906	626		17					
Mean		11.64	1 104	67 849	4 974	10.52	794	545		12					
Standard Deviation		5.03	291	11 542	1 802	1.62	258	118		5					
Total		59 042								59 042					
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<b>Permitted Range</b>															
Minimum					4 500	0	880	0							
Maximum					7 500	11.70	910	800							
<b>Data within the permitted range</b>															
Count	4 087		3 816	3 994					4 155						
as % of Operating Hours	90%		84%	88%					92%						
Minimum			381	-											
Maximum			1 864	77 232											
Mean			1 118	64 988											
Standard Deviation			147	14 287											
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<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>															
95% Confidence interval															
Lower bound			829	36 985											
Upper bound			1 407	92 991											
Count			3 659	3 816											
as % of Operating Hours			81%	84%											
Minimum			830	48 852											
Maximum			1 407	77 232											
Mean			1 110	68 019											
Standard Deviation			125	2 721											
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**T 5 Project emission factor**

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<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>															
Count	4 773	6 330	4 670	4 700	8 043	5 401	8 043	8 043	8 043						
as % of Dataset	59%	79%	58%	58%	100%	67%	100%	100%	100%						
Minimum		0.64	131	58 105	142	0	37	1							
Maximum		16.63	1 074	79 024	7 933	19.94	1 100	707							
Mean		11.66	360	68 560	4 068	10.57	659	461							
Standard Deviation		5.01	122	2 362	2 720	2.00	325	234							
Total		73 836													
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<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>															
95% Confidence interval															
Lower bound				121	63 930										
Upper bound				599	73 189										
Count				4 388	4 432										
as % of Operating Hours				92%	93%										
Minimum				186	63 958										
Maximum				599	73 189										
Mean				342	68 630										
Standard Deviation				89	1 824										
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	2	3.01		3.01											
	3	3.57		3.57											
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	5	1.52		2.51											
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# MONITORING REPORT

**PROJECT:** ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N<sub>2</sub>O abatement project

**LINE:** Line 4

**MONITORING PERIOD:**

**FROM:** 21/10/2011

**TO:** 28/08/2012

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This monitoring report determines baseline emission factor for the Line 4 of ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant and quantity of emission reduction generated during the fifth project campaign on Line 4.

The first project campaign on Line 4 started on 01/08/2008. Secondary catalyst was installed on 06/10/2008. Total quantity of emission reductions generated during the fifth project period from 21/10/2011 through 28/08/2012 on Line 4 is **130 628 ERUs**.

### T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	7.73	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	1.89	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	58 683	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	58 683	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	72 154	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
GWP	GWP	310	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/tN <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>130 628</b>	<b>tCO<sub>e</sub></b>
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
<b>Abatement Ratio</b>		<b>90.6%</b>	

EMISSION REDUCTION PER YEAR			
Year	2011	2012	2013
Date From	21 Oct 2011	01 Jan 2012	
Date To	31 Dec 2011	28 Aug 2012	
Nitric Acid Production	15 819	56 335	
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>28 638</b>	<b>101 990</b>	
<i>ER_YR = ER * NAP_P_YR / NAP_P</i>			

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 4 during baseline measurement carried from 28/12/2007 through 31/07/2008 is 7.73 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Project emission factor during the fifth project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 4, which started on 21/10/2011 and went through 28/08/2012 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 06/10/2008, is 1.89 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

During the project campaign 72 154 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions from nitric acid production Lines at the UKL-7 nitric acid plant of AB Achema (“Achema” or “the Company”). The Company is situated in Jonava, Lithuania.

Achema has installed and operates secondary N<sub>2</sub>O reduction catalysts underneath the primary catalyst precious metal catching and catalytic gauzes package in the ammonium burners of the UKL-7 nitric acid plant.

This monitoring report contains information on Line 4 emission reductions including information on baseline emission factor setting for the Line 4.

The separate treatment of nitric acid lines and overlapping of the monitoring periods are allowed by the clarification issued Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee: “CLARIFICATION REGARDING OVERLAPPING MONITORING PERIODS UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE”. The Project meets all the requirements set out by the clarification:

1. The Project is composed of clearly identifiable components for which emission reductions or enhancements of removals are calculated independently; and
2. Monitoring is performed independently for each of these components, i.e. the data/parameters monitored for one component are not dependent on/effect data/parameters (to be) monitored for another component; and
3. The monitoring plan ensures that monitoring is performed for all components and that in these cases all the requirements of the JI guidelines and further guidance by the JISC regarding monitoring are met.

### 3. BASELINE SETTING

Baseline emission factor for line 4 has been established on the Line-specific basis. Campaign used for baseline measurements on the line 4 has been carried out from 28/12/2007 through 31/07/2008.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation as an average of the measured values for the previous 60 minutes.

Measurement results can be distorted before and after periods of downtime or malfunction of the monitoring system and can lead to mavericks. To eliminate such extremes and to ensure a conservative approach, the following statistical evaluation is applied to the complete data series of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration as well as to the data series for gas volume flow. The statistical procedure is applied to data obtained after eliminating data measured for periods where the plant operated outside the permitted ranges:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N<sub>2</sub>O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by the total output of 100% concentrated nitric acid during baseline campaign.

The overall uncertainty of the monitoring system has been determined by the QAL2 report and the measurement error is expressed as a percentage (UNC). The N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF<sub>BL</sub>) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
$EF_{BL}$	Baseline $N_2O$ emissions factor ( $tN_2O/tHNO_3$ )
$BE_{BC}$	Total $N_2O$ emissions during the baseline campaign ( $tN_2O$ )
$NCSG_{BC}$	Mean concentration of $N_2O$ in the stack gas during the baseline campaign ( $mgN_2O/m^3$ )
$OH_{BC}$	Operating hours of the baseline campaign (h)
$VSG_{BC}$	Mean gas volume flow rate at the stack in the baseline measurement period ( $m^3/h$ )
$NAP_{BC}$	Nitric acid production during the baseline campaign ( $tHNO_3$ )
UNC	Overall uncertainty of the monitoring system (%), calculated as the combined uncertainty of the applied monitoring equipment.

### **3.1 Measurement procedure for $N_2O$ concentration and tail gas volume flow**

#### **3.1.1 Tail gas $N_2O$ concentration**

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from the Line 4 tail gas duct at sampling point located after expansion turbine and transported by sample Line to the Monitoring room A, where the analyzer is located.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer ( $4^\circ C$ ), so  $N_2O$  concentration is measured on a dry basis.

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines.  $N_2O$  concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

$N_2O$  concentration measured data are sent from the analyzer on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

#### **3.1.2 Tail gas flow rate, pressure and temperature**

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section. Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **3.2 Permitted range of operating conditions of the nitric acid plant**

Under certain circumstances, the operating conditions during the measurement period used to determine baseline  $N_2O$  emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions.  $N_2O$  baseline data measured during hours

where the operating conditions were outside the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculation of the baseline emissions factor.

Normal ranges for operating conditions have been determined for the following parameters:

- oxidation temperature;
- oxidation pressure;
- ammonia gas flow rate,
- air input flow rate.

The permitted range for these parameters has been established using the plant operation manual, as described in the PDD..

### **3.3 Historic Campaign Length**

The average historic campaign length ( $CL_{normal}$ ) defined as the average campaign length for the historic campaigns used to define operating condition (the previous 5 campaigns), has been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign.

## 4. PROJECT EMISSIONS

During the first project campaign on line 4 the tail gas volume flow in the stack of the nitric acid plant as well as N<sub>2</sub>O concentration have been measured on the continuous basis.

### 4.1.1 Estimation of campaign-specific project emissions factor

The monitoring system was installed using the guidance document EN 14181 and provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation. Same statistical evaluation that was applied to the baseline data series has been applied to the project data series:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
VSG	Mean stack gas volume flow rate for the project campaign (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N <sub>2</sub> O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN <sub>2</sub> O/m <sup>3</sup> )
PE <sub>n</sub>	Total N <sub>2</sub> O emissions of the n <sup>th</sup> project campaign (tN <sub>2</sub> O)
OH	Is the number of hours of operation in the specific monitoring period (h)

### 4.1.2 Derivation of a moving average emission factor

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

## 4.2 Minimum project emission factor

The minimum average emission factor established factor will be established after 10th project campaign.

## 4.3 Project Campaign Length



Project campaign production of nitric acid has been below defined nameplate capacity and thus all NAP produced from date of installation of secondary catalysts has been used for calculation of emission reductions.

Because the nitric acid production during the project was higher than the baseline, all of the baseline NCSG values were used to determine the baseline emission factor.

#### 4.4 Leakage

No leakage calculation is required.

#### 4.5 Emission reductions

The emission reductions for the project activity during this campaign have been determined by deducting the campaign-specific emission factor from the baseline emission factor and multiplying the result by the production output of 100% concentrated nitric acid over the campaign period and the GWP of N<sub>2</sub>O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWP_{N_2O} \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

Variable	Definition
ER	Emission reductions of the project for the specific campaign (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
NAP	Nitric acid production for the project campaign (tHNO <sub>3</sub> ). The maximum value of NAP shall not exceed the design capacity.
EFBL	Baseline emissions factor (tN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
EFP	Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from this particular campaign (i.e. the higher of EF <sub>ma,n</sub> and EF <sub>n</sub> )

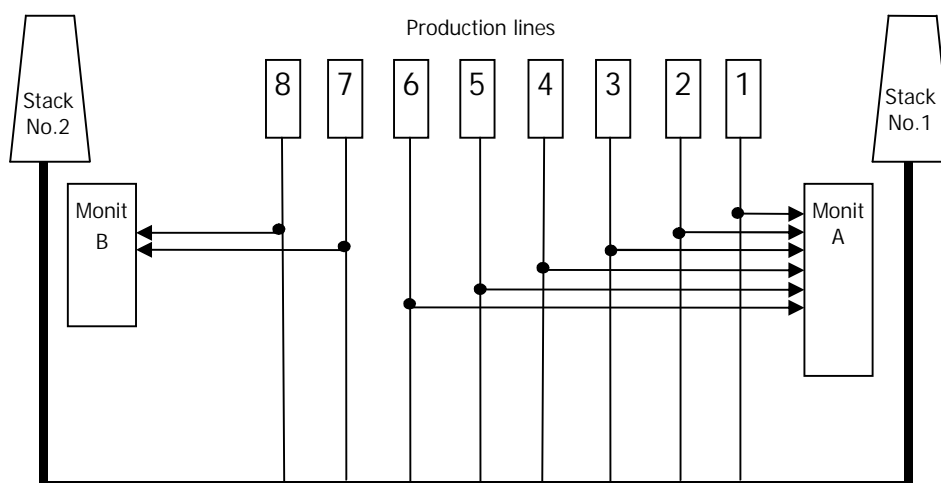
## 5. MONITORING PLAN

### Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O from the plant in such a way that is compliant with the prescriptions of the AM0034/Version 02.

### Plant description

The UKL-7 nitric acid plant comprises 8 production Lines numbered from 1 through 8, each with its own burner, absorption column and expansion turbine. Each production Line represents a separate nitric acid production unit independent from each other. The tail gases from each Line are after expansion turbines led to a common stack bus and vented through two interconnected stacks.



Primary catalyst is changed at different times thus it is necessary to measure the emissions from each Line individually. This means that eight separate sets of monitoring equipment are installed to measure tail gas flow, nitric acid production, nitric acid concentration, and the operating conditions. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

### Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N<sub>2</sub>O monitoring system that includes both a gas volume flow meter to determine the tail gas mass volume flow and an infrared gas analyser to determine the concentration of N<sub>2</sub>O.

But tail gas N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and tail gas volume flow meter alone are not sufficient for a JI project purposes. In order of being able to calculate the baseline emission factor expressed as tonnage of N<sub>2</sub>O in t CO<sub>2</sub>e per 1 tonne of HNO<sub>3</sub> (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO<sub>3</sub> measurement, and in order of being able to document normal operating conditions it is necessary to include also operating conditions measurement.

Because of this we use the term Monitoring System (MS) to describe entire monitoring system directly and indirectly used for the JI purposes, while Automated Measurement System (AMS) covers only N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and tail gas mass volume part of the MS.

Monitoring System (MS) for purpose of this monitoring plan means:

**monitoring system measuring operational conditions;**

Ammonia volume flow  
Ammonia temperature  
Ammonia pressure  
Primary air volume flow  
Primary air temperature  
Primary air pressure  
Oxidation temperature  
Oxidation pressure

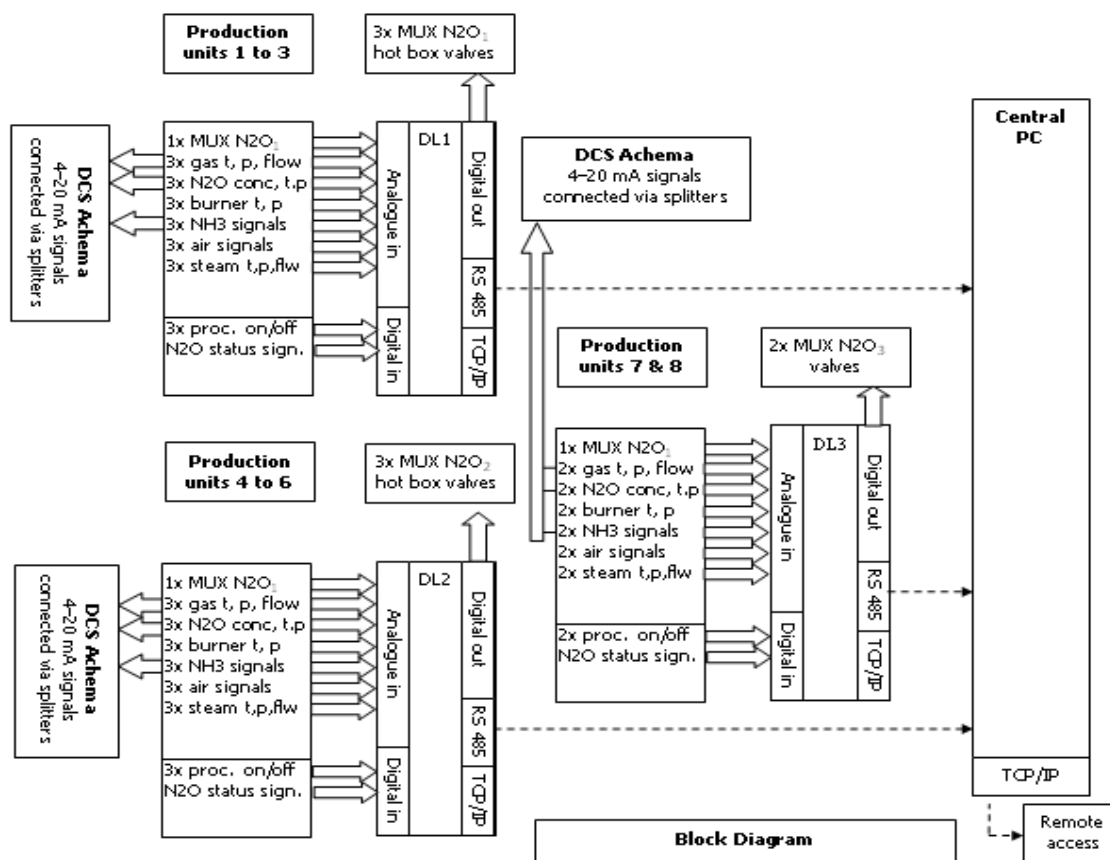
**nitric acid 100% concentrate production;**

Nitric acid concentration  
Nitric acid flow  
Nitric acid temperature

**and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)**

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the stack  
Stack volume flow rate  
Stack gas temperature  
Stack gas pressure

Incorporation of the AMS into the MS by interfacing already existing and newly installed measurement devices is documented by the diagram below.



## N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

## N<sub>2</sub>O concentration

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from respective tail gas ducts at sampling points located after expansion turbines and transported by heated sample lines to the Monitoring room A located next to the main production hall. This applies to 2 concentration meters measuring lines 1-3 and lines 4-6. lines 7-8 are measured by third concentration meter located at the other side of the production hall (Monitoring room B) physically closer to respective production lines 7 and 8.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured on a dry basis. Correction of dry basis ppmV value to real wet tail

gas conditions based on steam flow injected into the system is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

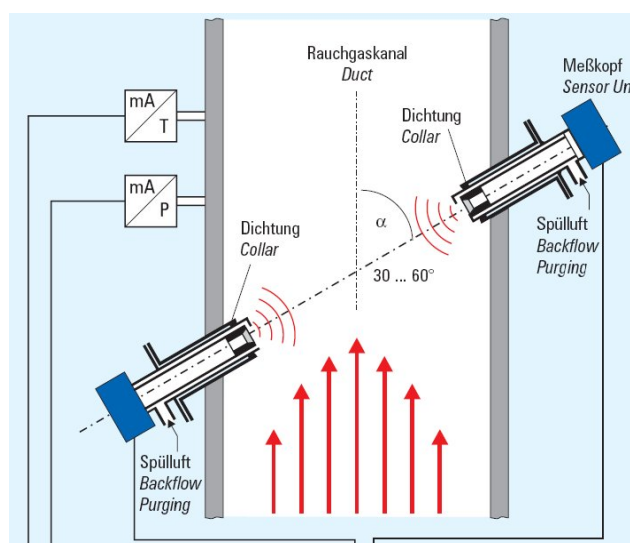
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis. Tail gas samples are automatically switched. Under-sampling uncertainty is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

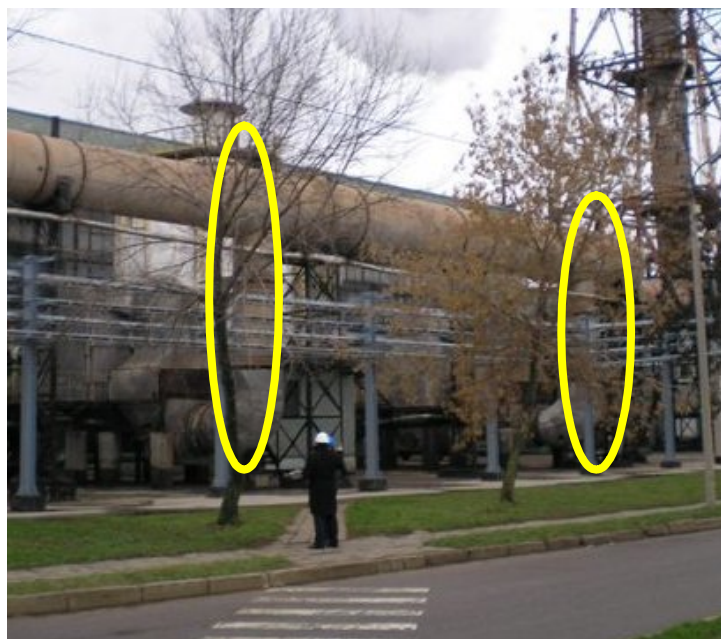
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section.



The tail gas ducts do not allow any optimum location to perform the flow monitoring. The only possible location is the quite short vertical tube behind the 90° “knee”.



Since the flow is not really laminar, a classical Pitot tube one point solution wouldn't allow good results. The ultrasonic system is under these conditions superior to differential pressure. Cross duct monitoring is more accurate than a couple of discrete point averaged pressure.

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **Tail gas steam injection elimination**

Steam injected into the Achema UKL-7 tail gas for purpose of increasing the turbine output is eliminated from the tail gas mass flow calculation by following formulae:

$$\text{flow - STVF} = \text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325) * ((100 - \text{Humi}) / 100)$$

where Humi (water content)=

$$(\text{Flow\_steam} * 1.2436) / (\text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325)) * 100 + 0.6$$

where 1.2436 is the conversion factor from kg/h to Nm<sup>3</sup>/h and 0.6% is a value of humidity present in a flue gas permanently without steam injection

The Flow\_steam parameter necessary for calculation of the water content in the dataloggers is provided in the kg/h unit.

Achema measures steam flow in kg/h using formula  $Q=C*\sqrt{dp}$  , where C is flow constant which is already integrated using an orifice plate sizing program. The orifice plate calculation for injection steam has been done for temperature 250°C and pressure 6 bar.

Flow steam in kg/h measured by using the constant steam T and P values is then recalculated to actual steam T and P values valid for relevant hours and as result the STVF value cleaned of the steam injected is used for further emission reductions calculations.

### **EN14181 compliance**

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N<sub>2</sub>O AMS consists from the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N<sub>2</sub>O measurand specifically) and after full commissioning of the monitoring system there was the QAL2 test carried out by an independent laboratory certified according to ISO17025.

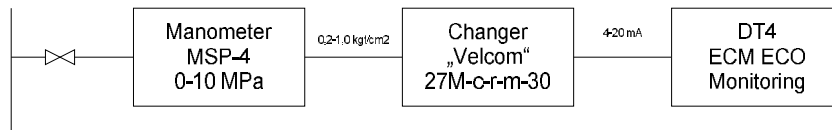
### **Operating conditions**

For purpose of the baseline emissions factor setting it is necessary to monitor and report operating conditions in all 8 burners. Namely:

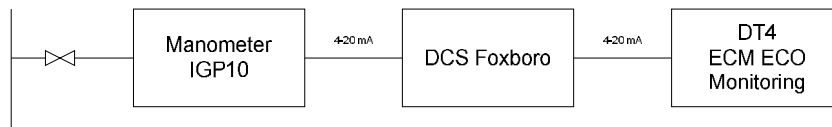
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

All these parameters are measured by the plant monitoring system as presented on diagrams below:

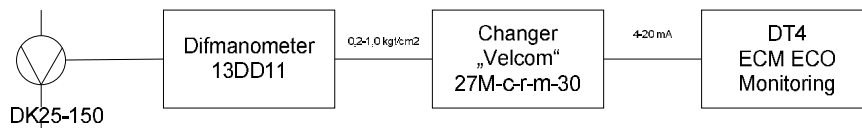
P in mixer 1-6 line



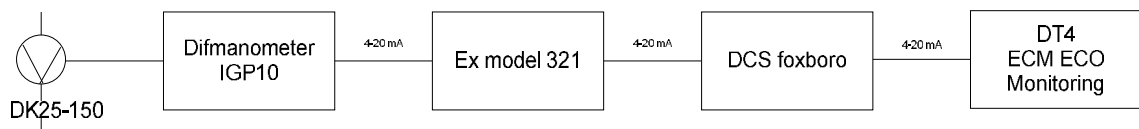
P in mixer 7-8 line



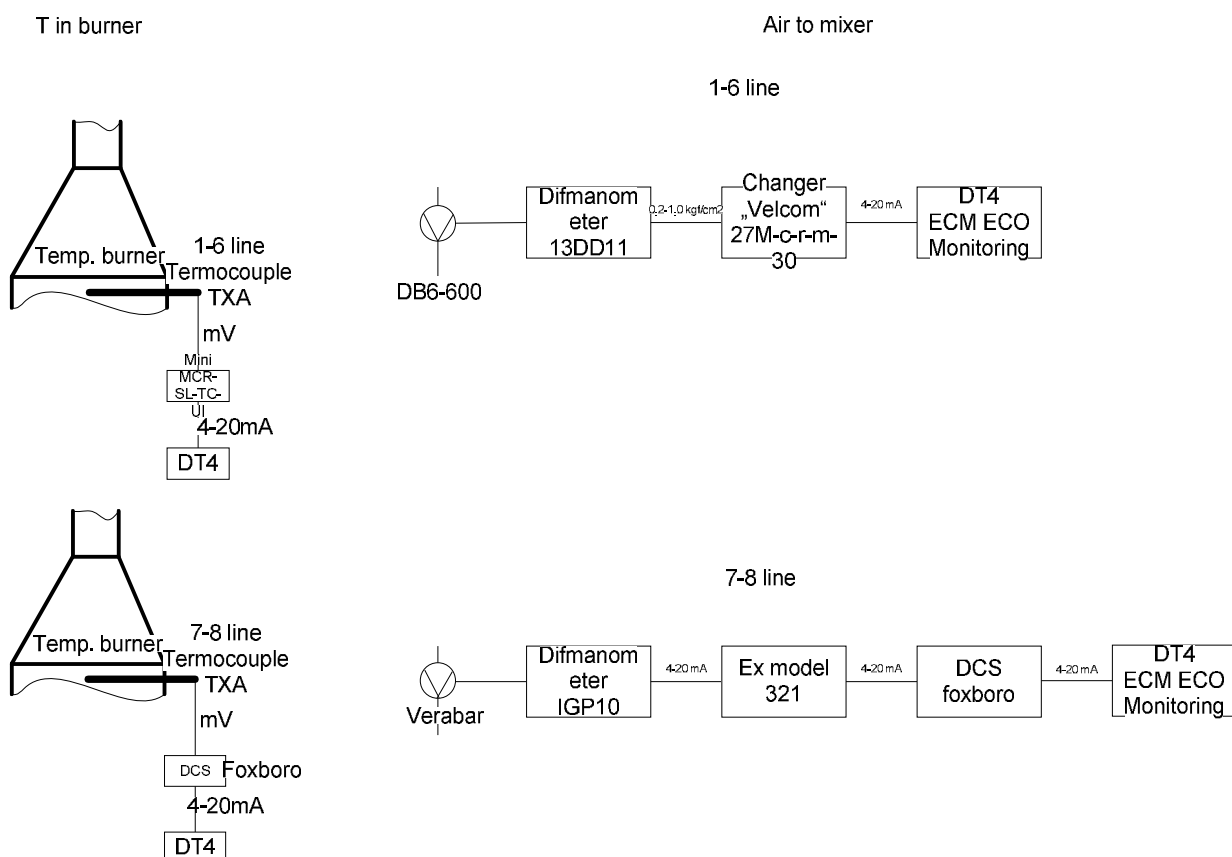
NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line





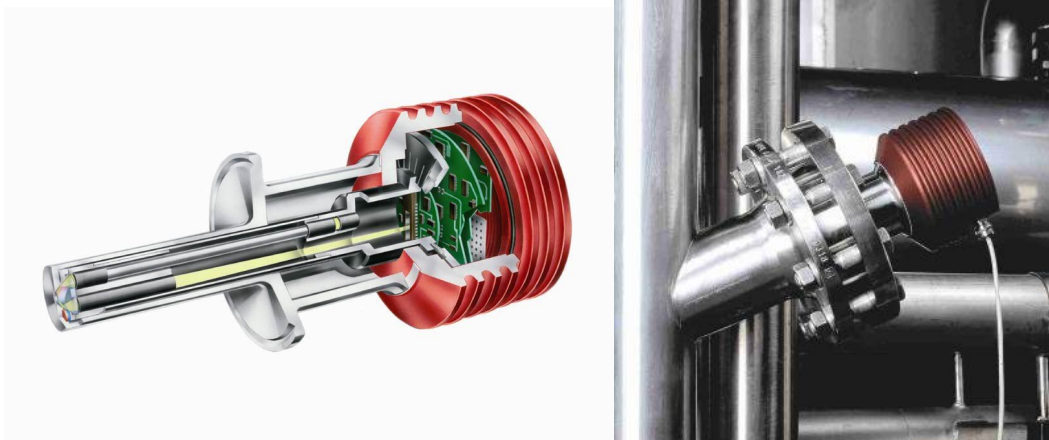


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further. Maintenance procedures for the ammonia oxidation parameters follow the existing procedures for the operation of the nitric acid plant.

