

MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: **ACHEMA UKL-7 plant N₂O abatement project**

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Monitoring periods

Line 2

Project campaign 1
FROM: 07/11/2008
TO: 16/01/2009
ERUs 23,041

Project campaign 2
FROM: 16/01/2009
TO: 12/10/2009
ERUs 142,227

Line 3

Project campaign 1
FROM: 04/07/2008
TO: 27/08/2008
ERUs 10,041

Project campaign 2
FROM: 27/08/2008
TO: 16/06/2009
ERUs 35,876

Line 4

Project campaign 1
FROM: 06/10/2008
TO: 28/04/2009
ERUs 22,314

Line 5

Project campaign 1
FROM: 02/07/2008
TO: 22/04/2009
ERUs 93,617

Project campaign 2
FROM: 23/04/2009
TO: 14/01/2010
ERUs 84,445

Line 6

Project campaign 1
FROM: 25/07/2008
TO: 21/04/2009
ERUs 111,195

Line 7

Project campaign 1
FROM: 03/07/2008
TO: 22/10/2008
ERUs 21,833

Project campaign 2
FROM: 29/01/2009
TO: 01/11/2009
ERUs 112,125

Line 8

Project campaign 1
FROM: 11/06/2008
TO: 26/11/2008
ERUs 32,131

Project campaign 2
FROM: 09/12/2008
TO: 20/11/2009
ERUs 49,413

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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 first 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 period from 07/11/2008 through 16/01/2009 on Line 2 is **23 041 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	7.77	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	1.77	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	60 767	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	12 380	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	12 392	tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310	tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	23 041	tCO_e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
Abatement Ratio		77.2%	

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 2 during baseline measurement carried from 09/11/2007 through 20/05/2008 is 7.77 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the first project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 2, which started on 07/11/2008 and went through 16/01/2009 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 07/11/2008, is 1.77 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 12 392 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O 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 N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) 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:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Johnson Matthey
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Johnson Matthey
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 this campaign was first project campaign on Line 2 there has been no moving average emission factor established yet for 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

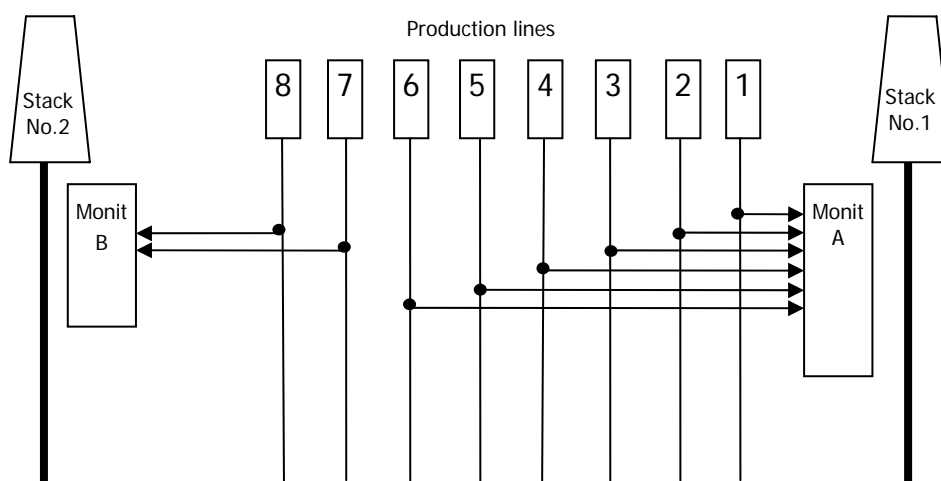
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

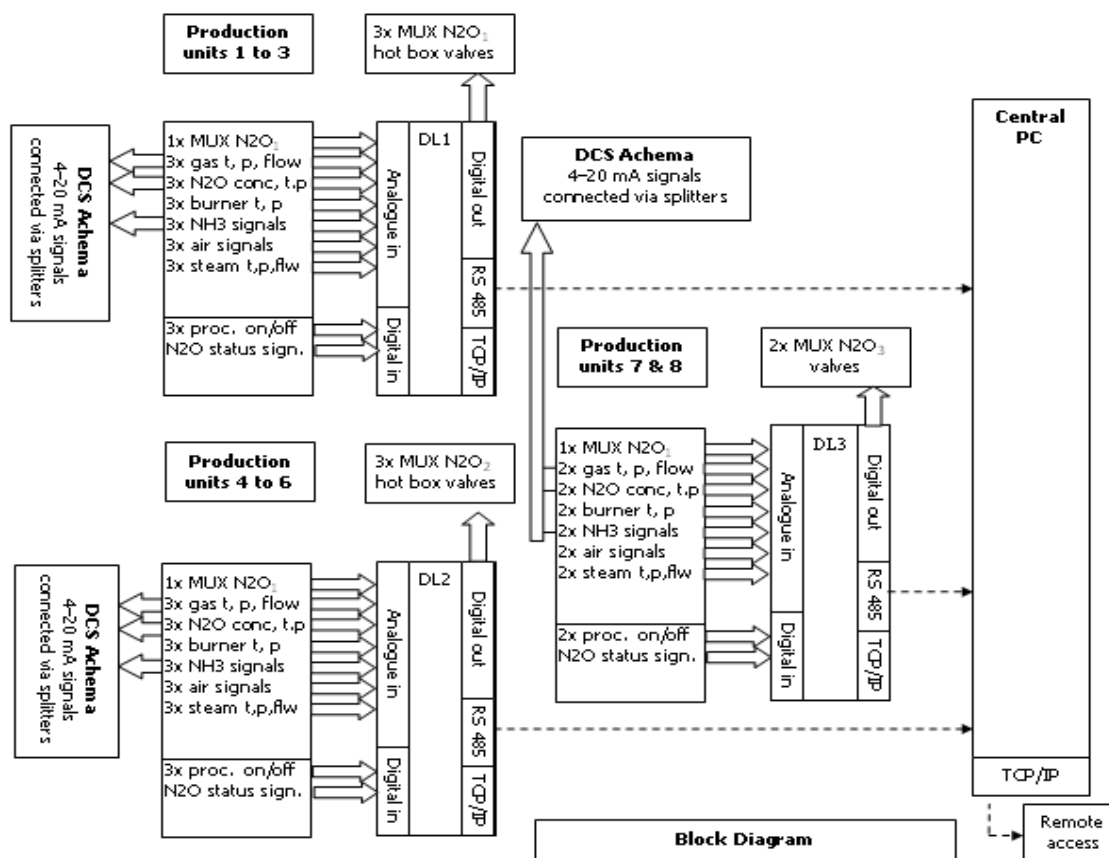
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

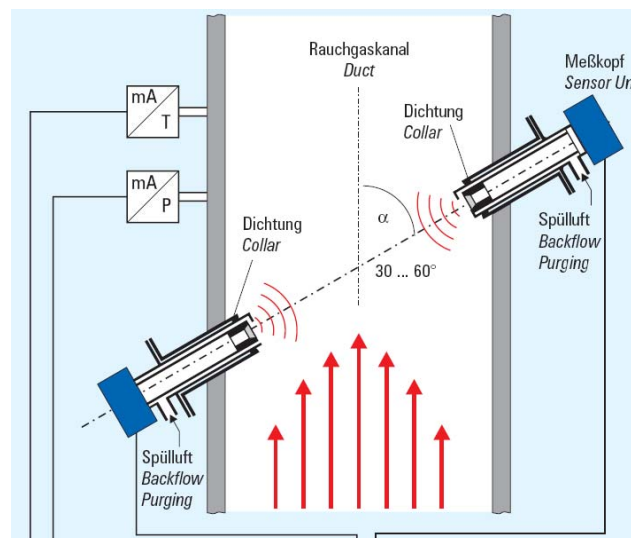
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

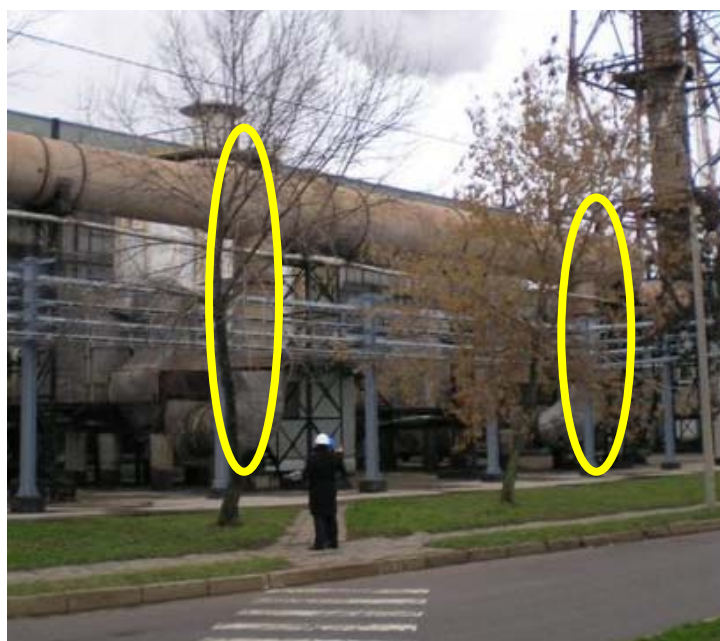
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

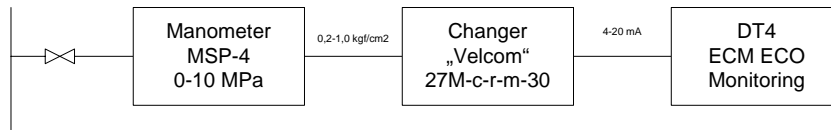
Operating conditions

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

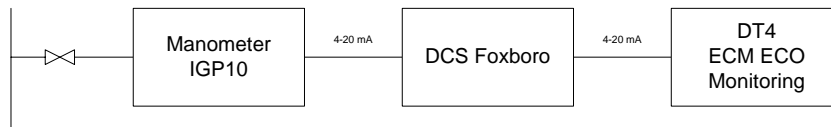
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

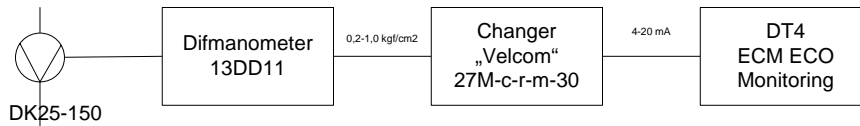
P in mixer 1-6 line



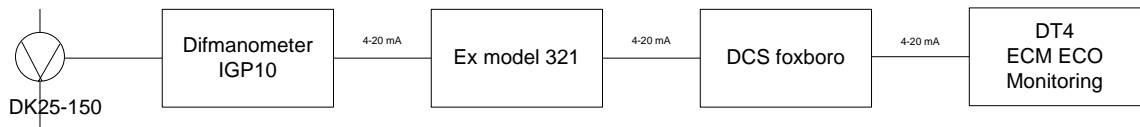
P in mixer 7-8 line

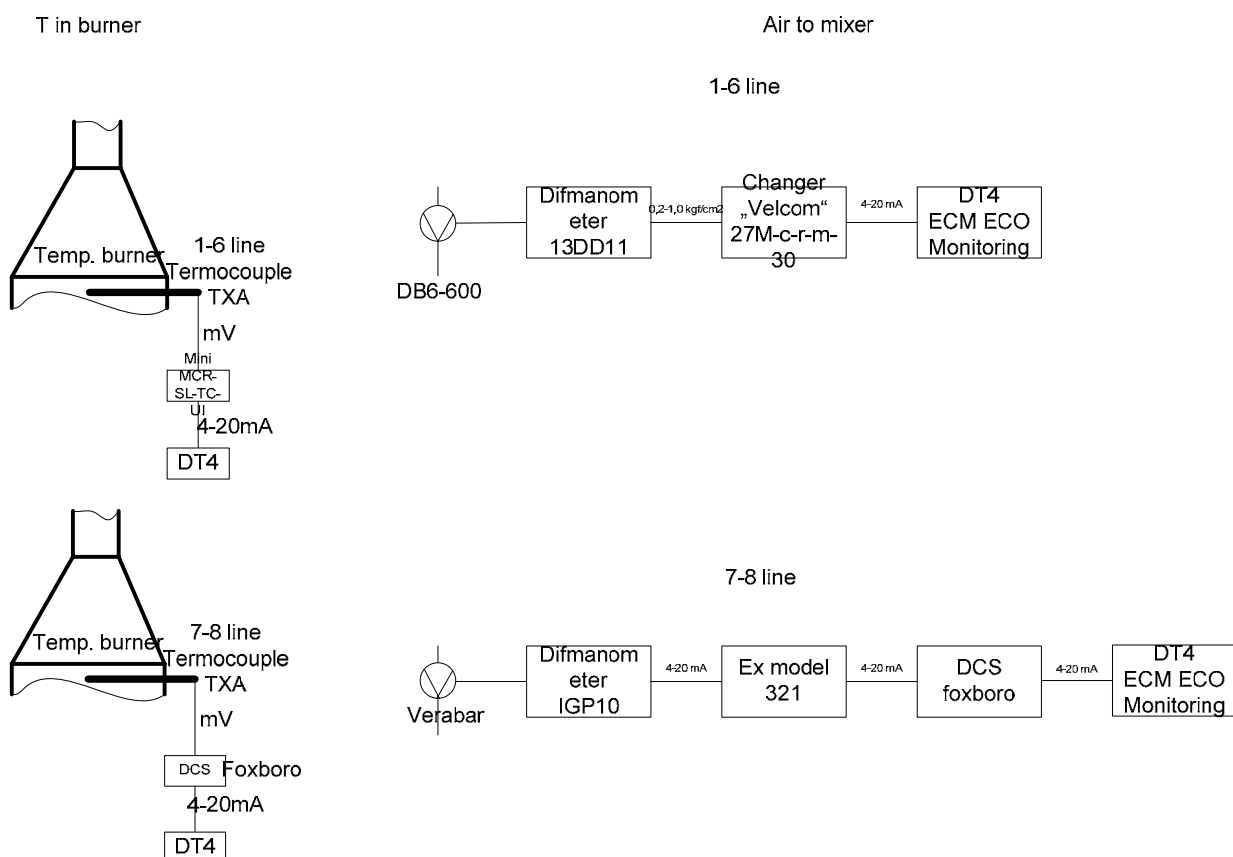


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



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 08/11/2007 and ending on 29/07/2008 project uses HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m₃. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	63 318	07 Jun 2004	26 Jan 2005	233	272	Heraeus
	2 t HNO ₃	65 490	27 Jan 2005	21 Sep 2005	237	276	Umicore
	3 t HNO ₃	51 101	22 Sep 2005	10 Apr 2006	200	256	Heraeus
	4 t HNO ₃	63 008	11 Apr 2006	24 Jan 2007	288	219	Heraeus
	5 t HNO ₃	70 635	14 Mar 2007	08 Nov 2007	239	296	Johnson Matthey
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	62 710		239	262	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 12 380 tHNO₃.

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	2007 Dec 27	2008 May 20	2008 May 21
Baseline Factor kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃			7.77	7.77	7.77
Production tHNO ₃			12 380	60 767	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	261.9				
Baseline less Historic Production	(1 943.4)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(7.4)				

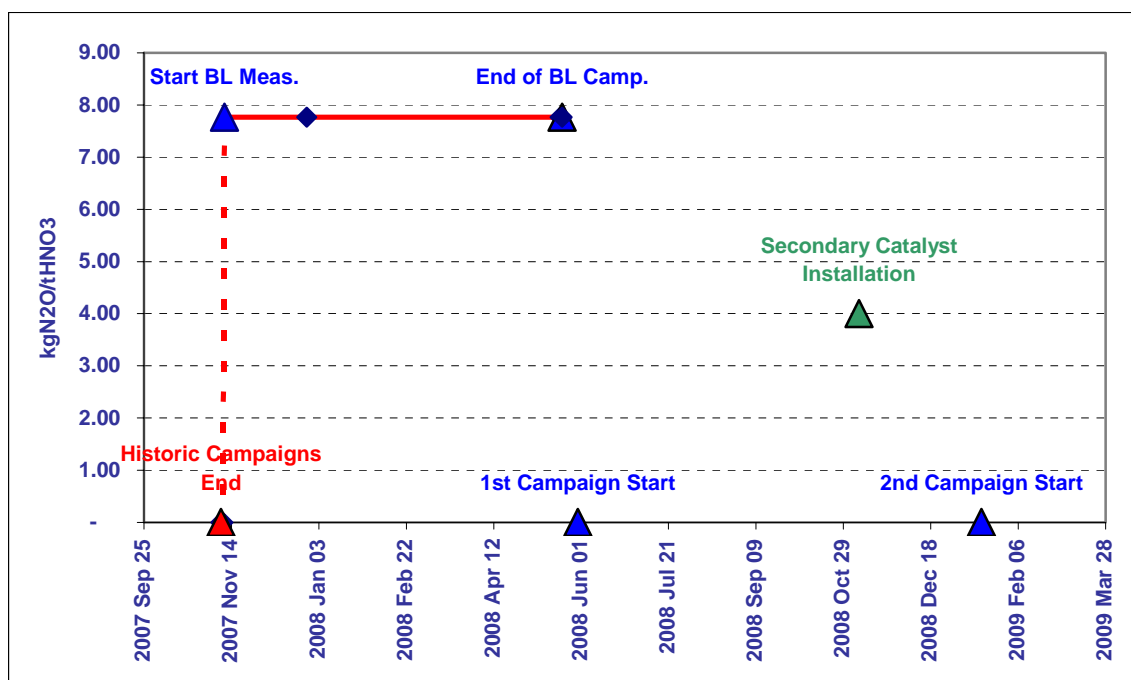
C 1 Baseline campaign length


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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 504 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 6.46%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 7.77 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 2 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 07/11/2008 and went through 16/01/2009.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 1.77 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

This emission factor has been used in further calculation of emission reductions. Neither moving average emission factor nor minimum emission factor was established, since it was the first project 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	0 h	0 t/h	NCSG NAP t/h				
Elimination of extreme values															
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				
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	4 254	4 633	1 012	4 217	4 296	4 277		4 606	4 576	4 061	1 153				
as % of Dataset	92%	100%	22%	91%	93%	92%		99%	99%	88%	25%				
Minimum		-	0	4	2 069	-		42	5		-				
Maximum		15.73	1 757	106 041	6 243	18.13		1 100	679		16				
Mean		13.12	1 279	82 420	5 815	9.78		843	604		11				
Standard Deviation		3.81	441	17 718	263	1.67		207	45		6				
Total		60 767									12 380				
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Minimum					4 500	0		880	0						
Maximum					7 500	11.70		910	800						
Data within the permitted range															
Count	3 710		406	3 710						4 061					
as % of Operating Hours	87%		10%	87%						95%					
Minimum			800	8 892											
Maximum			1 642	103 800											
Mean			1 374	85 249											
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Lower bound			1 165	66 326											
Upper bound			1 584	104 173											
Count			390	3 604											
as % of Operating Hours			9%	85%											
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Maximum			1 583	103 800											
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T 5 Project emission factor

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Raw Data Measured Range															
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as % of Dataset	50%	73%	51%	54%	75%	56%	100%	99%							
Minimum		-	0	69	2 799	-	(9)	0							
Maximum		16.01	472	109 625	6 148	12.82	897	661							
Mean		10.17	272	83 849	5 287	9.12	468	485							
Standard Deviation		6.34	64	28 835	899	3.31	416	167							
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Upper bound				399	140 365										
Count				798	824										
as % of Operating Hours				96%	99%										
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Maximum				396	103 312										
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 2

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 16/01/2009

TO: 12/10/2009

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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 second 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 period from 16/01/2009 through 12/10/2009 on Line 2 is **142 227 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	9.24	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	1.79	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	60 767	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	60 767	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	61 628	tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310	tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	142 227	tCO_e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
Abatement Ratio		80.6%	

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 2 during baseline measurement carried from 09/11/2007 through 20/05/2008 is 9.24 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the second project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 2, which started on 16/01/2009 and went through 12/10/2009 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 07/11/2008, is 1.79 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 61 628 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O 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 N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) 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:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Johnson Matthey
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Johnson Matthey
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 higher than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the actual project 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

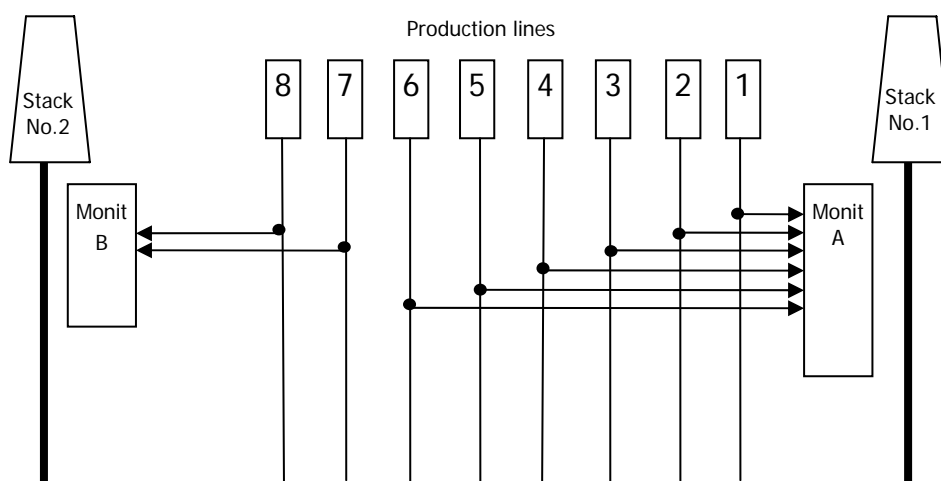
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

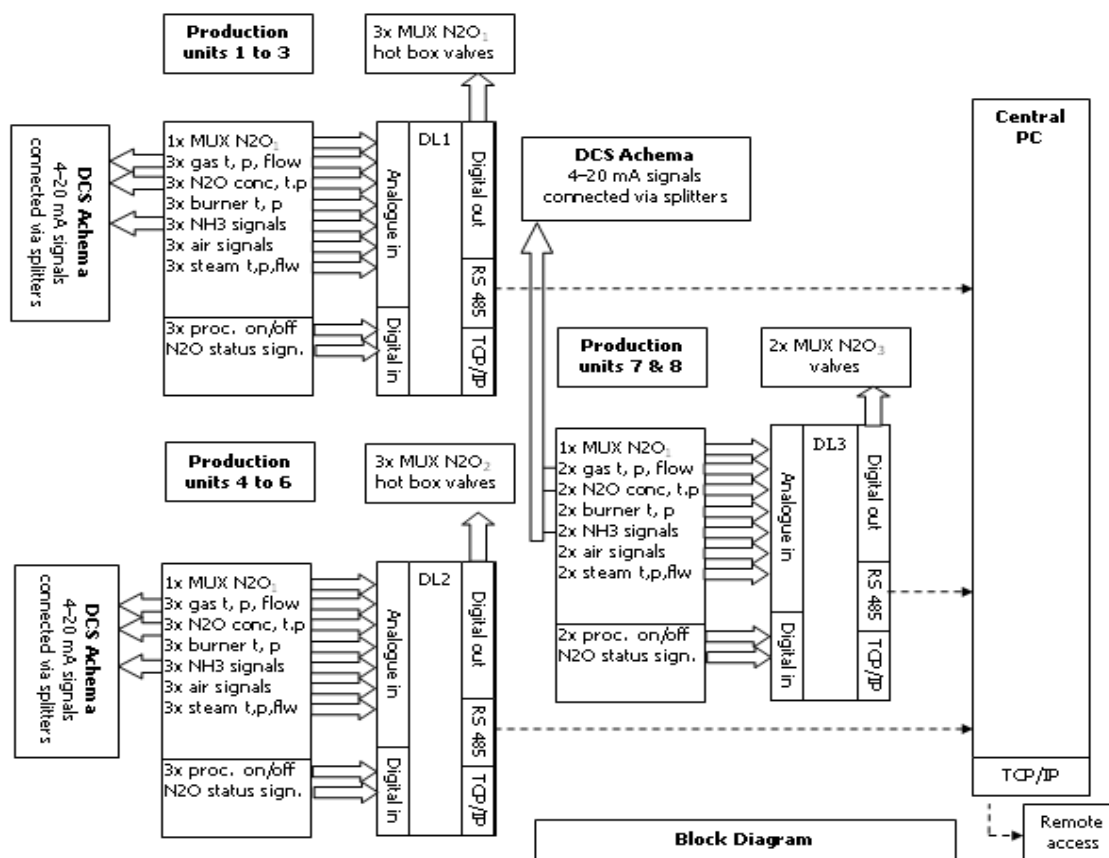
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

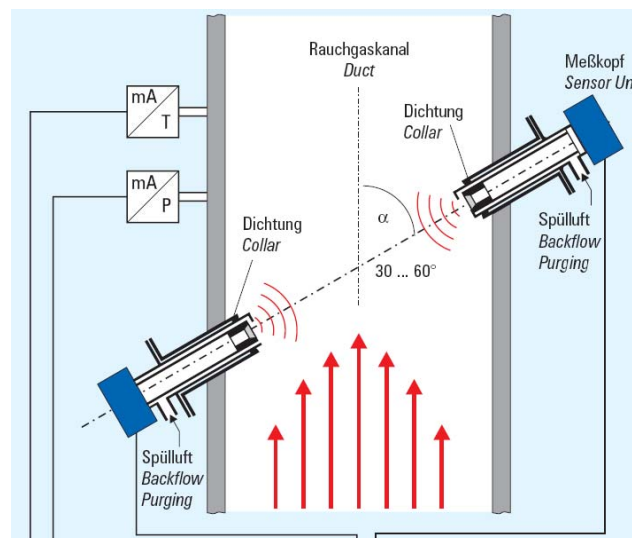
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

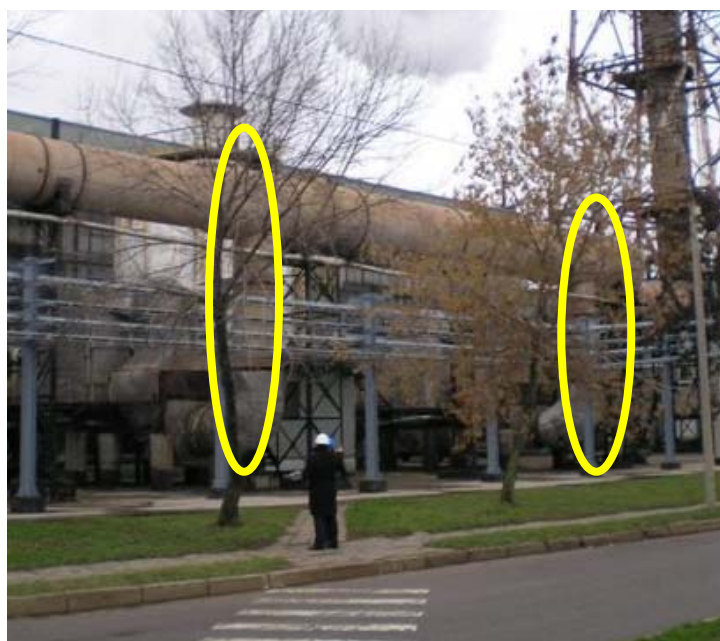
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

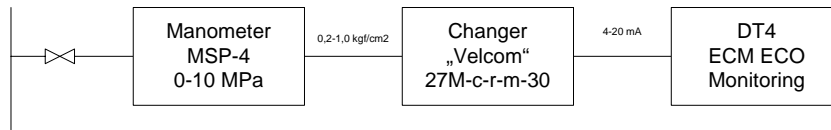
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For purpose of the baseline emissions factor setting it is necessary to monitor and report operating conditions in all 8 burners. Namely:

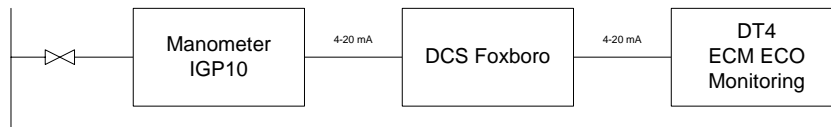
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All these parameters are measured by the plant monitoring system as presented on diagrams below:

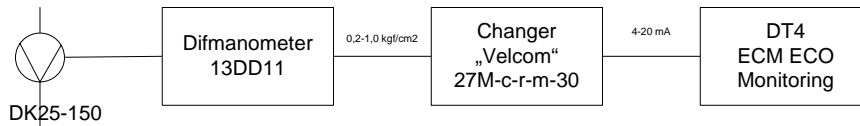
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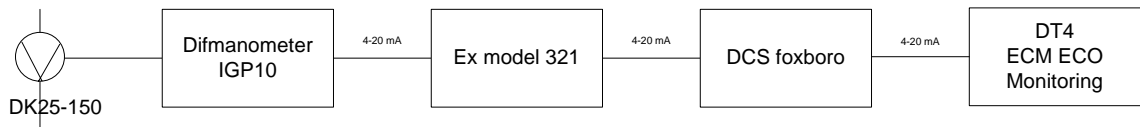
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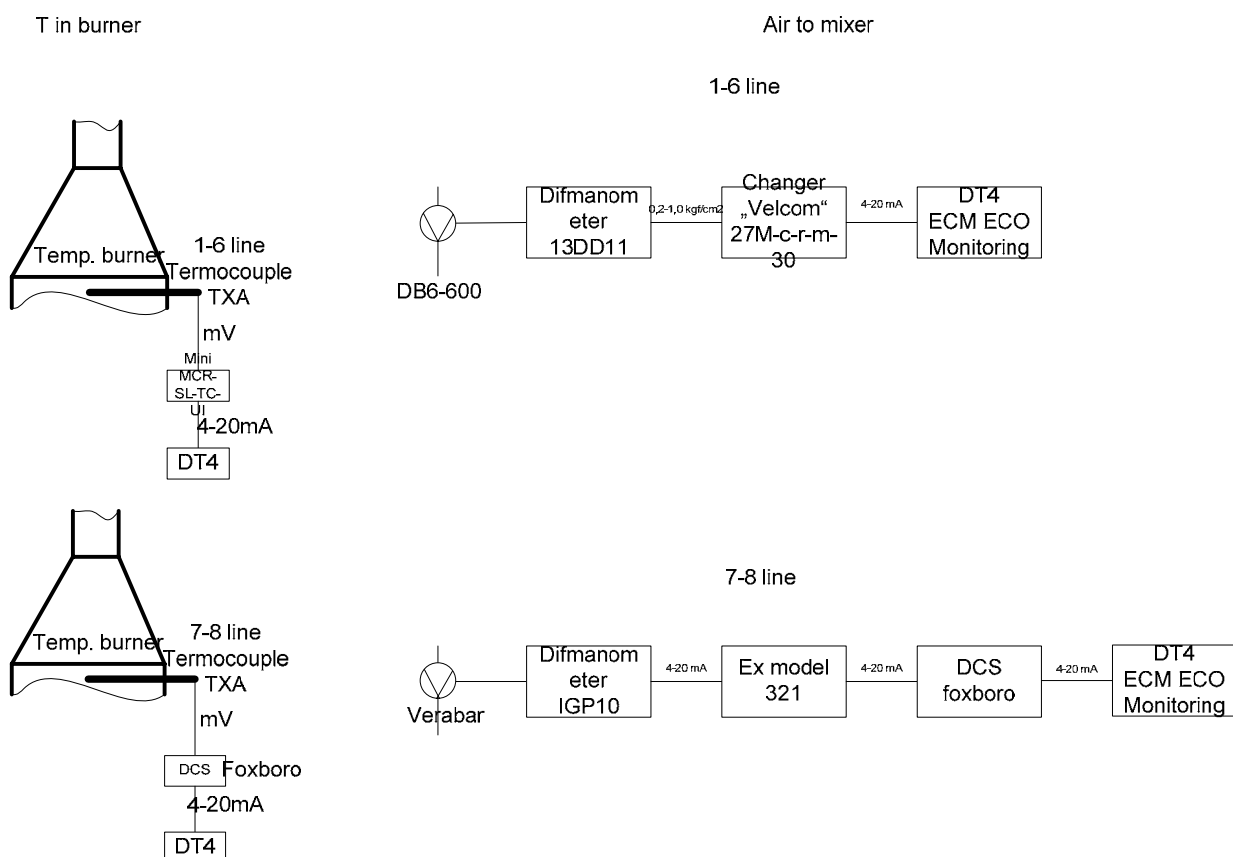


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



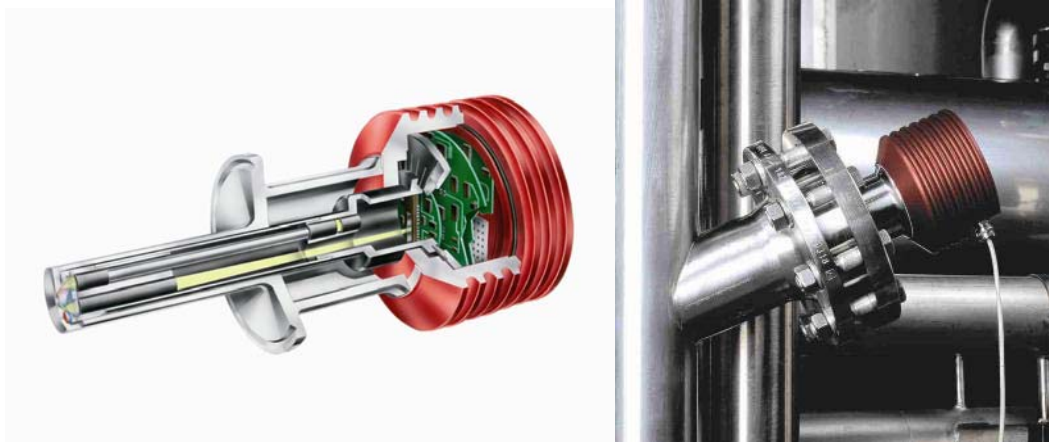


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, 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 HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m³. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	63 318	07 Jun 2004	26 Jan 2005	233	272	Heraeus
	2 t HNO ₃	65 490	27 Jan 2005	21 Sep 2005	237	276	Umicore
	3 t HNO ₃	51 101	22 Sep 2005	10 Apr 2006	200	256	Heraeus
	4 t HNO ₃	63 008	11 Apr 2006	24 Jan 2007	288	219	Heraeus
	5 t HNO ₃	70 635	14 Mar 2007	08 Nov 2007	239	296	Johnson Matthey
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	62 710		239	262	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 60 767 tHNO₃.