### Nitric acid production

Nitric acid concentration is based on two components: nitric acid and water. Standard monitoring method is on-Line refractometry. Measurement of nitric acid (100%) mass volume production per campaign is necessary for calculation of the baseline emissions factor. Nitric acid concentration on all 8 Lines is measured by K-Patents PR-23-GP refractometers.

This analyzer is applying a prism to “return” a generated optical beam back to an LCD detector.



The detector is measuring refraction of monitored liquid based on known refraction of water and nitric acid. The instrument is calibrated for percent concentration of nitric acid. The analyzer is mounted on DIN-flange 2656, PN25 DN80. The optical prism does not require cleaning.

**PR-23-GP characteristics:**

Measuring RI is a direct concentration measurement principle. No need to rely or convert magnitudes.

Digital instrument – no calibration drift

As it is a robust instrument it is maintenance free

Dual connectivity if the installation positions allow.

On-Line data logging, through Ethernet, on whichever web browser.

No influence by bubbles or particles. It is very common that air enters the process pipeline and still the refractometer measures accurately.

Nitric acid concentration data are in an analog 4-20mA format provided to dataloggers which process these signals further.

In order of being able to calculate total mass volume of nitric acid 100% concentrate produced during the baseline campaign it is necessary to monitor also nitric acid flow and temperature. Measurement of pressure is not necessary for determination of the nitric acid mass volume flow, because nitric acid is in form of liquid and as such it has stable pressure characteristic.

Signals obtained from the nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further.

After installation of refractometers there have been occurrences of their failure and following repair service by the manufacturer. For this period starting from 31/10/2007 and ending on 10/09/2008 project uses HNO<sub>3</sub> concentration data provided by the laboratory measurements.

## 6. QAL 2 CALIBRATION ADJUSTMENTS

### 6.1 Applied principle

As required in the applicable norm EN14181: “The relation between the instrument readings of the recording measuring procedure and the quantity of the measuring objects has to be described by using a suitable convention method. The results have to be expressed by a regression analysis.”

As it is described in the Calibration Report issued by Airtec laboratory, the measurement results derived from the analog signals (4 mA to 20 mA) provided the installed instruments have been compared to the comparative measurements.

Linearity check of the instruments characteristics is stated in the QAL2 Calibration Report issued by the laboratory. The valid ranges of Linearity are determined by statistical analysis according to the guideline and the Linearity assumptions are further used in the Calibration Report establishing Linear regression Lines.

The general formula of the regression Line, established in the EN14181 and used in the Calibration Report is:

$$Y = a + bX$$

where:

X is the measured value of the instrument in mA  
Y is the value of the parameter being objective of the measurement  
a is a constant of the regression Line  
b is the slope of the regression Line

After a comparative test the laboratory issued the old and new regression Lines properties, namely “a” and “b” applying for all of the measured parameters that are subject to calibration as stated in the Calibration Report.

The QAL2 corrections are based on the fact that the actual analog current outputs (in mA) of the measurement instruments are relevant for both, the old and new regression Lines:

$$X_o = X_n = X$$

where:

X<sub>n</sub>: X new  
X<sub>o</sub>: X old

This allows us to derive a calibrating formula that gives us the corrected value of the measured physical parameters. The applied calibrating equation is:

$$Y_n = A_n + (B_n/B_o) * (Y_o - A_o)$$

In order to take into account the properties of the AMS and their implication to the QAL 2 implementation in the model, we will further introduce several remarks to the conversion and normalization of the data.

The units returned by the AMS “nm<sup>3</sup>/h” stand for normalized cubic meters of the gas volume at normal gas conditions (0° C, 1 atm.).

## 6.2 Stack gas volume flow

Based on the real conditions measured and applied by the AMS for normalization (TSG in °C and PSG in hPa), the stack gas volume flow values are converted to real conditions before the regression analysis using the ideal gas law. The actual gas volume flow rates are derived from gas velocity measurements, therefore, before applying the regression analysis the gas speed is calculated from the volume flow and the duct cross-section and is fed into the calibrating equation. The calibrated values derived from the calibrating equation then converted back to normalized units using the calibrated real conditions (calibrated TSG and PSG). The normalized calibrated stack gas flow rates are further fed into the emission calculation model for further processing as set out by the Approved Baseline and Monitoring Methodology AM\_0034.

## 6.3 Nitric acid concentration in stack gas

The nitric acid concentration in the raw data set from the AMS is in mgN<sub>2</sub>O/m<sub>3</sub>. The concentration was converted to ppmv to make it compatible with the regression Lines parameters. The nitrous gas concentration values are then calibrated using the provided regression Lines parameters and are input in the model.

## 6.4 Stack gas Temperature

The stack gas temperature was calibrated by the regression conversion formula

## 6.5 Stack gas Pressure

The calibration report provides us with a regression Line for the stack gas pressure. We calibrate the readings of the measurements system using the regression formula and applying the values (in kPa).

## 7. EMISSION REDUCTION CALCULATIONS

Table T 2 illustrates the establishment of historic campaign length based on 5 previous campaigns. Average production in 5 campaigns preceding the baseline campaign was 65 823 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and time duration was on average 275 days. Table contains also information on suppliers of primary catalysts for the line 4.

**T 2 Historic campaigns**

Line	ACHEMA UKL-4	Production	Start	End	Days	Production per day	Primary Catalyst	Composition
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	69 782	18 Apr 2003	11 Dec 2003	237	294	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	2 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	65 420	11 Dec 2003	06 Dec 2004	361	181	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	3 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	66 129	07 Dec 2004	08 Nov 2005	336	197	Umicore	N/A *
	4 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	66 826	22 Mar 2006	23 Nov 2006	246	272	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	5 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	60 959	23 Nov 2006	04 Jun 2007	193	316	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
Average HNO <sub>3</sub> production	t HNO <sub>3</sub>	<b>65 823</b>			<b>275</b>	<b>240</b>	* Confidential but available for the verification	
Project Campaigns	BL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	58 683	28 Dec 2007	31 Jul 2008	216	272	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	PL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	72 154	21 Oct 2011	28 Aug 2012	312	231	Johnson Matthey	N/A *

The project campaign production value of 72 154 tHNO<sub>3</sub> was higher than historic nitric acid production set at level of 65 823 tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

It is business as usual scenario in Achema UKL-7 plant to keep using primary catalysts from several suppliers and with several compositions. Selection of primary catalysts is determined by technical parameters of their use and price levels offered by suppliers in specific time. Primary catalysts used during the baseline campaign, if other than used in previous campaign/s, did not increase emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O as confirmed by relevant statements provided to the verifier.

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started on 28/12/2007 and continued through 31/07/2008 when the 58 683 tHNO<sub>3</sub> nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached - tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

**T 3 Baseline campaign length**

ACHEMA UKL-4	Historic Campaigns End	Start of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Measurement NCSG	End of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Campaign
Dates	2007 Jun 04	2007 Dec 28	2008 Jul 31	2008 Jul 31	2008 Aug 01
Baseline Factor kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	7.73	7.73	7.73
Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	58 683	58 683	-
Per Day Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	239.7				
Baseline less Historic Production	(7 140.4)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(29.8)				

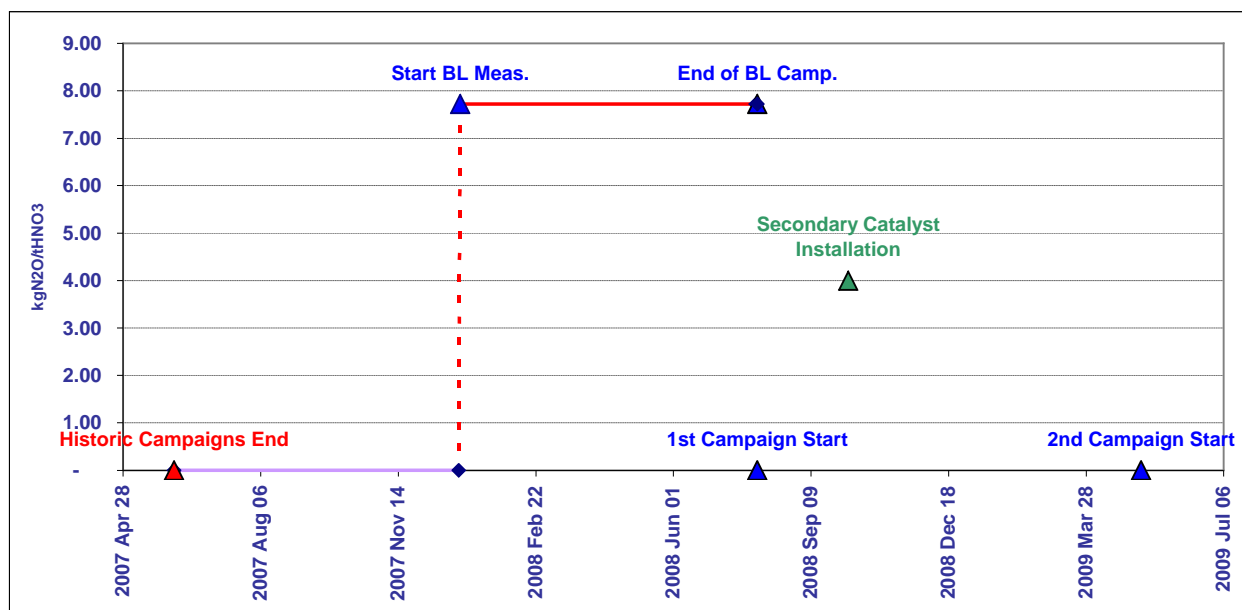
**C 1 Baseline campaign length**


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 4 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 28/12/2007 through 31/07/2008.

Extreme values and data measured during hours when one or more of operating conditions were outside of the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculations. As a next step we have eliminated data beyond 95% confidence interval and calculated new mean values of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and stack gas volume flow using following method:

- Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

Using the means values we have calculated the baseline emissions as set out in the PDD.

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were 479 tN<sub>2</sub>O.

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.450%, which is further modified by an uncertainty of 0.104% due to under-sampling. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 7.73 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 4 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 21/10/2011 and went through 28/08/2012.

We have eliminated extreme values and data beyond the 95% confidence interval as prescribed by the PDD.

- a) Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

Using the mean values we have calculated total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions ( $PE_n$ ) as follows:

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours (OH) defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred.

By dividing total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions by the nitric acid production (capped by nameplate capacity 350 tHNO<sub>3</sub>/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 1.89 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

$$EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.



### T 4 Baseline emission factor

BASELINE EMISSION FACTOR											
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure	AMS in Operation	Nitric Acid Production	
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa	h	NAP t/h	
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>											
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	-	50	0	0	
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00	-	1 200	1 000	50	
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>											
Count	4 564	4 906	4 891	4 467	4 733	5 086		5 161	4 755	4 028	4 906
as % of Dataset	88%	95%	94%	86%	91%	98%		100%	92%	78%	95%
Minimum		-	0	-	266	-		1	3	-	-
Maximum		15.12	2 925	83 541	6 465	19.28		906	634	-	15
Mean		11.96	1 485	66 846	5 718	9.71		791	572	-	12
Standard Deviation		4.35	378	10 182	881	2.96		272	62	-	4
Total		58 683								-	58 683
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		453 t N2O									
Emission Factor		7.30 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Permitted Range</b>											
Minimum					4 500	0		880	0		
Maximum					7 500	11.70		910	800		
<b>Data within the permitted range</b>											
Count	4 399		4 152	4 210						4 028	
as % of Operating Hours	96%		91%	92%						88%	
Minimum			511	-							
Maximum			2 208	75 876							
Mean			1 511	67 275							
Standard Deviation			274	8 270							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		464 t N2O									
Emission Factor		7.47 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			973	51 066							
Upper bound			2 048	83 484							
Count			3 735	4 149							
as % of Operating Hours			82%	91%							
Minimum			1 108	59 513							
Maximum			2 046	75 876							
Mean			1 540	68 235							
Standard Deviation			203	2 154							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		479 t N2O									
Emission Factor (EF_BL)		7.73 kgN2O / tHNO3									

**T 5 Project emission factor**

PROJECT EMISSION FACTOR								
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>								
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	-	50
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00		1 200
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>								
Count	4 180	6 207	4 106	4 131	5 355	4 935	7 479	7 140
as % of Dataset	56%	83%	55%	55%	72%	66%	100%	95%
Minimum		0.61	1	-	283	2	(7)	0
Maximum		17.42	748	82 270	8 000	19.97	911	690
Mean		11.62	227	58 707	4 915	10.87	526	482
Standard Deviation		4.77	59	5 980	1 783	1.48	417	225
Total		72 154						
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		56 t N2O						
Emission Factor		0.77 kgN2O / tHNO3						
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>								
95% Confidence interval								
Lower bound			111	46 986				
Upper bound			344	70 428				
Count			3 838	3 749				
as % of Operating Hours			92%	90%				
Minimum			111	48 051				
Maximum			344	70 409				
Mean			219	57 270				
Standard Deviation			49	3 983				
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		53 t N2O						
Actual Project Emission Factor (EF_PActual)		0.73 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		90.6%						
<b>Moving Average Emission Factor Correction</b>								
	Actual Factors	Moving Average Rule						
	1	2.77						
	2	2.37						
	3	1.87						
	4	1.74						
	5	0.73						
	6	-						
Project Emission Factor (EF_P)		1.89 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		75.5%						

# MONITORING REPORT

**PROJECT:** ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N<sub>2</sub>O abatement project

**LINE:** Line 5

**MONITORING PERIOD:**

**FROM:** 28/11/2011

**TO:** 10/07/2012

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This monitoring report determines baseline emission factor for the Line 5 of ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant and quantity of emission reduction generated during the fifth project campaign on Line 5.

The first project campaign on Line 5 started on 02/07/2008. Secondary catalyst was installed on 02/07/2008. Total quantity of emission reductions generated during the fifth project period from 28/11/2011 through 10/07/2012 on Line 5 is **103 952 ERUs**.

### T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	6.61	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	1.81	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	55 079	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	55 079	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	69 860	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
GWP	GWP	310	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/tN <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>103 952</b>	<b>tCO<sub>2</sub>e</b>
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
<b>Abatement Ratio</b>		<b>79.0%</b>	

EMISSION REDUCTION PER YEAR			
Year	2011	2012	2013
Date From	28 Nov 2011	01 Jan 2012	
Date To	31 Dec 2011	10 Jul 2012	
Nitric Acid Production	8 677	61 183	
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>12 912</b>	<b>91 040</b>	
<i>ER_YR = ER * NAP_P_YR / NAP_P</i>			

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 5 during baseline measurement carried from 29/11/2007 through 17/06/2008 is 6.61 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Project emission factor during the fifth project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 5, which started on 28/11/2011 and went through 10/07/2012 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 02/07/2008, is 1.81 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

During the project campaign 69 860 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions from nitric acid production Lines at the UKL-7 nitric acid plant of AB Achema (“Achema” or “the Company”). The Company is situated in Jonava, Lithuania.

Achema has installed and operates secondary N<sub>2</sub>O reduction catalysts underneath the primary catalyst precious metal catching and catalytic gauzes package in the ammonium burners of the UKL-7 nitric acid plant.

This monitoring report contains information on Line 5 emission reductions including information on baseline emission factor setting for the Line 5.

The separate treatment of nitric acid lines and overlapping of the monitoring periods are allowed by the clarification issued Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee: “CLARIFICATION REGARDING OVERLAPPING MONITORING PERIODS UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE”. The Project meets all the requirements set out by the clarification:

1. The Project is composed of clearly identifiable components for which emission reductions or enhancements of removals are calculated independently; and
2. Monitoring is performed independently for each of these components, i.e. the data/parameters monitored for one component are not dependent on/effect data/parameters (to be) monitored for another component; and
3. The monitoring plan ensures that monitoring is performed for all components and that in these cases all the requirements of the JI guidelines and further guidance by the JISC regarding monitoring are met.

### 3. BASELINE SETTING

Baseline emission factor for line 5 has been established on the Line-specific basis. Campaign used for baseline measurements on the line 5 has been carried out from 29/11/2007 through 17/06/2008.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation as an average of the measured values for the previous 60 minutes.

Measurement results can be distorted before and after periods of downtime or malfunction of the monitoring system and can lead to mavericks. To eliminate such extremes and to ensure a conservative approach, the following statistical evaluation is applied to the complete data series of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration as well as to the data series for gas volume flow. The statistical procedure is applied to data obtained after eliminating data measured for periods where the plant operated outside the permitted ranges:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N<sub>2</sub>O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by the total output of 100% concentrated nitric acid during baseline campaign.

The overall uncertainty of the monitoring system has been determined by the QAL2 report and the measurement error is expressed as a percentage (UNC). The N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF<sub>BL</sub>) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
$EF_{BL}$	Baseline $N_2O$ emissions factor ( $tN_2O/tHNO_3$ )
$BE_{BC}$	Total $N_2O$ emissions during the baseline campaign ( $tN_2O$ )
$NCSG_{BC}$	Mean concentration of $N_2O$ in the stack gas during the baseline campaign ( $mgN_2O/m^3$ )
$OH_{BC}$	Operating hours of the baseline campaign (h)
$VSG_{BC}$	Mean gas volume flow rate at the stack in the baseline measurement period ( $m^3/h$ )
$NAP_{BC}$	Nitric acid production during the baseline campaign ( $tHNO_3$ )
UNC	Overall uncertainty of the monitoring system (%), calculated as the combined uncertainty of the applied monitoring equipment.

### 3.1 Measurement procedure for $N_2O$ concentration and tail gas volume flow

#### 3.1.1 Tail gas $N_2O$ concentration

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from the Line 5 tail gas duct at sampling point located after expansion turbine and transported by sample Line to the Monitoring room A, where the analyzer is located.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer ( $4^\circ C$ ), so  $N_2O$  concentration is measured on a dry basis.

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines.  $N_2O$  concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

$N_2O$  concentration measured data are sent from the analyzer on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

#### 3.1.2 Tail gas flow rate, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section. Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### 3.2 Permitted range of operating conditions of the nitric acid plant

Under certain circumstances, the operating conditions during the measurement period used to determine baseline  $N_2O$  emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions.  $N_2O$  baseline data measured during hours



where the operating conditions were outside the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculation of the baseline emissions factor.

Normal ranges for operating conditions have been determined for the following parameters:

- oxidation temperature;
- oxidation pressure;
- ammonia gas flow rate,
- air input flow rate.

The permitted range for these parameters has been established using the plant operation manual, as described in the PDD..

### **3.3 Historic Campaign Length**

The average historic campaign length ( $CL_{normal}$ ) defined as the average campaign length for the historic campaigns used to define operating condition (the previous 5 campaigns), has been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign.

## 4. PROJECT EMISSIONS

During the first project campaign on line 5 the tail gas volume flow in the stack of the nitric acid plant as well as N<sub>2</sub>O concentration have been measured on the continuous basis.

### 4.1.1 Estimation of campaign-specific project emissions factor

The monitoring system was installed using the guidance document EN 14181 and provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation. Same statistical evaluation that was applied to the baseline data series has been applied to the project data series:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH \text{ (tN}_2\text{O)}$$

where:

Variable	Definition
VSG	Mean stack gas volume flow rate for the project campaign (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N <sub>2</sub> O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN <sub>2</sub> O/m <sup>3</sup> )
PE <sub>n</sub>	Total N <sub>2</sub> O emissions of the n <sup>th</sup> project campaign (tN <sub>2</sub> O)
OH	Is the number of hours of operation in the specific monitoring period (h)

### 4.1.2 Derivation of a moving average emission factor

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

## 4.2 Minimum project emission factor

The minimum average emission factor established factor will be established after 10th project campaign.

## 4.3 Project Campaign Length

Project campaign production of nitric acid has been below defined nameplate capacity and thus all NAP produced from date of installation of secondary catalysts has been used for calculation of emission reductions.

Because the nitric acid production during the project was higher than the baseline, all of the baseline NCSG values were used to determine the baseline emission factor.

#### 4.4 Leakage

No leakage calculation is required.

#### 4.5 Emission reductions

The emission reductions for the project activity during this campaign have been determined by deducting the campaign-specific emission factor from the baseline emission factor and multiplying the result by the production output of 100% concentrated nitric acid over the campaign period and the GWP of N<sub>2</sub>O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWP_{N_2O} \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
ER	Emission reductions of the project for the specific campaign (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
NAP	Nitric acid production for the project campaign (tHNO <sub>3</sub> ). The maximum value of NAP shall not exceed the design capacity.
EFBL	Baseline emissions factor (tN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
EFP	Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from this particular campaign (i.e. the higher of EF <sub>ma,n</sub> and EF <sub>n</sub> )

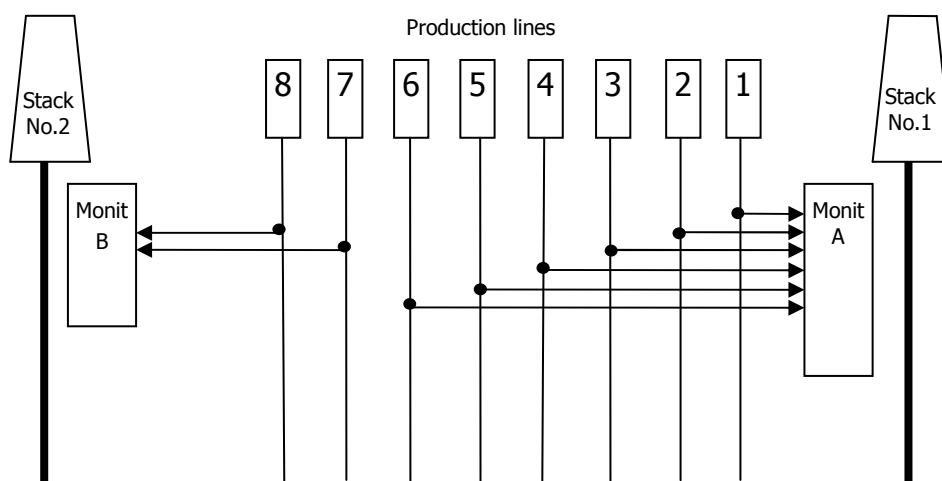
## 5. MONITORING PLAN

### Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of  $N_2O$  from the plant in such a way that is compliant with the prescriptions of the AM0034/Version 02.

### Plant description

The UKL-7 nitric acid plant comprises 8 production Lines numbered from 1 through 8, each with its own burner, absorption column and expansion turbine. Each production Line represents a separate nitric acid production unit independent from each other. The tail gases from each Line are after expansion turbines led to a common stack bus and vented through two interconnected stacks.



Primary catalyst is changed at different times thus it is necessary to measure the emissions from each Line individually. This means that eight separate sets of monitoring equipment are installed to measure tail gas flow, nitric acid production, nitric acid concentration, and the operating conditions.  $N_2O$  concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

### Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an  $N_2O$  monitoring system that includes both a gas volume flow meter to determine the tail gas mass volume flow and an infrared gas analyser to determine the concentration of  $N_2O$ .

But tail gas N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and tail gas volume flow meter alone are not sufficient for a JI project purposes. In order of being able to calculate the baseline emission factor expressed as tonnage of N<sub>2</sub>O in t CO<sub>2</sub>e per 1 tonne of HNO<sub>3</sub> (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO<sub>3</sub> measurement, and in order of being able to document normal operating conditions it is necessary to include also operating conditions measurement.

Because of this we use the term Monitoring System (MS) to describe entire monitoring system directly and indirectly used for the JI purposes, while Automated Measurement System (AMS) covers only N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and tail gas mass volume part of the MS.

Monitoring System (MS) for purpose of this monitoring plan means:

**monitoring system measuring operational conditions;**

- Ammonia volume flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air volume flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

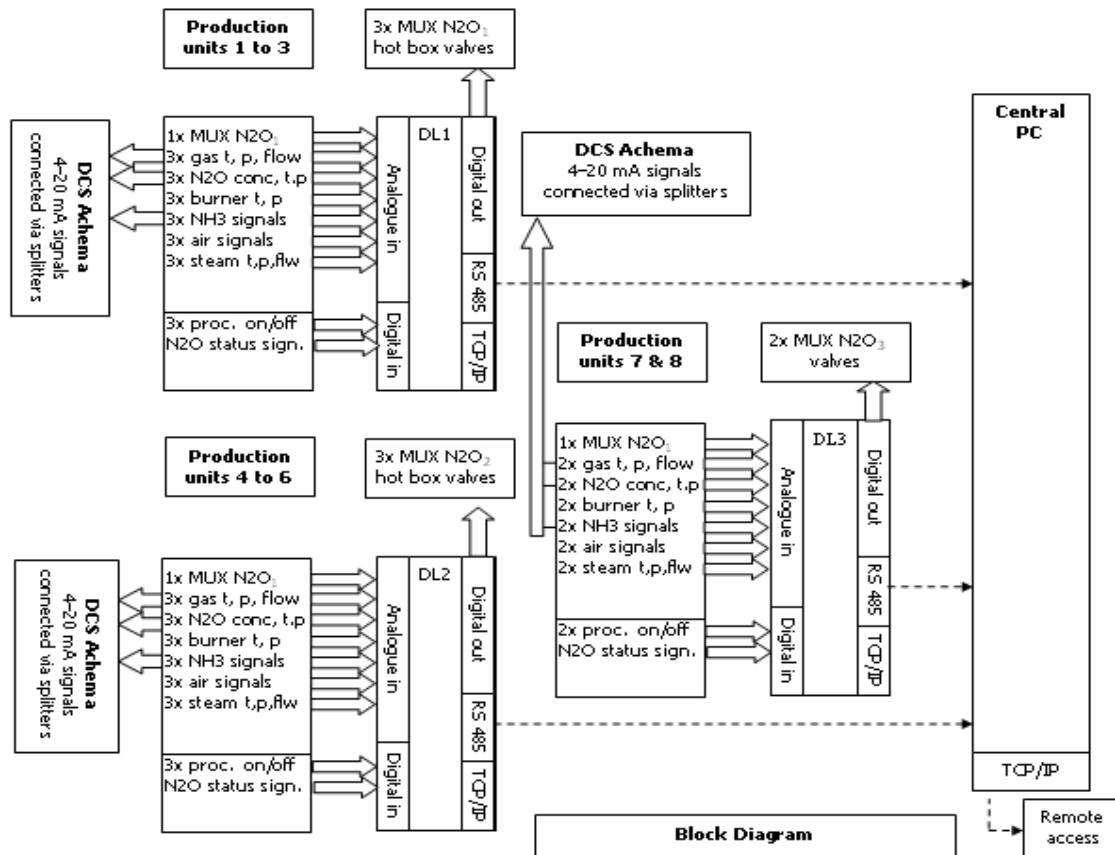
**nitric acid 100% concentrate production;**

- Nitric acid concentration
- Nitric acid flow
- Nitric acid temperature

**and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)**

- N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the stack
- Stack volume flow rate
- Stack gas temperature
- Stack gas pressure

Incorporation of the AMS into the MS by interfacing already existing and newly installed measurement devices is documented by the diagram below.



## N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

## N<sub>2</sub>O concentration

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from respective tail gas ducts at sampling points located after expansion turbines and transported by heated sample lines to the Monitoring room A located next to the main production hall. This applies to 2 concentration meters measuring lines 1-3 and lines 4-6. lines 7-8 are measured by third concentration meter located at the other side of the production hall (Monitoring room B) physically closer to respective production lines 7 and 8.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured on a dry basis. Correction of dry basis ppmV value to real wet tail

gas conditions based on steam flow injected into the system is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

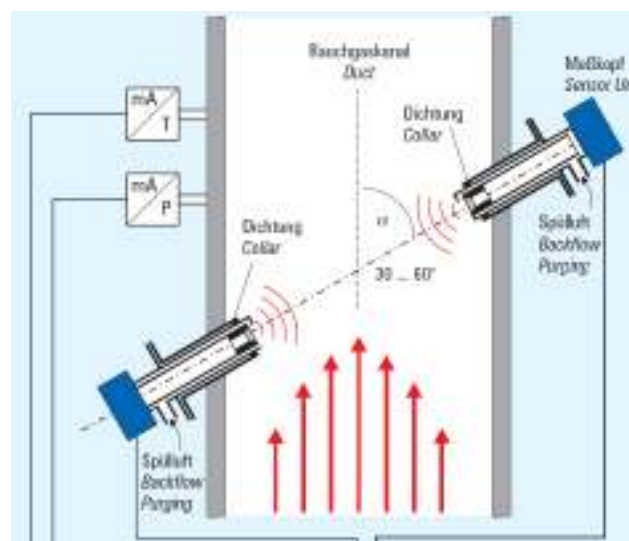
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Recently there are 8 production Lines. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis. Tail gas samples are automatically switched. Under-sampling uncertainty is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

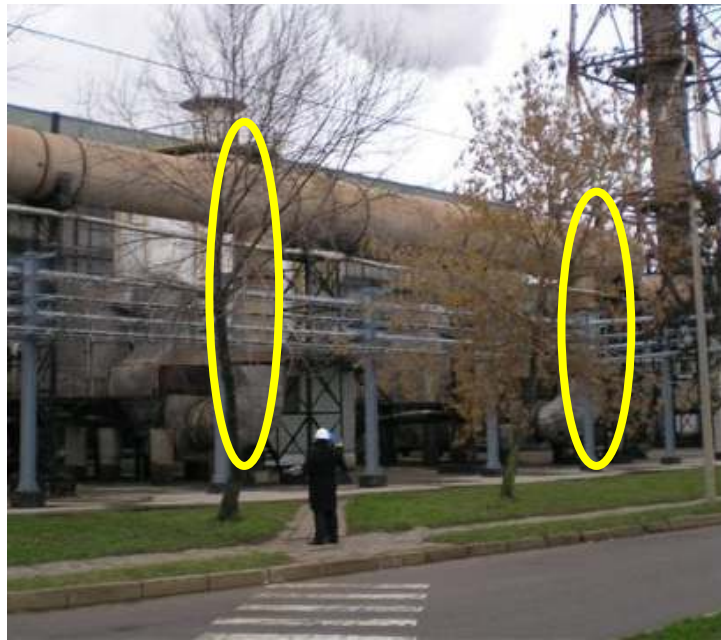
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature**

Tail gas flow is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section.



The tail gas ducts do not allow any optimum location to perform the flow monitoring. The only possible location is the quite short vertical tube behind the 90° “knee”.



Since the flow is not really laminar, a classical Pitot tube one point solution wouldn't allow good results. The ultrasonic system is under these conditions superior to differential pressure. Cross duct monitoring is more accurate than a couple of discrete point averaged pressure.

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### Tail gas steam injection elimination

Steam injected into the Achema UKL-7 tail gas for purpose of increasing the turbine output is eliminated from the tail gas mass flow calculation by following formulae:

$$\text{flow - STVF} = \text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325) * ((100 - \text{Humi}) / 100)$$

where Humi (water content) =

$$(\text{Flow\_steam} * 1.2436) / (\text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325)) * 100 + 0.6$$

where 1.2436 is the conversion factor from kg/h to Nm<sup>3</sup>/h and 0.6% is a value of humidity present in a flue gas permanently without steam injection

The Flow\_steam parameter necessary for calculation of the water content in the dataloggers is provided in the kg/h unit.



Achema measures steam flow in kg/h using formula  $Q=C*\sqrt{dp}$  , where C is flow constant which is already integrated using an orifice plate sizing program. The orifice plate calculation for injection steam has been done for temperature 250°C and pressure 6 bar.

Flow steam in kg/h measured by using the constant steam T and P values is then recalculated to actual steam T and P values valid for relevant hours and as result the STVF value cleaned of the steam injected is used for further emission reductions calculations.

### **EN14181 compliance**

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N<sub>2</sub>O AMS consists from the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N<sub>2</sub>O measurand specifically) and after full commissioning of the monitoring system there was the QAL2 test carried out by an independent laboratory certified according to ISO17025.

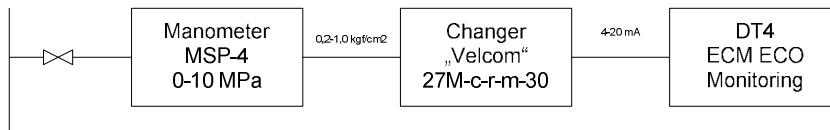
### **Operating conditions**

For purpose of the baseline emissions factor setting it is necessary to monitor and report operating conditions in all 8 burners. Namely:

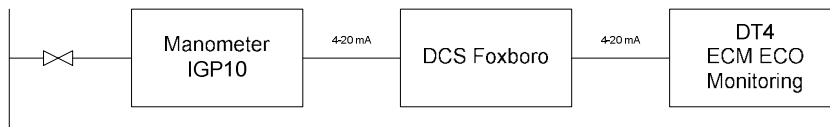
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
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- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

All these parameters are measured by the plant monitoring system as presented on diagrams below:

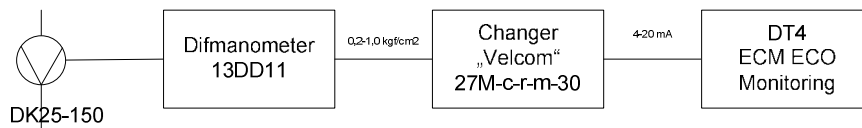
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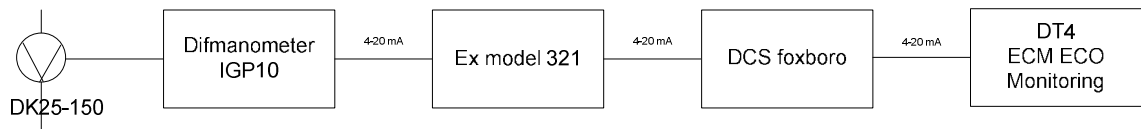
P in mixer 7-8 line

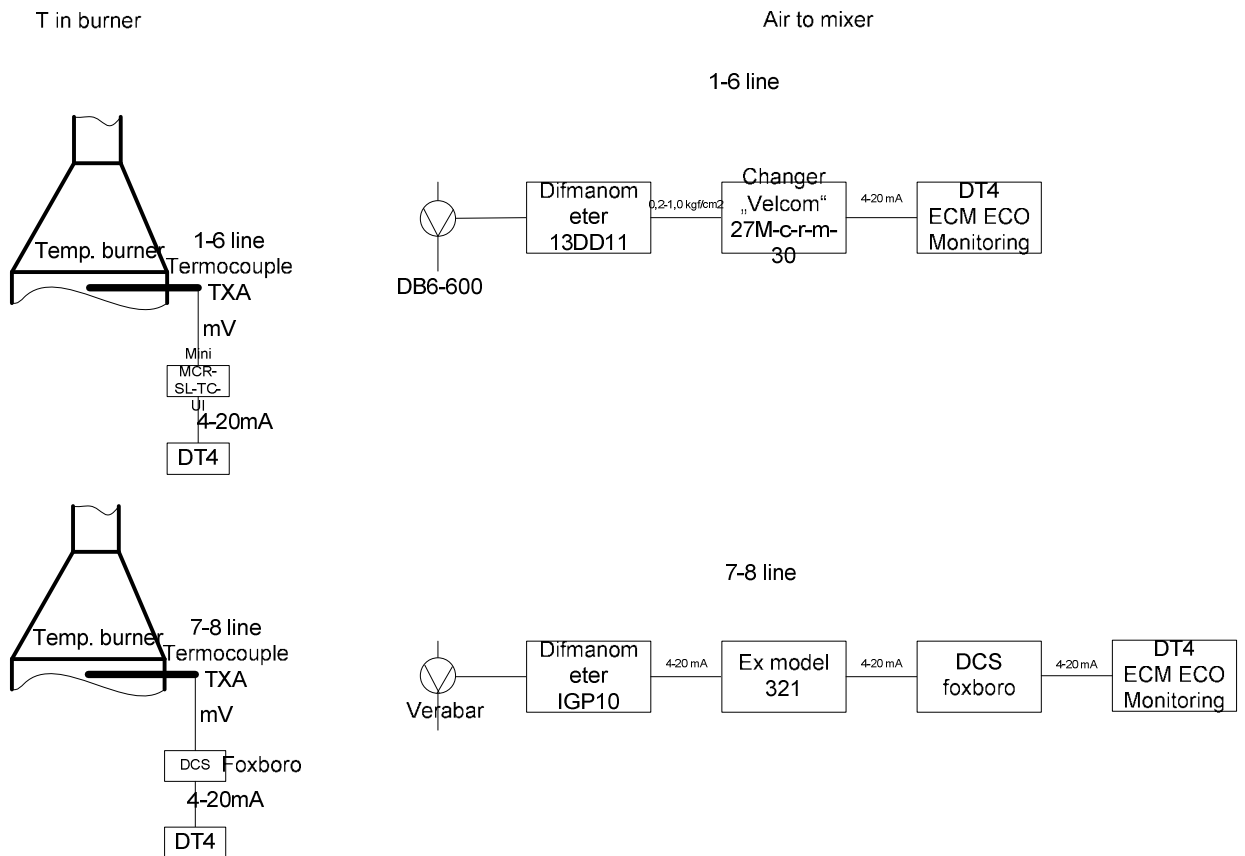


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line





Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further. Maintenance procedures for the ammonia oxidation parameters follow the existing procedures for the operation of the nitric acid plant.

### Nitric acid production

Nitric acid concentration is based on two components: nitric acid and water. Standard monitoring method is on-Line refractometry. Measurement of nitric acid (100%) mass volume production per campaign is necessary for calculation of the baseline emissions factor. Nitric acid concentration on all 8 Lines is measured by K-Patents PR-23-GP refractometers.

This analyzer is applying a prism to "return" a generated optical beam back to an LCD detector.



The detector is measuring refraction of monitored liquid based on known refraction of water and nitric acid. The instrument is calibrated for percent concentration of nitric acid. The analyzer is mounted on DIN-flange 2656, PN25 DN80. The optical prism does not require cleaning.

#### PR-23-GP characteristics:

- Measuring RI is a direct concentration measurement principle. No need to rely or convert magnitudes.

- Digital instrument – no calibration drift

- As it is a robust instrument it is maintenance free

- Dual connectivity if the installation positions allow.

- On-Line data logging, through Ethernet, on whichever web browser.

- No influence by bubbles or particles. It is very common that air enters the process pipeline and still the refractometer measures accurately.

Nitric acid concentration data are in an analog 4-20mA format provided to dataloggers which process these signals further.

In order of being able to calculate total mass volume of nitric acid 100% concentrate produced during the baseline campaign it is necessary to monitor also nitric acid flow and temperature. Measurement of pressure is not necessary for determination of the nitric acid mass volume flow, because nitric acid is in form of liquid and as such it has stable pressure characteristic.

Signals obtained from the nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further.

After installation of refractometers there have been occurrences of their failure and following repair service by the manufacturer. For this period starting from 05/10/2007 and ending on 15/09/2008 project uses HNO<sub>3</sub> concentration data provided by the laboratory measurements.

## 6. QAL 2 CALIBRATION ADJUSTMENTS

### 6.1 Applied principle

As required in the applicable norm EN14181: “The relation between the instrument readings of the recording measuring procedure and the quantity of the measuring objects has to be described by using a suitable convention method. The results have to be expressed by a regression analysis.”

As it is described in the Calibration Report issued by Airtec laboratory, the measurement results derived from the analog signals (4 mA to 20 mA) provided the installed instruments have been compared to the comparative measurements.

Linearity check of the instruments characteristics is stated in the QAL2 Calibration Report issued by the laboratory. The valid ranges of Linearity are determined by statistical analysis according to the guideline and the Linearity assumptions are further used in the Calibration Report establishing Linear regression Lines.

The general formula of the regression Line, established in the EN14181 and used in the Calibration Report is:

$$Y = a + bX$$

where:

X is the measured value of the instrument in mA  
Y is the value of the parameter being objective of the measurement  
a is a constant of the regression Line  
b is the slope of the regression Line

After a comparative test the laboratory issued the old and new regression Lines properties, namely “a” and “b” applying for all of the measured parameters that are subject to calibration as stated in the Calibration Report.

The QAL2 corrections are based on the fact that the actual analog current outputs (in mA) of the measurement instruments are relevant for both, the old and new regression Lines:

$$X_o = X_n = X$$

where:

X<sub>n</sub>: X new  
X<sub>o</sub>: X old

This allows us to derive a calibrating formula that gives us the corrected value of the measured physical parameters. The applied calibrating equation is:

$$Y_n = A_n + (B_n/B_o) * (Y_o - A_o)$$

In order to take into account the properties of the AMS and their implication to the QAL 2 implementation in the model, we will further introduce several remarks to the conversion and normalization of the data.

The units returned by the AMS “nm<sup>3</sup>/h” stand for normalized cubic meters of the gas volume at normal gas conditions (0° C, 1 atm.).

## 6.2 Stack gas volume flow

Based on the real conditions measured and applied by the AMS for normalization (TSG in °C and PSG in hPa), the stack gas volume flow values are converted to real conditions before the regression analysis using the ideal gas law. The actual gas volume flow rates are derived from gas velocity measurements, therefore, before applying the regression analysis the gas speed is calculated from the volume flow and the duct cross-section and is fed into the calibrating equation. The calibrated values derived from the calibrating equation then converted back to normalized units using the calibrated real conditions (calibrated TSG and PSG). The normalized calibrated stack gas flow rates are further fed into the emission calculation model for further processing as set out by the Approved Baseline and Monitoring Methodology AM\_0034.

## 6.3 Nitric acid concentration in stack gas

The nitric acid concentration in the raw data set from the AMS is in mgN<sub>2</sub>O/m<sub>3</sub>. The concentration was converted to ppmv to make it compatible with the regression Lines parameters. The nitrous gas concentration values are then calibrated using the provided regression Lines parameters and are input in the model.

## 6.4 Stack gas Temperature

The stack gas temperature was calibrated by the regression conversion formula

## 6.5 Stack gas Pressure

The calibration report provides us with a regression Line for the stack gas pressure. We calibrate the readings of the measurements system using the regression formula and applying the values (in kPa).

## 7. EMISSION REDUCTION CALCULATIONS

Table T 2 illustrates the establishment of historic campaign length based on 5 previous campaigns. Average production in 5 campaigns preceding the baseline campaign was 64 818 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and time duration was on average 238 days. Table contains also information on suppliers of primary catalysts for the line 5.

**T 2 Historic campaigns**

Line	ACHEMA UKL-5	Production	Start	End	Days	Production per day	Primary Catalyst	Composition
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	65 664	06 Jun 2003	23 Dec 2003	200	328	Heraeus	N/A *
	2 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	63 844	23 Dec 2003	24 Aug 2004	245	261	Heraeus	N/A *
	3 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	58 961	01 Sep 2004	10 May 2005	251	235	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	4 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	66 432	12 May 2005	06 Mar 2006	298	223	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	5 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	69 189	06 Nov 2006	23 May 2007	198	349	Heraeus	N/A *
Average HNO <sub>3</sub> production	t HNO <sub>3</sub>	<b>64 818</b>			<b>238</b>	<b>272</b>	* Confidential but available for the verification	
Project Campaigns	BL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	55 079	29 Nov 2007	17 Jun 2008	201	274	Umicore	N/A *
	PL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	69 860	28 Nov 2011	10 Jul 2012	226	310	Umicore	N/A *

The project campaign production value of 69 860 tHNO<sub>3</sub> was higher than historic nitric acid production set at level of 64 818 tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

It is business as usual scenario in Achema UKL-7 plant to keep using primary catalysts from several suppliers and with several compositions. Selection of primary catalysts is determined by technical parameters of their use and price levels offered by suppliers in specific time. Primary catalysts used during the baseline campaign, if other than used in previous campaign/s, did not increase emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O as confirmed by relevant statements provided to the verifier.

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started on 29/11/2007 and continued through 17/06/2008 when the 55 079 tHNO<sub>3</sub> nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached - tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

**T 3 Baseline campaign length**

ACHEMA UKL-5	Historic Campaigns End	Start of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Measurement NCSG	End of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Campaign
Dates	2007 May 23	2007 Nov 29	2008 Jun 17	2008 Jun 17	2008 Jun 18
Baseline Factor kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	6.61	6.61	6.61
Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	55 079	55 079	-
Per Day Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	271.9				
Baseline less Historic Production	(9 739.2)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(35.8)				



**C 1 Baseline campaign length**

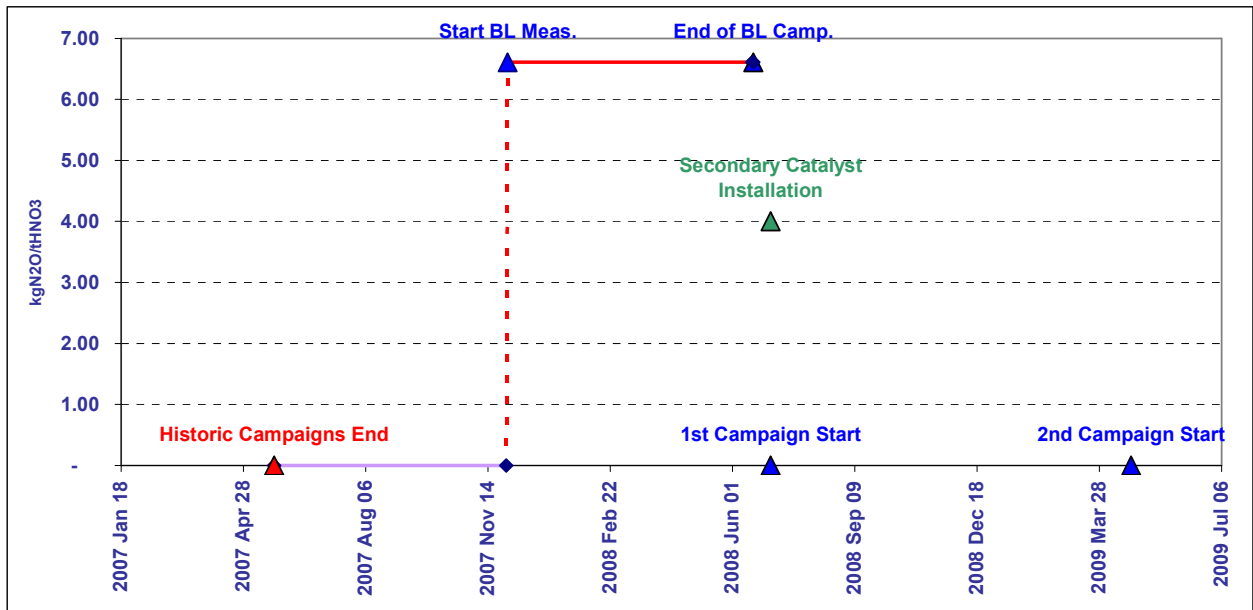


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 5 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 29/11/2007 through 17/06/2008.

Extreme values and data measured during hours when one or more of operating conditions were outside of the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculations. As a next step we have eliminated data beyond 95% confidence interval and calculated new mean values of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and stack gas volume flow using following method:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

Using the means values we have calculated the baseline emissions as set out in the PDD.

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were 385 tN<sub>2</sub>O.

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.450%, which is further modified by an uncertainty of 0.126% due to under-sampling. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 6.61 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 5 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 28/11/2011 and went through 10/07/2012.

We have eliminated extreme values and data beyond the 95% confidence interval as prescribed by the PDD.

- a) Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

Using the mean values we have calculated total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions ( $PE_n$ ) as follows:

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours (OH) defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred.

By dividing total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions by the nitric acid production (capped by nameplate capacity 350 tHNO<sub>3</sub>/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 1.81 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

$$EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

## T 4 Baseline emission factor

BASELINE EMISSION FACTOR										
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure	AMS in Operation	Nitric Acid Production
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm <sup>3</sup>	VSG Nm <sup>3</sup> /h	AFR Nm <sup>3</sup> /h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa	h	NCSG NAP t/h
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>										
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	50	0		0
Upper Limit		50.00	3.000	120.000	10.000	20.00	1.200	1.000		50
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>										
Count	4 519	4 571	4 660	4 558	4 701	4 414	4 797	4 698	4 064	4 571
as % of Dataset	94%	95%	97%	94%	97%	92%	99%	97%	84%	95%
Minimum		-	0	-	315	-	(0)	0		-
Maximum		15.02	2.289	82.389	6.482	19.73	908	673		15
Mean		12.05	1.239	65.232	5.932	10.24	844	613		12
Standard Deviation		3.12	288	15.041	990	0.81	195	46		3
Total		55.079								55.079
<b>N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)</b>										
Emission Factor		365 tN2O								
		6.27 kgN2O / tHNO3								
<b>Permitted Range</b>										
Minimum				4 500	0	0	880	0		
Maximum				7 500	11.70	800				
<b>Data within the permitted range</b>										
Count	4 249	4 211	4 211	4 211					4 064	
as % of Operating Hours	94%	93%	93%	93%					90%	
Minimum		717	717	6 728						
Maximum		2 289	2 289	78 602						
Mean		1 234	1 234	68 731						
Standard Deviation		225	225	2 256						
<b>N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)</b>										
Emission Factor		383 tN2O								
		6.58 kgN2O / tHNO3								
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>										
95% Confidence interval										
Lower bound			793	64 309						
Upper bound			1 675	73 153						
Count		4 009	4 009	4 063						
as % of Operating Hours		89%	89%	90%						
Minimum		796	796	64 317						
Maximum		1 674	1 674	73 152						
Mean		1 240	1 240	68 711						
Standard Deviation		204	204	1 796						
<b>N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)</b>										
Emission Factor (EF - BL)		385 tN2O								
		6.61 kgN2O / tHNO3								



**T 5 Project emission factor**

		PROJECT EMISSION FACTOR						
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>								
Lower limit	0	50.00	0	0	0	0	50	0
Upper Limit			3.000	120.000	10.000	20.00	1.200	1.000
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>								
Count	4 434	4 974	4 336	4 388	5 299	4 893	5 411	5 390
as % of Dataset	82%	92%	80%	81%	98%	90%	100%	100%
Minimum		0.66	18	53 326	275	3	(0)	1
Maximum		17.93	702	78 195	6 721	19.83	907	760
Mean		14.05	341	64 657	5 549	10.49	747	653
Standard Deviation		4.39	49	3 077	1 618	1.08	312	75
Total		69 860						
<b>N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)</b>		98 t N2O						
Emission Factor		1.40 kgN2O /tHNO3						
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>								
95% Confidence Interval								
Lower bound				245				58 626
Upper bound				438				70 688
Count				4 023				4 141
as % of Operating Hours				91%				93%
Minimum				245				58 671
Maximum				438				70 660
Mean				338				64 674
Standard Deviation				39				2 635
<b>N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)</b>		97 t N2O						
Actual Project Emission Factor (EF_PActual)		1.39 kgN2O /tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		79.0%						
<b>Moving Average Emission Factor Correction</b>								
	Actual Factors	Moving Average Rule						
1	1.68	1.68						
2	2.90	2.90						
3	1.39	1.99						
4	1.72	1.92						
5	1.39	1.81						
6	-	-						
<b>Project Emission Factor (EF_P)</b>		1.81 kgN2O /tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		72.5%						

# MONITORING REPORT

**PROJECT:** ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N<sub>2</sub>O abatement project

**LINE:** Line 6

**MONITORING PERIOD:**

**FROM:** 10/08/2011

**TO:** 23/04/2012

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This monitoring report determines baseline emission factor for the Line 6 of ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant and quantity of emission reduction generated during the fifth project campaign on Line 6.