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 ₂ O/tHNO ₃			9.24	9.24	9.24
Production tHNO ₃			60 767	60 767	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	261.9				
Baseline less Historic Production	(1 943.4)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(7.4)				

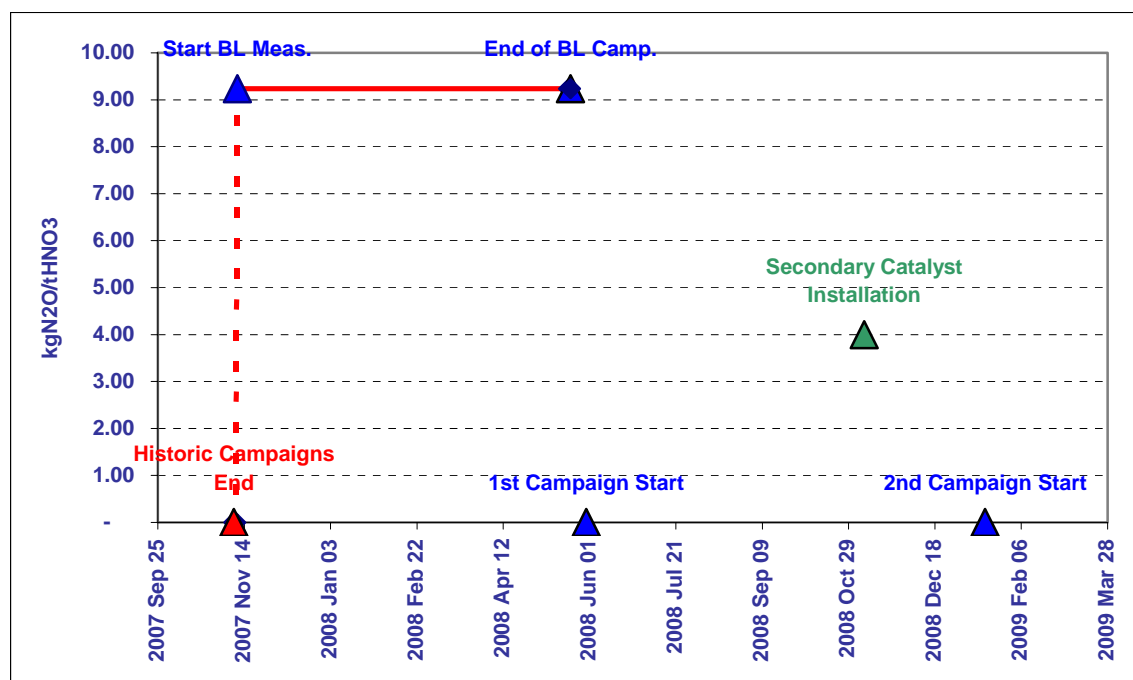
C 1 Baseline campaign length


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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 600 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 6.46%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 9.24 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 2 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 16/01/2009 and went through 12/10/2009.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 1.79 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

Because the project emission factor measured was higher than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the actual project 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	OH	NAP	NCSG	VSG	AFR	AIFR	OT	OP	0	NAP	NCSG
Unit	h	t/h	mg N2O/Nm3	Nm3/h	Nm3/h	%	°C	kPa	h	t/h	t/h
Elimination of extreme values											
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
Raw Data Measured Range											
Count	4 254	4 633	4 353	4 217	4 296	4 277	-	4 606	4 576	4 061	4 633
as % of Dataset	92%	100%	94%	91%	93%	92%	-	99%	99%	88%	100%
Minimum		-	0	4	2 069	-	-	42	5		-
Maximum		15.73	2 356	106 041	6 243	18.13	-	1 100	679		16
Mean		13.12	1 576	82 420	5 815	9.78	-	843	604		13
Standard Deviation		3.81	323	17 718	263	1.67	-	207	45		4
Total		60 767									60 767
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH) 553 t N2O											
Emission Factor 8.51 kgN2O / tHNO3											
Permitted Range											
Minimum					4 500	0		880	0		
Maximum					7 500	11.70		910	800		
Data within the permitted range											
Count	3 710		3 710	3 710						4 061	
as % of Operating Hours	87%		87%	87%						95%	
Minimum			465	8 892							
Maximum			2 356	103 800							
Mean			1 606	85 249							
Standard Deviation			250	9 655							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH) 582 t N2O											
Emission Factor 8.96 kgN2O / tHNO3											
Data within the confidence interval											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			1 115	66 326							
Upper bound			2 096	104 173							
Count			3 585	3 604							
as % of Operating Hours			84%	85%							
Minimum			1 118	75 679							
Maximum			2 074	103 800							
Mean			1 634	86 327							
Standard Deviation			184	7 344							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH) 600 t N2O											
Emission Factor (EF_BL) 9.24 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							
Elimination of extreme values															
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							
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	4 420	4 389	4 380	4 395	4 963	4 447	6 448	6 351							
as % of Dataset	68%	68%	68%	68%	77%	69%	100%	98%							
Minimum		0.86	109	4	2 242	7	(23)	0							
Maximum		17.51	924	87 637	6 489	11.99	908	683							
Mean		14.04	334	77 730	5 727	10.51	630	535							
Standard Deviation		1.30	99	2 172	784	0.21	382	147							
Total		61 628													
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Emission Factor	1.86 kgN2O / tHNO3														
Data within the confidence interval															
95% Confidence interval															
Lower bound			140	73 474											
Upper bound			528	81 987											
Count			4 128	4 240											
as % of Operating Hours			93%	96%											
Minimum			164	73 506											
Maximum			528	81 970											
Mean			322	77 576											
Standard Deviation			77	1 541											
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 3

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 04/07/2008

TO: 27/08/2008

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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 first project campaign on Line 3.

The first project campaign on Line 3 started on 01/02/2008. Secondary catalyst was installed on 04/07/2008. Total quantity of emission reductions generated during the period from 04/07/2008 through 27/08/2008 on Line 3 is **10 044 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	4.27	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	1.86	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	42 999	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	12 741	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	13 444	tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310	tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	10 044	tCO_e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
Abatement Ratio		56.4%	

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 3 during baseline measurement carried from 01/02/2008 through 30/06/2008 is 4.27 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the first project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 3, which started on 04/07/2008 and went through 27/08/2008 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 04/07/2008, is 1.86 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 13 444 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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 from 01/02/2008 through 30/06/2008.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} \text{ (tN}_2\text{O)}$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) \text{ (tN}_2\text{O/tHNO}_3)$$

where:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 A, where the analyzer is located.

Tail gas samples are filtered and conditioned in the condensation dryer (4°C), so N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Heraous
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Heraous
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 this campaign was first project campaign on Line 3 there has been no moving average emission factor established yet for 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

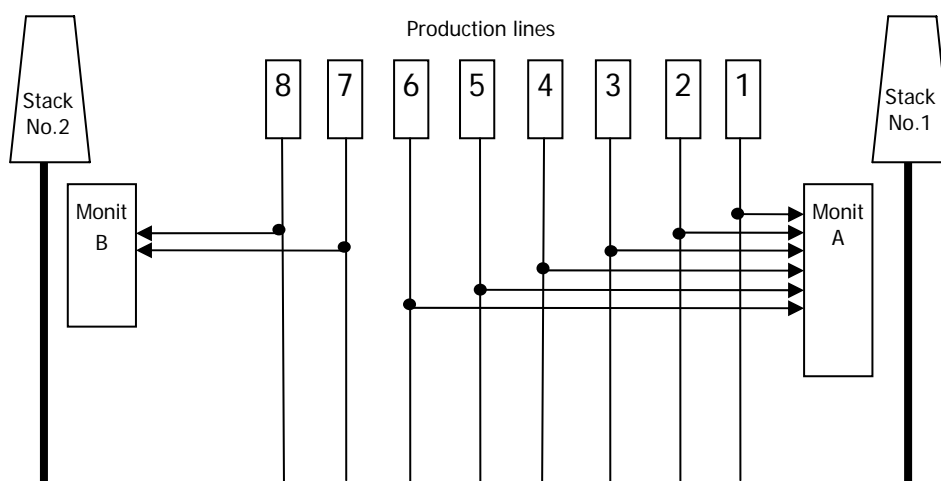
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

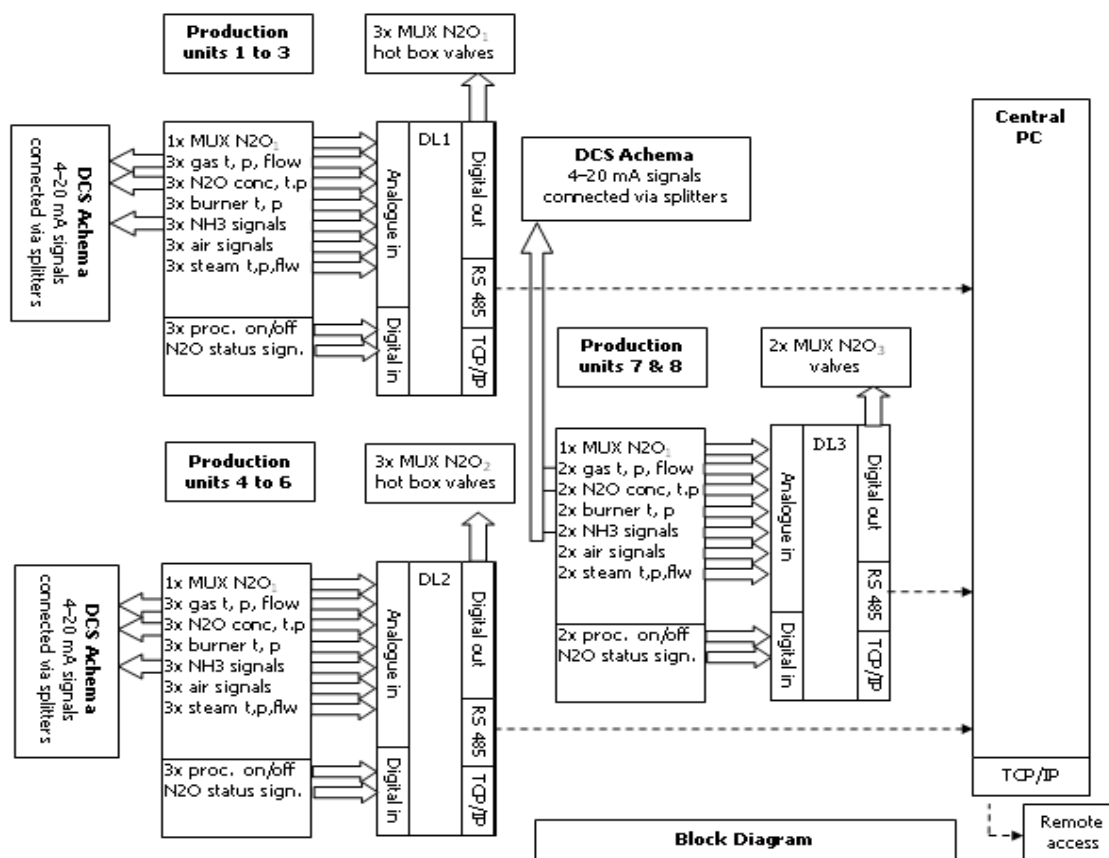
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

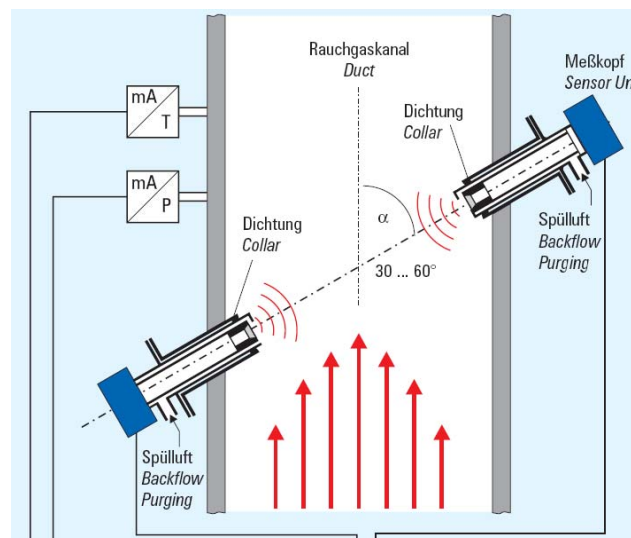
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

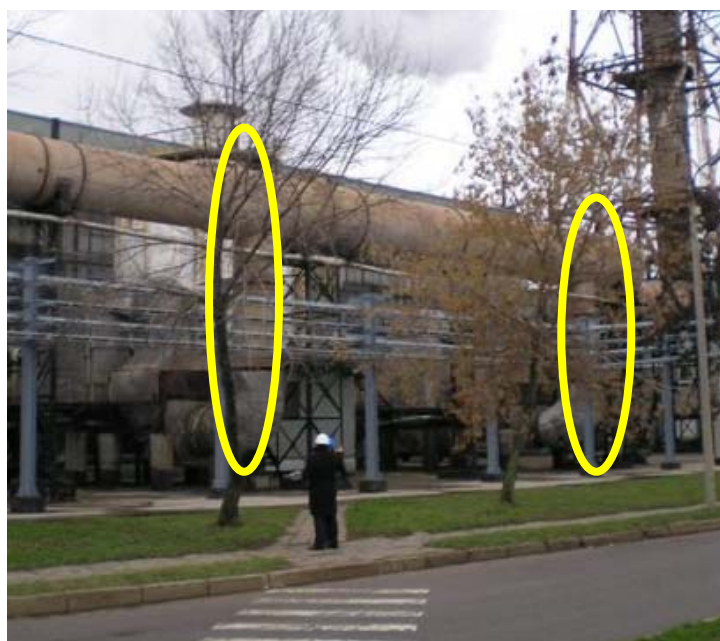
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

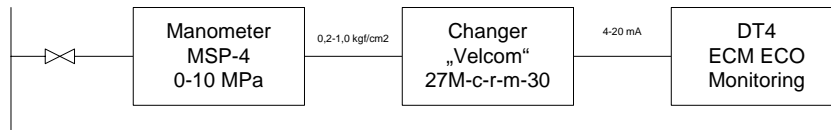
Operating conditions

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

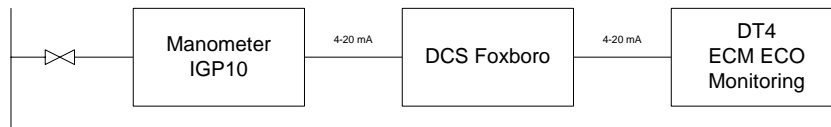
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

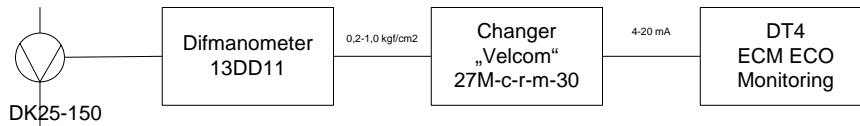
P in mixer 1-6 line



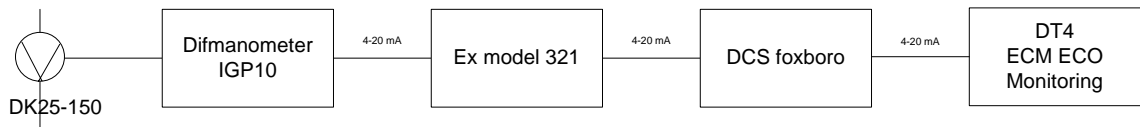
P in mixer 7-8 line

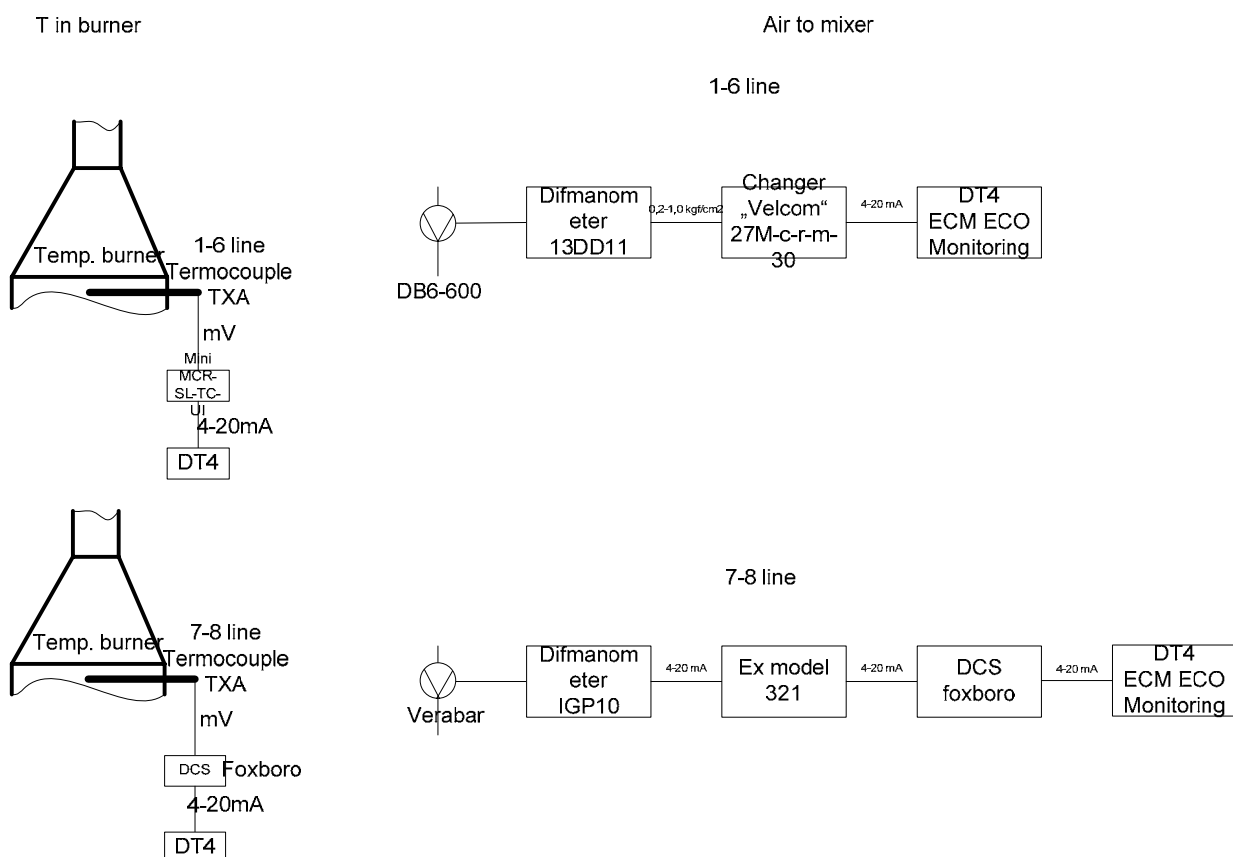


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



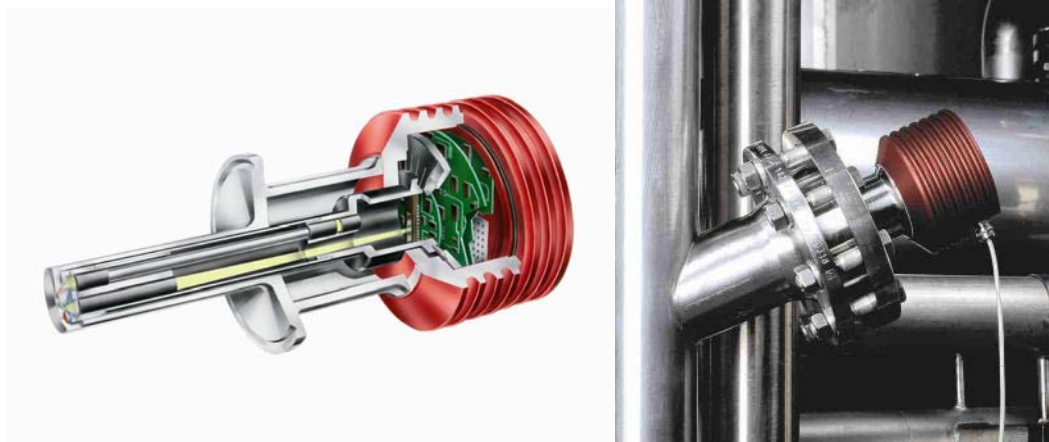


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, 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 09/11/2007 and ending on 30/07/2008 project uses HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m₃. 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 tHNO₃ and time duration was on average 316 days. Table contains also information on suppliers of primary catalysts for the line 3.

T 2 Historic campaigns

Line	ACHEMA UKL-3	Production	Start	End	Days	Production per day	Primary Catalyst
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	64 017	05 Feb 2004	09 Oct 2005	612	105	Heraeus
	2 t HNO ₃	63 115	10 Oct 2005	28 Jun 2006	261	242	Heraeus
	3 t HNO ₃	59 912	01 Jul 2005	24 Jan 2006	207	289	Heraeus
	4 t HNO ₃	56 702	25 Jan 2006	23 Nov 2006	302	188	Heraeus
	5 t HNO ₃	54 654	24 Dec 2006	09 Jul 2007	197	277	Heraeus
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	59 680		316	189	

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started on 01/02/2008 and continued through 30/06/2008 when the 42 999 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 12 741 tHNO₃.

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	2008 Feb 01	2008 Mar 08	2008 Jun 30	2008 Jul 01
Baseline Factor kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃			4.27	4.27	4.27
Production tHNO ₃			12 741	42 999	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	189.0				
Baseline less Historic Production	(16 681.1)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(88.3)				

C 1 Baseline campaign length

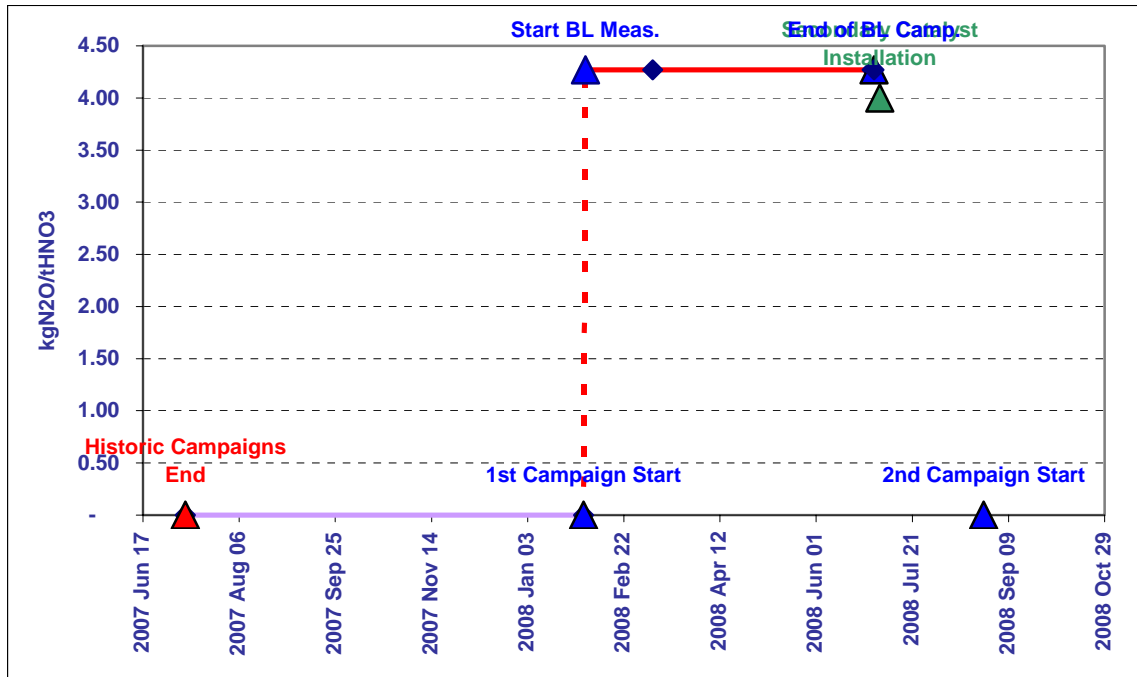


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 3 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 01/02/2008 through 30/06/2008.

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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 195 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.63%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 4.27 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 3 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 04/07/2008 and went through 27/08/2008.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 1.86 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

This emission factor has been used in further calculation of emission reductions. Neither moving average emission factor nor minimum emission factor was established, since it was the first project 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	0 h	NAP t/h				
Elimination of extreme values														
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				
Raw Data Measured Range														
Count	3 107	3 552	860	3 196	3 592	3 365	3 593	3 593	3 139	865				
as % of Dataset	86%	99%	24%	89%	100%	93%	100%	100%	87%	24%				
Minimum		-	734	81	502	4	0	0		14				
Maximum		16.11	1 701	78 393	6 221	19.99	906	626		16				
Mean		12.11	960	65 431	5 136	10.91	785	549		15				
Standard Deviation		4.73	112	7 793	1 643	1.32	265	103		1				
Total		42 999								12 741				
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Permitted Range														
Minimum					4 500	0	880	0						
Maximum					7 500	11.70	910	800						
Data within the permitted range														
Count	2 996		854	2 989					3 139					
as % of Operating Hours	96%		27%	96%					101%					
Minimum			734	13 365										
Maximum			1 701	73 898										
Mean			959	66 229										
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Data within the confidence interval														
95% Confidence interval														
Lower bound			739	61 641										
Upper bound			1 178	70 817										
Count			834	2 944										
as % of Operating Hours			27%	95%										
Minimum			740	61 686										
Maximum			1 095	70 806										
Mean			946	66 208										
Standard Deviation			61	1 896										
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T 5 Project emission factor

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as % of Dataset	92%	82%	96%	81%	98%	90%	98%	98%	98%						
Minimum		-	1	1 238	711	9	1	0							
Maximum		13.71	2 046	77 664	5 999	19.98	911	586							
Mean		12.64	492	62 408	5 406	10.54	841	553							
Standard Deviation		1.73	445	4 522	1 152	1.07	197	69							
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Data within the confidence interval															
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Upper bound				1 364	71 272										
Count				945	1 030										
as % of Operating Hours				79%	86%										
Minimum				175	57 992										
Maximum				1 286	66 277										
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 3

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 27/08/2008

TO: 16/06/2009

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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 second 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 period from 27/08/2008 through 16/06/2009 on Line 3 is **35 876 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	4.99	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	2.94	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	59 042	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	56 323	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	56 411	tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310	tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	35 876	tCO₂e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
Abatement Ratio			41.1%

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 4.99 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during second project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 3, which started on 27/08/2008 and went through 16/06/2009 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 04/07/2008, is 2.94 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 56 411 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O 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 N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) 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:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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°C), so N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Heraous
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Heraous
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

Composition of oxidation catalysts installed during the baseline campaign has been in Line with compositions used in 5 previous campaigns.