The first project campaign on Line 6 started on 21/07/2008. Secondary catalyst was installed on 25/07/2008. Total quantity of emission reductions generated during the fifth project period from 10/08/2011 through 23/04/2012 on Line 6 is **175 218 ERUs**.

### T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	10.34	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	3.74	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	60 850	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	60 850	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	85 639	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
GWP	GWP	310	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/tN <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>175 218</b>	<b>tCO<sub>e</sub></b>
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
<b>Abatement Ratio</b>		<b>74.9%</b>	

EMISSION REDUCTION PER YEAR			
Year	2011	2012	2013
Date From	10 Aug 2011	01 Jan 2012	
Date To	31 Dec 2011	23 Apr 2012	
Nitric Acid Production	47 145	38 494	
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>96 459</b>	<b>78 759</b>	
<i>ER_YR = ER * NAP_P_YR / NAP_P</i>			

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 6 during baseline measurement carried from 11/01/2008 through 21/07/2008 is 10.34 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Project emission factor during the fifth project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 6, which started on 10/08/2011 and went through 23/04/2012 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 25/07/2008, is 3.74 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

During the project campaign 85 639 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions from nitric acid production Lines at the UKL-7 nitric acid plant of AB Achema (“Achema” or “the Company”). The Company is situated in Jonava, Lithuania.

Achema has installed and operates secondary N<sub>2</sub>O reduction catalysts underneath the primary catalyst precious metal catching and catalytic gauzes package in the ammonium burners of the UKL-7 nitric acid plant.

This monitoring report contains information on Line 6 emission reductions including information on baseline emission factor setting for the Line 6.

The separate treatment of nitric acid lines and overlapping of the monitoring periods are allowed by the clarification issued Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee: “CLARIFICATION REGARDING OVERLAPPING MONITORING PERIODS UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE”. The Project meets all the requirements set out by the clarification:

1. The Project is composed of clearly identifiable components for which emission reductions or enhancements of removals are calculated independently; and
2. Monitoring is performed independently for each of these components, i.e. the data/parameters monitored for one component are not dependent on/effect data/parameters (to be) monitored for another component; and
3. The monitoring plan ensures that monitoring is performed for all components and that in these cases all the requirements of the JI guidelines and further guidance by the JISC regarding monitoring are met.



### 3. BASELINE SETTING

Baseline emission factor for line 6 has been established on the Line-specific basis. Campaign used for baseline measurements on the line 6 has been carried out from 11/01/2008 through 21/07/2008.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation as an average of the measured values for the previous 60 minutes.

Measurement results can be distorted before and after periods of downtime or malfunction of the monitoring system and can lead to mavericks. To eliminate such extremes and to ensure a conservative approach, the following statistical evaluation is applied to the complete data series of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration as well as to the data series for gas volume flow. The statistical procedure is applied to data obtained after eliminating data measured for periods where the plant operated outside the permitted ranges:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N<sub>2</sub>O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by the total output of 100% concentrated nitric acid during baseline campaign.

The overall uncertainty of the monitoring system has been determined by the QAL2 report and the measurement error is expressed as a percentage (UNC). The N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF<sub>BL</sub>) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
$EF_{BL}$	Baseline $N_2O$ emissions factor ( $tN_2O/tHNO_3$ )
$BE_{BC}$	Total $N_2O$ emissions during the baseline campaign ( $tN_2O$ )
$NCSG_{BC}$	Mean concentration of $N_2O$ in the stack gas during the baseline campaign ( $mgN_2O/m^3$ )
$OH_{BC}$	Operating hours of the baseline campaign (h)
$VSG_{BC}$	Mean gas volume flow rate at the stack in the baseline measurement period ( $m^3/h$ )
$NAP_{BC}$	Nitric acid production during the baseline campaign ( $tHNO_3$ )
UNC	Overall uncertainty of the monitoring system (%), calculated as the combined uncertainty of the applied monitoring equipment.

### 3.1 Measurement procedure for $N_2O$ concentration and tail gas volume flow

#### 3.1.1 Tail gas $N_2O$ concentration

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from the Line 6 tail gas duct at sampling point located after expansion turbine and transported by sample Line to the Monitoring room A, where the analyzer is located.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer ( $4^{\circ}C$ ), so  $N_2O$  concentration is measured on a dry basis.

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines.  $N_2O$  concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

$N_2O$  concentration measured data are sent from the analyzer on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

#### 3.1.2 Tail gas flow rate, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section. Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### 3.2 Permitted range of operating conditions of the nitric acid plant

Under certain circumstances, the operating conditions during the measurement period used to determine baseline  $N_2O$  emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions.  $N_2O$  baseline data measured during hours

where the operating conditions were outside the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculation of the baseline emissions factor.

Normal ranges for operating conditions have been determined for the following parameters:

- oxidation temperature;
- oxidation pressure;
- ammonia gas flow rate,
- air input flow rate.

The permitted range for these parameters has been established using the plant operation manual, as described in the PDD..

### **3.3 Historic Campaign Length**

The average historic campaign length ( $CL_{normal}$ ) defined as the average campaign length for the historic campaigns used to define operating condition (the previous 5 campaigns), has been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign.

## 4. PROJECT EMISSIONS

During the first project campaign on line 6 the tail gas volume flow in the stack of the nitric acid plant as well as N<sub>2</sub>O concentration have been measured on the continuous basis.

### 4.1.1 Estimation of campaign-specific project emissions factor

The monitoring system was installed using the guidance document EN 14181 and provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation. Same statistical evaluation that was applied to the baseline data series has been applied to the project data series:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
VSG	Mean stack gas volume flow rate for the project campaign (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N <sub>2</sub> O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN <sub>2</sub> O/m <sup>3</sup> )
PE <sub>n</sub>	Total N <sub>2</sub> O emissions of the n <sup>th</sup> project campaign (tN <sub>2</sub> O)
OH	Is the number of hours of operation in the specific monitoring period (h)

### 4.1.2 Derivation of a moving average emission factor

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

## 4.2 Minimum project emission factor

The minimum average emission factor established factor will be established after 10th project campaign.

## 4.3 Project Campaign Length

Project campaign production of nitric acid has been below defined nameplate capacity and thus all NAP produced from date of installation of secondary catalysts has been used for calculation of emission reductions.

Because the nitric acid production during the project was higher than the baseline, all of the baseline NCSG values were used to determine the baseline emission factor.

#### 4.4 Leakage

No leakage calculation is required.

#### 4.5 Emission reductions

The emission reductions for the project activity during this campaign have been determined by deducting the campaign-specific emission factor from the baseline emission factor and multiplying the result by the production output of 100% concentrated nitric acid over the campaign period and the GWP of N<sub>2</sub>O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWP_{N_2O} \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

Variable	Definition
ER	Emission reductions of the project for the specific campaign (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
NAP	Nitric acid production for the project campaign (tHNO <sub>3</sub> ). The maximum value of NAP shall not exceed the design capacity.
EFBL	Baseline emissions factor (tN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
EFP	Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from this particular campaign (i.e. the higher of EF <sub>ma,n</sub> and EF <sub>n</sub> )

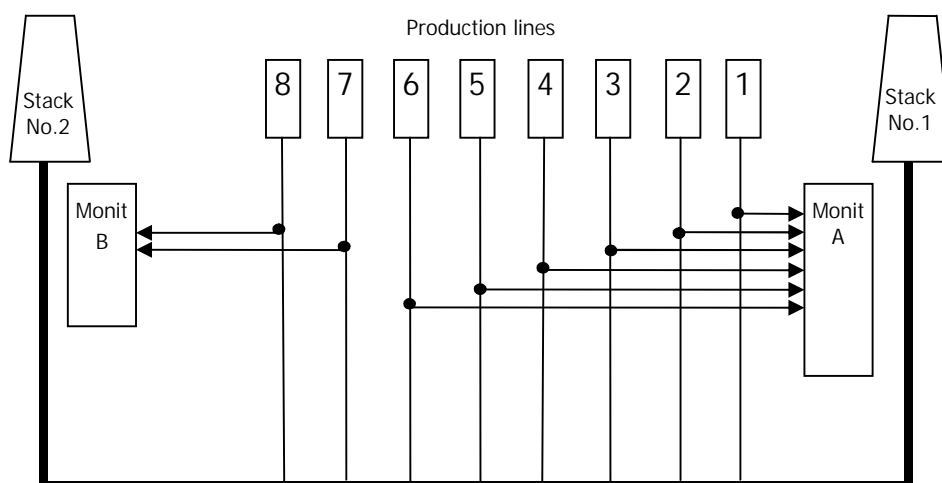
## 5. MONITORING PLAN

### Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O from the plant in such a way that is compliant with the prescriptions of the AM0034/Version 02.

### Plant description

The UKL-7 nitric acid plant comprises 8 production Lines numbered from 1 through 8, each with its own burner, absorption column and expansion turbine. Each production Line represents a separate nitric acid production unit independent from each other. The tail gases from each Line are after expansion turbines led to a common stack bus and vented through two interconnected stacks.



Primary catalyst is changed at different times thus it is necessary to measure the emissions from each Line individually. This means that eight separate sets of monitoring equipment are installed to measure tail gas flow, nitric acid production, nitric acid concentration, and the operating conditions. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

### Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N<sub>2</sub>O monitoring system that includes both a gas volume flow meter to determine the tail gas mass volume flow and an infrared gas analyser to determine the concentration of N<sub>2</sub>O.

But tail gas N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and tail gas volume flow meter alone are not sufficient for a JI project purposes. In order of being able to calculate the baseline emission factor expressed as tonnage of N<sub>2</sub>O in t CO<sub>2</sub>e per 1 tonne of HNO<sub>3</sub> (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO<sub>3</sub> measurement, and in order of being able to document normal operating conditions it is necessary to include also operating conditions measurement.

Because of this we use the term Monitoring System (MS) to describe entire monitoring system directly and indirectly used for the JI purposes, while Automated Measurement System (AMS) covers only N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and tail gas mass volume part of the MS.

Monitoring System (MS) for purpose of this monitoring plan means:

**monitoring system measuring operational conditions;**

- Ammonia volume flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air volume flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

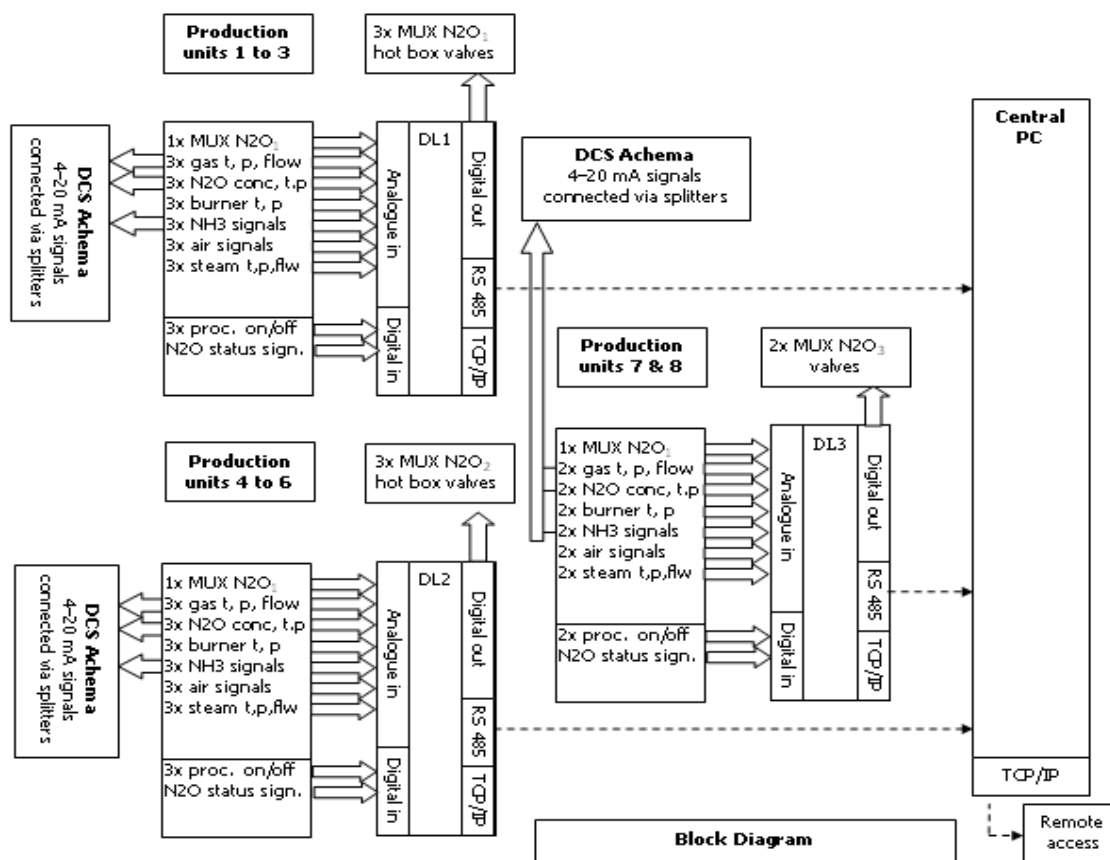
**nitric acid 100% concentrate production;**

- Nitric acid concentration
- Nitric acid flow
- Nitric acid temperature

**and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)**

- N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the stack
- Stack volume flow rate
- Stack gas temperature
- Stack gas pressure

Incorporation of the AMS into the MS by interfacing already existing and newly installed measurement devices is documented by the diagram below.



## N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

## N<sub>2</sub>O concentration

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from respective tail gas ducts at sampling points located after expansion turbines and transported by heated sample lines to the Monitoring room A located next to the main production hall. This applies to 2 concentration meters measuring lines 1-3 and lines 4-6. lines 7-8 are measured by third concentration meter located at the other side of the production hall (Monitoring room B) physically closer to respective production lines 7 and 8.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured on a dry basis. Correction of dry basis ppmV value to real wet tail



gas conditions based on steam flow injected into the system is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

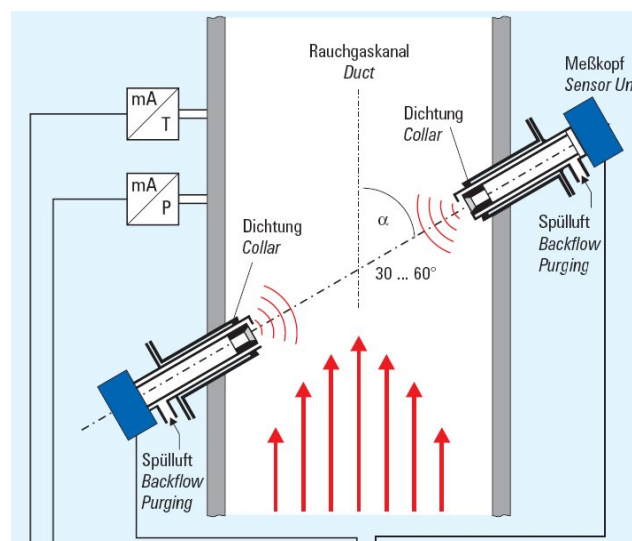
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis. Tail gas samples are automatically switched. Under-sampling uncertainty is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

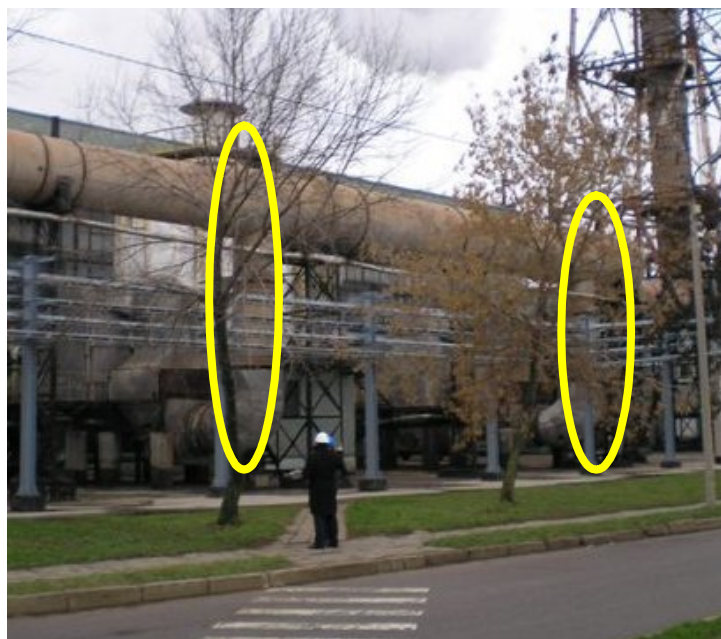
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section.



The tail gas ducts do not allow any optimum location to perform the flow monitoring. The only possible location is the quite short vertical tube behind the 90° “knee”.



Since the flow is not really laminar, a classical Pitot tube one point solution wouldn't allow good results. The ultrasonic system is under these conditions superior to differential pressure. Cross duct monitoring is more accurate than a couple of discrete point averaged pressure.

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **Tail gas steam injection elimination**

Steam injected into the Achema UKL-7 tail gas for purpose of increasing the turbine output is eliminated from the tail gas mass flow calculation by following formulae:

$$\text{flow - STVF} = \text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325) * ((100 - \text{Humi}) / 100)$$

where Humi (water content)=

$$(\text{Flow\_steam} * 1.2436) / (\text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325)) * 100 + 0.6$$

where 1.2436 is the conversion factor from kg/h to Nm<sup>3</sup>/h and 0.6% is a value of humidity present in a flue gas permanently without steam injection

The Flow\_steam parameter necessary for calculation of the water content in the dataloggers is provided in the kg/h unit.

Achema measures steam flow in kg/h using formula  $Q=C*\sqrt{dp}$  , where C is flow constant which is already integrated using an orifice plate sizing program. The orifice plate calculation for injection steam has been done for temperature 250°C and pressure 6 bar.

Flow steam in kg/h measured by using the constant steam T and P values is then recalculated to actual steam T and P values valid for relevant hours and as result the STVF value cleaned of the steam injected is used for further emission reductions calculations.

### **EN14181 compliance**

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N<sub>2</sub>O AMS consists from the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N<sub>2</sub>O measurand specifically) and after full commissioning of the monitoring system there was the QAL2 test carried out by an independent laboratory certified according to ISO17025.

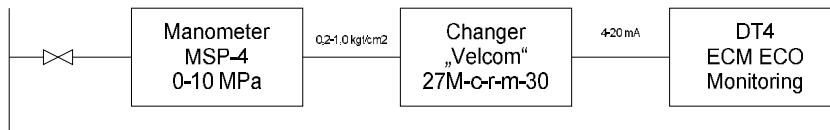
### **Operating conditions**

For purpose of the baseline emissions factor setting it is necessary to monitor and report operating conditions in all 8 burners. Namely:

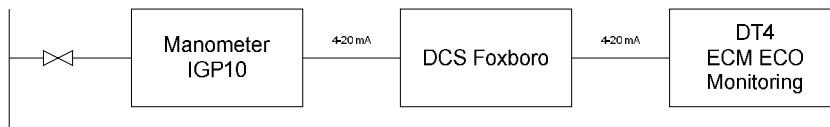
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

All these parameters are measured by the plant monitoring system as presented on diagrams below:

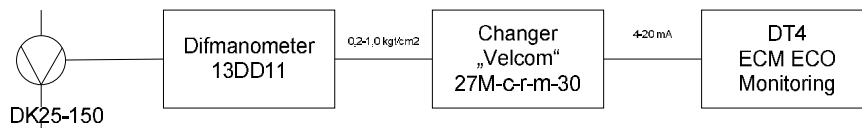
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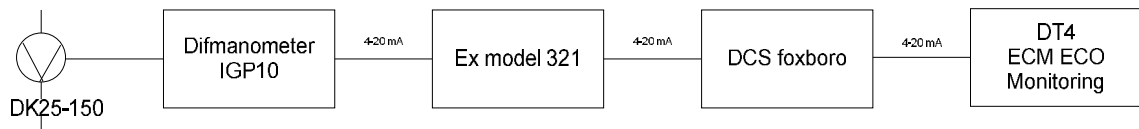
P in mixer 7-8 line

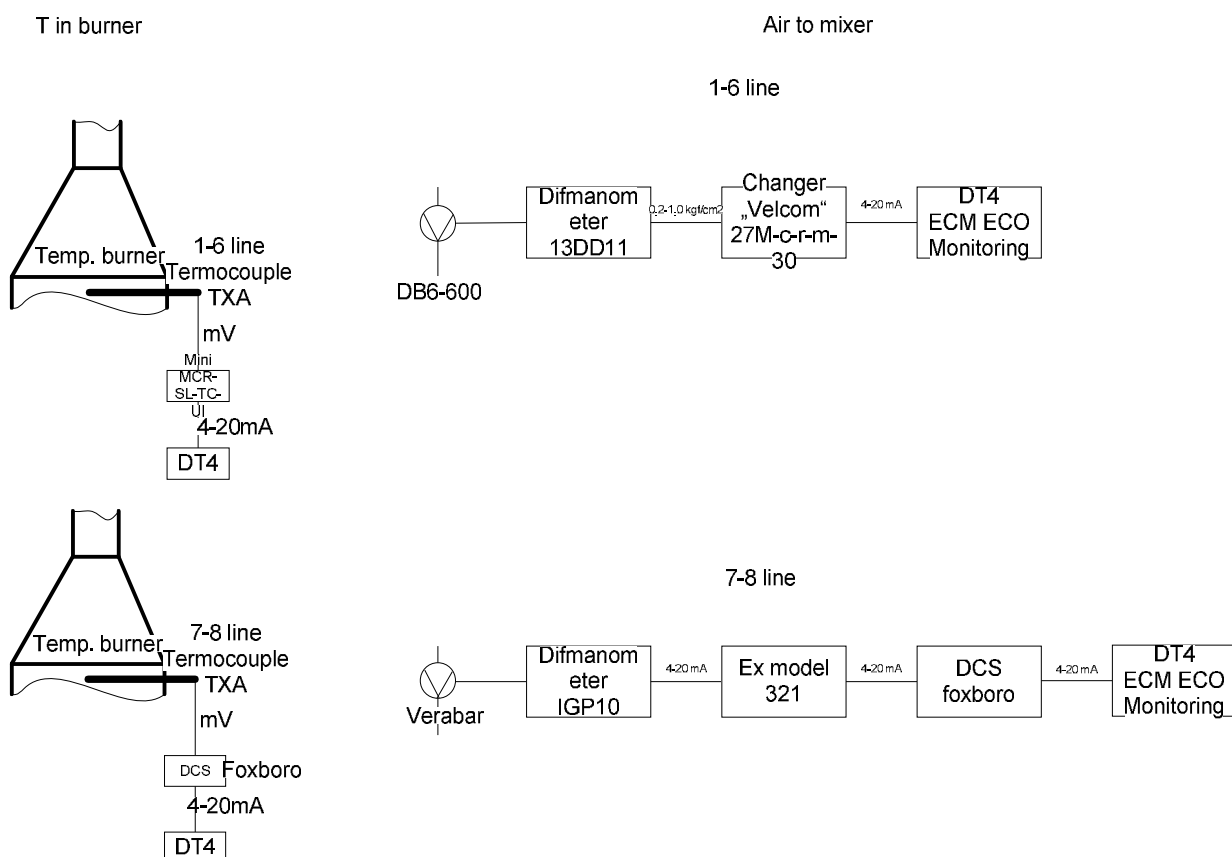


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



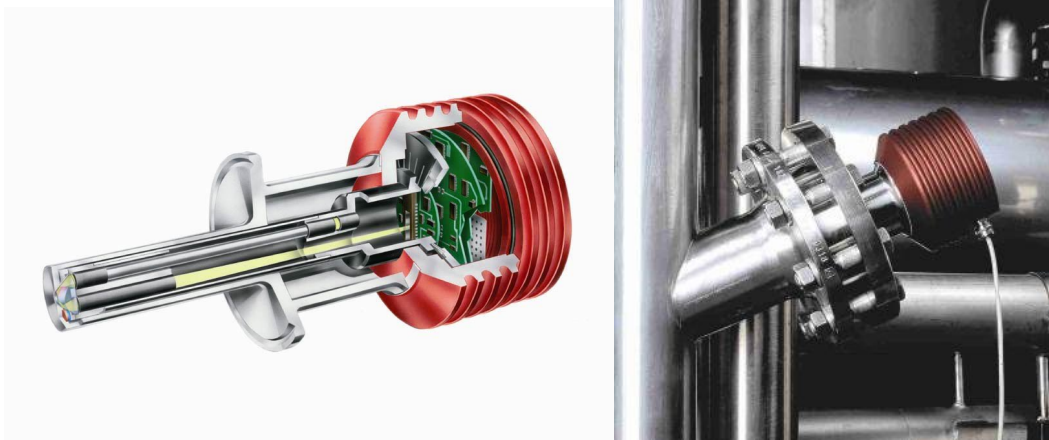


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further. Maintenance procedures for the ammonia oxidation parameters follow the existing procedures for the operation of the nitric acid plant.