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 higher than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the actual project EF for the calculation of the quantity of emission reductions generated during this campaign.

4.2 Minimum project emission factor

Because this campaign was second 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

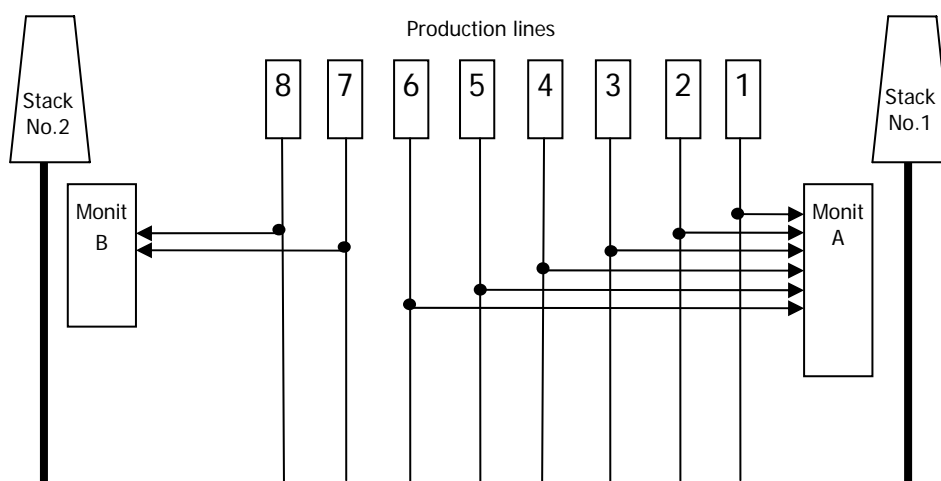
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

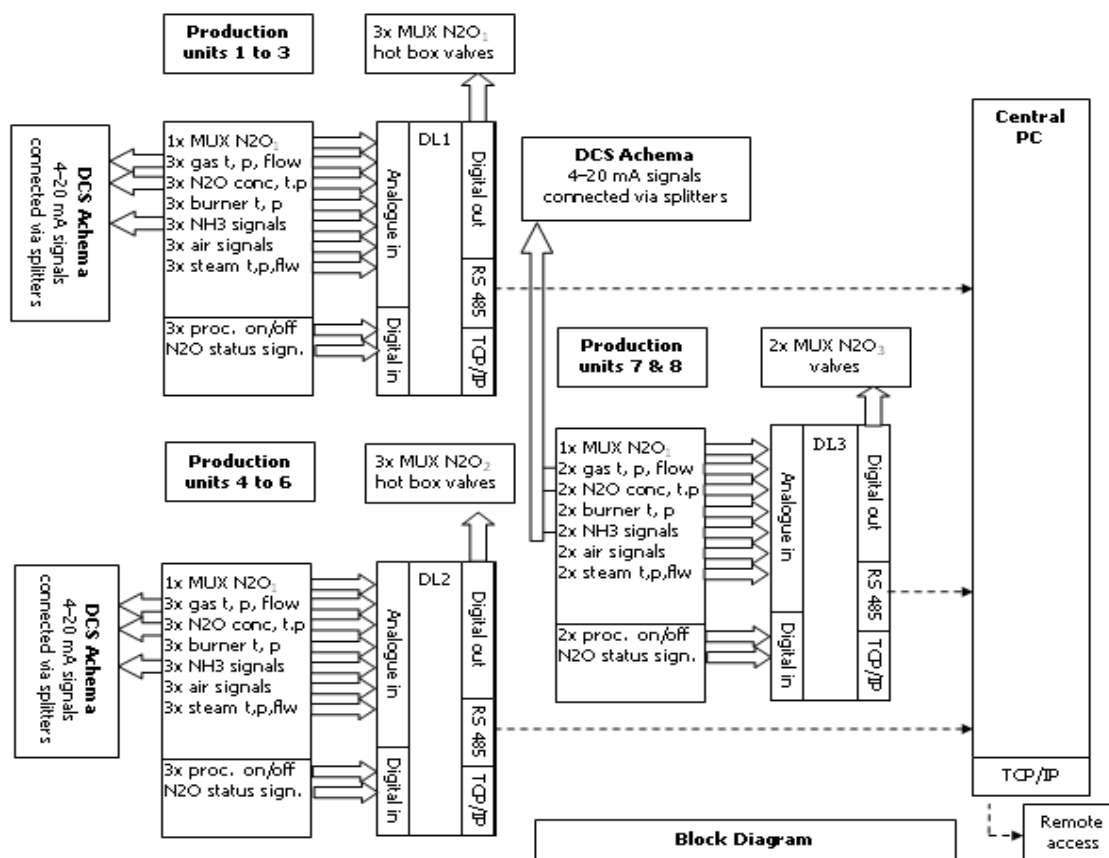
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

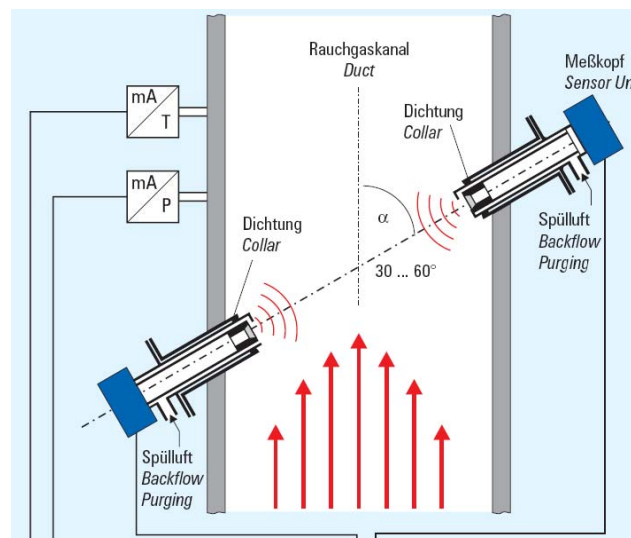
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

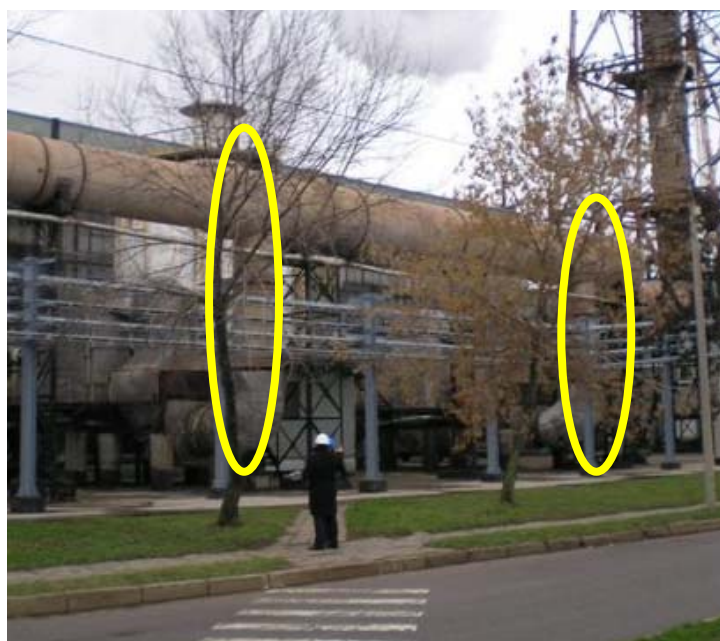
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

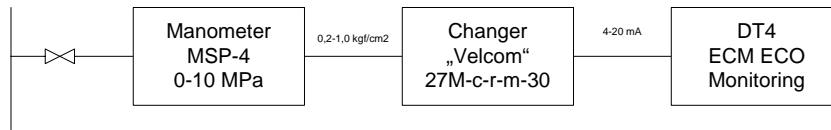
Operating conditions

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

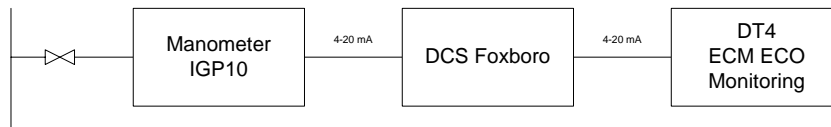
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

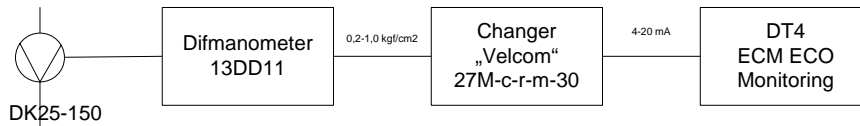
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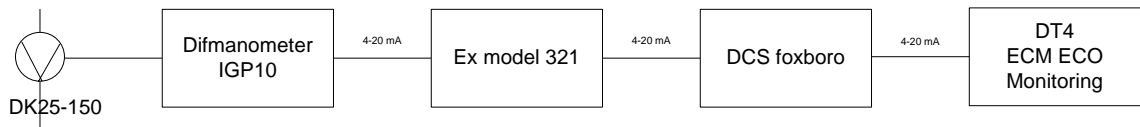
P in mixer 7-8 line

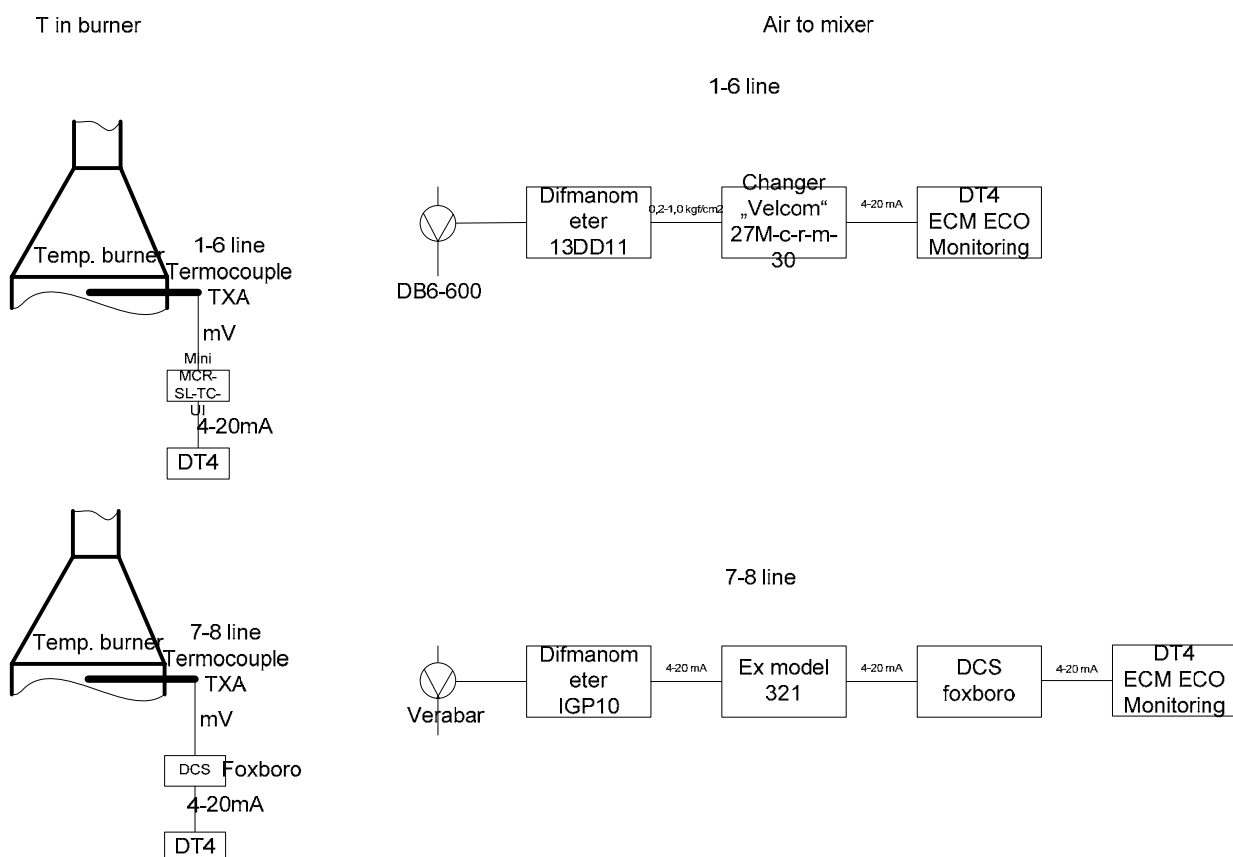


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



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 HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m₃. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	64 017	05 Feb 2004	09 Oct 2005	612	105	Heraeus
	2 t HNO ₃	63 115	10 Oct 2005	28 Jun 2006	261	242	Heraeus
	3 t HNO ₃	59 912	01 Jul 2005	24 Jan 2006	207	289	Heraeus
	4 t HNO ₃	56 702	25 Jan 2006	23 Nov 2006	302	188	Heraeus
	5 t HNO ₃	54 654	24 Dec 2006	09 Jul 2007	197	277	Heraeus
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	59 680		316	189	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The baseline measurement for N₂O concentration (NCSG) was carried out until the production of 56 323 tHNO₃ 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 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃			4.99	4.99	4.99
Production tHNO ₃			56 323	59 042	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	189.0				
Baseline less Historic Production	(637.7)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(3.4)				

C 1 Baseline campaign length

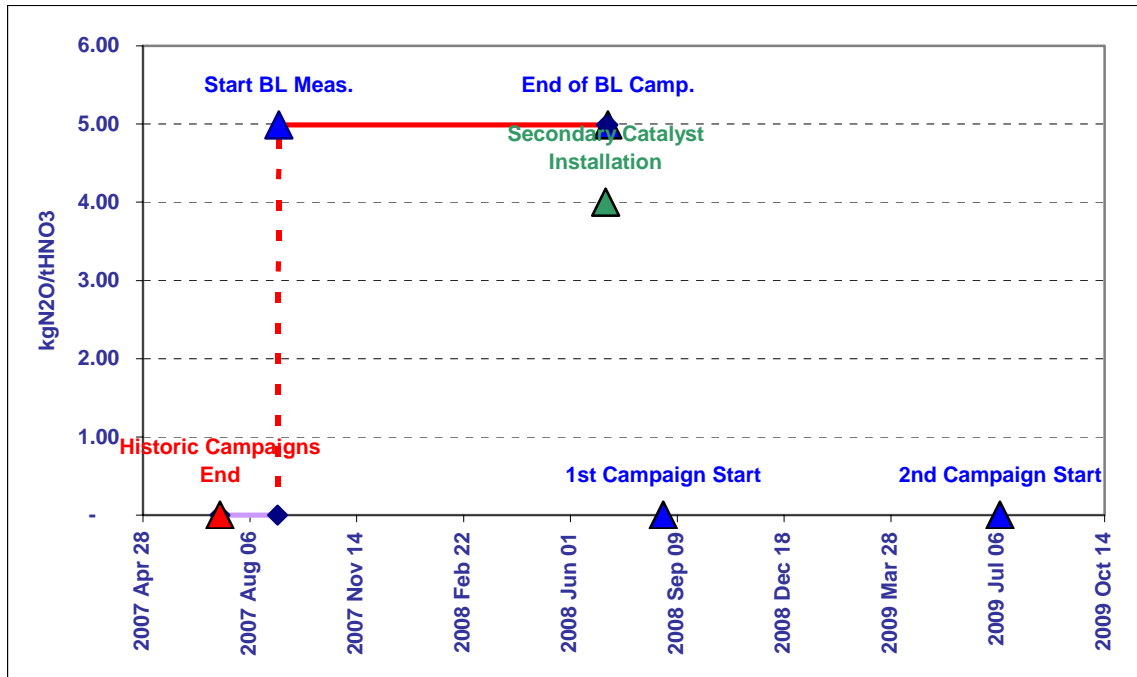


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on line 3 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD.

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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 312 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.63%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 4.99 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 3 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 27/08/2008 and went through 16/06/2009.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 2.94 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

Because the project emission factor measured was higher than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the actual project 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	o h	NAP t/h	
Elimination of extreme values											
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	
Raw Data Measured Range											
Count	4 224	5 074	4 477	4 585	5 148	4 843	5 235	5 232	4 454	4 880	
as % of Dataset	81%	97%	85%	87%	98%	92%	100%	100%	85%	93%	
Minimum		-	0	9	1	0	0	0		-	
Maximum		16.63	1 864	90 511	6 221	19.99	906	626		17	
Mean		11.64	1 100	67 036	4 974	10.52	794	545		12	
Standard Deviation		5.03	298	10 221	1 802	1.62	258	118		5	
Total		59 042								56 323	
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)		311 t N2O									
Emission Factor		4.98 kgN2O / tHNO3									
Permitted Range											
Minimum					4 500	0	880	0			
Maximum					7 500	11.70	910	800			
Data within the permitted range											
Count	3 788		3 697	3 770					4 454		
as % of Operating Hours	90%		88%	89%					105%		
Minimum			381	-							
Maximum			1 864	77 223							
Mean			1 124	65 258							
Standard Deviation			163	9 596							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)		310 t N2O									
Emission Factor		4.95 kgN2O / tHNO3									
Data within the confidence interval											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			804	46 450							
Upper bound			1 443	84 066							
Count			3 528	3 697							
as % of Operating Hours			84%	88%							
Minimum			806	48 823							
Maximum			1 443	77 223							
Mean			1 110	66 546							
Standard Deviation			130	2 850							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)		312 t N2O									
Emission Factor (EF_BL)		4.99 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	
Elimination of extreme values									
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
Raw Data Measured Range									
Count	4 371	5 214	4 733	5 029	6 840	4 768	7 029	7 029	
as % of Dataset	62%	74%	67%	72%	97%	68%	100%	100%	
Minimum		-	0	41	126	0	0	3	
Maximum		15.72	1 230	84 191	7 706	19.90	1 100	660	
Mean		10.82	555	60 291	4 157	10.75	617	562	
Standard Deviation		4.96	163	21 304	2 584	1.50	377	93	
Total		56 411							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)									
		146 t N2O							
Emission Factor		2.59 kgN2O / tHNO3							
Data within the confidence interval									
95% Confidence interval									
Lower bound				235	18 535				
Upper bound				875	102 047				
Count				4 237	4 277				
as % of Operating Hours				97%	98%				
Minimum				260	47 403				
Maximum				863	80 581				
Mean				556	68 161				
Standard Deviation				93	3 262				
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)									
		166 t N2O							
Actual Project Emission Factor (EF_PActual)		2.94 kgN2O / tHNO3							
Abatement Ratio		41.1%							
Moving Average Emission Factor Correction									
		Actual Factors		Moving Average Rule					
	1	1.86	1.86						
	2	2.94	2.94						
Project Emission Factor (EF_P)									
		2.94 kgN2O / tHNO3							
Abatement Ratio		41.1%							

MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 4

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 06/10/2008

TO: 28/04/2009

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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 first 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 period from 06/10/2008 through 28/04/2009 on Line 4 is **22 314 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	4.59	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	2.75	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	58 683	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	38 721	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	39 157	tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310	tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	22 314	tCO₂e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
Abatement Ratio		40.1%	

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 4 during baseline measurement carried from 28/12/2007 through 31/07/2008 is 4.59 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the first project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 4, which started on 06/10/2008 and went through 28/04/2009 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 06/10/2008, is 2.75 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 39 157 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O 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 N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) 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:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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°C), so N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Johnson Matthey
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Johnson Matthey
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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:

- 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

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

where:

Variable	Definition
VSG	Mean stack gas volume flow rate for the project campaign (m ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 this campaign was first project campaign on Line 4 there has been no moving average emission factor established yet for 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

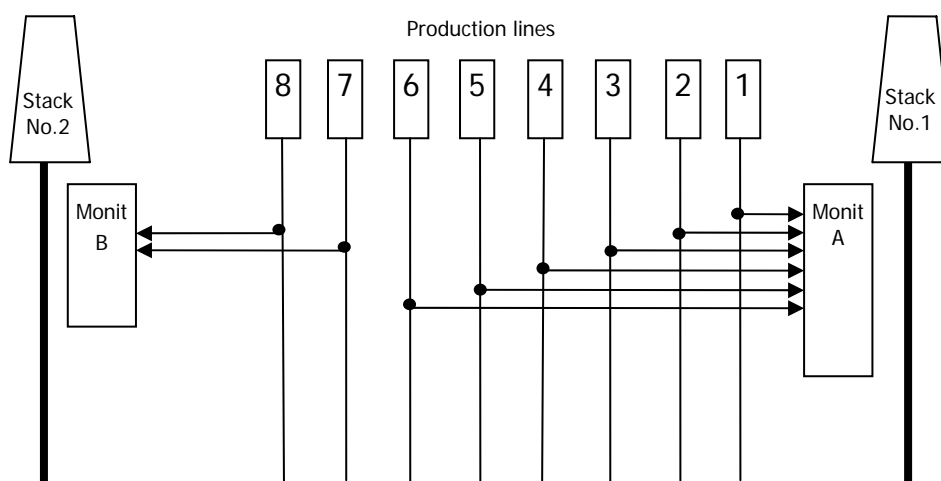
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

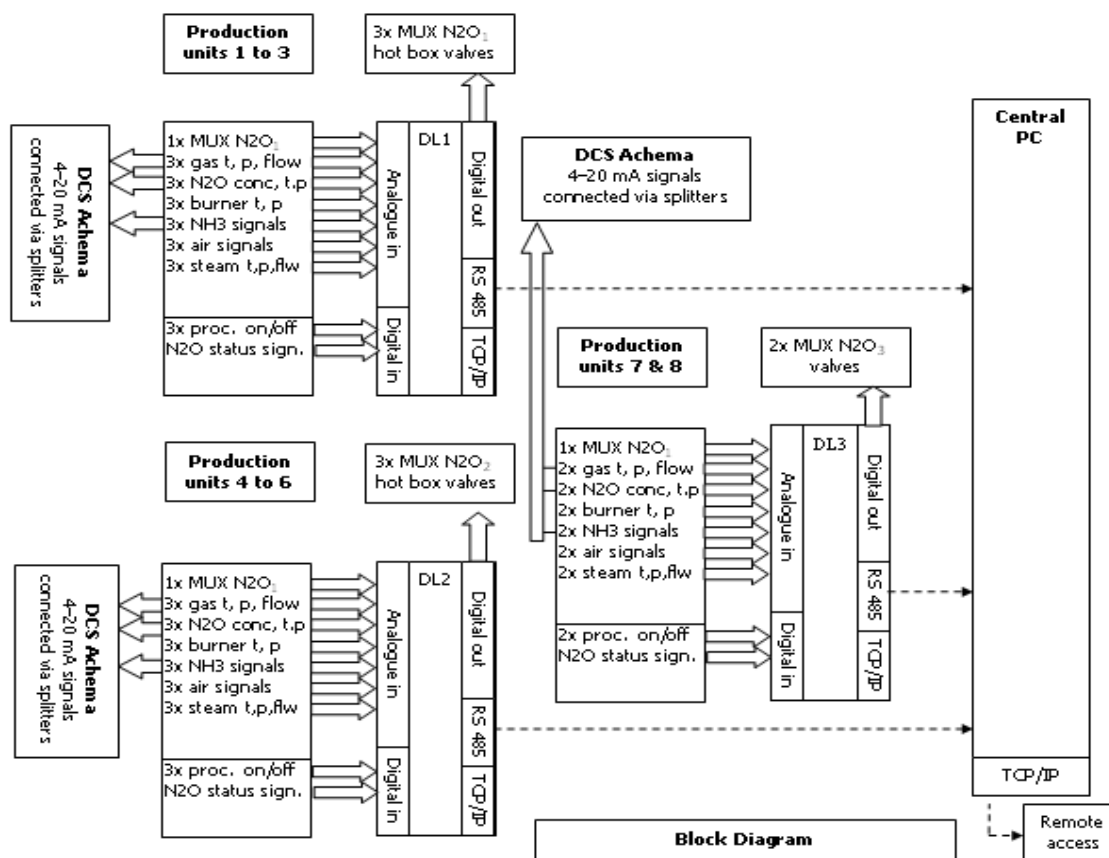
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

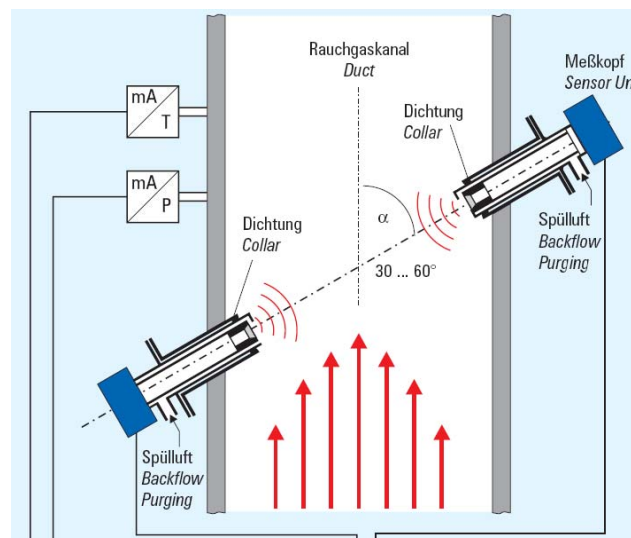
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

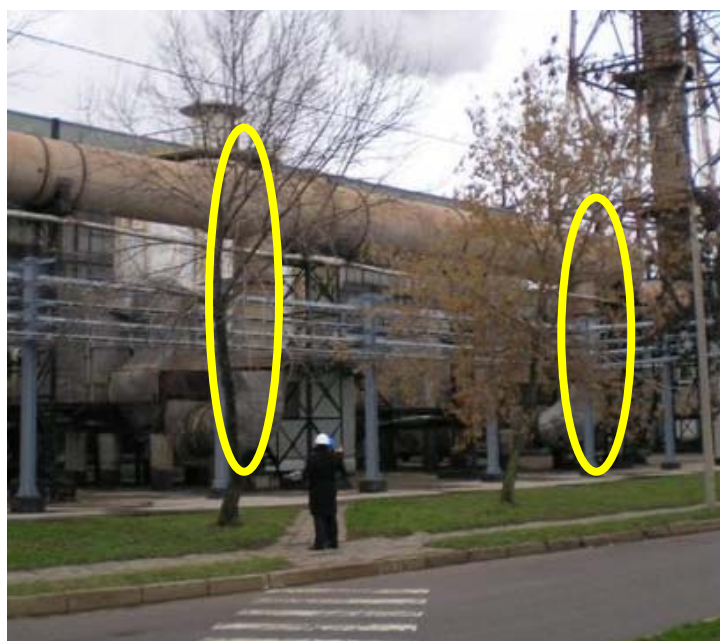
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

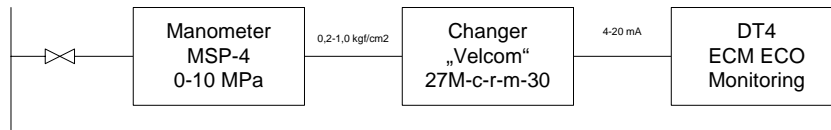
Operating conditions

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

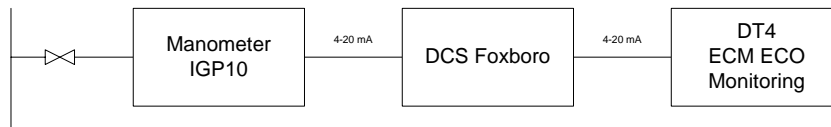
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

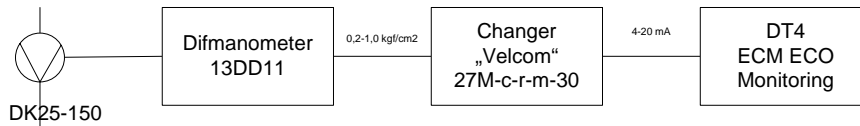
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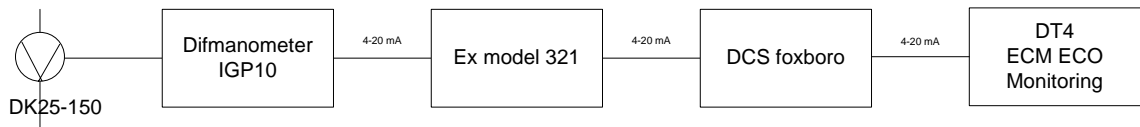
P in mixer 7-8 line

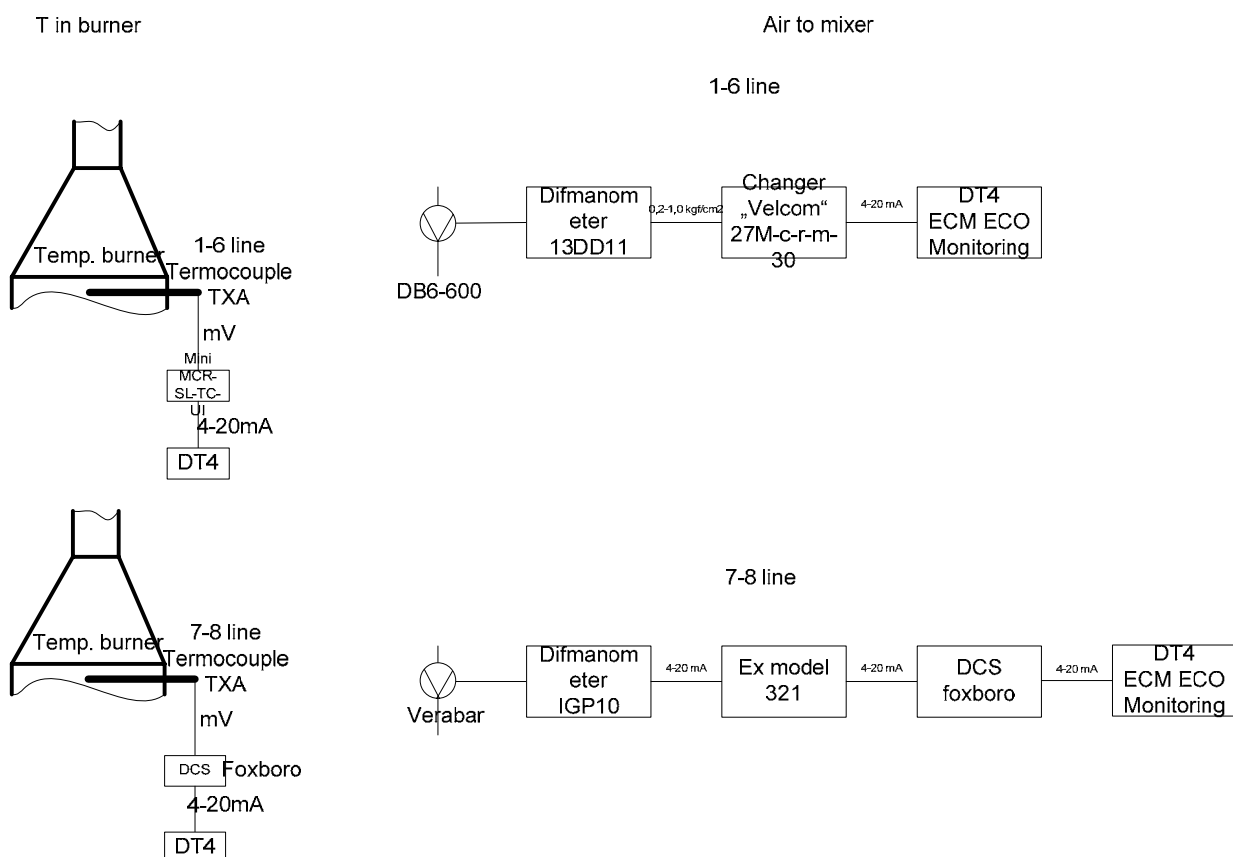


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



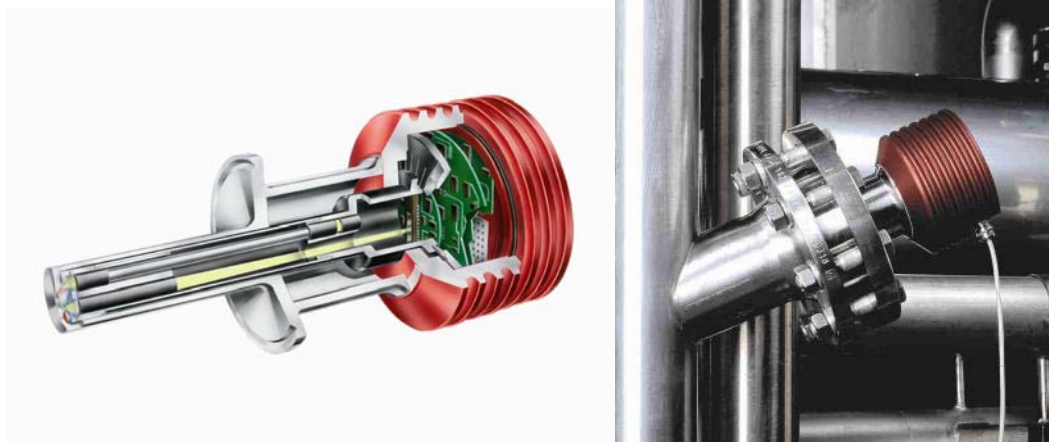


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, 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 31/10/2007 and ending on 10/09/2008 project uses HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m₃. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	69 782	18 Apr 2003	11 Dec 2003	237	294	Johnson Matthey
	2 t HNO ₃	65 420	11 Dec 2003	06 Dec 2004	361	181	Johnson Matthey
	3 t HNO ₃	66 129	07 Dec 2004	08 Nov 2005	336	197	Umicore
	4 t HNO ₃	66 826	22 Mar 2006	23 Nov 2006	246	272	Johnson Matthey
	5 t HNO ₃	60 959	23 Nov 2006	04 Jun 2007	193	316	Johnson Matthey
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	65 823		275	240	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 38 721 tHNO₃.

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 May 02	2008 Jul 31	2008 Aug 01
Baseline Factor kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃			4.59	4.59	4.59
Production tHNO ₃			38 721	58 683	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	239.7				
Baseline less Historic Production	(7 140.4)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(29.8)				

C 1 Baseline campaign length

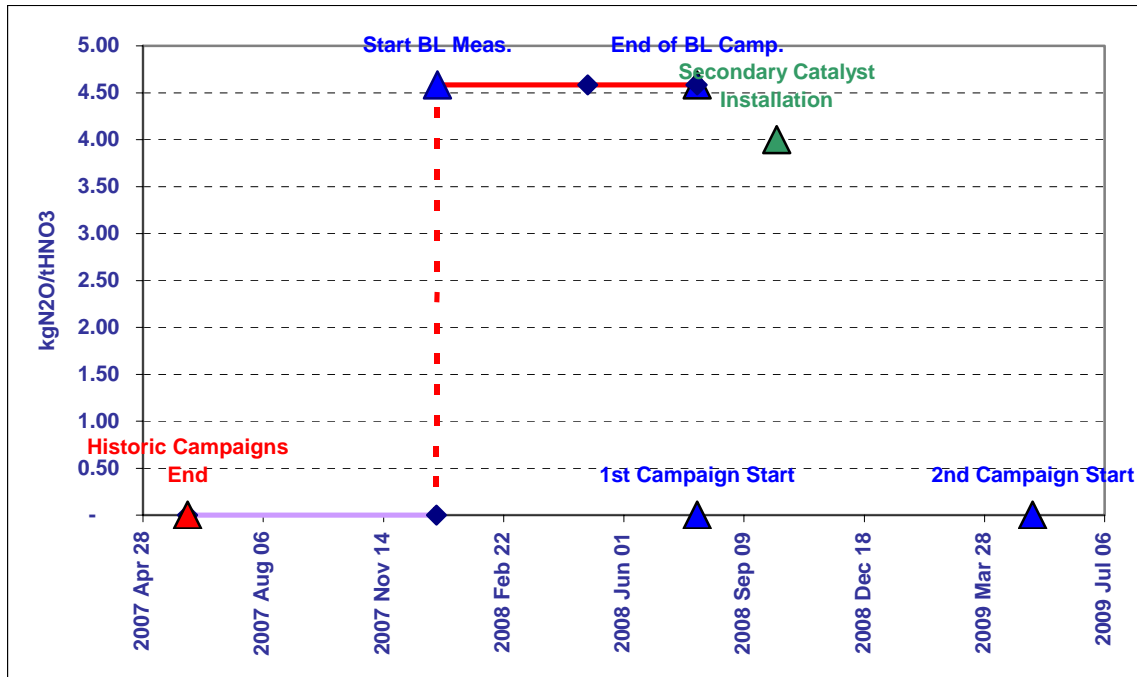


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 4 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 28/12/2007 through 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 285 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.45%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 4.59 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 4 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 06/10/2008 and went through 28/04/2009.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 2.75 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

This emission factor has been used in further calculation of emission reductions. Neither moving average emission factor nor minimum emission factor was established, since it was the first project 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	O h	NAP t/h	
Elimination of extreme values											
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
Raw Data Measured Range											
Count	2 892	4 906	2 973	4 467	4 733	5 086		5 161	4 755	4 377	2 935
as % of Dataset	56%	95%	57%	86%	91%	98%		100%	92%	84%	57%
Minimum		-	0	-	266	-		1	3		-
Maximum		15.12	2 132	83 541	6 465	19.28		906	634		15
Mean		11.96	1 399	66 158	5 718	9.71		791	572		13
Standard Deviation		4.35	230	10 118	881	2.96		272	62		3
Total		58 683									38 721
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH) 268 t N2O											
Emission Factor 4.31 kgN2O / tHNO3											
Permitted Range											
Minimum					4 500	0		880	0		
Maximum					7 500	11.70		910	800		
Data within the permitted range											
Count	2 774		2 756	2 756						4 377	
as % of Operating Hours	96%		95%	95%						151%	
Minimum			11	35 467							
Maximum			1 922	73 553							
Mean			1 430	68 474							
Standard Deviation			117	2 173							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH) 283 t N2O											
Emission Factor 4.56 kgN2O / tHNO3											
Data within the confidence interval											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			1 200	64 216							
Upper bound			1 659	72 732							
Count			2 688	2 686							
as % of Operating Hours			93%	93%							
Minimum			1 201	64 218							
Maximum			1 658	72 726							
Mean			1 437	68 493							
Standard Deviation			96	1 820							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH) 285 t N2O											
Emission Factor (EF_BL) 4.59 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							
Elimination of extreme values															
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							
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	3 013	3 531	3 368	3 217	4 327	3 538	4 893	4 869							
as % of Dataset	62%	72%	69%	66%	88%	72%	100%	99%							
Minimum		-	0	-	264	-	1	0							
Maximum		16.18	896	81 308	7 672	19.62	903	683							
Mean		11.09	483	63 088	4 617	9.93	581	556							
Standard Deviation		4.75	151	16 700	2 223	2.12	391	154							
Total		39 157													
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Data within the confidence interval															
95% Confidence interval															
Lower bound				187	30 357										
Upper bound				779	95 820										
Count				2 886	2 974										
as % of Operating Hours				96%	99%										
Minimum				355	55 719										
Maximum				771	74 026										
Mean				528	67 598										
Standard Deviation				78	1 607										
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 5

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 02/07/2008

TO: 22/04/2009

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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 first 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 period from 02/07/2008 through 22/04/2009 on Line 5 is **93 617 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION		
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	6.69 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	1.68 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	55 079 tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	55 079 tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	60 229 tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310 tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	93 617 tCO_e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>		
Abatement Ratio		74.9%

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 5 during baseline measurement carried from 29/11/2007 through 17/06/2008 is 6.69 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the first project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 5, which started on 02/07/2008 and went through 22/04/2009 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 02/07/2008, is 1.68 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 60 229 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O 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 N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) 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:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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°C), so N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Umicore
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Umicore
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 this campaign was first project campaign on Line 5 there has been no moving average emission factor established yet for 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

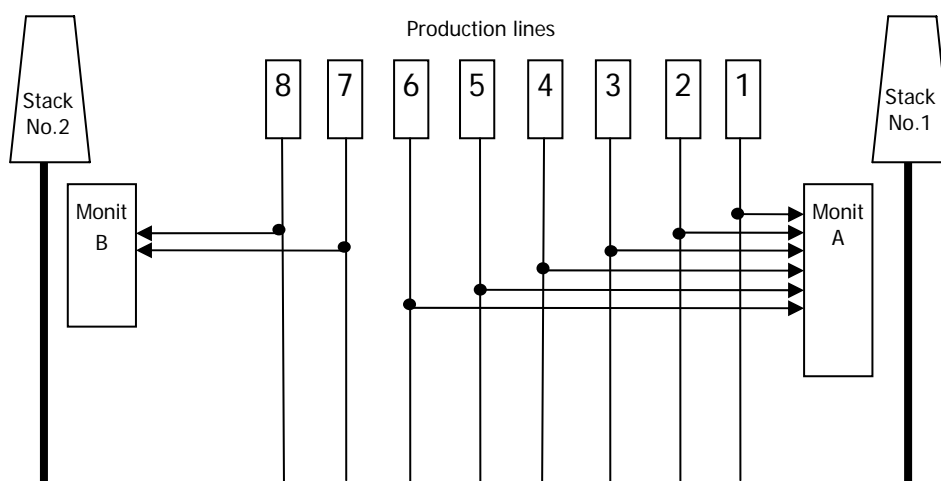
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

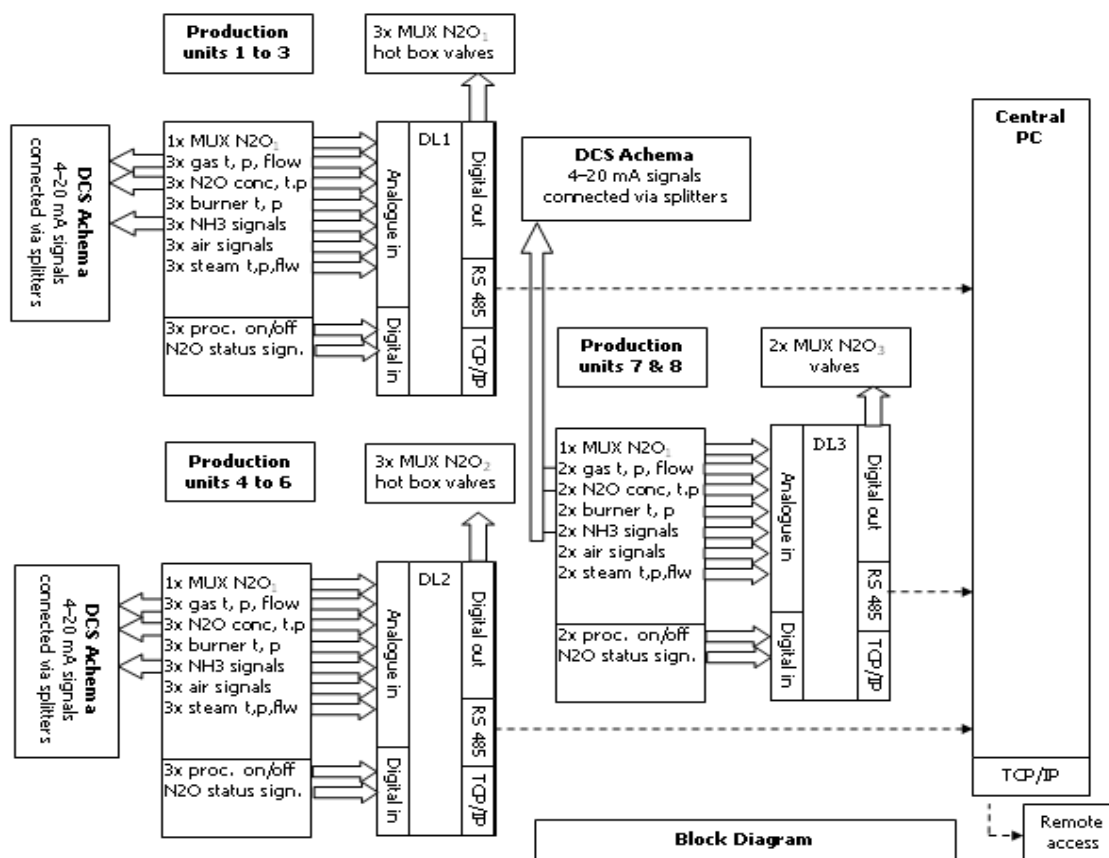
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

Nitric acid concentration
Nitric acid flow
Nitric acid temperature

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

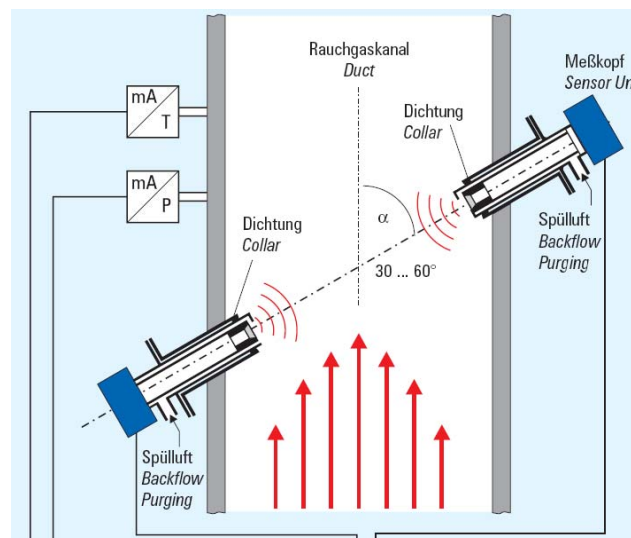
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

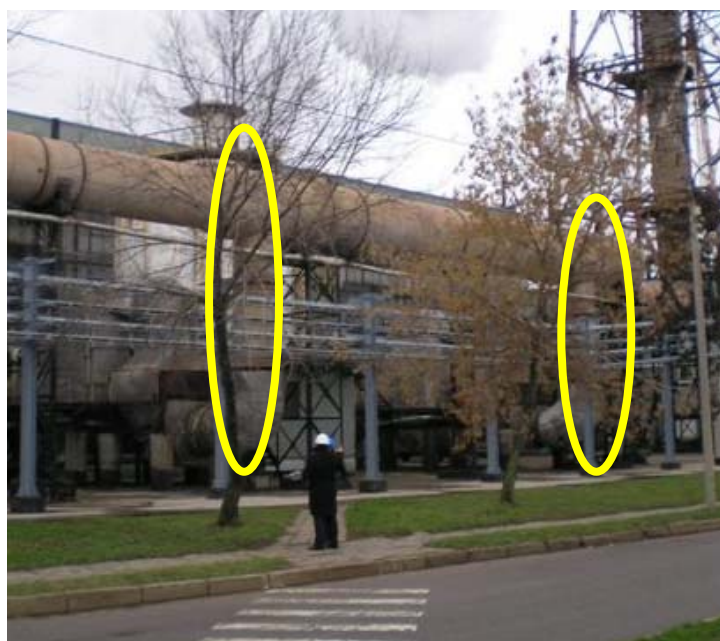
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

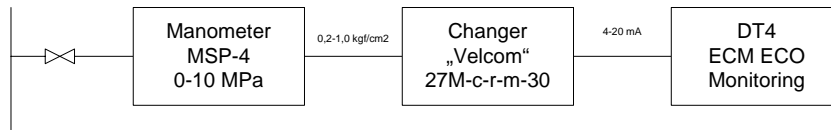
Operating conditions

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

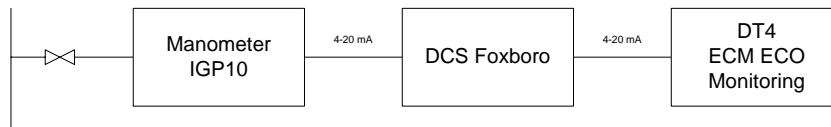
- Ammonia flow
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- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

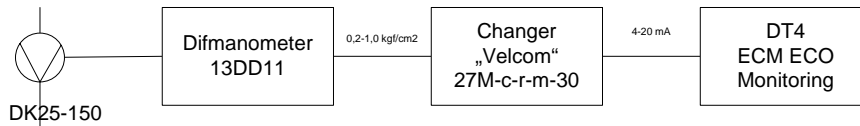
P in mixer 1-6 line



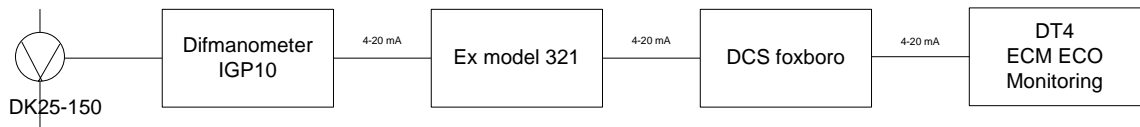
P in mixer 7-8 line

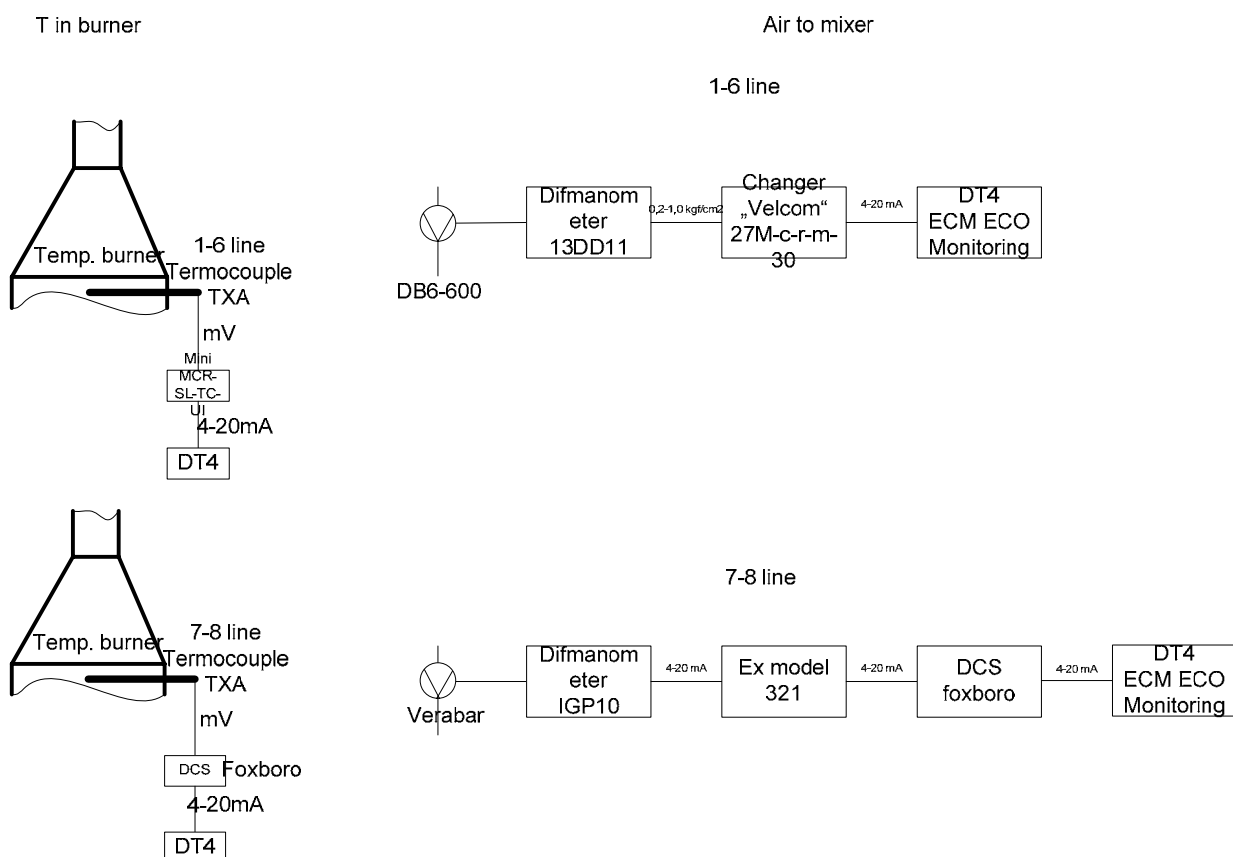


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



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 15/09/2008 project uses HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m³. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	65 664	06 Jun 2003	23 Dec 2003	200	328	Heraeus
	2 t HNO ₃	63 844	23 Dec 2003	24 Aug 2004	245	261	Johnson Matthey
	3 t HNO ₃	58 961	01 Sep 2004	10 May 2005	251	235	Johnson Matthey
	4 t HNO ₃	66 432	12 May 2005	06 Mar 2006	298	223	Heraeus
	5 t HNO ₃	69 189	06 Nov 2006	23 May 2007	198	349	Heraeus
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	64 818		238	272	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 55 079 tHNO₃.

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 ₂ O/tHNO ₃			6.69	6.69	6.69
Production tHNO ₃			55 079	55 079	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	271.9				
Baseline less Historic Production	(9 739.2)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(35.8)				

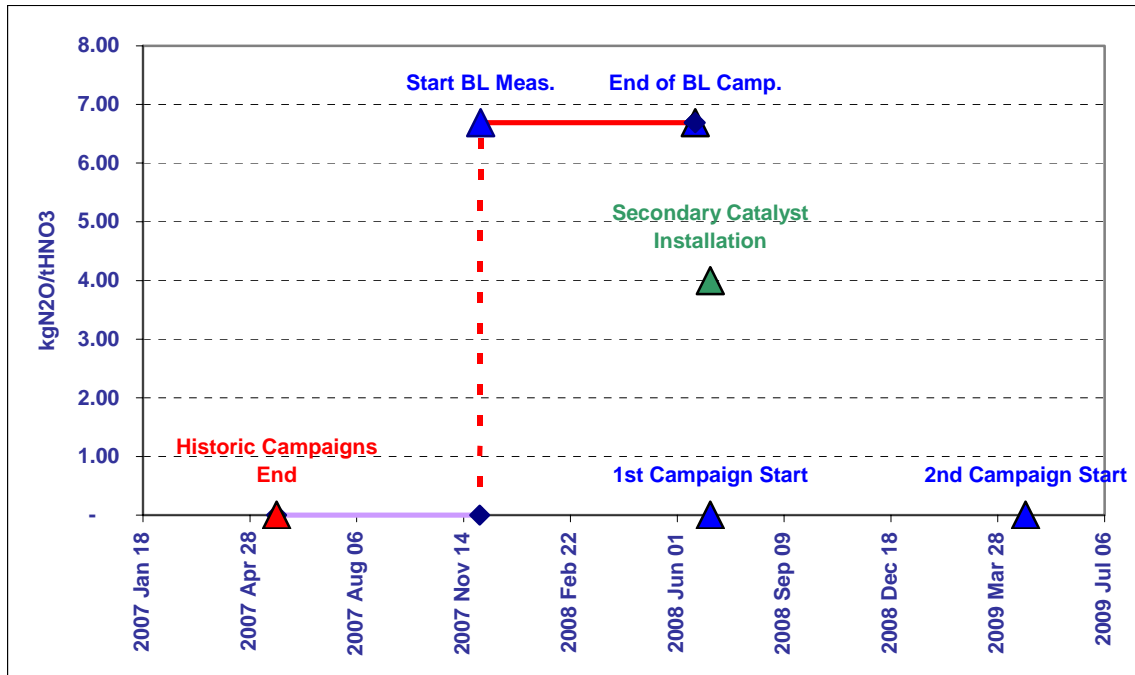
C 1 Baseline campaign length


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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 390 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.45%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 6.69 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 5 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 02/07/2008 and went through 22/04/2009.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 1.68 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

This emission factor has been used in further calculation of emission reductions. Neither moving average emission factor nor minimum emission factor was established, since it was the first project 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	0 h	NAP t/h	
Elimination of extreme values											
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
Raw Data Measured Range											
Count	4 519	4 571	4 660	4 558	4 701	4 414		4 797	4 698	4 427	4 571
as % of Dataset	94%	95%	97%	94%	97%	92%		99%	97%	92%	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	64 703	5 932	10.24		844	613		12
Standard Deviation		3.12	268	14 929	990	0.81		195	46		3
Total		55 079									55 079
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)		362 t N2O									
Emission Factor		6.22 kgN2O / tHNO3									
Permitted Range											
Minimum					4 500	0		880	0		
Maximum					7 500	11.70		910	800		
Data within the permitted range											
Count	4 249		4 211	4 211						4 427	
as % of Operating Hours	94%		93%	93%						98%	
Minimum			28	6 684							
Maximum			2 289	74 365							
Mean			1 263	68 111							
Standard Deviation			210	2 250							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)		389 t N2O									
Emission Factor		6.67 kgN2O / tHNO3									
Data within the confidence interval											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			851	63 701							
Upper bound			1 674	72 520							
Count			4 046	4 087							
as % of Operating Hours			90%	90%							
Minimum			865	63 704							
Maximum			1 674	72 518							
Mean			1 266	68 156							
Standard Deviation			187	1 884							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)		390 t N2O									
Emission Factor (EF_BL)		6.69 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							
Elimination of extreme values															
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							
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	4 666	5 245	5 165	5 077	5 832	5 678	7 032	7 009							
as % of Dataset	66%	74%	73%	72%	83%	80%	100%	99%							
Minimum		-	0	-	288	-	(0)	3							
Maximum		15.61	2 072	80 444	6 628	19.99	910	732							
Mean		11.48	325	59 005	5 615	9.75	619	580							
Standard Deviation		4.86	193	21 725	1 477	3.64	397	152							
Total		60 229													
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Upper bound			702	101 586											
Count			4 230	4 419											
as % of Operating Hours			91%	95%											
Minimum			0	23 154											
Maximum			700	77 427											
Mean			321	67 339											
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 5

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 23/04/2009

TO: 14/01/2010

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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 second 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 period from 23/04/2009 through 14/01/2010 on Line 5 is **84 445 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION		
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	6.69 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	2.87 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	55 079 tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	55 079 tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	71 273 tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310 tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	84 445 tCO_e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>		
Abatement Ratio		57.1%

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 5 during baseline measurement carried from 29/11/2007 through 17/06/2008 is 6.69 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the second project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 5, which started on 23/04/2009 and went through 14/01/2010 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 02/07/2008, is 2.87 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 71 273 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O 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 N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) 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:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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°C), so N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Umicore
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Umicore
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 higher than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the actual project 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

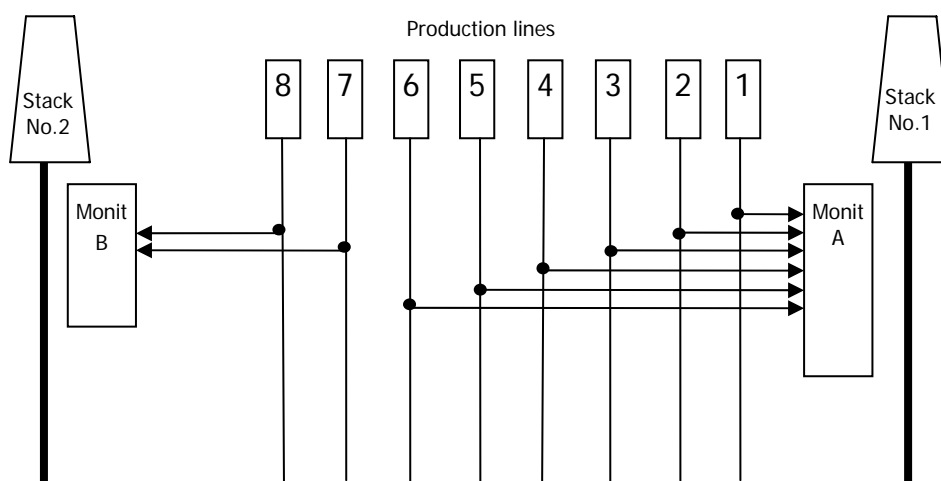
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