### Nitric acid production

Nitric acid concentration is based on two components: nitric acid and water. Standard monitoring method is on-Line refractometry. Measurement of nitric acid (100%) mass volume production per campaign is necessary for calculation of the baseline emissions factor. Nitric acid concentration on all 8 Lines is measured by K-Patents PR-23-GP refractometers.

This analyzer is applying a prism to “return” a generated optical beam back to an LCD detector.



The detector is measuring refraction of monitored liquid based on known refraction of water and nitric acid. The instrument is calibrated for percent concentration of nitric acid. The analyzer is mounted on DIN-flange 2656, PN25 DN80. The optical prism does not require cleaning.

**PR-23-GP characteristics:**

Measuring RI is a direct concentration measurement principle. No need to rely or convert magnitudes.

Digital instrument – no calibration drift

As it is a robust instrument it is maintenance free

Dual connectivity if the installation positions allow.

On-Line data logging, through Ethernet, on whichever web browser.

No influence by bubbles or particles. It is very common that air enters the process pipeline and still the refractometer measures accurately.

Nitric acid concentration data are in an analog 4-20mA format provided to dataloggers which process these signals further.

In order of being able to calculate total mass volume of nitric acid 100% concentrate produced during the baseline campaign it is necessary to monitor also nitric acid flow and temperature. Measurement of pressure is not necessary for determination of the nitric acid mass volume flow, because nitric acid is in form of liquid and as such it has stable pressure characteristic.

Signals obtained from the nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further.

After installation of refractometers there have been occurrences of their failure and following repair service by the manufacturer. For this period starting from 05/10/2007 and ending on 08/09/2008 project uses HNO<sub>3</sub> concentration data provided by the laboratory measurements.

## 6. QAL 2 CALIBRATION ADJUSTMENTS

### 6.1 Applied principle

As required in the applicable norm EN14181: “The relation between the instrument readings of the recording measuring procedure and the quantity of the measuring objects has to be described by using a suitable convention method. The results have to be expressed by a regression analysis.”

As it is described in the Calibration Report issued by Airtec laboratory, the measurement results derived from the analog signals (4 mA to 20 mA) provided the installed instruments have been compared to the comparative measurements.

Linearity check of the instruments characteristics is stated in the QAL2 Calibration Report issued by the laboratory. The valid ranges of Linearity are determined by statistical analysis according to the guideline and the Linearity assumptions are further used in the Calibration Report establishing Linear regression Lines.

The general formula of the regression Line, established in the EN14181 and used in the Calibration Report is:

$$Y = a + bX$$

where:

X is the measured value of the instrument in mA  
Y is the value of the parameter being objective of the measurement  
a is a constant of the regression Line  
b is the slope of the regression Line

After a comparative test the laboratory issued the old and new regression Lines properties, namely “a” and “b” applying for all of the measured parameters that are subject to calibration as stated in the Calibration Report.

The QAL2 corrections are based on the fact that the actual analog current outputs (in mA) of the measurement instruments are relevant for both, the old and new regression Lines:

$$X_o = X_n = X$$

where:

X<sub>n</sub>: X new  
X<sub>o</sub>: X old



This allows us to derive a calibrating formula that gives us the corrected value of the measured physical parameters. The applied calibrating equation is:

$$Y_n = A_n + (B_n/B_o) * (Y_o - A_o)$$

In order to take into account the properties of the AMS and their implication to the QAL 2 implementation in the model, we will further introduce several remarks to the conversion and normalization of the data.

The units returned by the AMS “nm<sup>3</sup>/h” stand for normalized cubic meters of the gas volume at normal gas conditions (0° C, 1 atm.).

## 6.2 Stack gas volume flow

Based on the real conditions measured and applied by the AMS for normalization (TSG in °C and PSG in hPa), the stack gas volume flow values are converted to real conditions before the regression analysis using the ideal gas law. The actual gas volume flow rates are derived from gas velocity measurements, therefore, before applying the regression analysis the gas speed is calculated from the volume flow and the duct cross-section and is fed into the calibrating equation. The calibrated values derived from the calibrating equation then converted back to normalized units using the calibrated real conditions (calibrated TSG and PSG). The normalized calibrated stack gas flow rates are further fed into the emission calculation model for further processing as set out by the Approved Baseline and Monitoring Methodology AM\_0034.

## 6.3 Nitric acid concentration in stack gas

The nitric acid concentration in the raw data set from the AMS is in mgN<sub>2</sub>O/m<sup>3</sup>. The concentration was converted to ppmv to make it compatible with the regression Lines parameters. The nitrous gas concentration values are then calibrated using the provided regression Lines parameters and are input in the model.

## 6.4 Stack gas Temperature

The stack gas temperature was calibrated by the regression conversion formula

## 6.5 Stack gas Pressure

The calibration report provides us with a regression Line for the stack gas pressure. We calibrate the readings of the measurements system using the regression formula and applying the values (in kPa).

## 7. EMISSION REDUCTION CALCULATIONS

Table T 2 illustrates the establishment of historic campaign length based on 5 previous campaigns. Average production in 5 campaigns preceding the baseline campaign was 61 599 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and time duration was on average 241 days. Table contains also information on suppliers of primary catalysts for the line 6.

**T 2 Historic campaigns**

Line	ACHEMA UKL-6	Production	Start	End	Days	Production per day	Primary Catalyst	Composition
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	62 918	28 Aug 2003	25 Mar 2004	210	300	Heraeus	N/A *
	2 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	61 366	01 Apr 2004	02 Feb 2005	307	200	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	3 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	64 872	26 Jul 2005	10 Mar 2006	227	286	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	4 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	55 693	10 Mar 2006	29 Nov 2006	264	211	Umicore	N/A *
	5 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	63 148	29 Nov 2006	12 Jun 2007	195	324	Heraeus	N/A *
Average HNO <sub>3</sub> production	t HNO <sub>3</sub>	<b>61 599</b>			<b>241</b>	<b>256</b>	* Confidential but available for the verification	
Project Campaigns	BL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	60 850	11 Jan 2008	21 Jul 2008	192	317	Heraeus	N/A *
	PL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	85 639	10 Aug 2011	23 Apr 2012	257	333	Heraeus	N/A *

The project campaign production value of 85 639 tHNO<sub>3</sub> was higher than historic nitric acid production set at level of 61 599 tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

It is business as usual scenario in Achema UKL-7 plant to keep using primary catalysts from several suppliers and with several compositions. Selection of primary catalysts is determined by technical parameters of their use and price levels offered by suppliers in specific time. Primary catalysts used during the baseline campaign, if other than used in previous campaign/s, did not increase emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O as confirmed by relevant statements provided to the verifier.

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started on 11/01/2008 and continued through 21/07/2008 when the 60 850 tHNO<sub>3</sub> nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached - tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

**T 3 Baseline campaign length**

ACHEMA UKL-6	Historic Campaigns End	Start of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Measurement NCSG	End of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Campaign
Dates	2007 Jun 12	2008 Jan 11	2008 Jul 21	2008 Jul 21	2008 Jul 22
Baseline Factor kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	10.34	10.34	10.34
Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	60 850	60 850	-
Per Day Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	256.0				
Baseline less Historic Production	(749.3)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(2.9)				

### C 1 Baseline campaign length

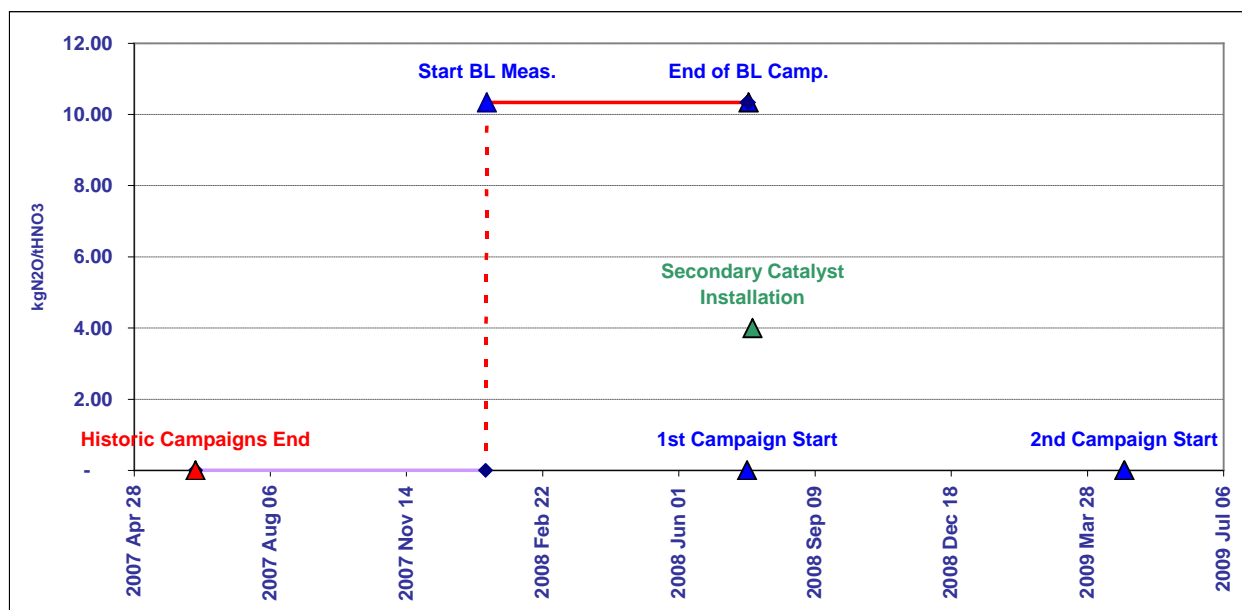


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 6 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 11/01/2008 through 21/07/2008.

Extreme values and data measured during hours when one or more of operating conditions were outside of the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculations. As a next step we have eliminated data beyond 95% confidence interval and calculated new mean values of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and stack gas volume flow using following method:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (*x*)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (*s*)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

Using the means values we have calculated the baseline emissions as set out in the PDD.

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were 667 tN<sub>2</sub>O.

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.620%, which is further modified by an uncertainty of 0.105% due to under-sampling. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 10.34 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 6 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 10/08/2011 and went through 23/04/2012.

We have eliminated extreme values and data beyond the 95% confidence interval as prescribed by the PDD.

- a) Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

Using the mean values we have calculated total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions ( $PE_n$ ) as follows:

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours (OH) defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred.

By dividing total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions by the nitric acid production (capped by nameplate capacity 350 tHNO<sub>3</sub>/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 3.74 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

$$EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

### T 4 Baseline emission factor

BASELINE EMISSION FACTOR											
	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure	AMS in Operation	Nitric Acid Production NCSG	
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa	h	NAP t/h	
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>											
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	50	0		0	
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000		50	
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>											
Count	4 233	4 363	4 494	4 290	4 324	4 361	4 585	4 564	3 944	4 363	
as % of Dataset	92%	95%	98%	93%	94%	95%	100%	99%	86%	95%	
Minimum		-	1	2	568	-	(1)	0		-	
Maximum		16.37	2 303	117 970	6 423	15.58	905	634		16	
Mean		13.95	1 422	99 960	6 050	10.50	833	583		14	
Standard Deviation		3.18	416	17 673	456	1.70	201	44		3	
Total		60 850								60 850	
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH) <span style="float: right;">602 t N2O</span>											
Emission Factor <span style="float: right;">9.33 kgN2O / tHNO3</span>											
<b>Permitted Range</b>											
Minimum					4 500	0	880	0			
Maximum					7 500	11.70	910	800			
<b>Data within the permitted range</b>											
Count	4 116		4 015	4 015					3 944		
as % of Operating Hours	97%		95%	95%					93%		
Minimum			7	10 156							
Maximum			2 074	110 925							
Mean			1 456	103 058							
Standard Deviation			312	2 541							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH) <span style="float: right;">635 t N2O</span>											
Emission Factor <span style="float: right;">9.85 kgN2O / tHNO3</span>											
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			844	98 078							
Upper bound			2 068	108 039							
Count			3 695	3 991							
as % of Operating Hours			87%	94%							
Minimum			997	98 180							
Maximum			2 062	108 018							
Mean			1 528	103 105							
Standard Deviation			201	1 728							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH) <span style="float: right;">667 t N2O</span>											
Emission Factor (EF_BL) <span style="float: right;">10.34 kgN2O / tHNO3</span>											

**T 5 Project emission factor**

PROJECT EMISSION FACTOR								
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>								
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	50	0
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>								
Count	5 643	5 969	5 583	5 625	6 132	5 676	6 133	6 126
as % of Dataset	92%	97%	91%	91%	99%	92%	99%	99%
Minimum		-	15	11	-	0	-	-
Maximum		16.66	591	98 281	7 957	16.51	1 100	704
Mean		14.35	473	81 911	5 962	10.26	860	611
Standard Deviation		2.86	43	9 177	1 370	0.26	176	81
Total		85 639						
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		219	t N2O					
Emission Factor		2.55	kgN2O / tHNO3					
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>								
95% Confidence interval								
Lower bound				388	63 924			
Upper bound				558	99 899			
Count				5 143	5 569			
as % of Operating Hours				91%	99%			
Minimum				389	67 579			
Maximum				558	98 281			
Mean				476	82 817			
Standard Deviation				30	4 416			
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		223	t N2O					
Actual Project Emission Factor (EF_PActual)		2.60	kgN2O / tHNO3					
Abatement Ratio		74.9%						
<b>Moving Average Emission Factor Correction</b>								
	Actual Factors	Moving Average Rule						
	1	4.94	4.94					
	2	4.39	4.67					
	3	4.31	4.55					
	4	2.48	4.03					
	5	2.60	3.74					
	6	-						
Project Emission Factor (EF_P)		3.74	kgN2O / tHNO3					
Abatement Ratio		63.8%						

# MONITORING REPORT

**PROJECT:** ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N<sub>2</sub>O abatement project

**LINE:** Line 7

**MONITORING PERIOD:**

**FROM:** 02/09/2011

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This monitoring report determines baseline emission factor for the Line 7 of ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant and quantity of emission reduction generated during the fifth project campaign on Line 7.

The first project campaign on Line 7 started on 28/03/2008. Secondary catalyst was installed on 03/07/2008. Total quantity of emission reductions generated during the fifth project period from 02/09/2011 through 07/05/2012 on Line 7 is **149 336 ERUs**.

### T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	9.09	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	1.88	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	55 626	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	55 626	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	66 814	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
GWP	GWP	310	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/tN <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>149 336</b>	<b>tCO<sub>e</sub></b>
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
<b>Abatement Ratio</b>		<b>85.1%</b>	

EMISSION REDUCTION PER YEAR			
Year	2011	2012	2013
Date From	02 Sep 2011	01 Jan 2012	
Date To	31 Dec 2011	07 May 2012	
Nitric Acid Production	25 709	41 105	
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>57 462</b>	<b>91 874</b>	
<i>ER_YR = ER * NAP_P_YR / NAP_P</i>			

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 7 during baseline measurement carried from 12/09/2007 through 27/03/2008 is 9.09 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Project emission factor during the fifth project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 7, which started on 02/09/2011 and went through 07/05/2012 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 03/07/2008, is 1.88 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

During the project campaign 66 814 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions from nitric acid production Lines at the UKL-7 nitric acid plant of AB Achema (“Achema” or “the Company”). The Company is situated in Jonava, Lithuania.

Achema has installed and operates secondary N<sub>2</sub>O reduction catalysts underneath the primary catalyst precious metal catching and catalytic gauzes package in the ammonium burners of the UKL-7 nitric acid plant.

This monitoring report contains information on Line 7 emission reductions including information on baseline emission factor setting for the Line 7.

The separate treatment of nitric acid lines and overlapping of the monitoring periods are allowed by the clarification issued Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee: “CLARIFICATION REGARDING OVERLAPPING MONITORING PERIODS UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE”. The Project meets all the requirements set out by the clarification:

1. The Project is composed of clearly identifiable components for which emission reductions or enhancements of removals are calculated independently; and
2. Monitoring is performed independently for each of these components, i.e. the data/parameters monitored for one component are not dependent on/effect data/parameters (to be) monitored for another component; and
3. The monitoring plan ensures that monitoring is performed for all components and that in these cases all the requirements of the JI guidelines and further guidance by the JISC regarding monitoring are met.

### 3. BASELINE SETTING

Baseline emission factor for line 7 has been established on the Line-specific basis. Campaign used for baseline measurements on the line 7 has been carried out from 12/09/2007 through 27/03/2008.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation as an average of the measured values for the previous 60 minutes.

Measurement results can be distorted before and after periods of downtime or malfunction of the monitoring system and can lead to mavericks. To eliminate such extremes and to ensure a conservative approach, the following statistical evaluation is applied to the complete data series of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration as well as to the data series for gas volume flow. The statistical procedure is applied to data obtained after eliminating data measured for periods where the plant operated outside the permitted ranges:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N<sub>2</sub>O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by the total output of 100% concentrated nitric acid during baseline campaign.

The overall uncertainty of the monitoring system has been determined by the QAL2 report and the measurement error is expressed as a percentage (UNC). The N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF<sub>BL</sub>) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
$EF_{BL}$	Baseline $N_2O$ emissions factor (t $N_2O$ /t $HNO_3$ )
$BE_{BC}$	Total $N_2O$ emissions during the baseline campaign (t $N_2O$ )
$NCSG_{BC}$	Mean concentration of $N_2O$ in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mg $N_2O$ /m <sup>3</sup> )
$OH_{BC}$	Operating hours of the baseline campaign (h)
$VSG_{BC}$	Mean gas volume flow rate at the stack in the baseline measurement period (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
$NAP_{BC}$	Nitric acid production during the baseline campaign (t $HNO_3$ )
UNC	Overall uncertainty of the monitoring system (%), calculated as the combined uncertainty of the applied monitoring equipment.

### **3.1 Measurement procedure for $N_2O$ concentration and tail gas volume flow**

#### **3.1.1 Tail gas $N_2O$ concentration**

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from the Line 7 tail gas duct at sampling point located after expansion turbine and transported by sample Line to the Monitoring room B, where the analyzer is located.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so  $N_2O$  concentration is measured on a dry basis.

$N_2O$  concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines.  $N_2O$  concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

$N_2O$  concentration measured data are sent from the analyzer on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

#### **3.1.2 Tail gas flow rate, pressure and temperature**

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section. Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **3.2 Permitted range of operating conditions of the nitric acid plant**

Under certain circumstances, the operating conditions during the measurement period used to determine baseline  $N_2O$  emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions.  $N_2O$  baseline data measured during hours

where the operating conditions were outside the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculation of the baseline emissions factor.

Normal ranges for operating conditions have been determined for the following parameters:

- oxidation temperature;
- oxidation pressure;
- ammonia gas flow rate,
- air input flow rate.

The permitted range for these parameters has been established using the plant operation manual, as described in the PDD..

### **3.3 Historic Campaign Length**

The average historic campaign length ( $CL_{normal}$ ) defined as the average campaign length for the historic campaigns used to define operating condition (the previous 5 campaigns), has been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign.

## 4. PROJECT EMISSIONS

During the first project campaign on line 7 the tail gas volume flow in the stack of the nitric acid plant as well as N<sub>2</sub>O concentration have been measured on the continuous basis.

### 4.1.1 Estimation of campaign-specific project emissions factor

The monitoring system was installed using the guidance document EN 14181 and provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation. Same statistical evaluation that was applied to the baseline data series has been applied to the project data series:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
VSG	Mean stack gas volume flow rate for the project campaign (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N <sub>2</sub> O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN <sub>2</sub> O/m <sup>3</sup> )
PE <sub>n</sub>	Total N <sub>2</sub> O emissions of the n <sup>th</sup> project campaign (tN <sub>2</sub> O)
OH	Is the number of hours of operation in the specific monitoring period (h)

### 4.1.2 Derivation of a moving average emission factor

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

## 4.2 Minimum project emission factor

The minimum average emission factor established factor will be established after 10th project campaign.

## 4.3 Project Campaign Length

Project campaign production of nitric acid has been below defined nameplate capacity and thus all NAP produced from date of installation of secondary catalysts has been used for calculation of emission reductions.

Because the nitric acid production during the project was higher than the baseline, all of the baseline NCSG values were used to determine the baseline emission factor.

#### 4.4 Leakage

No leakage calculation is required.

#### 4.5 Emission reductions

The emission reductions for the project activity during this campaign have been determined by deducting the campaign-specific emission factor from the baseline emission factor and multiplying the result by the production output of 100% concentrated nitric acid over the campaign period and the GWP of N<sub>2</sub>O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWP_{N_2O} \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
ER	Emission reductions of the project for the specific campaign (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
NAP	Nitric acid production for the project campaign (tHNO <sub>3</sub> ). The maximum value of NAP shall not exceed the design capacity.
EFBL	Baseline emissions factor (tN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
EFP	Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from this particular campaign (i.e. the higher of EF <sub>ma,n</sub> and EF <sub>n</sub> )

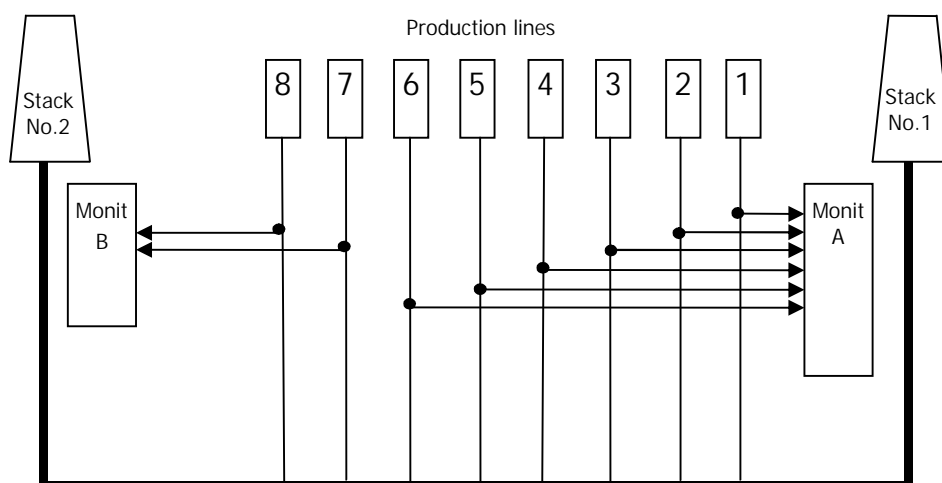
## 5. MONITORING PLAN

### Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O from the plant in such a way that is compliant with the prescriptions of the AM0034/Version 02.

### Plant description

The UKL-7 nitric acid plant comprises 8 production Lines numbered from 1 through 8, each with its own burner, absorption column and expansion turbine. Each production Line represents a separate nitric acid production unit independent from each other. The tail gases from each Line are after expansion turbines led to a common stack bus and vented through two interconnected stacks.



Primary catalyst is changed at different times thus it is necessary to measure the emissions from each Line individually. This means that eight separate sets of monitoring equipment are installed to measure tail gas flow, nitric acid production, nitric acid concentration, and the operating conditions. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

### Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N<sub>2</sub>O monitoring system that includes both a gas volume flow meter to determine the tail gas mass volume flow and an infrared gas analyser to determine the concentration of N<sub>2</sub>O.



But tail gas N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and tail gas volume flow meter alone are not sufficient for a JI project purposes. In order of being able to calculate the baseline emission factor expressed as tonnage of N<sub>2</sub>O in t CO<sub>2</sub>e per 1 tonne of HNO<sub>3</sub> (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO<sub>3</sub> measurement, and in order of being able to document normal operating conditions it is necessary to include also operating conditions measurement.

Because of this we use the term Monitoring System (MS) to describe entire monitoring system directly and indirectly used for the JI purposes, while Automated Measurement System (AMS) covers only N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and tail gas mass volume part of the MS.

Monitoring System (MS) for purpose of this monitoring plan means:

**monitoring system measuring operational conditions;**

Ammonia volume flow  
Ammonia temperature  
Ammonia pressure  
Primary air volume flow  
Primary air temperature  
Primary air pressure  
Oxidation temperature  
Oxidation pressure

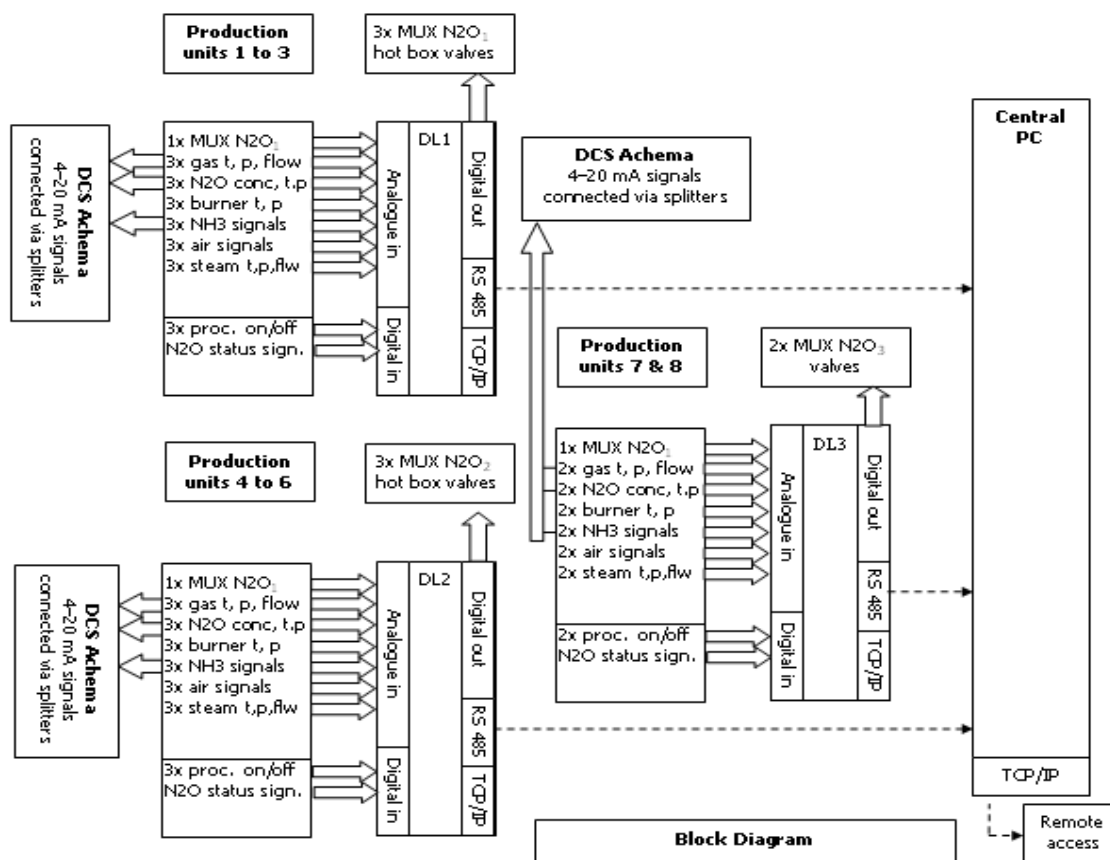
**nitric acid 100% concentrate production;**

Nitric acid concentration  
Nitric acid flow  
Nitric acid temperature

**and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)**

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the stack  
Stack volume flow rate  
Stack gas temperature  
Stack gas pressure

Incorporation of the AMS into the MS by interfacing already existing and newly installed measurement devices is documented by the diagram below.