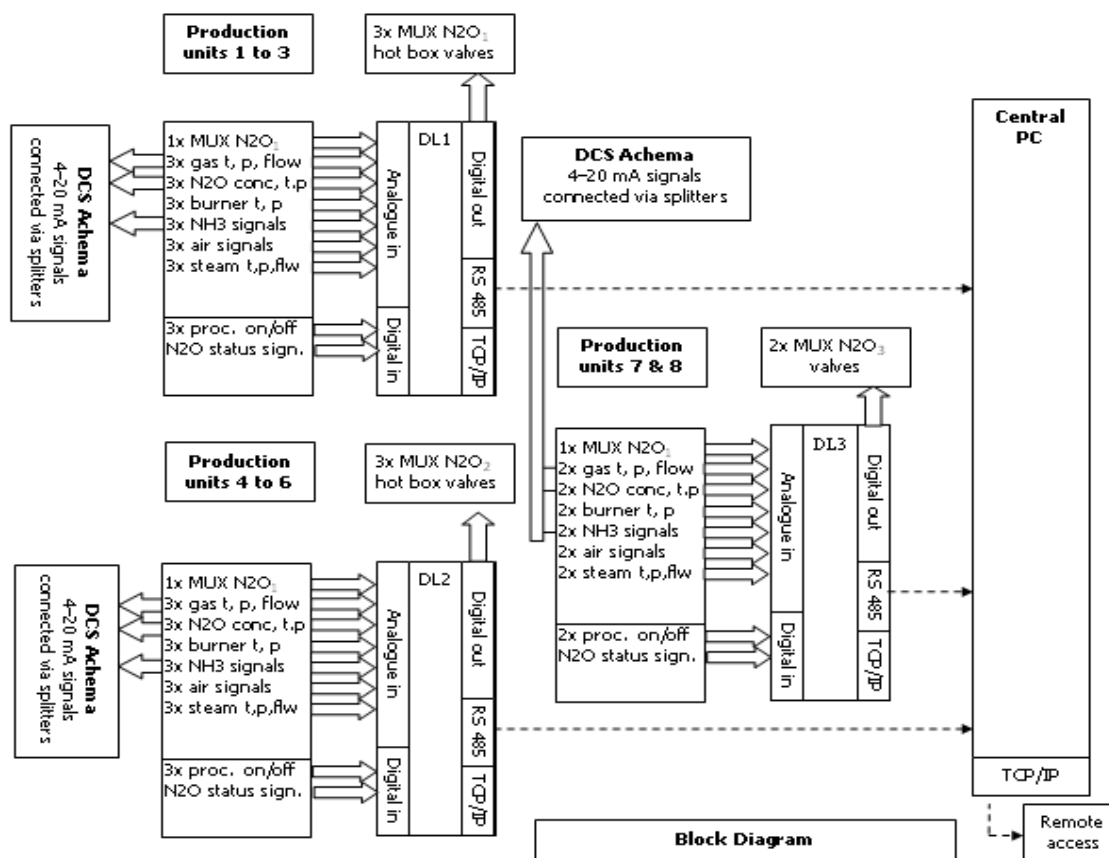
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

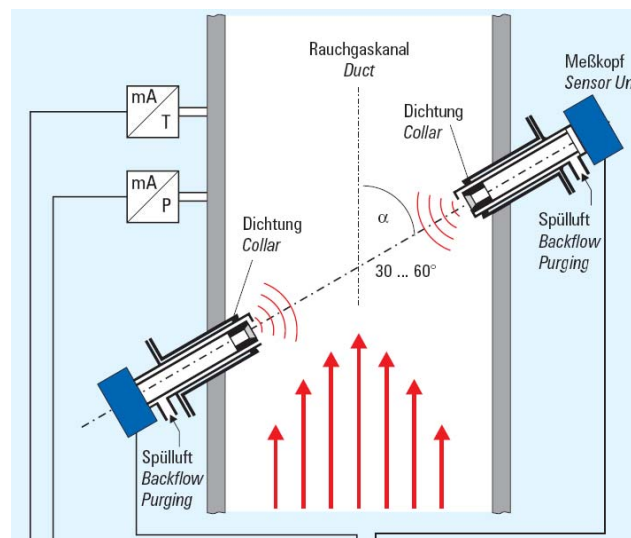
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

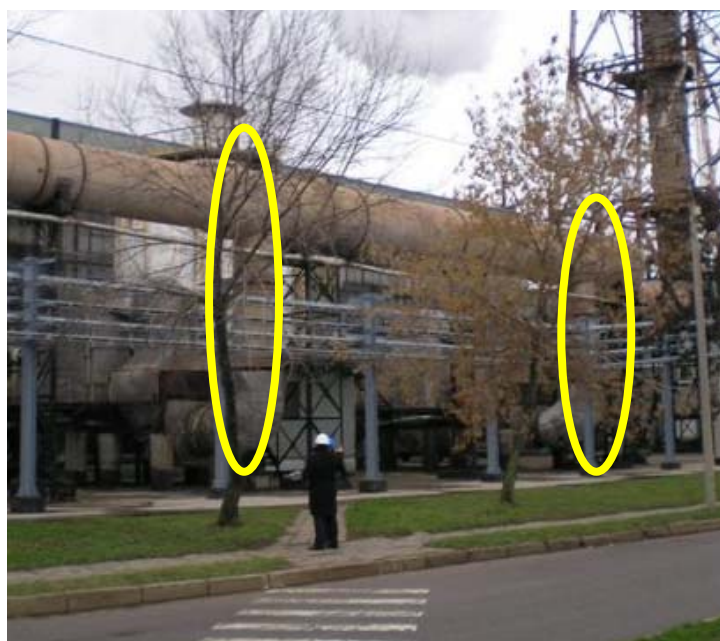
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

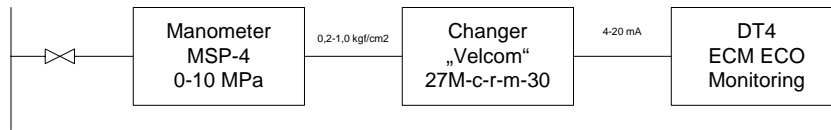
Operating conditions

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

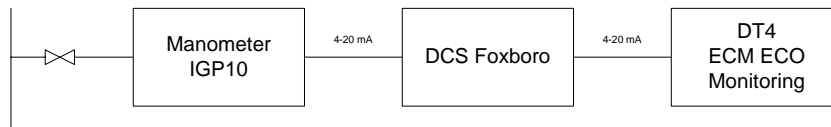
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

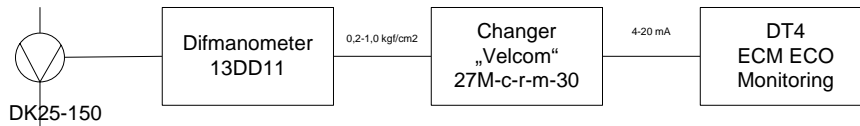
P in mixer 1-6 line



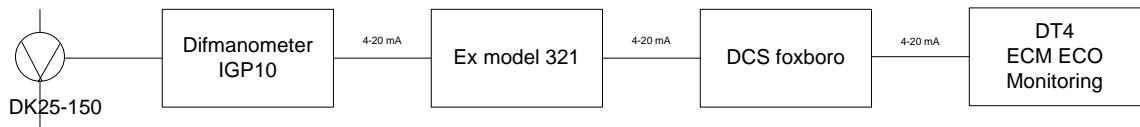
P in mixer 7-8 line

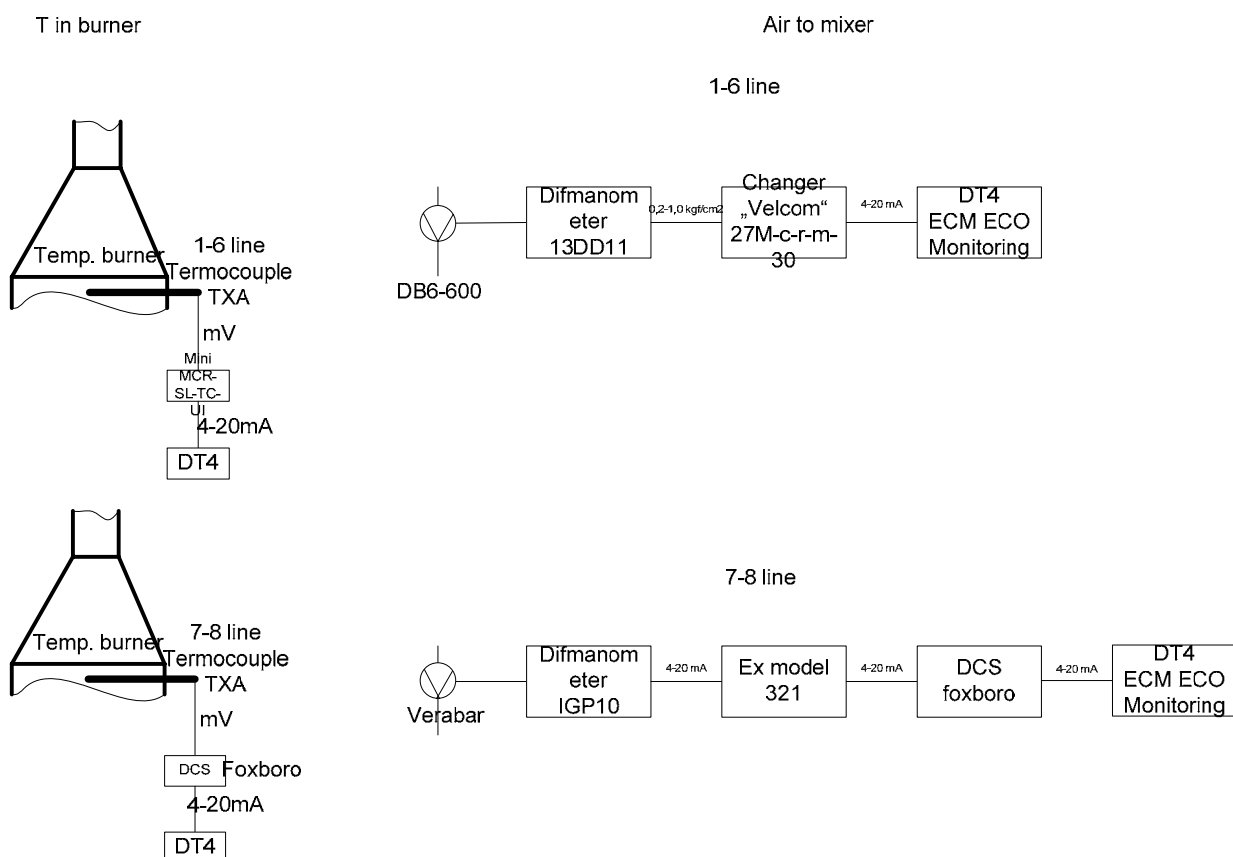


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



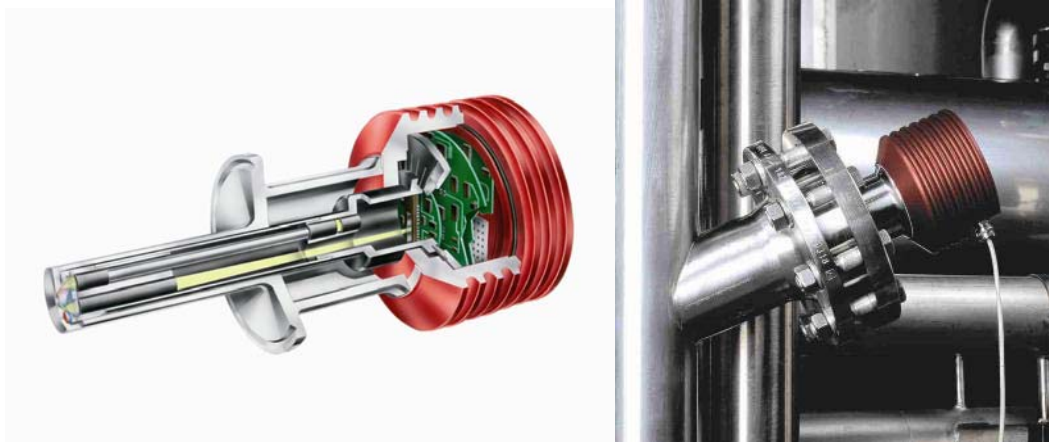


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, 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 15/09/2008 project uses HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m₃. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	65 664	06 Jun 2003	23 Dec 2003	200	328	Heraeus
	2 t HNO ₃	63 844	23 Dec 2003	24 Aug 2004	245	261	Johnson Matthey
	3 t HNO ₃	58 961	01 Sep 2004	10 May 2005	251	235	Johnson Matthey
	4 t HNO ₃	66 432	12 May 2005	06 Mar 2006	298	223	Heraeus
	5 t HNO ₃	69 189	06 Nov 2006	23 May 2007	198	349	Heraeus
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	64 818		238	272	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 55 079 tHNO₃.

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 ₂ O/tHNO ₃			6.69	6.69	6.69
Production tHNO ₃			55 079	55 079	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	271.9				
Baseline less Historic Production	(9 739.2)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(35.8)				

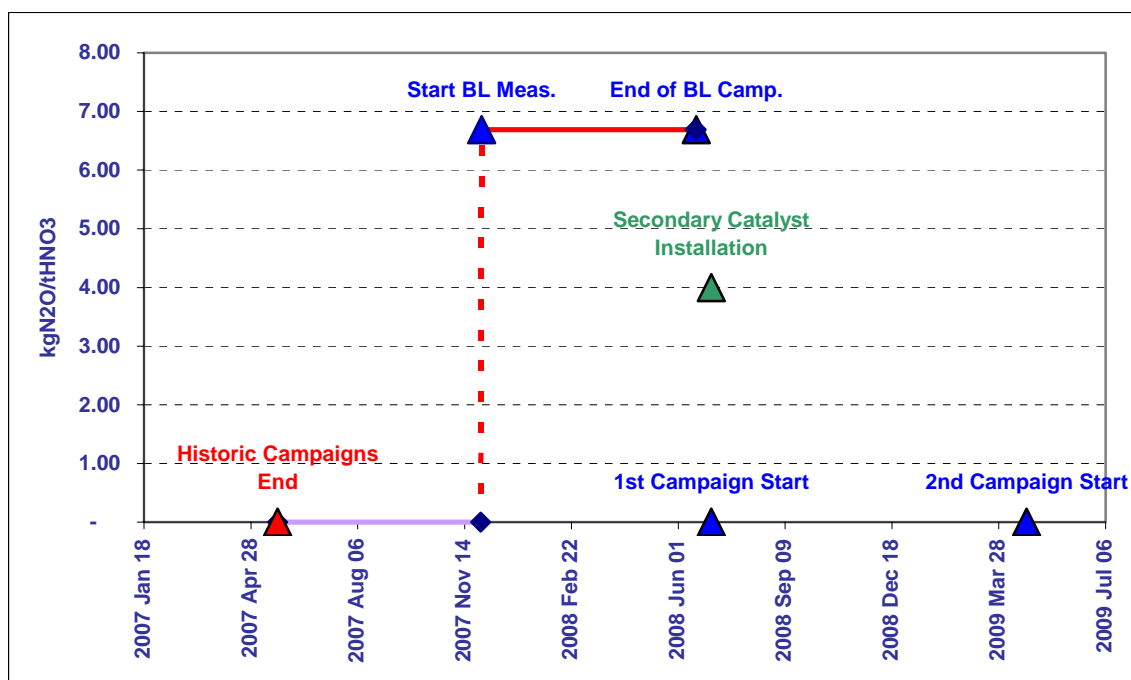
C 1 Baseline campaign length


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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 390 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.45%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 6.69 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 5 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 23/04/2009 and went through 14/01/2010.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 2.87 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

Because the project emission factor measured was higher than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the actual project 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	0 h	NAP t/h	
Elimination of extreme values											
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	
Raw Data Measured Range											
Count	4 519	4 571	4 660	4 558	4 701	4 414	-	4 797	4 698	4 427	4 571
as % of Dataset	94%	95%	97%	94%	97%	92%	-	99%	97%	92%	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	64 703	5 932	10.24	-	844	613	12	
Standard Deviation		3.12	268	14 929	990	0.81	-	195	46	3	
Total		55 079								55 079	
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)		362 t N2O									
Emission Factor		6.22 kgN2O / tHNO3									
Permitted Range											
Minimum					4 500	0		880	0		
Maximum					7 500	11.70		910	800		
Data within the permitted range											
Count	4 249		4 211	4 211						4 427	
as % of Operating Hours	94%		93%	93%						98%	
Minimum			28	6 684							
Maximum			2 289	74 365							
Mean			1 263	68 111							
Standard Deviation			210	2 250							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)		389 t N2O									
Emission Factor		6.67 kgN2O / tHNO3									
Data within the confidence interval											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			851	63 701							
Upper bound			1 674	72 520							
Count			4 046	4 087							
as % of Operating Hours			90%	90%							
Minimum			865	63 704							
Maximum			1 674	72 518							
Mean			1 266	68 156							
Standard Deviation			187	1 884							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)		390 t N2O									
Emission Factor (EF_BL)		6.69 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							
Elimination of extreme values															
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							
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	4 966	5 612	4 902	4 888	5 633	5 100	6 377	6 377							
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 6

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 25/07/2008

TO: 21/04/2009

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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 first 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 period from 25/07/2008 through 21/04/2009 on Line 6 is **111 195 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	10.08	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	4.83	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	60 850	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	60 850	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	68 318	tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310	tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	111 195	tCO_e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
Abatement Ratio		52.1%	

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 6 during baseline measurement carried from 11/01/2008 through 21/07/2008 is 10.08 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the first project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 6, which started on 25/07/2008 and went through 21/04/2009 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 25/07/2008, is 4.83 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 68 318 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O 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 N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) 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:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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°C), so N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Heraous
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Heraous
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 this campaign was first project campaign on Line 6 there has been no moving average emission factor established yet for 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

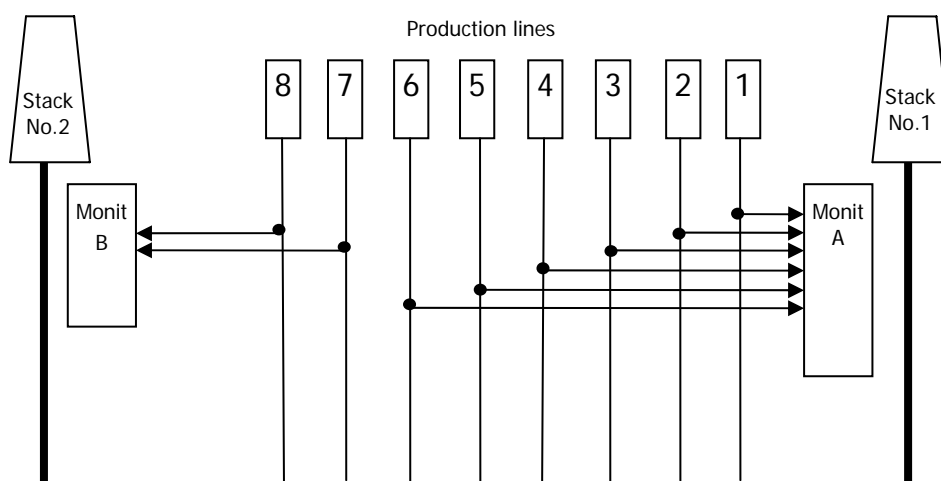
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

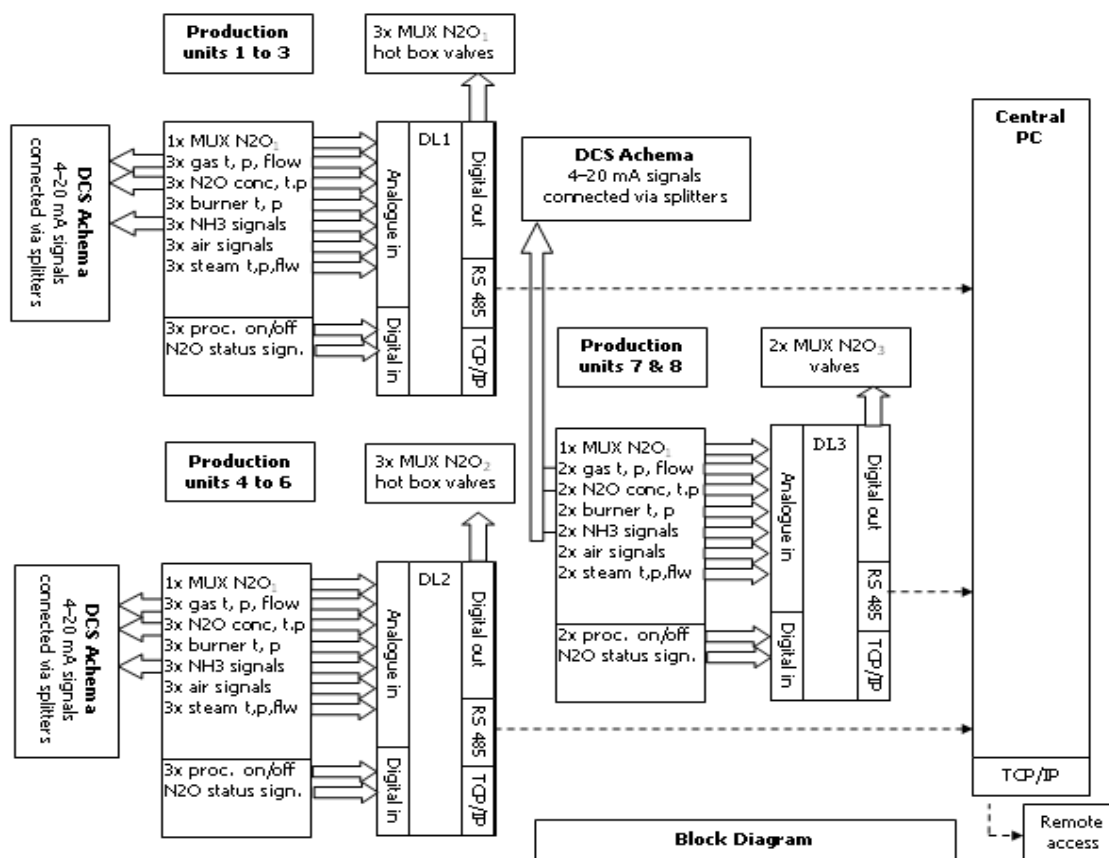
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

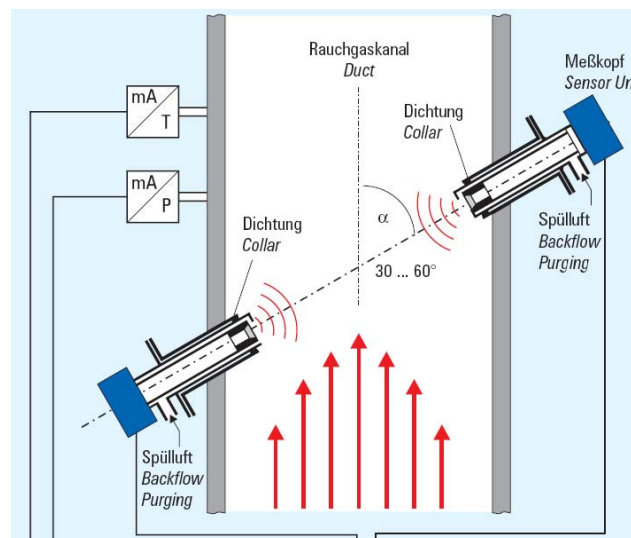
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

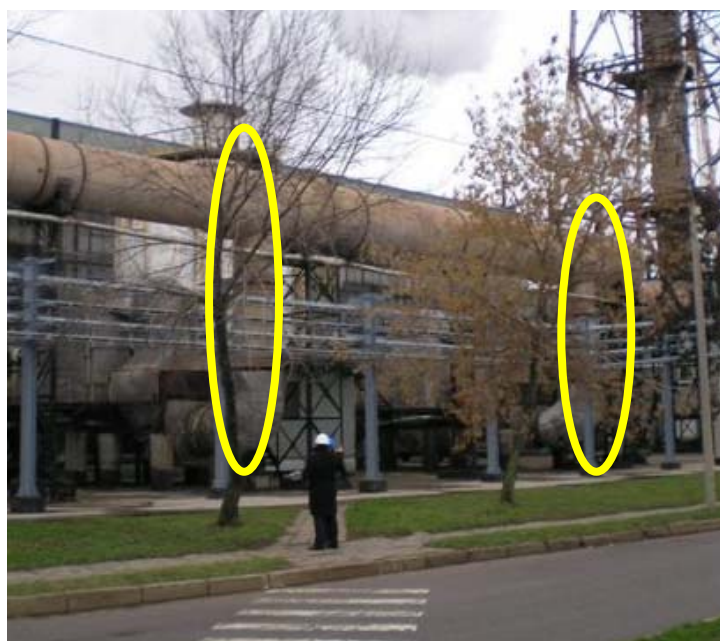
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

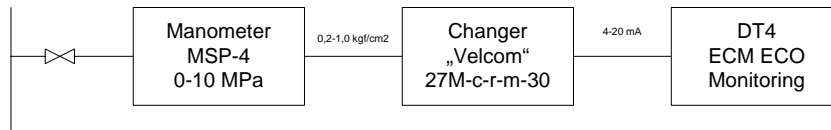
Operating conditions

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

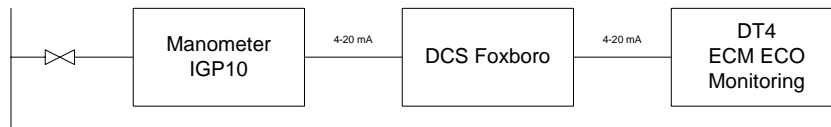
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

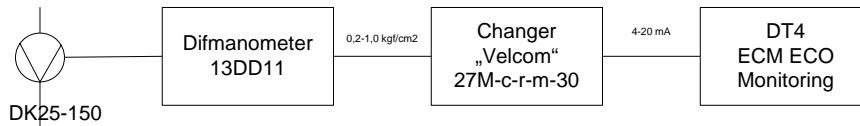
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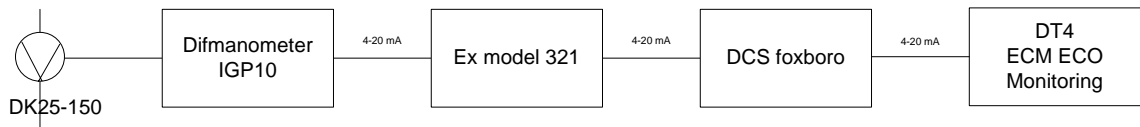
P in mixer 7-8 line

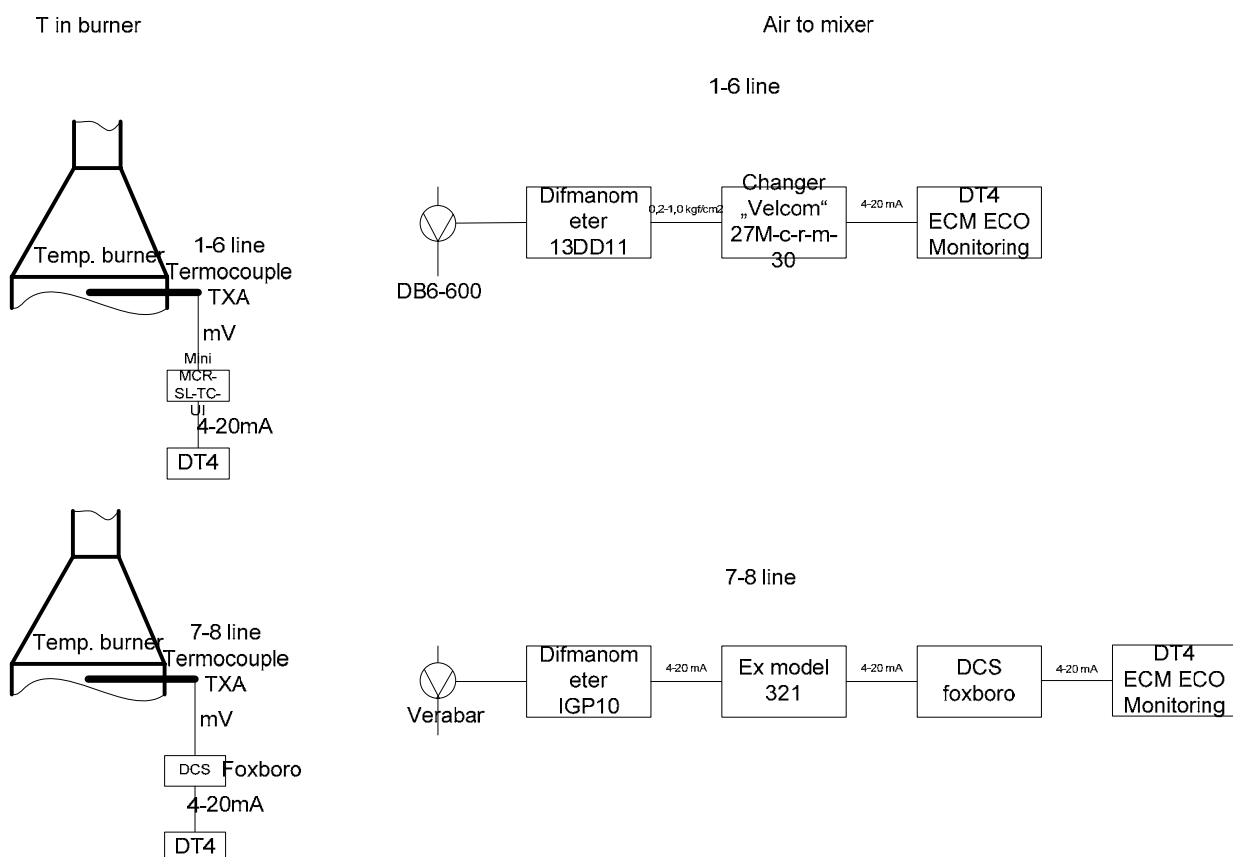


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



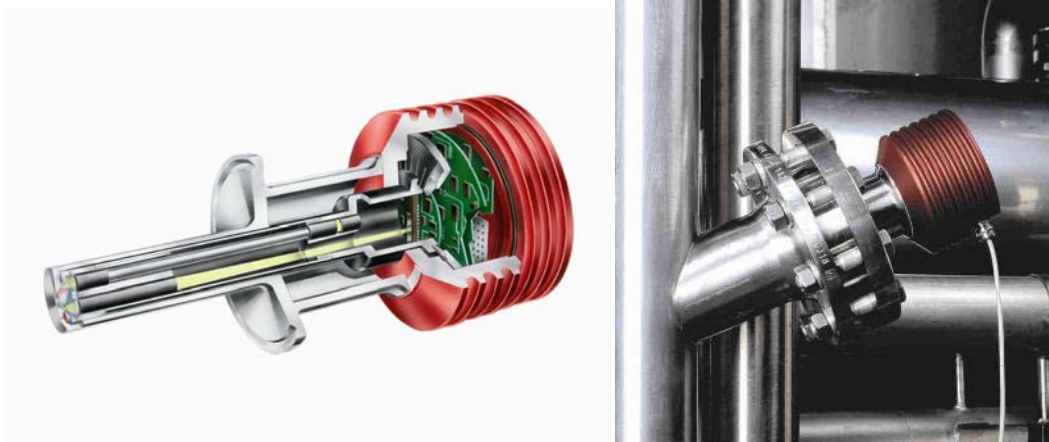


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, 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 HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m³. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	62 918	28 Aug 2003	25 Mar 2004	210	300	Heraeus
	2 t HNO ₃	61 366	01 Apr 2004	02 Feb 2005	307	200	Johnson Matthey
	3 t HNO ₃	64 872	26 Jul 2005	10 Mar 2006	227	286	Johnson Matthey
	4 t HNO ₃	55 693	10 Mar 2006	29 Nov 2006	264	211	Umicore
	5 t HNO ₃	63 148	29 Nov 2006	12 Jun 2007	195	324	Heraeus
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	61 599		241	256	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 60 850 tHNO₃.

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 ₂ O/tHNO ₃			10.08	10.08	10.08
Production tHNO ₃			60 850	60 850	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	256.0				
Baseline less Historic Production	(749.3)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(29)				

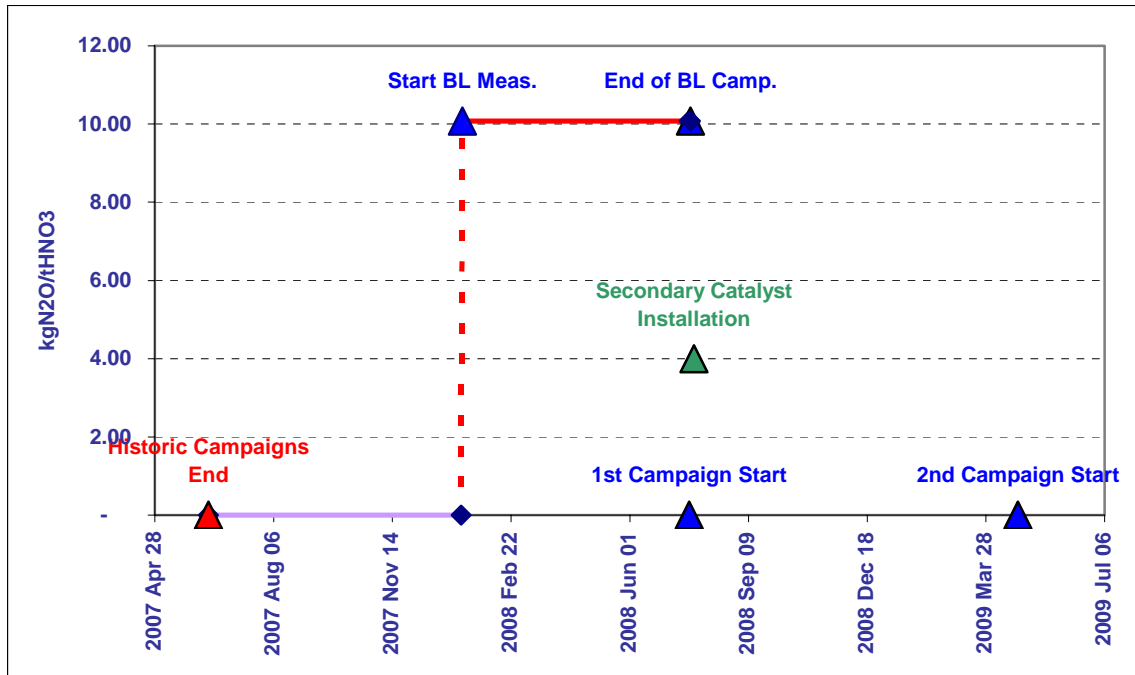
C 1 Baseline campaign length


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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 650 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.62%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 10.08 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 6 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 25/07/2008 and went through 21/04/2009.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 4.83 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

This emission factor has been used in further calculation of emission reductions. Neither moving average emission factor nor minimum emission factor was established, since it was the first project 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					
	OH	NAP	NCSG	VSG	AFR	AIFR	OT	OP	0	NCSG NAP					
	Unit	t/h	mg N2O/Nm3	Nm3/h	Nm3/h	%	°C	kPa	h	t/h					
Elimination of extreme values															
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					
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	4 233	4 363	4 494	4 286	4 324	4 361	-	4 585	4 564	4 194	4 363				
as % of Dataset	92%	95%	98%	93%	94%	95%	-	100%	99%	91%	95%				
Minimum		-	1	2	568	-	(1)	0		-					
Maximum		16.37	2 303	116 940	6 423	15.58	905	634		16					
Mean		13.95	1 422	98 069	6 050	10.50	833	583		14					
Standard Deviation		3.18	416	17 093	456	1.70	201	44		3					
Total		60 850								60 850					
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Permitted Range															
Minimum					4 500	0	880	0							
Maximum					7 500	11.70	910	800							
Data within the permitted range															
Count	4 116		4 015	4 015					4 194						
as % of Operating Hours	97%		95%	95%					99%						
Minimum			408	10 090											
Maximum			2 230	109 235											
Mean			1 491	100 972											
Standard Deviation			261	2 445											
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Data within the confidence interval															
95% Confidence interval															
Lower bound			980	96 180											
Upper bound			2 002	105 763											
Count			3 886	3 981											
as % of Operating Hours			92%	94%											
Minimum			994	96 248											
Maximum			1 993	105 753											
Mean			1 520	101 000											
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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							
Elimination of extreme values															
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							
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	4 620	5 963	5 040	4 796	6 188	4 733	6 457	6 415							
as % of Dataset	71%	92%	78%	74%	95%	73%	100%	99%							
Minimum		-	0	2	-	-	(43)	-							
Maximum		16.10	2 078	119 957	6 722	19.62	912	664							
Mean		11.46	648	102 374	4 797	10.54	672	582							
Standard Deviation		5.56	288	20 601	2 550	0.54	361	58							
Total		68 318													
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Data within the confidence interval															
95% Confidence interval															
Lower bound			85	61 996											
Upper bound			1 212	142 753											
Count			4 327	4 394											
as % of Operating Hours			94%	95%											
Minimum			85	79 728											
Maximum			1 210	119 822											
Mean			672	106 222											
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	2	-													
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 7

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 03/07/2008

TO: 22/10/2008

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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 first 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 period from 03/07/2008 through 22/10/2008 on Line 7 is **21 833 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	4.51	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	2.27	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	55 626	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	31 035	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	31 445	tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310	tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	21 833	tCO_e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
Abatement Ratio			49.7%

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 7 during baseline measurement carried from 12/09/2007 through 27/03/2008 is 4.51 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the first project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 7, which started on 03/07/2008 and went through 22/10/2008 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 03/07/2008, is 2.27 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 31 445 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} \text{ (tN}_2\text{O)}$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) \text{ (tN}_2\text{O/tHNO}_3)$$

where:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Heraous
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Heraous
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 this campaign was first project campaign on Line 7 there has been no moving average emission factor established yet for 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

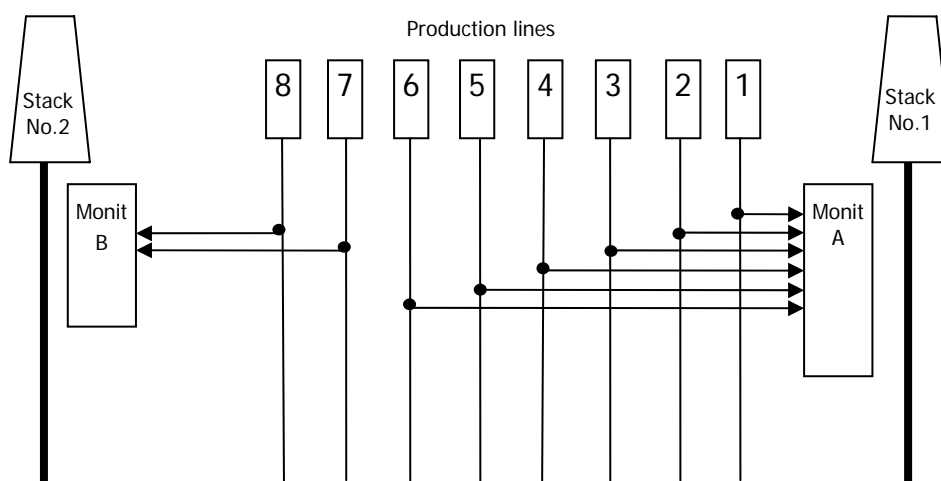
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

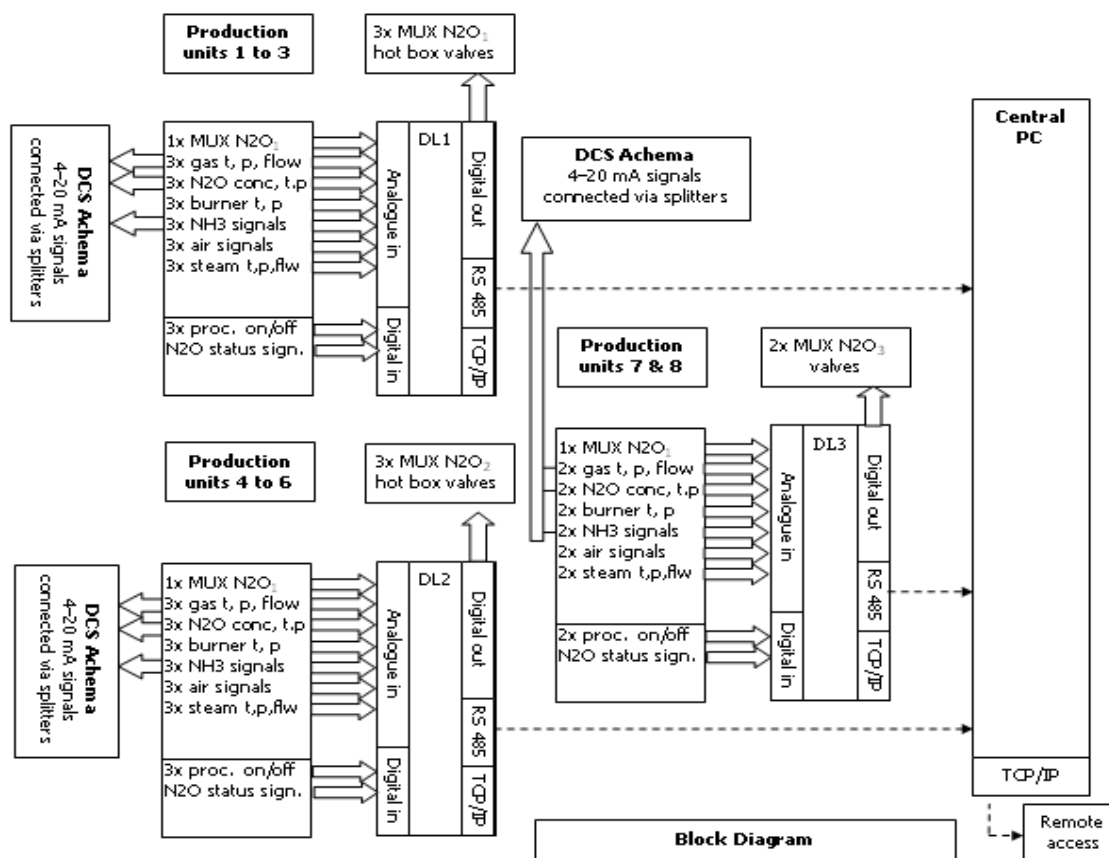
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

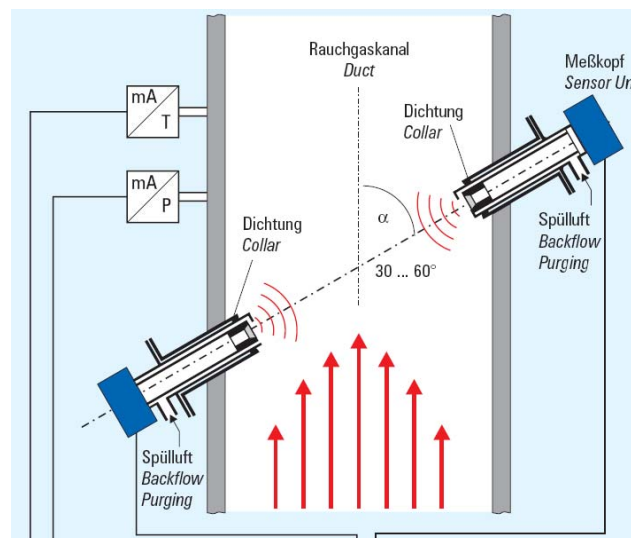
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

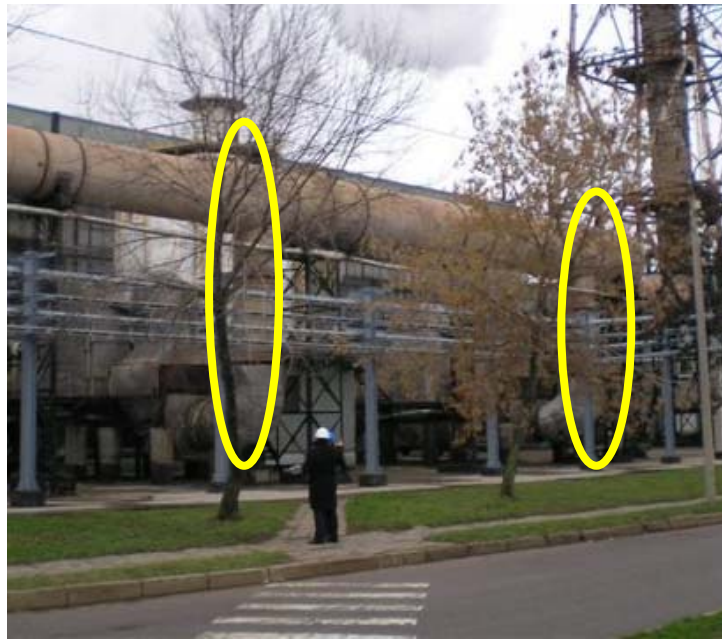
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

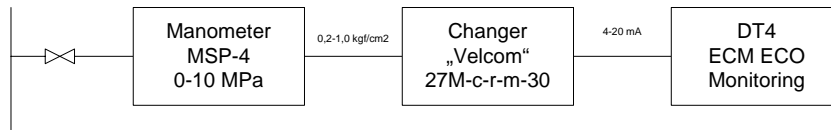
Operating conditions

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

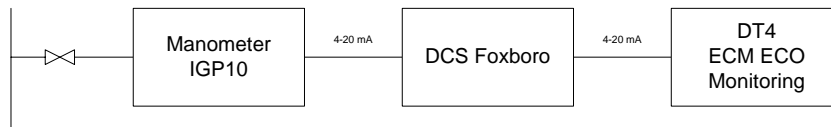
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- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

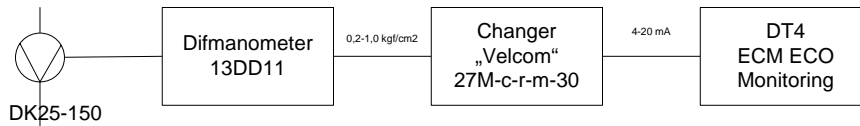
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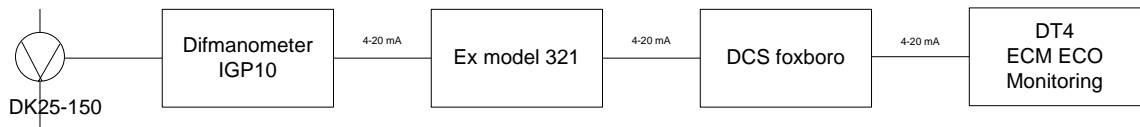
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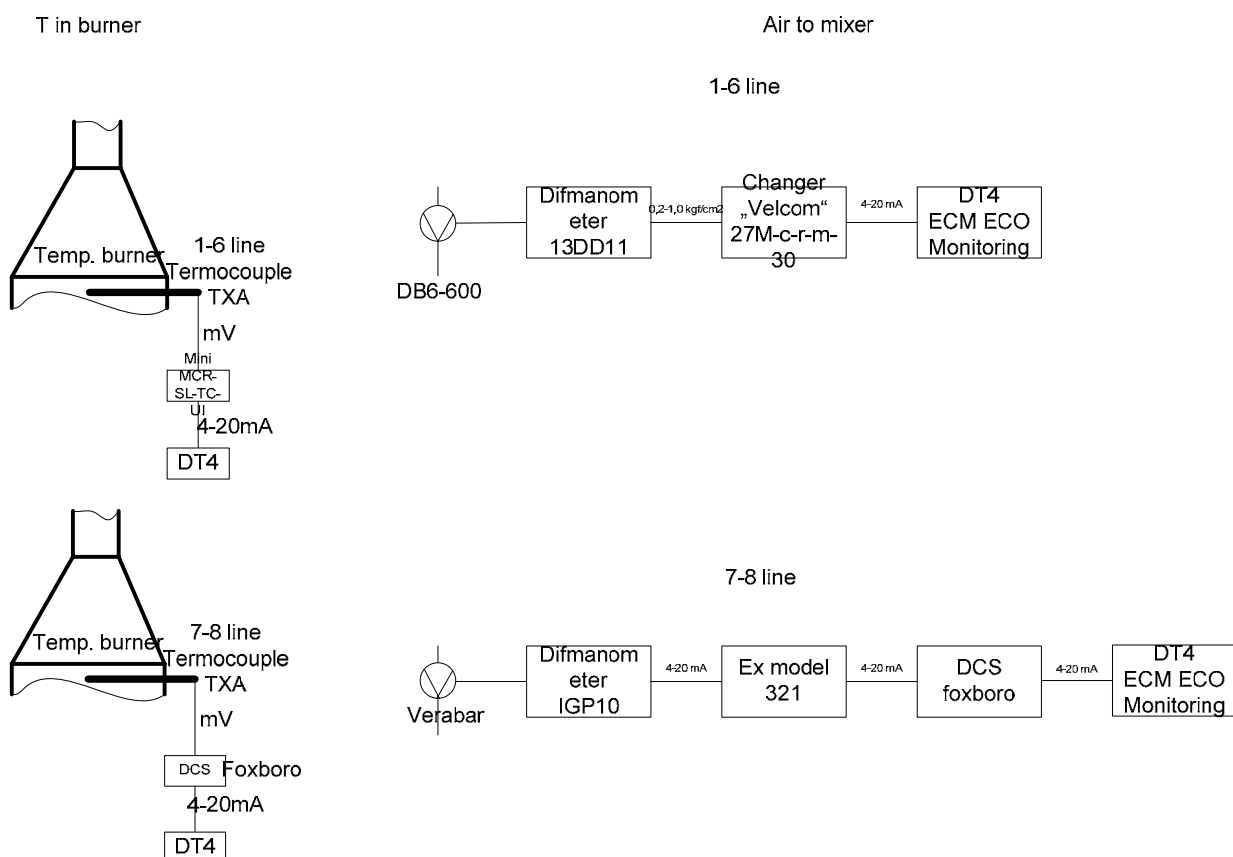


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



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 HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m³. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	57 671	10 Sep 2004	16 Mar 2005	187	308	Heraeus (90/5/5)
	2 t HNO ₃	70 015	16 Mar 2005	07 Nov 2005	236	297	JM (90/5/5)
	3 t HNO ₃	55 426	08 Nov 2005	20 May 2006	193	287	Heraeus (63/4/34)
	4 t HNO ₃	67 588	24 May 2006	04 Jan 2007	225	300	JM (n/a)
	5 t HNO ₃	70 670	04 Jan 2007	11 Sep 2007	250	283	Umicore (95/5)
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	64 274		218	295	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 31 035 tHNO₃.

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 Jan 07	2008 Mar 27	2008 Mar 28
Baseline Factor kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃			4.51	4.51	4.51
Production tHNO ₃			31 035	55 626	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	294.6				
Baseline less Historic Production	(8 647.4)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(29.4)				

C 1 Baseline campaign length

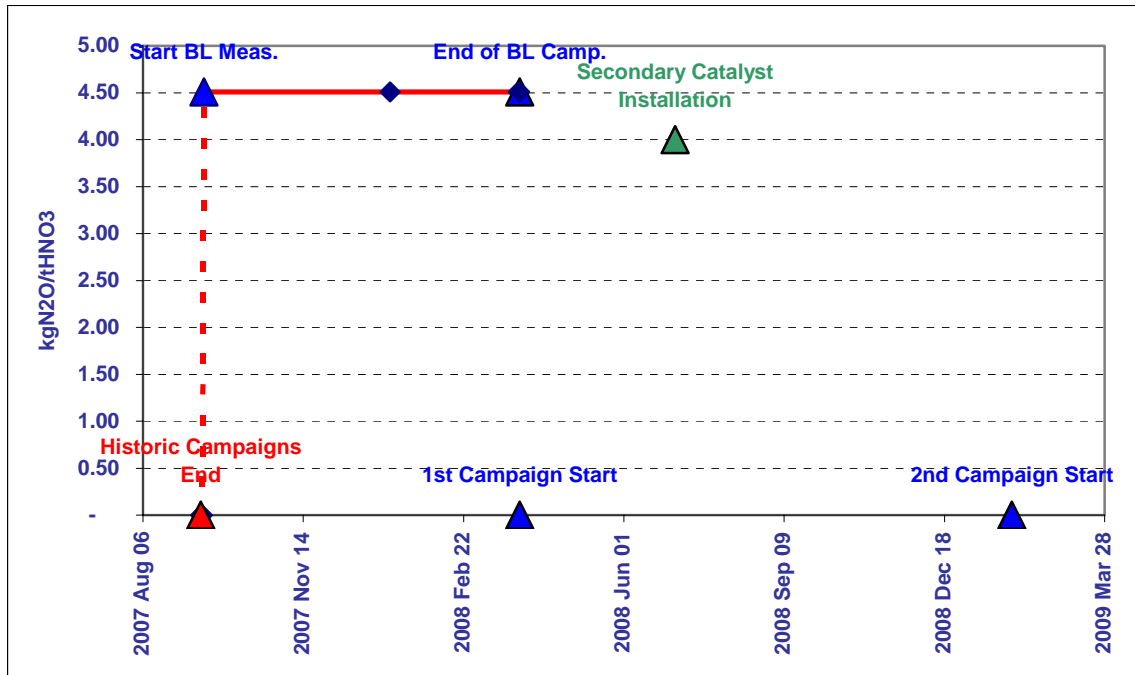


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 7 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 12/09/2007 through 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 266 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.64%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 4.51 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 7 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 03/07/2008 and went through 22/10/2008.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 2.27 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

This emission factor has been used in further calculation of emission reductions. Neither moving average emission factor nor minimum emission factor was established, since it was the first project 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	0 h	NCSG NAP t/h	
Elimination of extreme values											
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
Raw Data Measured Range											
Count	2 357	4 238	2 559	4 238	4 708	4 485		4 708	4 708	3 910	2 373
as % of Dataset	50%	90%	54%	90%	100%	95%		100%	100%	83%	50%
Minimum		0.00	0	1 728	0	0		33	3		0
Maximum		16.41	1 728	112 864	6 476	18.83		915	667		16
Mean		13.13	1 075	81 088	5 394	9.92		811	590		13
Standard Deviation		4.69	414	24 852	1 806	1.37		228	112		5
Total		55 626									31 035
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH) 205 t N2O											
Emission Factor 3.49 kgN2O / tHNO3											
Permitted Range											
Minimum					-	0		880	550		
Maximum					7 500	11.20		910	800		
Data within the permitted range											
Count	1 520		1 255	1 255						3 910	
as % of Operating Hours	64%		53%	53%						166%	
Minimum			776	80 872							
Maximum			1 728	97 966							
Mean			1 264	89 241							
Standard Deviation			283	5 789							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH) 266 t N2O											
Emission Factor (EF_BL) 4.51 kgN2O / tHNO3											
Data within the confidence interval											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			709	77 894							
Upper bound			1 819	100 588							
Count			1 255	1 255							
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T 5 Project emission factor

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Code Unit	OH h	NAP t/h	NCSG mg N2O/Nm3	VSG Nm3/h	AFR Nm3/h	AIFR %	OT °C	OP kPa							
Elimination of extreme values															
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	-	50	0						
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	150 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000							
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	2 301	2 565	2 287	2 531	2 642	2 552	2 643	2 642							
as % of Dataset	86%	96%	86%	95%	99%	96%	99%	99%							
Minimum		-	0	138	3	0	65	6							
Maximum		15.64	781	106 178	5 944	17.85	1 100	666							
Mean		12.26	362	76 389	5 019	10.22	827	597							
Standard Deviation		4.67	127	21 053	1 597	0.69	223	91							
Total		31 445													
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Emission Factor	2.02 kgN2O / tHNO3														
Data within the confidence interval															
95% Confidence interval															
Lower bound			113	35 126											
Upper bound			611	117 652											
Count			1 945	2 184											
as % of Operating Hours			85%	95%											
Minimum			202	77 822											
Maximum			586	95 168											
Mean			375	82 746											
Standard Deviation			97	2 139											
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 7

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 29/01/2009

TO: 01/11/2009

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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 second 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 period from 29/01/2009 through 01/11/2009 on Line 7 is **112 125 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	9.05	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	2.91	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	55 626	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	55 626	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	58 897	tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310	tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	112 125	tCO₂e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
Abatement Ratio		67.8%	

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 7 during baseline measurement carried from 12/09/2007 through 27/03/2008 is 9.05 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the second project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 7, which started on 29/01/2009 and went through 01/11/2009 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 03/07/2008, is 2.91 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 58 897 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} \text{ (tN}_2\text{O)}$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) \text{ (tN}_2\text{O/tHNO}_3)$$

where:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Heraous
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Heraous
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 higher than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the actual project 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

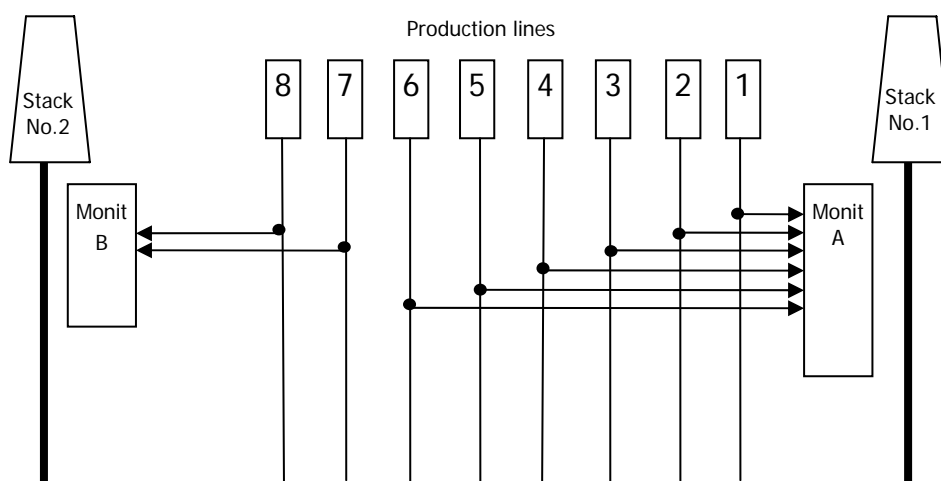
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

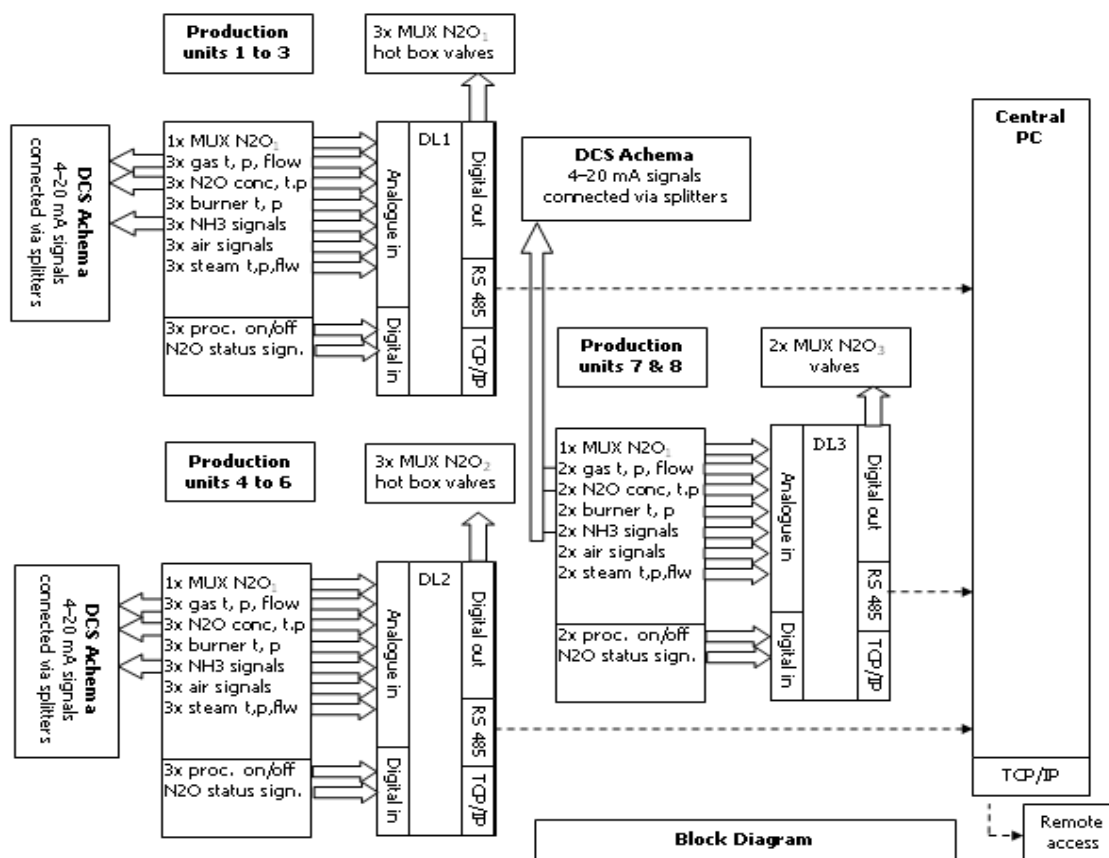
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