## N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

## N<sub>2</sub>O concentration

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from respective tail gas ducts at sampling points located after expansion turbines and transported by heated sample lines to the Monitoring room A located next to the main production hall. This applies to 2 concentration meters measuring lines 1-3 and lines 4-6. lines 7-8 are measured by third concentration meter located at the other side of the production hall (Monitoring room B) physically closer to respective production lines 7 and 8.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured on a dry basis. Correction of dry basis ppmV value to real wet tail

gas conditions based on steam flow injected into the system is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

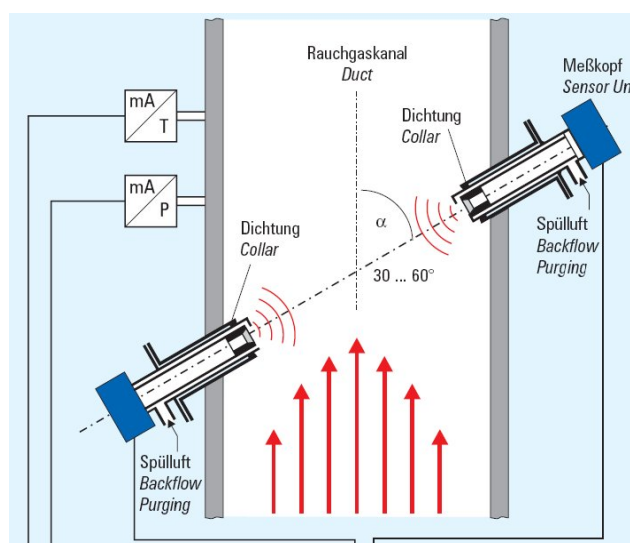
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis. Tail gas samples are automatically switched. Under-sampling uncertainty is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

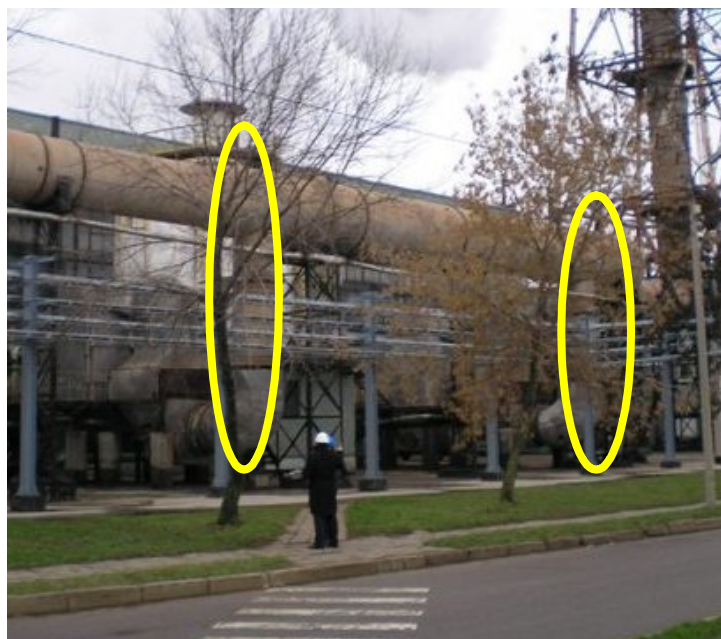
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section.



The tail gas ducts do not allow any optimum location to perform the flow monitoring. The only possible location is the quite short vertical tube behind the 90° “knee”.



Since the flow is not really laminar, a classical Pitot tube one point solution wouldn't allow good results. The ultrasonic system is under these conditions superior to differential pressure. Cross duct monitoring is more accurate than a couple of discrete point averaged pressure.

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **Tail gas steam injection elimination**

Steam injected into the Achema UKL-7 tail gas for purpose of increasing the turbine output is eliminated from the tail gas mass flow calculation by following formulae:

$$\text{flow - STVF} = \text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325) * ((100 - \text{Humi}) / 100)$$

where Humi (water content)=

$$(\text{Flow\_steam} * 1.2436) / (\text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325)) * 100 + 0.6$$

where 1.2436 is the conversion factor from kg/h to Nm<sup>3</sup>/h and 0.6% is a value of humidity present in a flue gas permanently without steam injection

The Flow\_steam parameter necessary for calculation of the water content in the dataloggers is provided in the kg/h unit.

Achema measures steam flow in kg/h using formula  $Q=C*\sqrt{dp}$  , where C is flow constant which is already integrated using an orifice plate sizing program. The orifice plate calculation for injection steam has been done for temperature 250°C and pressure 6 bar.

Flow steam in kg/h measured by using the constant steam T and P values is then recalculated to actual steam T and P values valid for relevant hours and as result the STVF value cleaned of the steam injected is used for further emission reductions calculations.

### **EN14181 compliance**

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N<sub>2</sub>O AMS consists from the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N<sub>2</sub>O measurand specifically) and after full commissioning of the monitoring system there was the QAL2 test carried out by an independent laboratory certified according to ISO17025.

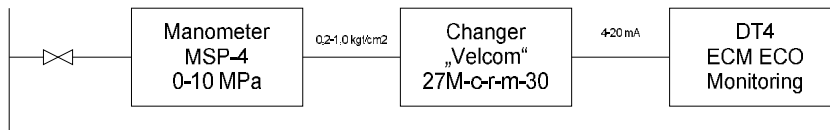
### **Operating conditions**

For purpose of the baseline emissions factor setting it is necessary to monitor and report operating conditions in all 8 burners. Namely:

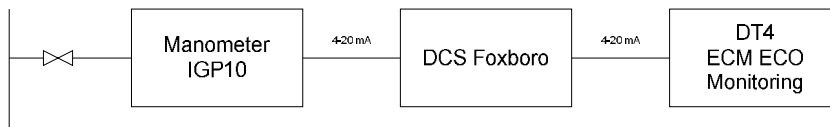
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

All these parameters are measured by the plant monitoring system as presented on diagrams below:

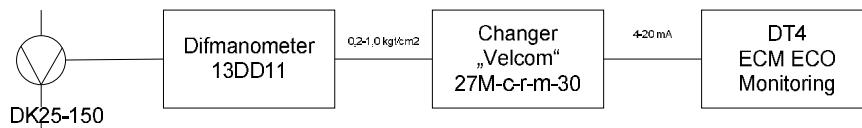
P in mixer 1-6 line



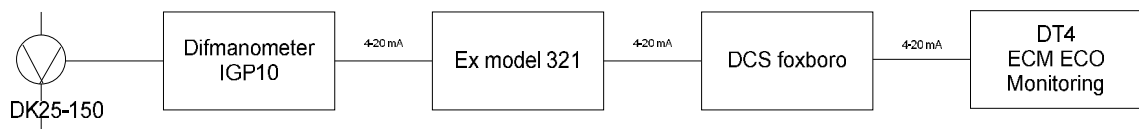
P in mixer 7-8 line

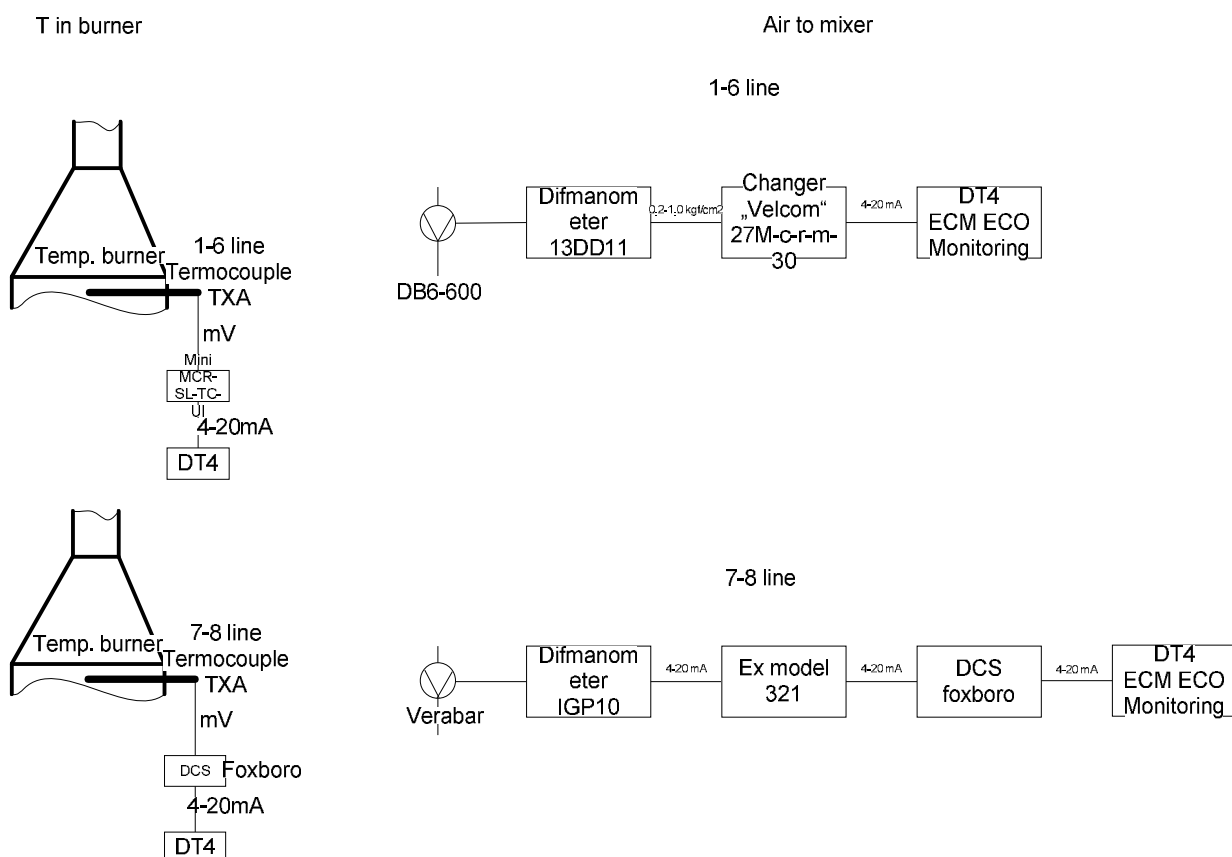


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



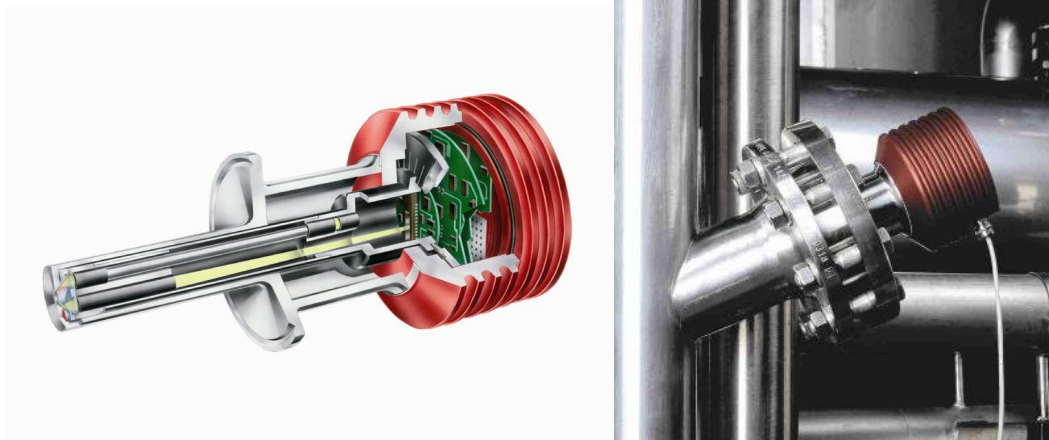


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further. Maintenance procedures for the ammonia oxidation parameters follow the existing procedures for the operation of the nitric acid plant.

### Nitric acid production

Nitric acid concentration is based on two components: nitric acid and water. Standard monitoring method is on-Line refractometry. Measurement of nitric acid (100%) mass volume production per campaign is necessary for calculation of the baseline emissions factor. Nitric acid concentration on all 8 Lines is measured by K-Patents PR-23-GP refractometers.

This analyzer is applying a prism to “return” a generated optical beam back to an LCD detector.



The detector is measuring refraction of monitored liquid based on known refraction of water and nitric acid. The instrument is calibrated for percent concentration of nitric acid. The analyzer is mounted on DIN-flange 2656, PN25 DN80. The optical prism does not require cleaning.

**PR-23-GP characteristics:**

Measuring RI is a direct concentration measurement principle. No need to rely or convert magnitudes.

Digital instrument – no calibration drift

As it is a robust instrument it is maintenance free

Dual connectivity if the installation positions allow.

On-Line data logging, through Ethernet, on whichever web browser.

No influence by bubbles or particles. It is very common that air enters the process pipeline and still the refractometer measures accurately.

Nitric acid concentration data are in an analog 4-20mA format provided to dataloggers which process these signals further.

In order of being able to calculate total mass volume of nitric acid 100% concentrate produced during the baseline campaign it is necessary to monitor also nitric acid flow and temperature. Measurement of pressure is not necessary for determination of the nitric acid mass volume flow, because nitric acid is in form of liquid and as such it has stable pressure characteristic.

Signals obtained from the nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further.



After installation of refractometers there have been occurrences of their failure and following repair service by the manufacturer. For this period starting from 04/05/2008 and ending on 18/08/2008 project uses HNO<sub>3</sub> concentration data provided by the laboratory measurements.

## 6. QAL 2 CALIBRATION ADJUSTMENTS

### 6.1 Applied principle

As required in the applicable norm EN14181: “The relation between the instrument readings of the recording measuring procedure and the quantity of the measuring objects has to be described by using a suitable convention method. The results have to be expressed by a regression analysis.”

As it is described in the Calibration Report issued by Airtec laboratory, the measurement results derived from the analog signals (4 mA to 20 mA) provided the installed instruments have been compared to the comparative measurements.

Linearity check of the instruments characteristics is stated in the QAL2 Calibration Report issued by the laboratory. The valid ranges of Linearity are determined by statistical analysis according to the guideline and the Linearity assumptions are further used in the Calibration Report establishing Linear regression Lines.

The general formula of the regression Line, established in the EN14181 and used in the Calibration Report is:

$$Y = a + bX$$

where:

X is the measured value of the instrument in mA  
Y is the value of the parameter being objective of the measurement  
a is a constant of the regression Line  
b is the slope of the regression Line

After a comparative test the laboratory issued the old and new regression Lines properties, namely “a” and “b” applying for all of the measured parameters that are subject to calibration as stated in the Calibration Report.

The QAL2 corrections are based on the fact that the actual analog current outputs (in mA) of the measurement instruments are relevant for both, the old and new regression Lines:

$$X_o = X_n = X$$

where:

X<sub>n</sub>: X new  
X<sub>o</sub>: X old

This allows us to derive a calibrating formula that gives us the corrected value of the measured physical parameters. The applied calibrating equation is:

$$Y_n = A_n + (B_n/B_o) * (Y_o - A_o)$$

In order to take into account the properties of the AMS and their implication to the QAL 2 implementation in the model, we will further introduce several remarks to the conversion and normalization of the data.

The units returned by the AMS “nm<sup>3</sup>/h” stand for normalized cubic meters of the gas volume at normal gas conditions (0° C, 1 atm.).

## 6.2 Stack gas volume flow

Based on the real conditions measured and applied by the AMS for normalization (TSG in °C and PSG in hPa), the stack gas volume flow values are converted to real conditions before the regression analysis using the ideal gas law. The actual gas volume flow rates are derived from gas velocity measurements, therefore, before applying the regression analysis the gas speed is calculated from the volume flow and the duct cross-section and is fed into the calibrating equation. The calibrated values derived from the calibrating equation then converted back to normalized units using the calibrated real conditions (calibrated TSG and PSG). The normalized calibrated stack gas flow rates are further fed into the emission calculation model for further processing as set out by the Approved Baseline and Monitoring Methodology AM\_0034.

## 6.3 Nitric acid concentration in stack gas

The nitric acid concentration in the raw data set from the AMS is in mgN<sub>2</sub>O/m<sub>3</sub>. The concentration was converted to ppmv to make it compatible with the regression Lines parameters. The nitrous gas concentration values are then calibrated using the provided regression Lines parameters and are input in the model.

## 6.4 Stack gas Temperature

The stack gas temperature was calibrated by the regression conversion formula

## 6.5 Stack gas Pressure

The calibration report provides us with a regression Line for the stack gas pressure. We calibrate the readings of the measurements system using the regression formula and applying the values (in kPa).

## 7. EMISSION REDUCTION CALCULATIONS

Table T 2 illustrates the establishment of historic campaign length based on 5 previous campaigns. Average production in 5 campaigns preceding the baseline campaign was 64 274 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and time duration was on average 218 days. Table contains also information on suppliers of primary catalysts for the line 7.

**T 2 Historic campaigns**

Line	ACHEMA UKL-7	Production	Start	End	Days	Production per day	Primary Catalyst	Composition
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	57 671	10 Sep 2004	16 Mar 2005	187	308	Heraeus	N/A *
	2 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	70 015	16 Mar 2005	07 Nov 2005	236	297	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	3 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	55 426	08 Nov 2005	20 May 2006	193	287	Heraeus	N/A *
	4 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	67 588	24 May 2006	04 Jan 2007	225	300	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	5 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	70 670	04 Jan 2007	11 Sep 2007	250	283	Umicore	N/A *
Average HNO <sub>3</sub> production	t HNO <sub>3</sub>	<b>64 274</b>			<b>218</b>	<b>295</b>	* Confidential but available for the verification	
Project Campaigns	BL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	55 626	12 Sep 2007	27 Mar 2008	197	282	Heraeus	N/A *
	PL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	66 814	02 Sep 2011	07 May 2012	248	269	Heraeus	N/A *

The project campaign production value of 66 814 tHNO<sub>3</sub> was higher than historic nitric acid production set at level of 64 274 tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

It is business as usual scenario in Achema UKL-7 plant to keep using primary catalysts from several suppliers and with several compositions. Selection of primary catalysts is determined by technical parameters of their use and price levels offered by suppliers in specific time. Primary catalysts used during the baseline campaign, if other than used in previous campaign/s, did not increase emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O as confirmed by relevant statements provided to the verifier.

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started on 12/09/2007 and continued through 27/03/2008 when the 55 626 tHNO<sub>3</sub> nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached - tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

**T 3 Baseline campaign length**

ACHEMA UKL-7	Historic Campaigns End	Start of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Measurement NCSG	End of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Campaign
Dates	2007 Sep 11	2007 Sep 12	2008 Mar 27	2008 Mar 27	2008 Mar 28
Baseline Factor kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	9.09	9.09	9.09
Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	55 626	55 626	-
Per Day Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	294.6				
Baseline less Historic Production	(8 647.4)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(29.4)				

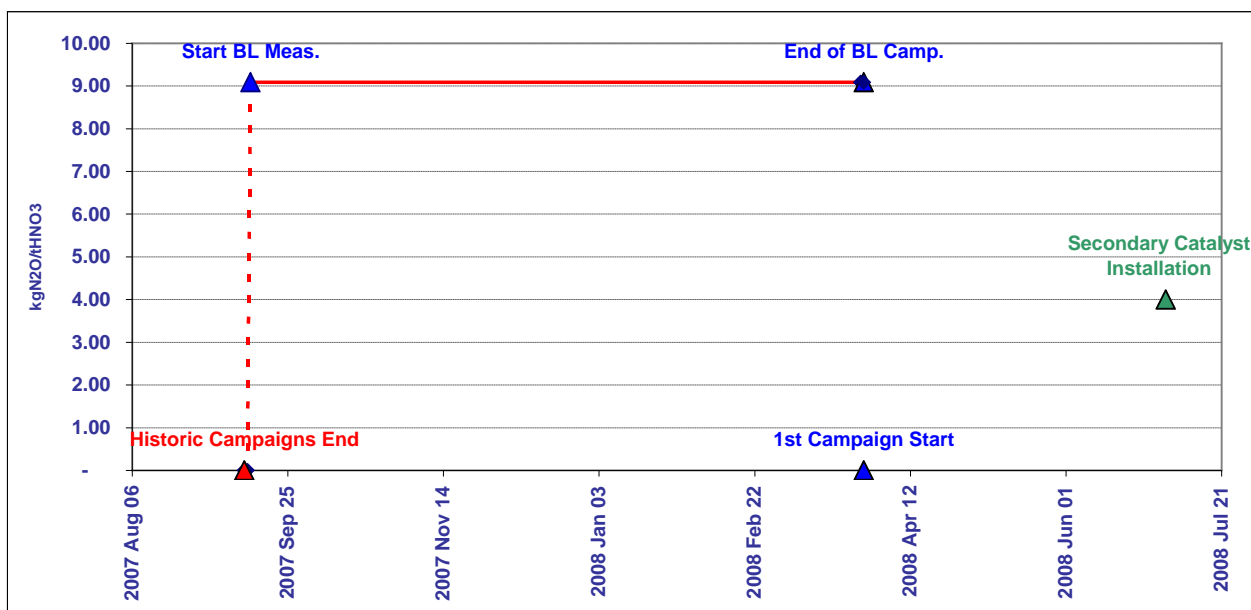
**C 1 Baseline campaign length**


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 7 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 12/09/2007 through 27/03/2008.

Extreme values and data measured during hours when one or more of operating conditions were outside of the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculations. As a next step we have eliminated data beyond 95% confidence interval and calculated new mean values of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and stack gas volume flow using following method:

- a) Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

Using the means values we have calculated the baseline emissions as set out in the PDD.

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were 536 tN<sub>2</sub>O.

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.640%, which is further modified by an uncertainty of 0.124% due to under-sampling. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 9.09 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 7 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 02/09/2011 and went through 07/05/2012.

We have eliminated extreme values and data beyond the 95% confidence interval as prescribed by the PDD.

- a) Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

Using the mean values we have calculated total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions ( $PE_n$ ) as follows:

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours (OH) defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred.

By dividing total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions by the nitric acid production (capped by nameplate capacity 350 tHNO<sub>3</sub>/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 1.88 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

$$EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

### T 4 Baseline emission factor

BASELINE EMISSION FACTOR											
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure	AMS in Operation	Nitric Acid Production NCSG	
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa	h	NAP t/h	
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>											
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	-	50	0		0
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	150 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000			50
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>											
Count	4 097	4 238	4 385	4 238	4 708	4 485	4 708	4 708	3 890		4 238
as % of Dataset	87%	90%	93%	90%	100%	95%	100%	100%	82%		90%
Minimum		0.00	0	1 728	0	0	33	3			0
Maximum		16.41	1 933	112 864	6 476	18.83	915	667			16
Mean		13.13	1 250	81 347	5 394	9.92	811	590			13
Standard Deviation		4.69	448	24 945	1 806	1.37	228	112			5
Total		55 626									55 626
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		417 t N2O									
Emission Factor		7.07 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Permitted Range</b>											
Minimum					-	0	880	550			
Maximum					7 500	11.20	910	800			
<b>Data within the permitted range</b>											
Count	3 145		2 856	2 856					3 890		
as % of Operating Hours	77%		70%	70%					95%		
Minimum			722	57 328							
Maximum			1 933	99 189							
Mean			1 433	89 644							
Standard Deviation			281	5 811							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		526 t N2O									
Emission Factor		8.93 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			882	78 254							
Upper bound			1 984	101 034							
Count			2 753	2 841							
as % of Operating Hours			67%	69%							
Minimum			913	78 697							
Maximum			1 933	99 189							
Mean			1 457	89 755							
Standard Deviation			257	5 588							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		536 t N2O									
Emission Factor (EF_BL)		9.09 kgN2O / tHNO3									

**T 5 Project emission factor**

PROJECT EMISSION FACTOR								
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>								
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	-	50
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	150 000	10 000	20.00		1 200
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>								
Count	4 548	5 930	4 525	4 534	5 942	5 670	5 942	5 942
as % of Dataset	76%	100%	76%	76%	100%	95%	100%	100%
Minimum		0.02	113	2	5	0	34	1
Maximum		17.60	710	79 630	8 000	14.26	913	672
Mean		11.27	289	67 616	4 678	10.21	714	570
Standard Deviation		6.04	54	2 322	2 302	1.32	332	129
Total		66 814						
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		89 t N2O						
Emission Factor		1.33 kgN2O / tHNO3						
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>								
95% Confidence interval								
Lower bound			183	63 066				
Upper bound			396	72 166				
Count			4 142	4 460				
as % of Operating Hours			91%	98%				
Minimum			183	63 319				
Maximum			396	72 163				
Mean			294	67 559				
Standard Deviation			43	1 683				
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		90 t N2O						
Actual Project Emission Factor (EF_PActual)		1.35 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		85.1%						
<b>Moving Average Emission Factor Correction</b>								
	Actual Factors	Moving Average Rule						
	1	2.18	2.18					
	2	2.93	2.93					
	3	1.83	2.31					
	4	1.11	2.01					
	5	1.35	1.88					
	6	-						
Project Emission Factor (EF_P)		1.88 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		79.3%						



# MONITORING REPORT

**PROJECT:** ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N<sub>2</sub>O abatement project

**LINE:** Line 8

**MONITORING PERIOD:**

**FROM:** 01/09/2011

**TO:** 05/04/2012

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## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This monitoring report determines baseline emission factor for the Line 8 of ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant and quantity of emission reduction generated during the fifth project campaign on Line 8.