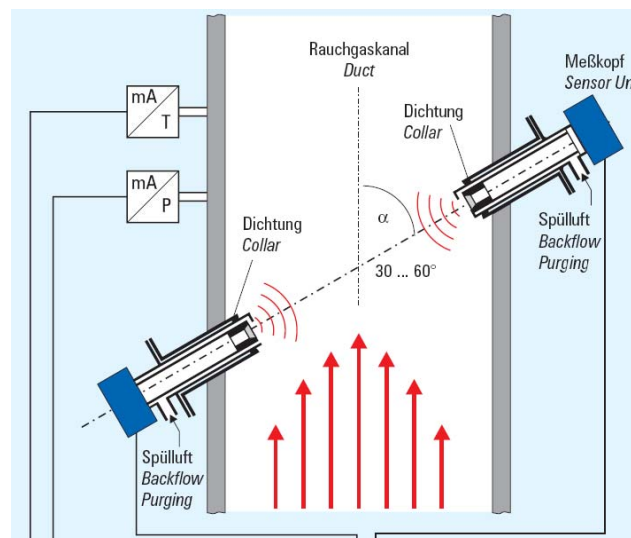
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

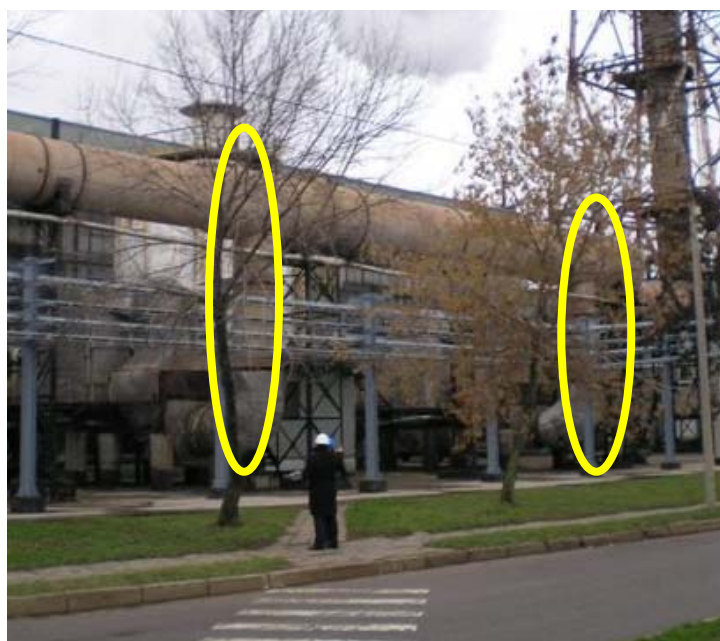
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

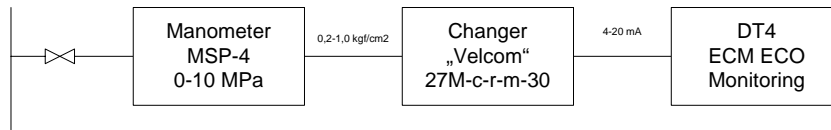
Operating conditions

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

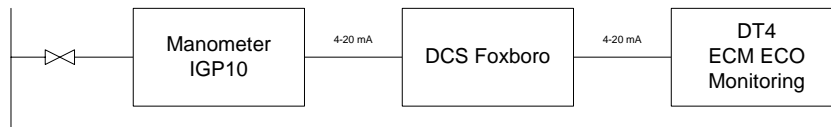
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

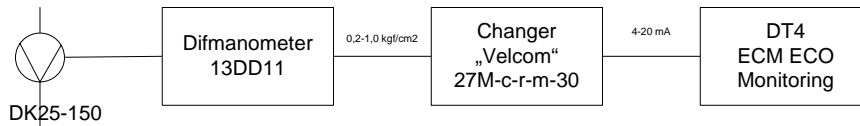
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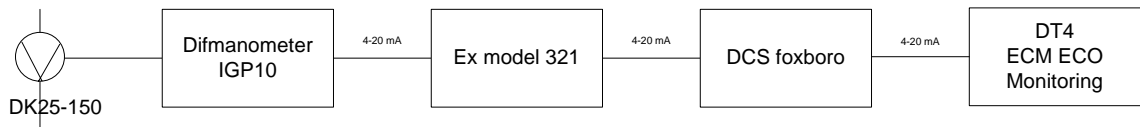
P in mixer 7-8 line

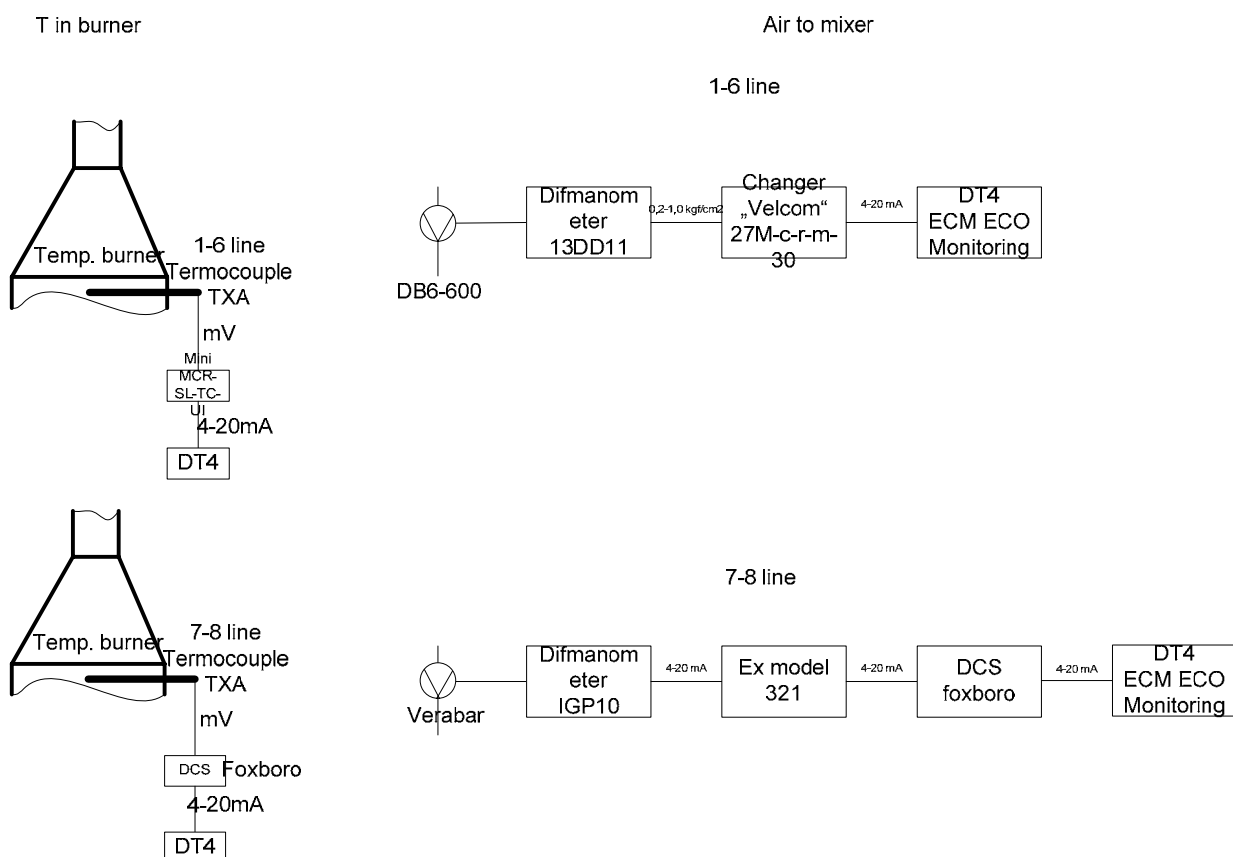


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



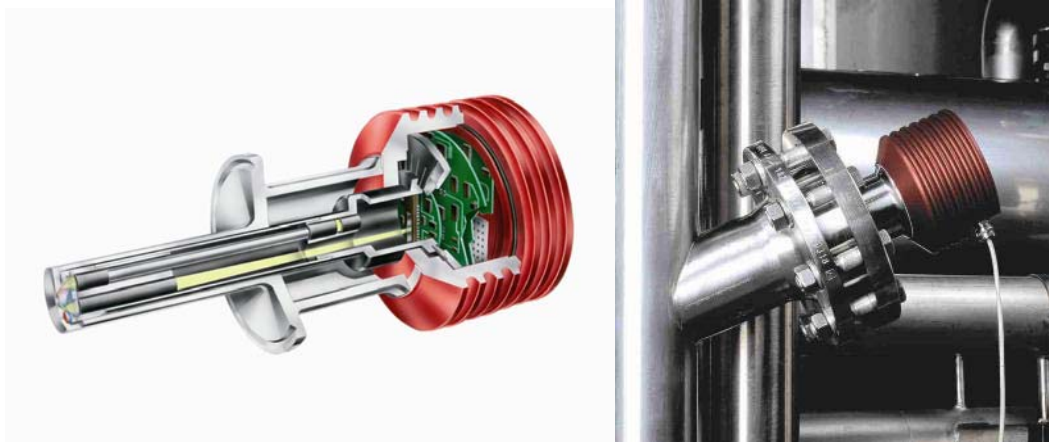


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, 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 04/05/2008 and ending on 18/08/2008 project uses HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m³. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	57 671	10 Sep 2004	16 Mar 2005	187	308	Heraeus (90/5/5)
	2 t HNO ₃	70 015	16 Mar 2005	07 Nov 2005	236	297	JM (90/5/5)
	3 t HNO ₃	55 426	08 Nov 2005	20 May 2006	193	287	Heraeus (63/4/34)
	4 t HNO ₃	67 588	24 May 2006	04 Jan 2007	225	300	JM (n/a)
	5 t HNO ₃	70 670	04 Jan 2007	11 Sep 2007	250	283	Umicore (90/5/5)
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	64 274		218	295	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 55 626 tHNO₃.

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 ₂ O/tHNO ₃			9.05	9.05	9.05
Production tHNO ₃			55 626	55 626	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	294.6				
Baseline less Historic Production	(8 647.4)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(29.4)				

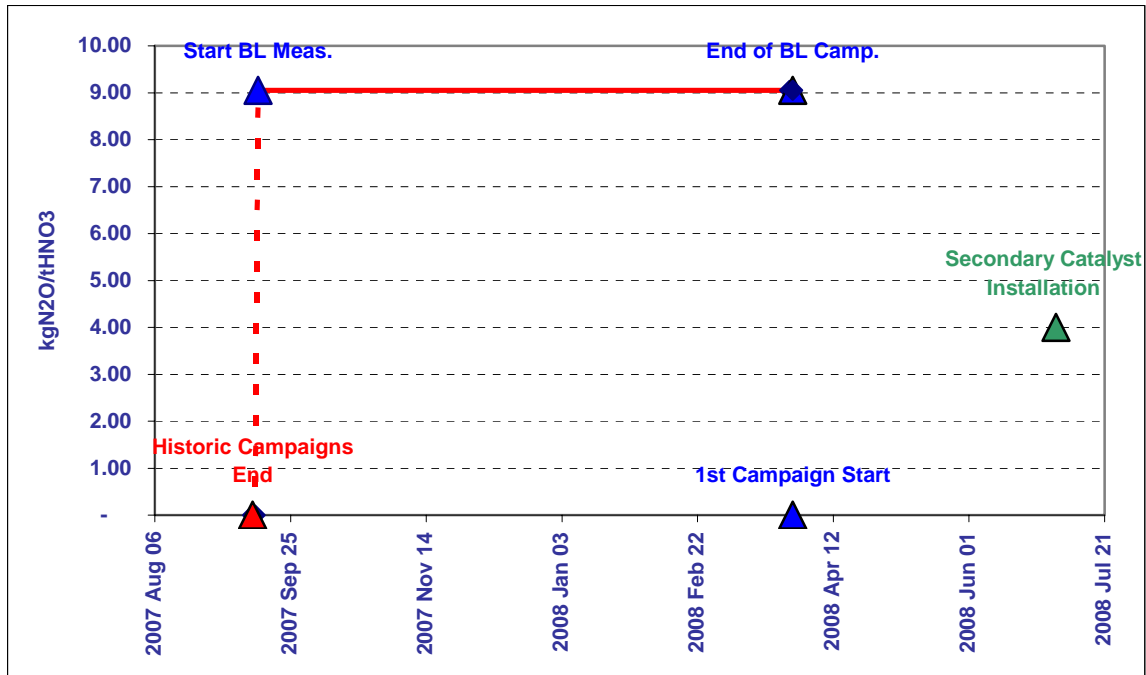
C 1 Baseline campaign length


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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 534 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.64%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 9.05 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 7 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 29/01/2009 and went through 01/11/2009.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 2.91 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

Because the project emission factor measured was higher than the moving average EF of the campaigns on this line so far, we have used the actual project 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	0 h	NAP t/h	NCSG NAP t/h
Elimination of extreme values											
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
Raw Data Measured Range											
Count	4 097	4 238	4 385	4 238	4 708	4 485	4 708	4 708	3 910		4 238
as % of Dataset	87%	90%	93%	90%	100%	95%	100%	100%	83%		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	81 088	5 394	9.92	811	590			13
Standard Deviation		4.69	448	24 852	1 806	1.37	228	112			5
Total		55 626									55 626
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)											
415 t N2O											
Emission Factor											
7.04 kgN2O / tHNO3											
Permitted Range											
Minimum					-	0	880	550			
Maximum					7 500	11.20	910	800			
Data within the permitted range											
Count	3 145		2 856	2 856					3 910		
as % of Operating Hours	77%		70%	70%					95%		
Minimum			776	56 955							
Maximum			1 933	98 891							
Mean			1 436	89 292							
Standard Deviation			278	5 775							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)											
525 t N2O											
Emission Factor											
8.91 kgN2O / tHNO3											
Data within the confidence interval											
95% Confidence interval											
Lower bound			891	77 974							
Upper bound			1 981	100 611							
Count			2 764	2 841							
as % of Operating Hours			67%	69%							
Minimum			913	78 315							
Maximum			1 933	98 891							
Mean			1 457	89 404							
Standard Deviation			257	5 550							
N2O Emissions (VSG * NCSG * OH)											
534 t N2O											
Emission Factor (EF_BL)											
9.05 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							
Elimination of extreme values															
Lower limit		0	0	0	0	0	-	50	0						
Upper Limit		50.00	3 000	150 000	10 000	20.00	1 200	1 000							
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	4 010	6 173	3 968	3 990	6 446	5 459	6 446	6 447							
as % of Dataset	61%	93%	60%	60%	97%	82%	97%	97%							
Minimum		0.04	65	0	4	0	29	1							
Maximum		17.60	1 250	110 546	7 323	19.23	911	651							
Mean		9.54	466	94 100	4 389	10.35	612	526							
Standard Deviation		6.74	118	6 254	2 319	0.69	370	155							
Total		58 897													
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Data within the confidence interval															
95% Confidence interval															
Lower bound			235	81 841											
Upper bound			697	106 358											
Count			3 731	3 865											
as % of Operating Hours			93%	96%											
Minimum			262	81 875											
Maximum			696	105 597											
Mean			452	94 732											
Standard Deviation			97	3 911											
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Abatement Ratio	67.8%														
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 8

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 11/06/2008

TO: 26/11/2008

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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 first 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 period from 11/06/2008 through 26/11/2008 on Line 8 is **32 131 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION		
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	6.59 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	4.29 kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	63 396 tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	45 057 tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	45 181 tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310 tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	32 131 tCO_e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>		
Abatement Ratio		34.8%

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 8 during baseline measurement carried from 02/09/2007 through 15/04/2008 is 6.59 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the first project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 8, which started on 11/06/2008 and went through 26/11/2008 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 11/06/2008, is 4.29 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 45 181 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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 02/09/2007 through 15/04/2008.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} \text{ (tN}_2\text{O)}$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) \text{ (tN}_2\text{O/tHNO}_3)$$

where:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Umicore
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Umicore
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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 this campaign was first project campaign on Line 8 there has been no moving average emission factor established yet for 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

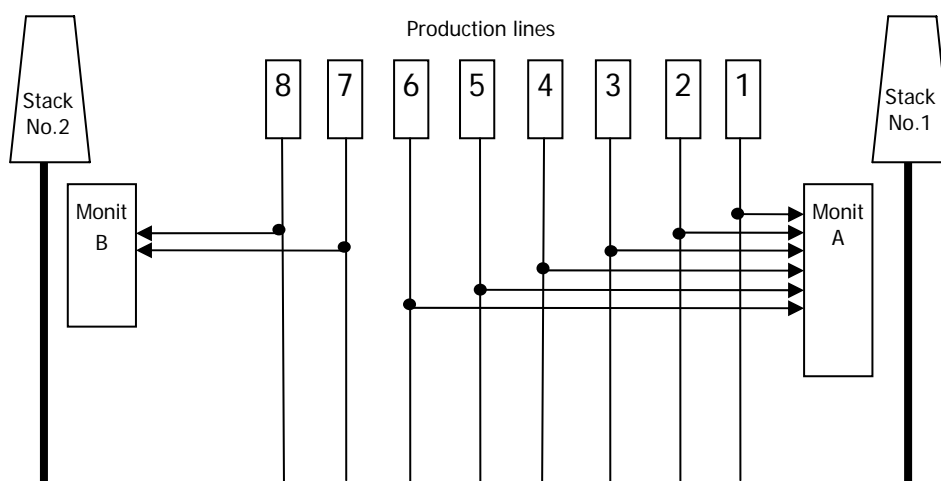
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

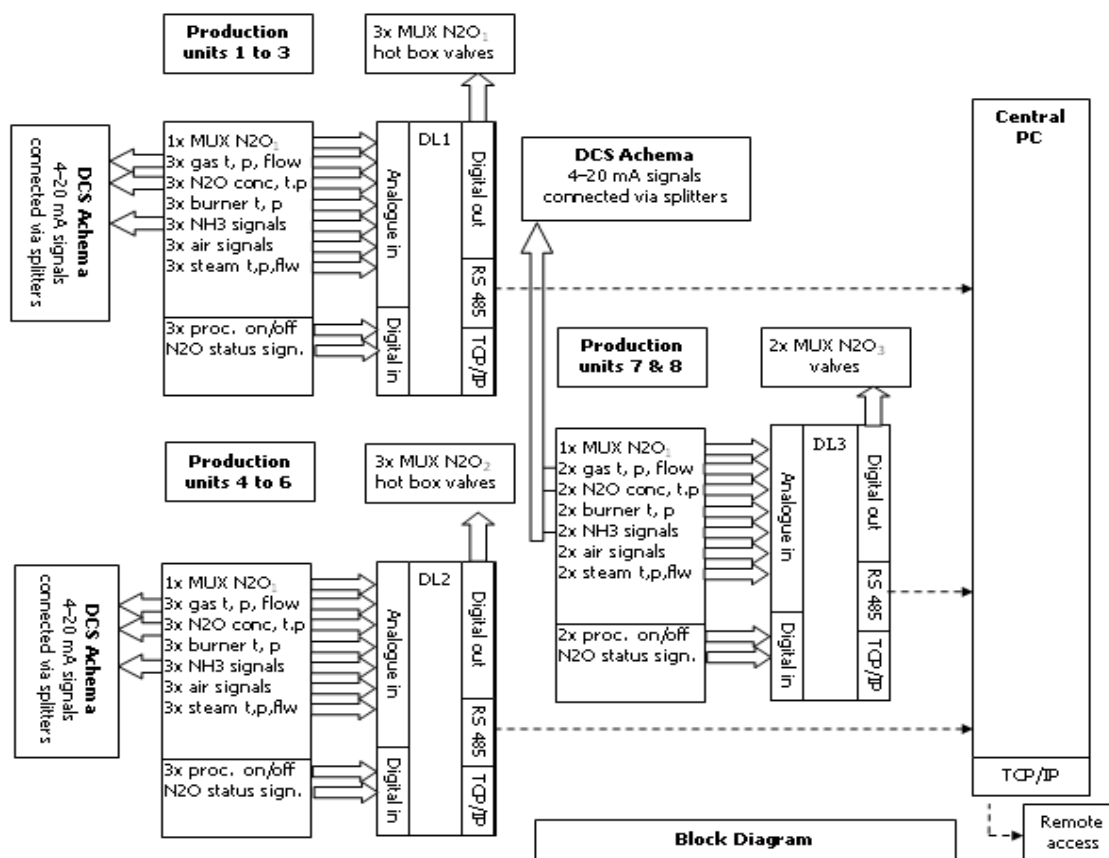
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

Nitric acid concentration
Nitric acid flow
Nitric acid temperature

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

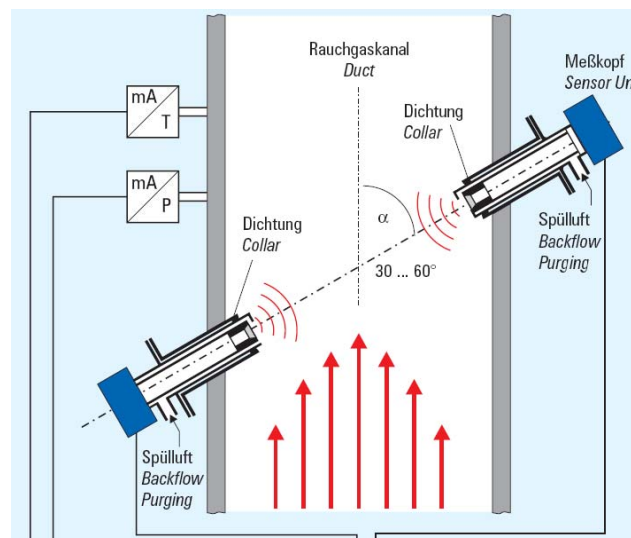
N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O 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.

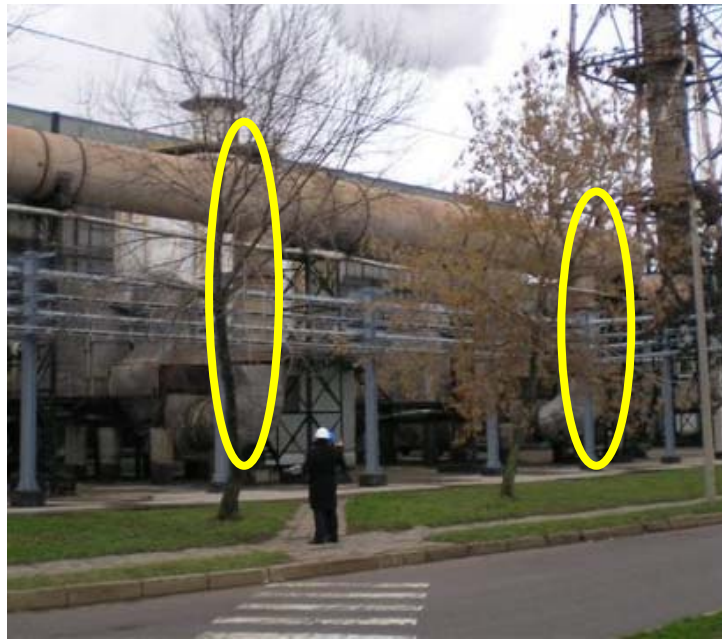
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

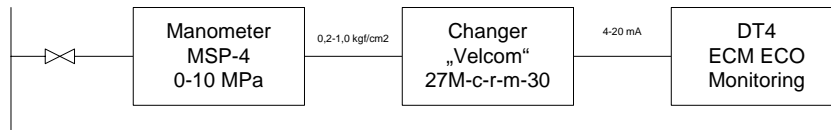
Operating conditions

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

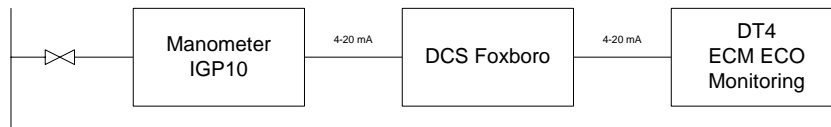
- Ammonia flow
- Ammonia temperature
- Ammonia pressure
- Primary air flow
- Primary air temperature
- Primary air pressure
- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

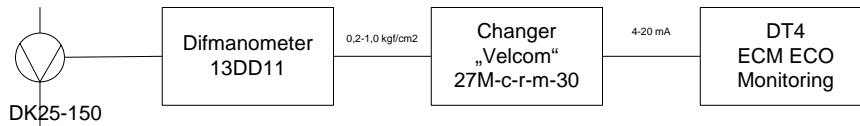
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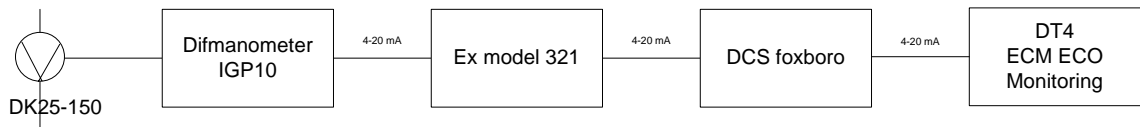
P in mixer 7-8 line

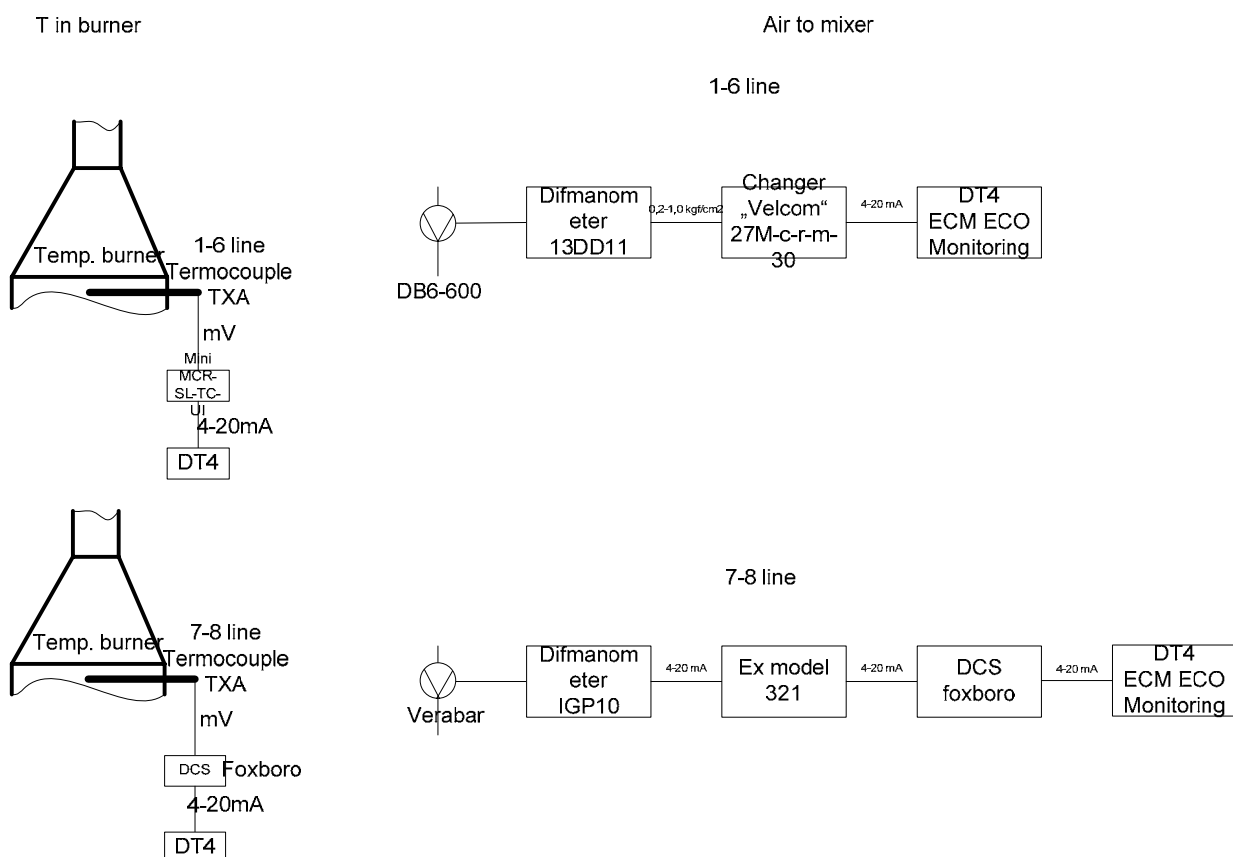


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



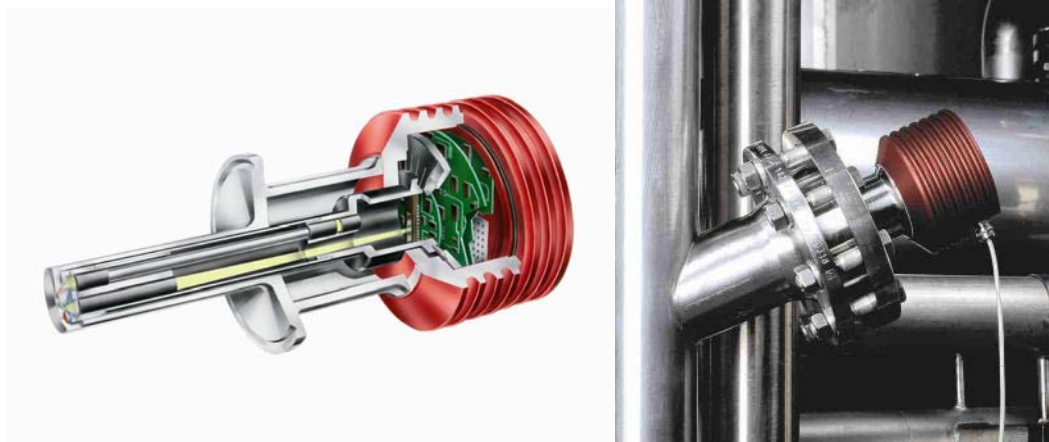


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, 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 20/10/2008 project uses HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m³. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	-	00 Jan 1900	00 Jan 1900	-	n/a	0
	2 t HNO ₃	62 575	10 Dec 2004	17 Aug 2005	250	250	Heraeus (90/5/5)
	3 t HNO ₃	63 418	02 Nov 2005	14 Jun 2006	224	283	Umicore (95/5)
	4 t HNO ₃	63 138	15 Jun 2006	01 Feb 2007	231	273	JM (n/a)
	5 t HNO ₃	65 347	02 Feb 2007	28 Aug 2007	207	316	JM (n/a)
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	63 620		228	279	

T 3 and Chart C 1 define the length of the baseline campaign. Baseline campaign measurements for this project campaign started on 02/09/2007 and continued through 15/04/2008 when the 63 396 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 45 057 tHNO₃.