The first project campaign on Line 8 started on 17/04/2008. Secondary catalyst was installed on 11/06/2008. Total quantity of emission reductions generated during the fifth project period from 01/09/2011 through 05/04/2012 on Line 8 is **89 808 ERUs**.

### T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	7.23	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	2.83	kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	63 577	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	63 577	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	65 842	tHNO <sub>3</sub>
GWP	GWP	310	tCO <sub>2</sub> e/tN <sub>2</sub> O
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>89 808</b>	<b>tCO<sub>e</sub></b>
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
<b>Abatement Ratio</b>		<b>71.8%</b>	

EMISSION REDUCTION PER YEAR			
Year	2011	2012	2013
Date From	01 Sep 2011	01 Jan 2012	
Date To	31 Dec 2011	05 Apr 2012	
Nitric Acid Production	39 345	26 497	
<b>Emission Reduction</b>	<b>53 667</b>	<b>36 142</b>	
<i>ER_YR = ER * NAP_P_YR / NAP_P</i>			

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 8 during baseline measurement carried from 01/09/2007 through 15/04/2008 is 7.23 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Project emission factor during the fifth project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 8, which started on 01/09/2011 and went through 05/04/2012 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 11/06/2008, is 2.83 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

During the project campaign 65 842 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) emissions from nitric acid production Lines at the UKL-7 nitric acid plant of AB Achema (“Achema” or “the Company”). The Company is situated in Jonava, Lithuania.

Achema has installed and operates secondary N<sub>2</sub>O reduction catalysts underneath the primary catalyst precious metal catching and catalytic gauzes package in the ammonium burners of the UKL-7 nitric acid plant.

This monitoring report contains information on Line 8 emission reductions including information on baseline emission factor setting for the Line 8.

The separate treatment of nitric acid lines and overlapping of the monitoring periods are allowed by the clarification issued Joint Implementation Supervisory Committee: “CLARIFICATION REGARDING OVERLAPPING MONITORING PERIODS UNDER THE VERIFICATION PROCEDURE UNDER THE JOINT IMPLEMENTATION SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE”. The Project meets all the requirements set out by the clarification:

1. The Project is composed of clearly identifiable components for which emission reductions or enhancements of removals are calculated independently; and
2. Monitoring is performed independently for each of these components, i.e. the data/parameters monitored for one component are not dependent on/effect data/parameters (to be) monitored for another component; and
3. The monitoring plan ensures that monitoring is performed for all components and that in these cases all the requirements of the JI guidelines and further guidance by the JISC regarding monitoring are met.

### 3. BASELINE SETTING

Baseline emission factor for line 8 has been established on the Line-specific basis. Campaign used for baseline measurements on the line 8 has been carried out from 01/09/2007 through 15/04/2008.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation as an average of the measured values for the previous 60 minutes.

Measurement results can be distorted before and after periods of downtime or malfunction of the monitoring system and can lead to mavericks. To eliminate such extremes and to ensure a conservative approach, the following statistical evaluation is applied to the complete data series of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration as well as to the data series for gas volume flow. The statistical procedure is applied to data obtained after eliminating data measured for periods where the plant operated outside the permitted ranges:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N<sub>2</sub>O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N<sub>2</sub>O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emissions by the total output of 100% concentrated nitric acid during baseline campaign.

The overall uncertainty of the monitoring system has been determined by the QAL2 report and the measurement error is expressed as a percentage (UNC). The N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF<sub>BL</sub>) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
EF <sub>BL</sub>	Baseline N <sub>2</sub> O emissions factor (tN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
BE <sub>BC</sub>	Total N <sub>2</sub> O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN <sub>2</sub> O)
NCSG <sub>BC</sub>	Mean concentration of N <sub>2</sub> O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN <sub>2</sub> O/m <sup>3</sup> )
OH <sub>BC</sub>	Operating hours of the baseline campaign (h)
VSG <sub>BC</sub>	Mean gas volume flow rate at the stack in the baseline measurement period (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
NAP <sub>BC</sub>	Nitric acid production during the baseline campaign (tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
UNC	Overall uncertainty of the monitoring system (%), calculated as the combined uncertainty of the applied monitoring equipment.

### **3.1 Measurement procedure for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and tail gas volume flow**

#### **3.1.1 Tail gas N<sub>2</sub>O concentration**

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from the Line 8 tail gas duct at sampling point located after expansion turbine and transported by sample Line to the Monitoring room B, where the analyzer is located.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration measured data are sent from the analyzer on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

#### **3.1.2 Tail gas flow rate, pressure and temperature**

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section. Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **3.2 Permitted range of operating conditions of the nitric acid plant**

Under certain circumstances, the operating conditions during the measurement period used to determine baseline N<sub>2</sub>O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N<sub>2</sub>O baseline data measured during hours

where the operating conditions were outside the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculation of the baseline emissions factor.

Normal ranges for operating conditions have been determined for the following parameters:

- oxidation temperature;
- oxidation pressure;
- ammonia gas flow rate,
- air input flow rate.

The permitted range for these parameters has been established using the plant operation manual, as described in the PDD..

### **3.3 Historic Campaign Length**

The average historic campaign length ( $CL_{normal}$ ) defined as the average campaign length for the historic campaigns used to define operating condition (the previous 5 campaigns), has been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign.

## 4. PROJECT EMISSIONS

During the first project campaign on line 8 the tail gas volume flow in the stack of the nitric acid plant as well as N<sub>2</sub>O concentration have been measured on the continuous basis.

### 4.1.1 Estimation of campaign-specific project emissions factor

The monitoring system was installed using the guidance document EN 14181 and provides separate readings for N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and gas flow volume for every hour of operation. Same statistical evaluation that was applied to the baseline data series has been applied to the project data series:

- a) Calculate the sample mean (x)
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation (s)
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
VSG	Mean stack gas volume flow rate for the project campaign (m <sup>3</sup> /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N <sub>2</sub> O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN <sub>2</sub> O/m <sup>3</sup> )
PE <sub>n</sub>	Total N <sub>2</sub> O emissions of the n <sup>th</sup> project campaign (tN <sub>2</sub> O)
OH	Is the number of hours of operation in the specific monitoring period (h)

### 4.1.2 Derivation of a moving average emission factor

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

## 4.2 Minimum project emission factor

The minimum average emission factor established factor will be established after 10th project campaign.

## 4.3 Project Campaign Length



Project campaign production of nitric acid has been below defined nameplate capacity and thus all NAP produced from date of installation of secondary catalysts has been used for calculation of emission reductions.

Because the nitric acid production during the project was higher than the baseline, all of the baseline NCSG values were used to determine the baseline emission factor.

#### 4.4 Leakage

No leakage calculation is required.

#### 4.5 Emission reductions

The emission reductions for the project activity during this campaign have been determined by deducting the campaign-specific emission factor from the baseline emission factor and multiplying the result by the production output of 100% concentrated nitric acid over the campaign period and the GWP of N<sub>2</sub>O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWP_{N_2O} \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Definition</b>
ER	Emission reductions of the project for the specific campaign (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)
NAP	Nitric acid production for the project campaign (tHNO <sub>3</sub> ). The maximum value of NAP shall not exceed the design capacity.
EFBL	Baseline emissions factor (tN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub> )
EFP	Emissions factor used to calculate the emissions from this particular campaign (i.e. the higher of EF <sub>ma,n</sub> and EF <sub>n</sub> )

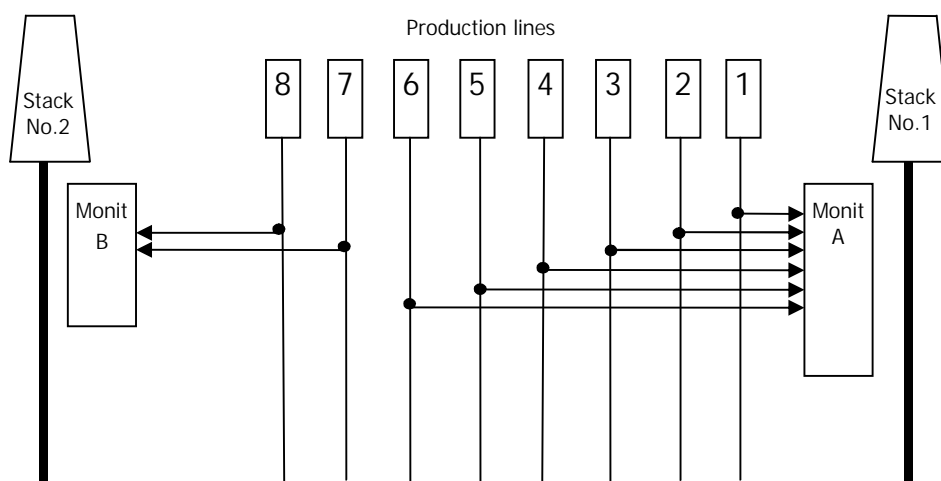
## 5. MONITORING PLAN

### Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O from the plant in such a way that is compliant with the prescriptions of the AM0034/Version 02.

### Plant description

The UKL-7 nitric acid plant comprises 8 production Lines numbered from 1 through 8, each with its own burner, absorption column and expansion turbine. Each production Line represents a separate nitric acid production unit independent from each other. The tail gases from each Line are after expansion turbines led to a common stack bus and vented through two interconnected stacks.



Primary catalyst is changed at different times thus it is necessary to measure the emissions from each Line individually. This means that eight separate sets of monitoring equipment are installed to measure tail gas flow, nitric acid production, nitric acid concentration, and the operating conditions. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

### Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N<sub>2</sub>O monitoring system that includes both a gas volume flow meter to determine the tail gas mass volume flow and an infrared gas analyser to determine the concentration of N<sub>2</sub>O.

But tail gas N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and tail gas volume flow meter alone are not sufficient for a JI project purposes. In order of being able to calculate the baseline emission factor expressed as tonnage of N<sub>2</sub>O in t CO<sub>2</sub>e per 1 tonne of HNO<sub>3</sub> (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO<sub>3</sub> measurement, and in order of being able to document normal operating conditions it is necessary to include also operating conditions measurement.

Because of this we use the term Monitoring System (MS) to describe entire monitoring system directly and indirectly used for the JI purposes, while Automated Measurement System (AMS) covers only N<sub>2</sub>O emissions and tail gas mass volume part of the MS.

Monitoring System (MS) for purpose of this monitoring plan means:

**monitoring system measuring operational conditions;**

- Ammonia volume flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air volume flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

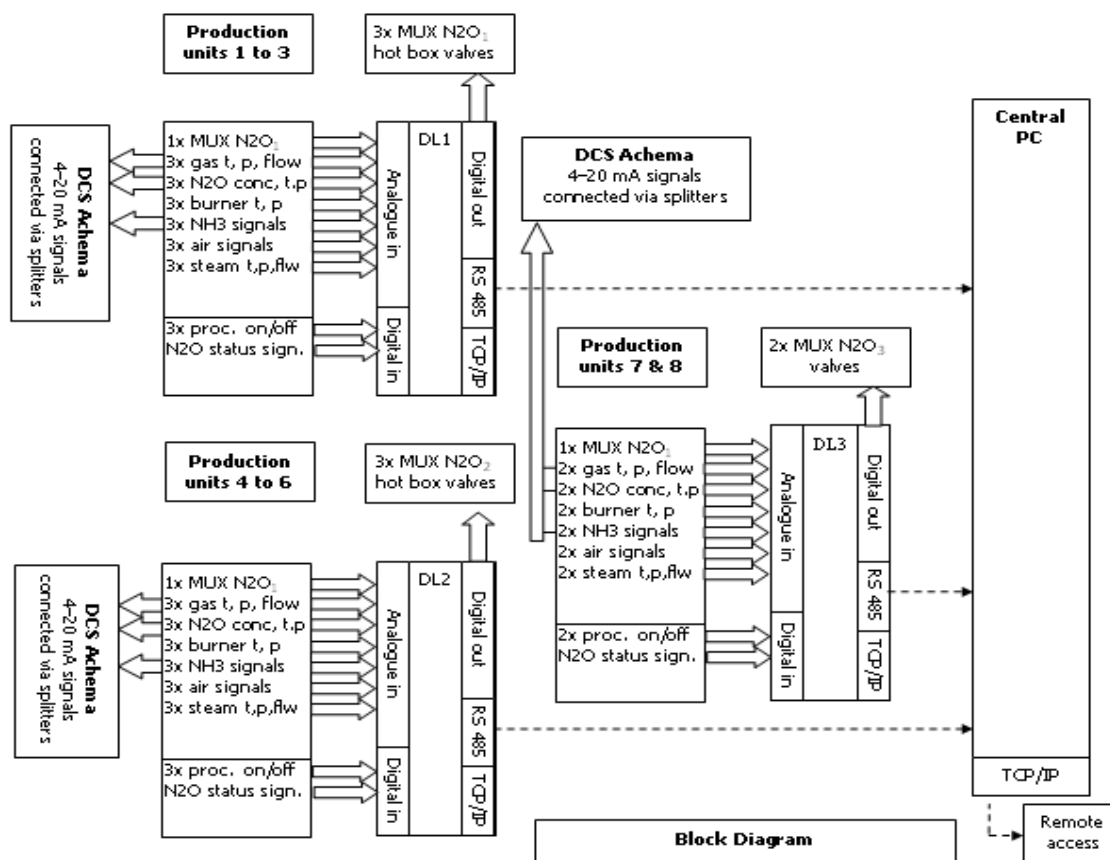
**nitric acid 100% concentrate production;**

- Nitric acid concentration
- Nitric acid flow
- Nitric acid temperature

**and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)**

- N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in the stack
- Stack volume flow rate
- Stack gas temperature
- Stack gas pressure

Incorporation of the AMS into the MS by interfacing already existing and newly installed measurement devices is documented by the diagram below.



## N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

## N<sub>2</sub>O concentration

N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by extractive measurement system. Tail gas samples are taken from respective tail gas ducts at sampling points located after expansion turbines and transported by heated sample lines to the Monitoring room A located next to the main production hall. This applies to 2 concentration meters measuring lines 1-3 and lines 4-6. lines 7-8 are measured by third concentration meter located at the other side of the production hall (Monitoring room B) physically closer to respective production lines 7 and 8.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured on a dry basis. Correction of dry basis ppmV value to real wet tail

gas conditions based on steam flow injected into the system is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

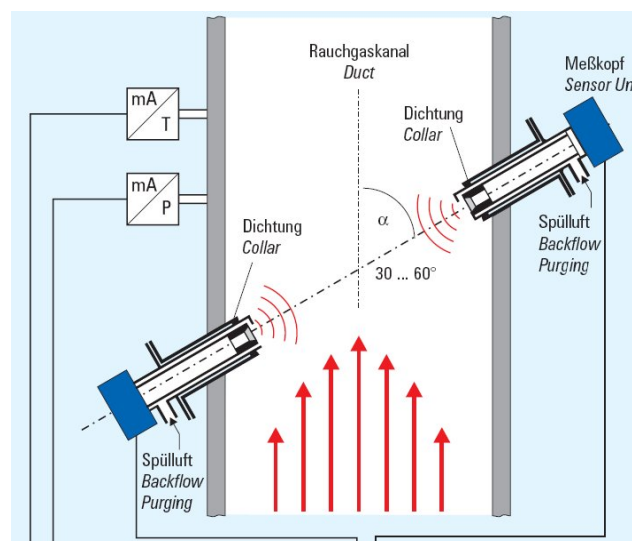
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N<sub>2</sub>O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis. Tail gas samples are automatically switched. Under-sampling uncertainty is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

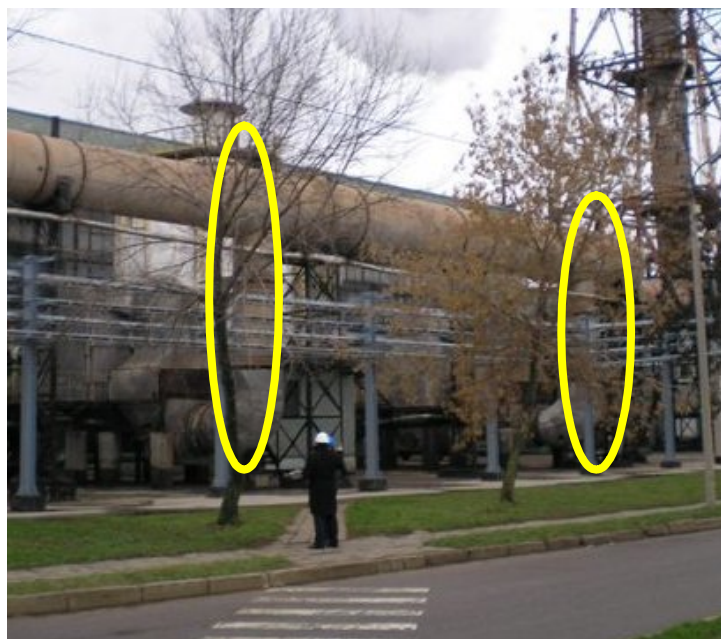
N<sub>2</sub>O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature

Tail gas flow is measured by ultrasonic Durag DF-L 200 flowmeters based on ultrasonic pulse fly time across the entire duct cross-section.



The tail gas ducts do not allow any optimum location to perform the flow monitoring. The only possible location is the quite short vertical tube behind the 90° “knee”.



Since the flow is not really laminar, a classical Pitot tube one point solution wouldn't allow good results. The ultrasonic system is under these conditions superior to differential pressure. Cross duct monitoring is more accurate than a couple of discrete point averaged pressure.

Tail gas flow, pressure and temperature measured data are sent from the flow meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

### **Tail gas steam injection elimination**

Steam injected into the Achema UKL-7 tail gas for purpose of increasing the turbine output is eliminated from the tail gas mass flow calculation by following formulae:

$$\text{flow - STVF} = \text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325) * ((100 - \text{Humi}) / 100)$$

where Humi (water content)=

$$(\text{Flow\_steam} * 1.2436) / (\text{Flow\_N2O} * (273.15 / (273.15 + \text{Temp})) * (\text{Press} / 101.325)) * 100 + 0.6$$

where 1.2436 is the conversion factor from kg/h to Nm<sup>3</sup>/h and 0.6% is a value of humidity present in a flue gas permanently without steam injection

The Flow\_steam parameter necessary for calculation of the water content in the dataloggers is provided in the kg/h unit.

Achema measures steam flow in kg/h using formula  $Q=C*\sqrt{dp}$  , where C is flow constant which is already integrated using an orifice plate sizing program. The orifice plate calculation for injection steam has been done for temperature 250°C and pressure 6 bar.

Flow steam in kg/h measured by using the constant steam T and P values is then recalculated to actual steam T and P values valid for relevant hours and as result the STVF value cleaned of the steam injected is used for further emission reductions calculations.

### **EN14181 compliance**

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N<sub>2</sub>O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N<sub>2</sub>O AMS consists from the N<sub>2</sub>O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N<sub>2</sub>O measurand specifically) and after full commissioning of the monitoring system there was the QAL2 test carried out by an independent laboratory certified according to ISO17025.

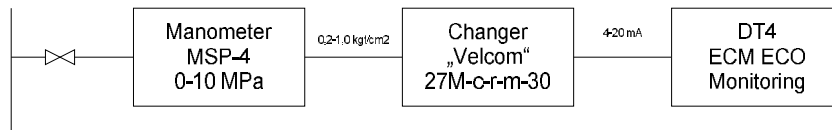
### **Operating conditions**

For purpose of the baseline emissions factor setting it is necessary to monitor and report operating conditions in all 8 burners. Namely:

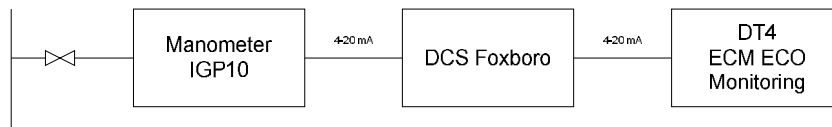
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

All these parameters are measured by the plant monitoring system as presented on diagrams below:

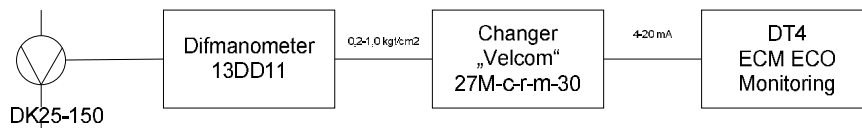
P in mixer 1-6 line



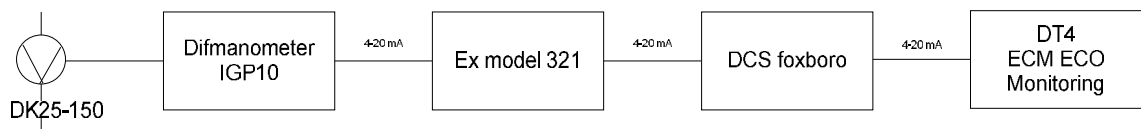
P in mixer 7-8 line



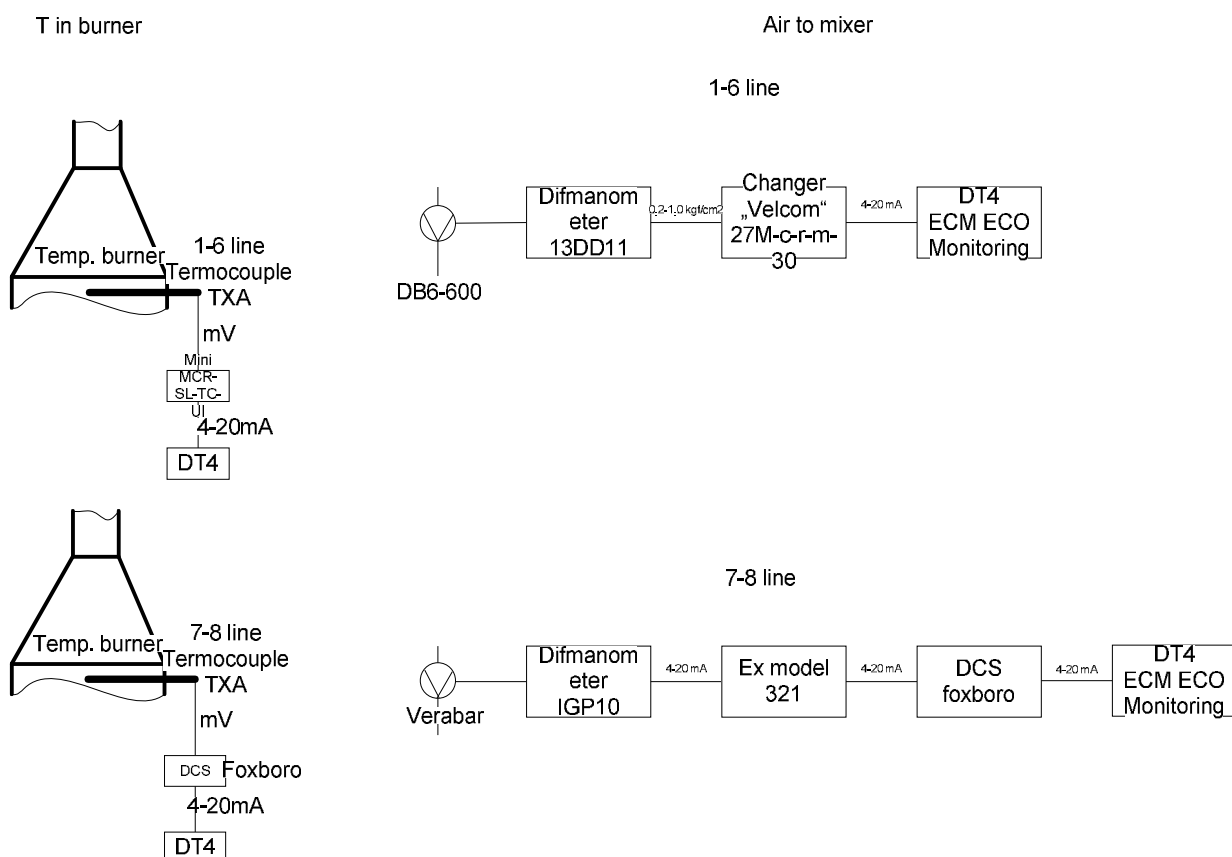
NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line





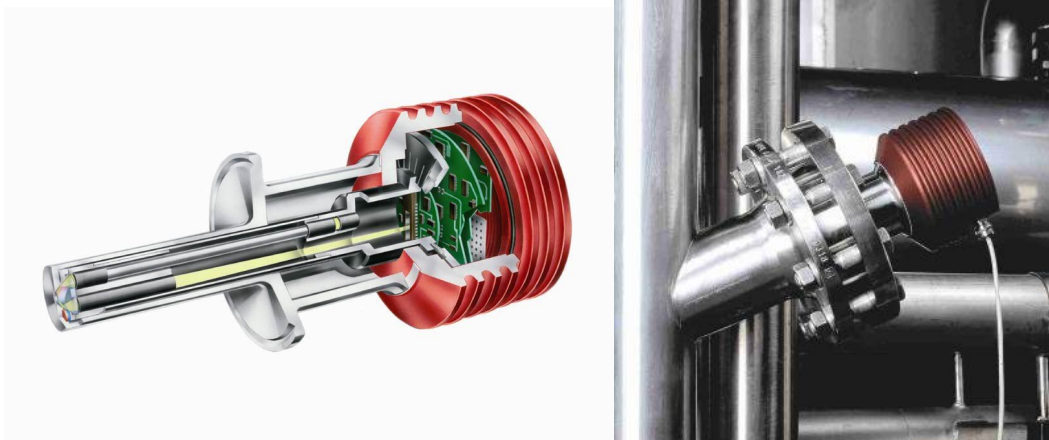


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further. Maintenance procedures for the ammonia oxidation parameters follow the existing procedures for the operation of the nitric acid plant.

### Nitric acid production

Nitric acid concentration is based on two components: nitric acid and water. Standard monitoring method is on-Line refractometry. Measurement of nitric acid (100%) mass volume production per campaign is necessary for calculation of the baseline emissions factor. Nitric acid concentration on all 8 Lines is measured by K-Patents PR-23-GP refractometers.

This analyzer is applying a prism to "return" a generated optical beam back to an LCD detector.



The detector is measuring refraction of monitored liquid based on known refraction of water and nitric acid. The instrument is calibrated for percent concentration of nitric acid. The analyzer is mounted on DIN-flange 2656, PN25 DN80. The optical prism does not require cleaning.

**PR-23-GP characteristics:**

Measuring RI is a direct concentration measurement principle. No need to rely or convert magnitudes.

Digital instrument – no calibration drift

As it is a robust instrument it is maintenance free

Dual connectivity if the installation positions allow.

On-Line data logging, through Ethernet, on whichever web browser.

No influence by bubbles or particles. It is very common that air enters the process pipeline and still the refractometer measures accurately.

Nitric acid concentration data are in an analog 4-20mA format provided to dataloggers which process these signals further.

In order of being able to calculate total mass volume of nitric acid 100% concentrate produced during the baseline campaign it is necessary to monitor also nitric acid flow and temperature. Measurement of pressure is not necessary for determination of the nitric acid mass volume flow, because nitric acid is in form of liquid and as such it has stable pressure characteristic.

Signals obtained from the nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Nitric acid flow and temperature measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, which process them further.

After installation of refractometers there have been occurrences of their failure and following repair service by the manufacturer. For this period starting from 05/10/2007 and ending on 20/10/2008 project uses HNO<sub>3</sub> concentration data provided by the laboratory measurements.

## 6. QAL 2 CALIBRATION ADJUSTMENTS

### 6.1 Applied principle

As required in the applicable norm EN14181: "The relation between the instrument readings of the recording measuring procedure and the quantity of the measuring objects has to be described by using a suitable convention method. The results have to be expressed by a regression analysis."

As it is described in the Calibration Report issued by Airtec laboratory, the measurement results derived from the analog signals (4 mA to 20 mA) provided the installed instruments have been compared to the comparative measurements.

Linearity check of the instruments characteristics is stated in the QAL2 Calibration Report issued by the laboratory. The valid ranges of Linearity are determined by statistical analysis according to the guideline and the Linearity assumptions are further used in the Calibration Report establishing Linear regression Lines.

The general formula of the regression Line, established in the EN14181 and used in the Calibration Report is:

$$Y = a + bX$$

where:

X is the measured value of the instrument in mA  
Y is the value of the parameter being objective of the measurement  
a is a constant of the regression Line  
b is the slope of the regression Line

After a comparative test the laboratory issued the old and new regression Lines properties, namely "a" and "b" applying for all of the measured parameters that are subject to calibration as stated in the Calibration Report.

The QAL2 corrections are based on the fact that the actual analog current outputs (in mA) of the measurement instruments are relevant for both, the old and new regression Lines:

$$X_o = X_n = X$$

where:

X<sub>n</sub>: X new  
X<sub>o</sub>: X old

This allows us to derive a calibrating formula that gives us the corrected value of the measured physical parameters. The applied calibrating equation is:

$$Y_n = A_n + (B_n/B_o) * (Y_o - A_o)$$

In order to take into account the properties of the AMS and their implication to the QAL 2 implementation in the model, we will further introduce several remarks to the conversion and normalization of the data.

The units returned by the AMS “nm<sup>3</sup>/h” stand for normalized cubic meters of the gas volume at normal gas conditions (0° C, 1 atm.).

## 6.2 Stack gas volume flow

Based on the real conditions measured and applied by the AMS for normalization (TSG in °C and PSG in hPa), the stack gas volume flow values are converted to real conditions before the regression analysis using the ideal gas law. The actual gas volume flow rates are derived from gas velocity measurements, therefore, before applying the regression analysis the gas speed is calculated from the volume flow and the duct cross-section and is fed into the calibrating equation. The calibrated values derived from the calibrating equation then converted back to normalized units using the calibrated real conditions (calibrated TSG and PSG). The normalized calibrated stack gas flow rates are further fed into the emission calculation model for further processing as set out by the Approved Baseline and Monitoring Methodology AM\_0034.

## 6.3 Nitric acid concentration in stack gas

The nitric acid concentration in the raw data set from the AMS is in mgN<sub>2</sub>O/m<sub>3</sub>. The concentration was converted to ppmv to make it compatible with the regression Lines parameters. The nitrous gas concentration values are then calibrated using the provided regression Lines parameters and are input in the model.

## 6.4 Stack gas Temperature

The stack gas temperature was calibrated by the regression conversion formula

## 6.5 Stack gas Pressure

The calibration report provides us with a regression Line for the stack gas pressure. We calibrate the readings of the measurements system using the regression formula and applying the values (in kPa).

## 7. EMISSION REDUCTION CALCULATIONS

Table T 2 illustrates the establishment of historic campaign length based on 5 previous campaigns. Average production in 5 campaigns preceding the baseline campaign was 63 620 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and time duration was on average 228 days. Table contains also information on suppliers of primary catalysts for the line 8.

**T 2 Historic campaigns**

Line	ACHEMA UKL-8	Production	Start	End	Days	Production per day	Primary Catalyst	Composition
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	-	00 Jan 1900	00 Jan 1900	-	n/a		0 N/A *
	2 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	62 575	10 Dec 2004	17 Aug 2005	250	250	Heraeus	N/A *
	3 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	63 418	02 Nov 2005	14 Jun 2006	224	283	Umicore	N/A *
	4 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	63 138	15 Jun 2006	01 Feb 2007	231	273	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
	5 t HNO <sub>3</sub>	65 347	02 Feb 2007	28 Aug 2007	207	316	Johnson Matthey	N/A *
Average HNO <sub>3</sub> production	t HNO <sub>3</sub>	63 620			228	279	* Confidential but available for the verification	
Project Campaigns	BL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	63 577	01 Sep 2007	15 Apr 2008	227	280	Umicore	N/A *
	PL t HNO <sub>3</sub>	65 842	01 Sep 2011	05 Apr 2012	217	304	Umicore	N/A *

The project campaign production value of 65 842 tHNO<sub>3</sub> was higher than historic nitric acid production set at level of 63 620 tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

It is business as usual scenario in Achema UKL-7 plant to keep using primary catalysts from several suppliers and with several compositions. Selection of primary catalysts is determined by technical parameters of their use and price levels offered by suppliers in specific time. Primary catalysts used during the baseline campaign, if other than used in previous campaign/s, did not increase emissions of N<sub>2</sub>O as confirmed by relevant statements provided to the verifier.

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started on 01/09/2007 and continued through 15/04/2008 when the 63 577 tHNO<sub>3</sub> nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached - tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

**T 3 Baseline campaign length**

ACHEMA UKL-8	Historic Campaigns End	Start of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Measurement NCSG	End of Baseline Measurement	End of Baseline Campaign
Dates	2007 Aug 28	2007 Sep 01	2008 Apr 15	2008 Apr 15	2008 Apr 16
Baseline Factor kgN <sub>2</sub> O/tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	7.23	7.23	7.23
Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	-	-	63 577	63 577	-
Per Day Production tHNO <sub>3</sub>	279.0				
Baseline less Historic Production	(42.6)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(0.2)				

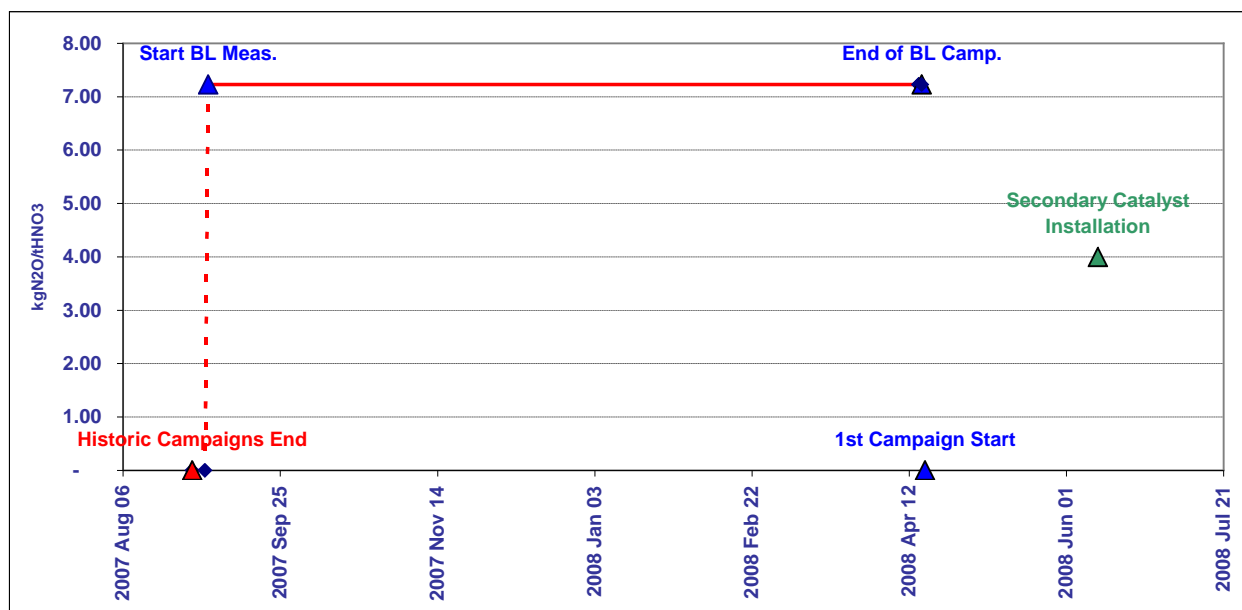
**C 1 Baseline campaign length**


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 8 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 01/09/2007 through 15/04/2008.

Extreme values and data measured during hours when one or more of operating conditions were outside of the permitted range have been eliminated from the calculations. As a next step we have eliminated data beyond 95% confidence interval and calculated new mean values of N<sub>2</sub>O concentration and stack gas volume flow using following method:

- Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values (volume of stack gas (VSG) and N<sub>2</sub>O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

Using the means values we have calculated the baseline emissions as set out in the PDD.

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N<sub>2</sub>O emissions were 488 tN<sub>2</sub>O.

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.890%, which is further modified by an uncertainty of 0.087% due to under-sampling. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 7.23 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 8 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 01/09/2011 and went through 05/04/2012.

We have eliminated extreme values and data beyond the 95% confidence interval as prescribed by the PDD.

- a) Calculate the sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )
- b) Calculate the sample standard deviation ( $s$ )
- c) Calculate the 95% confidence interval (equal to 1.96 times the standard deviation)
- d) Eliminate all data that lie outside the 95% confidence interval
- e) Calculate the new sample mean from the remaining values

Using the mean values we have calculated total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions ( $PE_n$ ) as follows:

$$PE_n = VSG * NCSG * 10^{-9} * OH (tN_2O)$$

Operating hours (OH) defined as hours, when nitric acid production at least 0.1 tHNO<sub>3</sub> and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred.

By dividing total mass of  $N_2O$  emissions by the nitric acid production (capped by nameplate capacity 350 tHNO<sub>3</sub>/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 2.83 kgN<sub>2</sub>O/tHNO<sub>3</sub>.

$$EF_n = PE_n / NAP_n (tN_2O/tHNO_3)$$

Because the project emission factor measured was lower than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the average EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.



### T 4 Baseline emission factor

BASELINE EMISSION FACTOR											
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure	AMS in Operation	Nitric Acid Production NCSG	
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa	h	NAP t/h	
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>											
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	-	50	0	0	
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00	-	1 200	1 000	50	
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>											
Count	4 719	4 954	4 801	4 598	4 987	4 663	-	5 425	5 425	4 129	4 954
as % of Dataset	87%	91%	88%	84%	92%	86%	-	100%	100%	76%	91%
Minimum		0.00	0	4	0	0	-	27	5	0	
Maximum		24.99	1 968	103 514	6 796	14.80	-	912	654	25	
Mean		12.83	1 120	78 981	5 591	10.07	-	801	564	13	
Standard Deviation		5.07	440	16 813	1 520	0.93	-	245	116	5	
Total		63 577					-			63 577	
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		417 t N2O									
Emission Factor		6.18 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Permitted Range</b>											
Minimum					-	0	880	550			
Maximum					7 500	11.20	910	800			
<b>Data within the permitted range</b>											
Count	4 453		3 949	4 131					4 129		
as % of Operating Hours	94%		84%	88%					87%		
Minimum			781	-							
Maximum			1 732	96 663							
Mean			1 264	77 635							
Standard Deviation			201	16 881							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		463 t N2O									
Emission Factor		6.86 kgN2O / tHNO3									
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			871	44 549							
Upper bound			1 658	110 722							
Count			3 795	3 949							
as % of Operating Hours			80%	84%							
Minimum			878	75 503							
Maximum			1 658	96 663							
Mean			1 275	81 213							
Standard Deviation			186	2 729							
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		488 t N2O									
Emission Factor (EF_BL)		7.23 kgN2O / tHNO3									

**T 5 Project emission factor**

PROJECT EMISSION FACTOR								
Parameter	Operating Hours	Nitric Acid Production	N2O Concentration	Gas Volume Flow	Ammonia Flow Rate	Ammonia to Air Ratio	Oxidation Temperature	Oxidation Pressure
Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa
<b>Elimination of extreme values</b>								
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	50	0
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	120 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000
<b>Raw Data Measured Range</b>								
Count	4 376	5 183	4 368	4 270	5 196	4 472	5 196	5 196
as % of Dataset	84%	100%	84%	82%	100%	86%	100%	100%
Minimum		0.02	38	64 260	3	0	15	0
Maximum		18.03	2 006	93 286	7 791	19.43	1 090	747
Mean		12.70	412	76 960	5 163	10.09	802	627
Standard Deviation		5.56	144	5 723	1 555	1.25	241	148
Total		65 842						
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		139 t N2O						
Emission Factor		2.11 kgN2O / tHNO3						
<b>Data within the confidence interval</b>								
95% Confidence interval								
Lower bound			130	65 742				
Upper bound			695	88 177				
Count			4 169	4 284				
as % of Operating Hours			95%	98%				
Minimum			130	66 073				
Maximum			694	88 165				
Mean			400	76 825				
Standard Deviation			114	5 515				
N2O Emissions ( VSG * NCSG * OH)		134 t N2O						
Actual Project Emission Factor (EF_PActual)		2.04 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		71.8%						
<b>Moving Average Emission Factor Correction</b>								
	Actual Factors	Moving Average Rule						
	1	4.35	4.35					
	2	4.26	4.30					
	3	2.06	3.56					
	4	1.43	3.03					
	5	2.04	2.83					
	6	-						
Project Emission Factor (EF_P)		2.83 kgN2O / tHNO3						
Abatement Ratio		60.9%						

## Comparison of the baseline emission factors against N<sub>2</sub>O mass limit in the IPPC permit

The N<sub>2</sub>O cap is defined in the IPPC permit on a yearly basis for the whole UKL-7 plant. The emission can be distributed among lines irregularly, as long as the total emission in each year stays under the yearly limit.

The regulatory emission factor EFReg is defined as the emission factor which would result in hitting the emission cap on a plant level.

We apply a method to attribute EFReg values to each campaign in a way that can be considered fair, and demonstrates a balanced scenario. The yearly N<sub>2</sub>O caps are allocated to campaigns proportionate to the amount of Nitric Acid they produced compared to other lines during the same year. The total cap of a campaign is the sum of such yearly limits. This way the total amount of plant level limit is always allocated. If each and every campaign would operate with those emission levels, the plant would just hit its yearly N<sub>2</sub>O caps in each year.

In incomplete years, the initial EFReg values will be high for the first campaigns, but will be lowered and balanced out as new campaigns are finished. These values serve informational purposes, and the real IPPC cap is checked on a plant level.

The main indicator of staying under the IPPC limit is the plant level yearly N<sub>2</sub>O emission calculated with baseline emission factors. Whenever an overflow of N<sub>2</sub>O emission would occur on plant level in a year, the sum of the product of baseline emission factors and yearly campaign NAP values would immediately indicate this and the projects would not be able to generate more ERU-s in that year.

```
Campaign_N2O_Cap =  
    sum( Campaign_NAP[y] / Total_NAP[y] * Plant_N2O_Cap[y]  
        for y in [2008,2009,2010,2011,2012] )
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Campaign_EFReg = Campaign_N2O_Cap / Campaign_NAP
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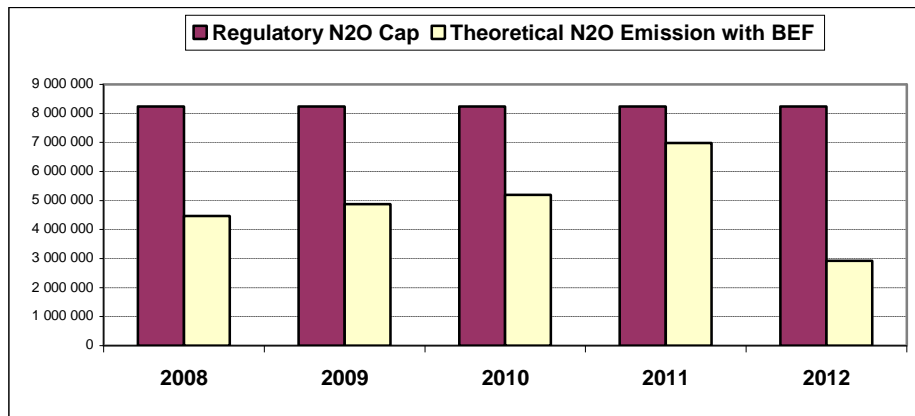
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Plant_N2O_Emission[y] =  
    sum( Campaign_BEF[c] * Campaign_NAP[c,y] for c in campaigns )
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- where Campaign\_NAP[y] is the Nitric Acid Produced on a given campaign in year “y”
- Total\_NAP is the total production on all lines in that year.
- the campaign EFReg is the campaigns emission cap divided by the campaign’s actual production.
- Plant\_N2O\_Emission[y] is the theoretical level of N<sub>2</sub>O emitted in year “y” by using the Baseline Emission Factors of each campaign, and calculating the “sumproduct” of BEF-s and yearly Nitric Acid Production of the lines

Regulatory values		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Regulatory N2O Cap	kgN2O	8 494 200	9 266 400	9 266 400	9 266 400	9 266 401
Excluding Line 9	kgN2O	8 236 800	8 236 800	8 236 800	8 236 800	8 236 801

Plant emissions under baseline conditions		2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Total Nitric Acid Produced	tHNO3	587 784	592 413	617 892	838 757	363 002
Theoretical N2O Emission with BEF	kgN2O	4 472 161	4 871 985	5 194 928	6 984 596	2 925 577
Weighted average BEF	kgN2O/tHNO3	7.61	8.22	8.41	8.33	8.06
Critical BEF to reach cap with actual NAP	kgN2O/tHNO3	14.01	13.90	13.33	9.82	22.69
N2O emission overflow	kgN2O	0	0	0	0	0



Nitric acid produced during project campaigns					2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Line	Campaign	BEF	Start	End	NAP					
1	0	9.63	14 Mar 2008	21 Oct 2008	60 691					
2	0	7.92	09 Nov 2007	20 May 2008	28 951					
3	0	4.42	01 Feb 2008	30 Jun 2008	42 999					
4	0	7.20	28 Dec 2007	31 Jul 2008	57 815					
5	0	6.61	29 Nov 2007	17 Jun 2008	47 192					
6	0	10.34	11 Jan 2008	21 Jul 2008	60 850					
7	0	7.85	12 Sep 2007	27 Mar 2008	26 856					
8	0	6.61	02 Sep 2007	15 Apr 2008	34 716					
1	1	9.63	04 Nov 2008	10 May 2010	1 913	55 103	37 831			
2	1	7.92	07 Nov 2008	16 Jan 2009	12 151	241				
3	1	4.42	04 Jul 2008	27 Aug 2008	13 520					
4	1	7.20	06 Oct 2008	28 Apr 2009	11 753	27 403				
5	1	6.61	02 Jul 2008	22 Apr 2009	39 871	20 358				
6	1	10.34	25 Jul 2008	21 Apr 2009	41 416	26 902				
7	1	7.85	03 Jul 2008	22 Oct 2008	31 445					
8	1	6.61	11 Jun 2008	26 Nov 2008	45 181					
1	2	9.63	13 Sep 2010	21 Aug 2011			36 738	72 938		
2	2	9.51	16 Jan 2009	12 Oct 2009		61 628				
3	2	5.45	27 Aug 2008	16 Jun 2009	24 950	31 372				
4	2	7.73	07 May 2009	06 May 2010		42 744	22 505			
5	2	6.61	23 Apr 2009	14 Jan 2010		66 630	4 642			
6	2	10.34	27 Apr 2009	25 Nov 2009		66 297				
7	2	9.09	29 Jan 2009	01 Nov 2009		58 897				
8	2	6.96	09 Dec 2008	20 Nov 2009	5 513	53 779				
1	3	9.63	23 Aug 2011	21 Mar 2012				41 914	28 130	
2	3	9.51	13 Oct 2009	21 Oct 2010		17 444	68 634			
3	3	5.45	17 Jun 2009	16 Nov 2010		35 016	49 304			
4	3	7.73	03 Aug 2010	09 Mar 2011			38 627	20 608		
5	3	6.61	12 Aug 2010	17 Mar 2011			48 928	27 358		
6	3	10.34	27 Nov 2009	20 Sep 2010		9 863	76 524			
7	3	9.09	03 Nov 2009	08 Dec 2010		8 079	63 581			
8	3	6.96	21 Nov 2009	25 Oct 2010		10 657	76 105			
1	4									
2	4	9.51	22 Oct 2010	12 May 2011			25 426	41 966		
3	4	5.46	19 Nov 2010	25 Aug 2011			12 366	70 693		
4	4	7.73	16 Mar 2011	05 Oct 2011				61 337		
5	4	6.61	18 Mar 2011	09 Nov 2011				58 570		
6	4	10.34	01 Oct 2010	10 Aug 2011			31 515	78 822		
7	4	9.09	10 Dec 2010	30 Aug 2011			6 843	67 872		
8	4	7.23	09 Nov 2010	01 Sep 2011			18 323	67 589		
1	5									
2	5	9.51	13 May 2011	08 Dec 2011				62 374		
3	5	5.46	26 Aug 2011	26 Jul 2012				22 845	50 991	
4	5	7.73	21 Oct 2011	28 Aug 2012				15 819	56 335	
5	5	6.61	28 Nov 2011	10 Jul 2012				8 677	61 183	
6	5	10.34	10 Aug 2011	23 Apr 2012				47 145	38 494	
7	5	9.09	02 Sep 2011	07 May 2012				25 709	41 105	
8	5	7.23	01 Sep 2011	05 Apr 2012				39 345	26 497	
1	6									
2	6	9.51	09 Dec 2011	17 Jul 2012				7 175	60 267	
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NAP Proportionate Regulatory Emission Factor			
NAP	N2O Cap	EFReg	N2O with BEF
60 691	850 482	14.01	584 454
28 951	405 704	14.01	229 295
42 999	602 557	14.01	190 055
57 815	810 180	14.01	416 268
47 192	661 323	14.01	311 942
60 850	852 711	14.01	629 190
26 856	376 347	14.01	210 822
34 716	486 487	14.01	229 473
94 846	1 297 246	13.68	913 370
12 392	173 627	14.01	98 145
13 520	189 455	14.01	59 757
39 157	545 713	13.94	281 927
60 229	841 780	13.98	398 114
68 318	954 414	13.97	706 407
31 445	440 647	14.01	246 842
45 181	633 132	14.01	298 644
109 676	1 206 008	11.00	1 056 183
61 628	856 864	13.90	586 082
56 322	785 819	13.95	306 953
65 249	894 308	13.71	504 375
71 273	988 299	13.87	471 111
66 297	921 776	13.90	685 507
58 897	818 894	13.90	535 374
59 291	824 982	13.91	412 669
70 044	1 049 895	14.99	674 525
86 079	1 157 471	13.45	818 607
84 321	1 144 113	13.57	459 548
59 235	717 291	12.11	457 886
76 285	920 889	12.07	504 247
86 387	1 157 237	13.40	893 243
71 660	959 892	13.40	651 388
86 762	1 162 695	13.40	603 866
0			
67 392	751 061	11.14	640 901
83 058	859 059	10.34	453 498
61 337	602 343	9.82	474 134
58 570	575 177	9.82	387 151
110 337	1 194 164	10.82	1 140 887
74 715	757 741	10.14	679 160
85 912	907 990	10.57	621 141
0			
62 374	612 530	9.82	593 179
73 836	1 381 377	18.71	403 146
72 154	1 433 641	19.87	557 753
69 860	1 473 494	21.09	461 774
85 639	1 336 439	15.61	885 510
66 814	1 185 177	17.74	607 341
65 842	987 613	15.00	476 037

All the EFReg values are green, which indicates that none of the campaigns resulted in excess emission relative to others given their production levels and the plant IPPC limit, and the regulatory emission factor is higher than the baseline emission factor of the campaigns.

The summary table "Plant emission under baseline conditions" contain yearly emission figures, and as all of the "Theoretical N2O Emission with BEF" stay under the yearly caps (made visible by the chart), none of the IPPC limits were ever violated. By taking the currently finished campaigns into account, all the ERU-s can be claimed so far.