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 02	2008 Feb 20	2008 Apr 15	2008 Apr 16
Baseline Factor kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃			6.59	6.59	6.59
Production tHNO ₃			45 057	63 396	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	279.0				
Baseline less Historic Production	(223.5)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(0.8)				

C 1 Baseline campaign length

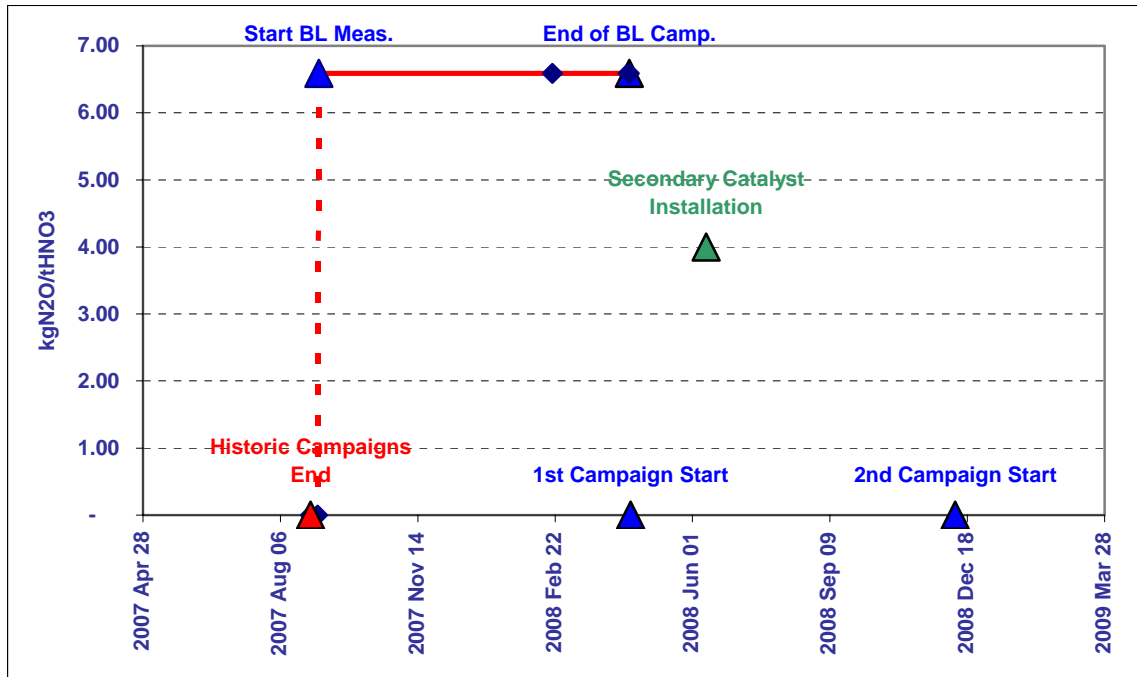


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 8 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 02/09/2007 through 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 444 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.89%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 6.59 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 8 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 11/06/2008 and went through 26/11/2008.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 4.29 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

This emission factor has been used in further calculation of emission reductions. Neither moving average emission factor nor minimum emission factor was established, since it was the first project 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	OH	NAP	NCSG	VSG	AFR	AIFR	OT	OP	0	NAP	NCSG				
Unit	h	t/h	mg N2O/Nm3	Nm3/h	Nm3/h	%	°C	kPa	h	t/h	t/h				
Elimination of extreme values															
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				
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	4 696	4 931	3 483	4 566	4 964	4 640		5 402	5 402	4 143	3 629				
as % of Dataset	87%	91%	64%	84%	92%	86%		100%	100%	76%	67%				
Minimum		0.00	0	3	0	0		27	5		0				
Maximum		24.99	1 917	103 514	6 796	14.80		912	654		25				
Mean		12.86	1 032	78 802	5 617	10.08		801	564		12				
Standard Deviation		5.07	446	16 429	1 475	0.90		246	117		5				
Total		63 396									45 057				
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Data within the permitted range															
Count	4 396		2 745	4 118						4 143					
as % of Operating Hours	94%		58%	88%						88%					
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Maximum			1 732	96 663											
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Count			2 578	3 949											
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T 5 Project emission factor

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Minimum		-	0	1	23	0	37	6							
Maximum		16.48	1 886	93 300	7 764	18.38	902	620							
Mean		11.51	639	71 046	5 792	10.37	747	540							
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Upper bound			1 260	113 910											
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MONITORING REPORT

PROJECT: ACHEMA UKL nitric acid plant N₂O abatement project

LINE: Line 8

MONITORING PERIOD:

FROM: 09/12/2008

TO: 20/11/2009

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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 second 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 period from 09/12/2008 through 20/11/2009 on Line 8 is **49 413 ERUs**.

T 1 Emission reduction calculations

EMISSION REDUCTION			
Baseline Emission Factor	EF_BL	6.95	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Project Campaign Emission Factor	EF_P	4.26	kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL	63 577	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the NCSG Baseline Campaign	NAP_BL_NCSG	52 603	tHNO ₃
Nitric Acid Produced in the Project Campaign	NAP_P	59 291	tHNO ₃
GWP	GWP	310	tCO ₂ e/tN ₂ O
Emission Reduction	ER	49 413	tCO_e
<i>ER=(EF_BL-EF_P)*NAP_P*GWP/1000</i>			
Abatement Ratio			39.2%

Baseline emission factor established for the Line 8 during baseline measurement carried from 01/09/2007 through 15/04/2008 is 6.95 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Project emission factor during the second project campaign after installation of secondary catalysts on Line 8, which started on 09/12/2008 and went through 20/11/2009 with secondary catalyst installed and commissioned on 11/06/2008, is 4.26 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

During the project campaign 59 291 tonnes of nitric acid was produced.

2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITY

Purpose of the Project (the “Project”) is the reduction of nitrous oxide (N₂O) 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 N₂O 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.

N₂O concentration and gas volume flow are monitored by monitoring system complying with requirements of the European Norm 14181.

Monitoring system provides separate readings for N₂O 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 N₂O 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 N₂O concentration of stack gas (NCSG))

The average mass of N₂O emissions per hour is estimated as product of the NCSG and VSG. The N₂O emissions per campaign are estimates product of N₂O emission per hour and the total number of complete hours of operation of the campaign using the following equation:

$$BE_{BC} = VSG_{BC} * NCSG_{BC} * 10^{-9} * OH_{BC} \text{ (tN}_2\text{O)}$$

The Line specific baseline emissions factor representing the average N₂O emissions per tonne of nitric acid over one full campaign is derived by dividing the total mass of N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor per tonne of nitric acid produced in the baseline period (EF_{BL}) has been then be reduced by the percentage error as follows:

$$EF_{BL} = (BE_{BC} / NAP_{BC}) (1 - UNC/100) \text{ (tN}_2\text{O/tHNO}_3)$$

where:

Variable	Definition
EF _{BL}	Baseline N ₂ O emissions factor (tN ₂ O/tHNO ₃)
BE _{BC}	Total N ₂ O emissions during the baseline campaign (tN ₂ O)
NCSG _{BC}	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas during the baseline campaign (mgN ₂ O/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 N₂O concentration and tail gas volume flow

3.1.1 Tail gas N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O concentration is measured on a dry basis.

N₂O concentration is measured by concentration infrared absorption principle meters Xentra 4900 using GFX monitoring technology.

Recently there are 8 production lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis.

N₂O 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 N₂O emission factor may be outside the permitted range or limit corresponding to normal operating conditions. N₂O 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 Composition of the ammonia oxidation catalyst

GS_{BL} Umicore
GC_{BL} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

GS_{Project} Umicore
GC_{Project} Pt63/Rh4/PI33

3.4 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 five campaigns), has not been used as a cap on the length of the baseline campaign because of shorter project 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 ³ /h)
NCSG	Mean concentration of N ₂ O in the stack gas for the project campaign (mgN ₂ O/m ³)
PE _n	Total N ₂ O emissions of the n th project campaign (tN ₂ 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.

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 N₂O:

$$ER = (EFBL - EFP) * NAP * GWPN_2O \text{ (tCO}_2\text{e)}$$

Where:

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

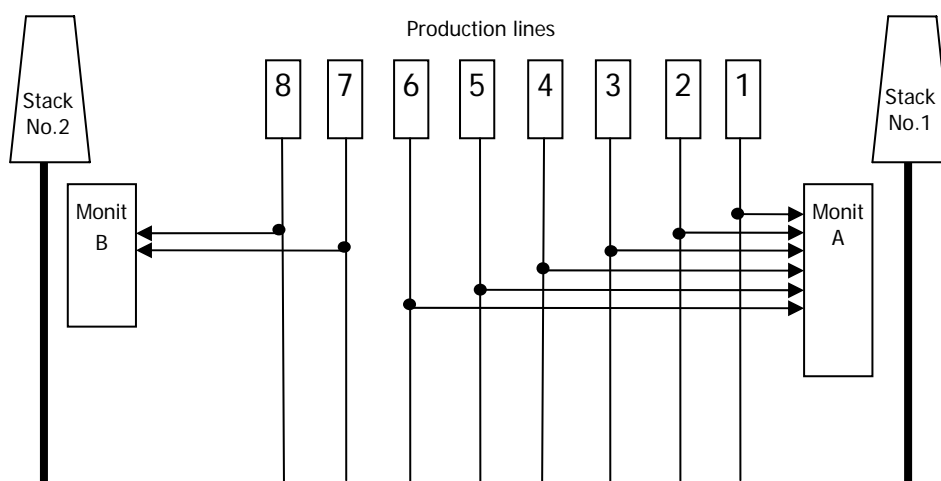
5. MONITORING PLAN

Purpose of the monitoring plan

The purpose of the monitoring plan is to describe the system used to monitor emissions of N₂O 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 gasses 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. N₂O concentration in the tail gas is measured by 3 switched concentration meters.

Monitoring System architecture

Methodology AM0034/Version 02 requires installation of an N₂O 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 N₂O.

But tail gas N₂O 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 N₂O in t CO₂e per 1 tonne of HNO₃ (100%), it is necessary to include also HNO₃ 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 N₂O 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

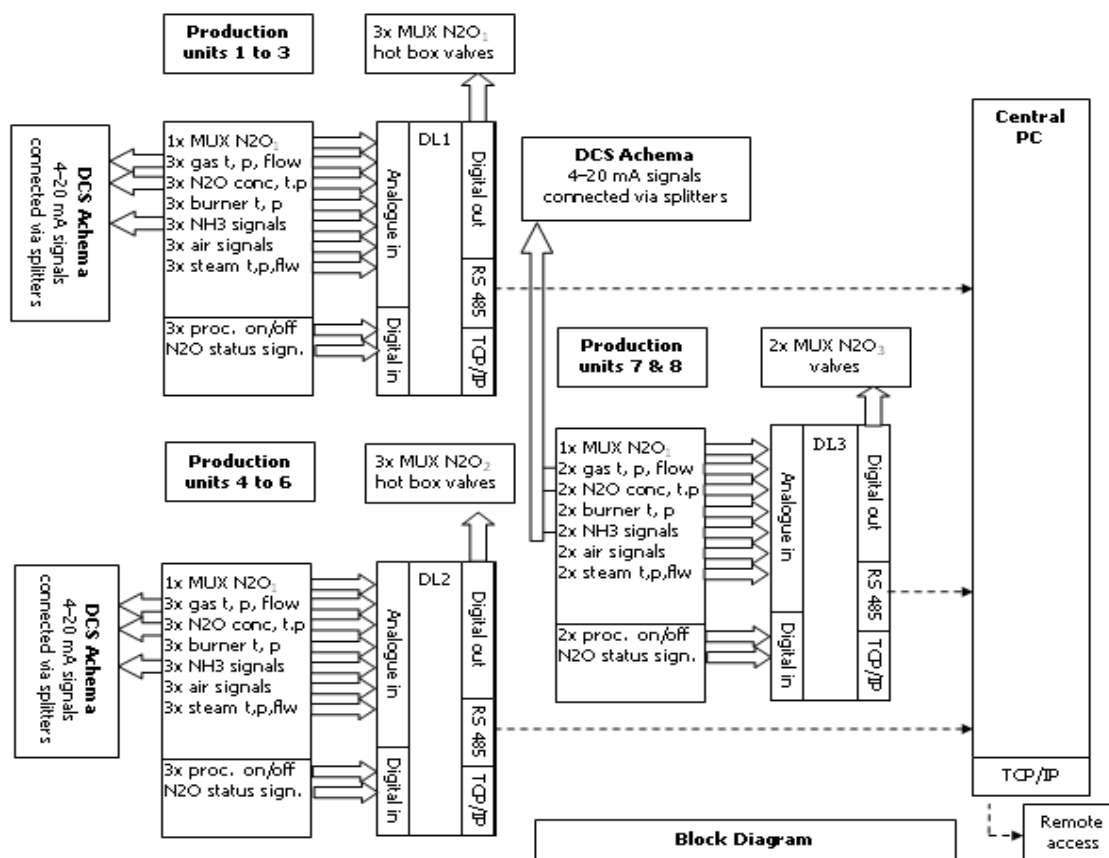
nitric acid 100% concentrate production;

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

and newly installed measurement devices for measurement of N₂O concentration and tail gas flow, temperature and pressure (AMS)

- N₂O 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.



N₂O automated measurement system

Main purpose of the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) is to measure total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaigns (both baseline and project). In order of calculation of total mass of N₂O emitted during particular campaign it is necessary to measure on an extractive basis the N₂O concentration in a tail gas and on a non-extractive basis tail gas flow, pressure and temperature.

N₂O concentration

N₂O 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 N₂O 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.

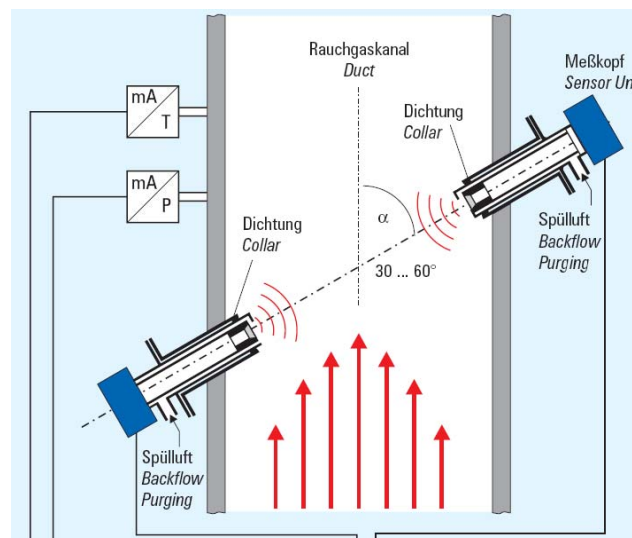
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Recently there are 8 production Lines. N₂O concentration is measured by 3 concentration meters on a switched basis. Tail gas samples are automatically switched. Under-sampling uncertainty is part of both - the project emissions calculations and baseline emission factor calculations.

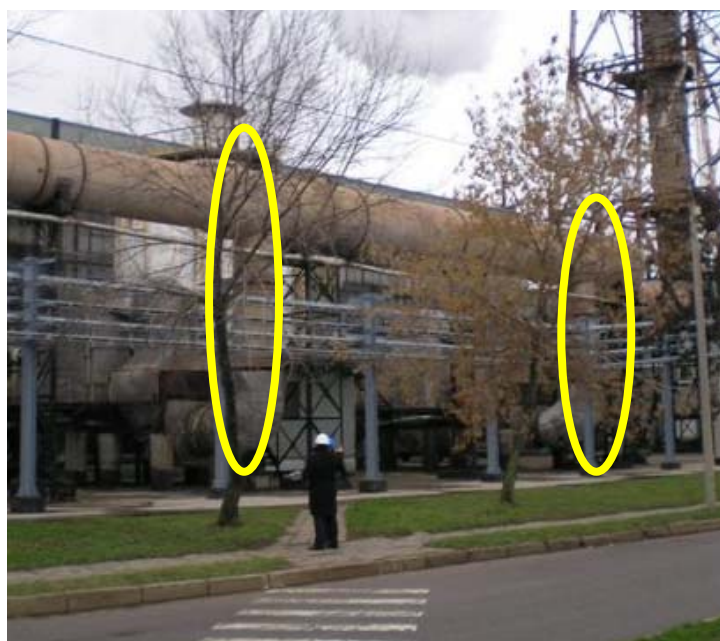
N₂O concentration measured data are sent from the concentration meter on a 2 sec basis in a form of 4-20mA signal to the datalogger and processed further.

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.

EN14181 compliance

As required by the AM0034/Version 02 methodology the N₂O automated measurement system (AMS) complies with requirements of the technical norm EN14181. N₂O AMS consists from the N₂O concentration meter and integrated flowmeter (F, T, P). Both measurement devices are QAL1 certified (concentration meter for the N₂O 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.

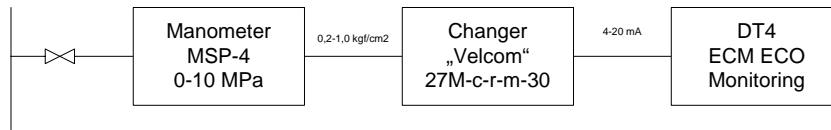
Operating conditions

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

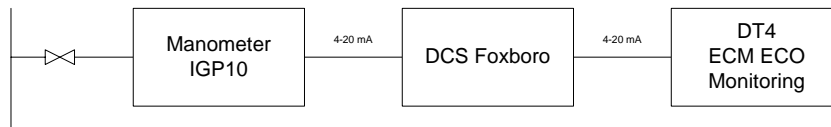
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- Oxidation temperature
- Oxidation pressure

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

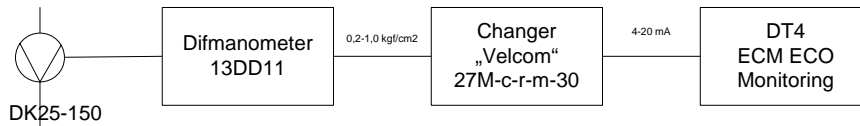
P in mixer 1-6 line



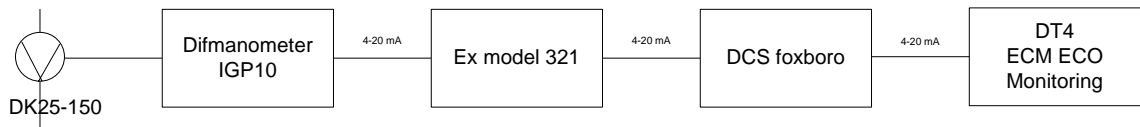
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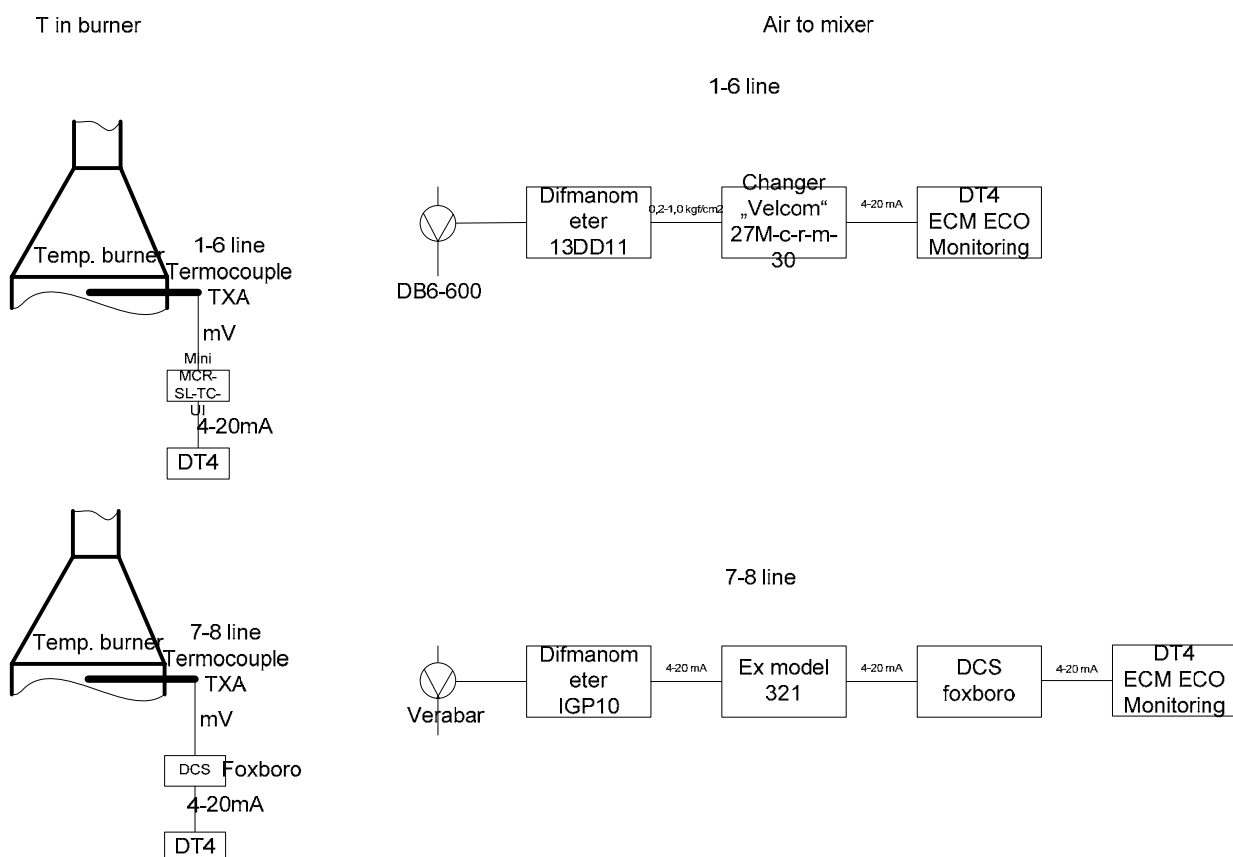


NH3 to mixer 1-6 line



NH3 to mixer 7-8 line



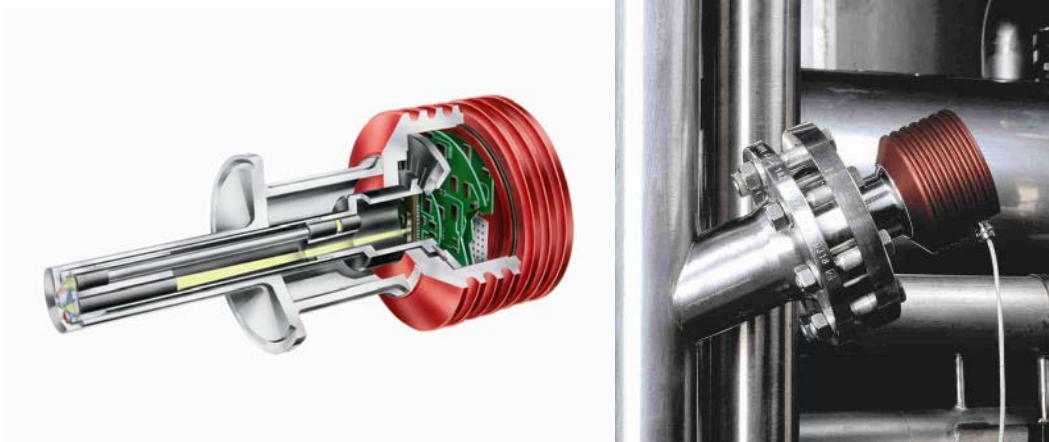


Signals obtained from these measurement devices from production Lines 1-6 are converted from pneumatic to 4-20mA analog signals. Operating conditions measurement devices installed in production Lines 7-8 provide the 4-20mA signals which are digitalized and provided to the monitoring system dataloggers, 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 HNO₃ 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_n: X new
Y_o: Y 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 “nm³/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 mgN₂O/m₃. 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 tHNO₃ 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
Historic Campaigns	1 t HNO ₃	-	00 Jan 1900	00 Jan 1900	-	n/a	0
	2 t HNO ₃	62 575	10 Dec 2004	17 Aug 2005	250	250	Heraeus (90/5/5)
	3 t HNO ₃	63 418	02 Nov 2005	14 Jun 2006	224	283	Umicore (95/5)
	4 t HNO ₃	63 138	15 Jun 2006	01 Feb 2007	231	273	JM (n/a)
	5 t HNO ₃	65 347	02 Feb 2007	28 Aug 2007	207	316	JM (n/a)
Average HNO ₃ production		t HNO ₃	63 620		228	279	

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 tHNO₃ nitric acid production was reached. The measurement of baseline Nitrous Acid Concentration (NCSG) was carried out until production reached 52 603 tHNO₃.

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 Mar 15	2008 Apr 15	2008 Apr 16
Baseline Factor kgN ₂ O/tHNO ₃			6.95	6.95	6.95
Production tHNO ₃			52 603	63 577	-
Per Day Production tHNO ₃	279.0				
Baseline less Historic Production	(42.6)				
Baseline less Historic Days	(0.2)				

C 1 Baseline campaign length

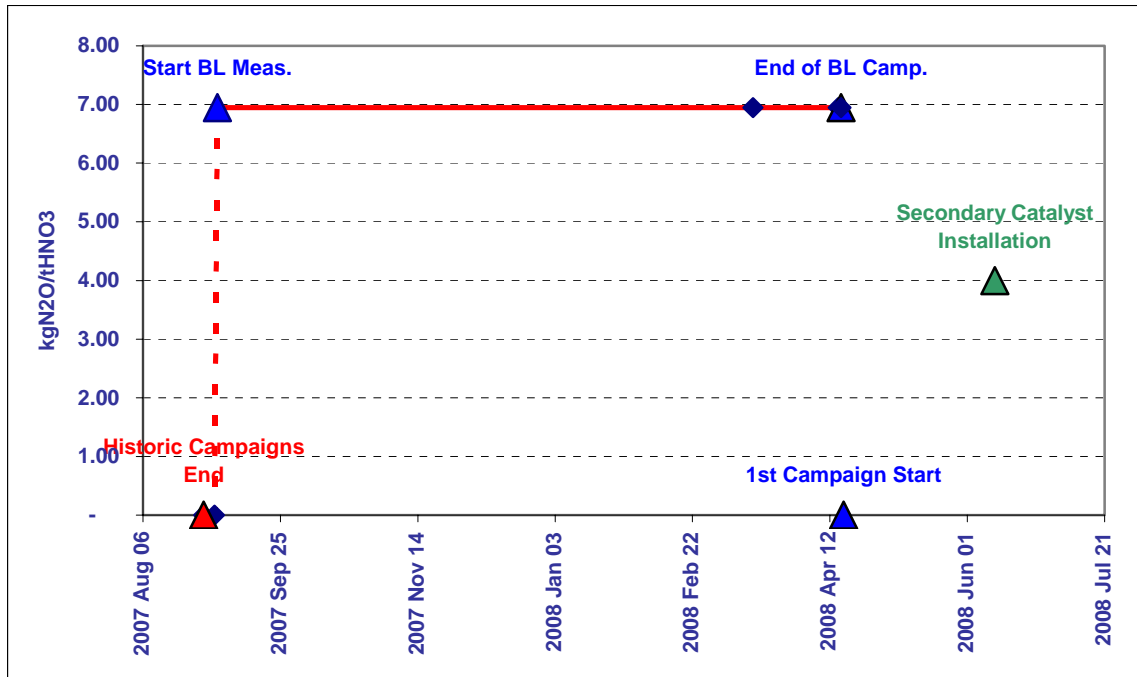


Table T 4 illustrates the calculation of the baseline emission factor on Line 8 using the method as defined in the CDM methodology AM0034 and in the PDD. We have not used overlapping approach allowed by the PDD. Baseline emission factor was determined based on raw data measured from 01/09/2007 through 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 N₂O 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 N₂O 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 tHNO₃ and oxidation temperature at least 600°C occurred. Calculated baseline N₂O emissions were 469 tN₂O.

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

The UNC factor defined by the QAL2 report is 5.89%. As a result we have arrived to the baseline emission factor of 6.95 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

Table T 5 shows the calculation of the project emission factor on Line 8 during the project campaign. Project campaign started on 09/12/2008 and went through 20/11/2009.

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 tHNO₃ 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 tHNO₃/day) we have determined the project campaign specific emission factor at value of 4.26 kgN₂O/tHNO₃.

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

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	0 h	0 t/h	NAP t/h				
Elimination of extreme values															
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				
Raw Data Measured Range															
Count	4 719	4 954	4 059	4 589	4 987	4 663		5 425	5 425	4 143	4 211				
as % of Dataset	87%	91%	75%	84%	92%	86%		100%	100%	76%	77%				
Minimum		0.00	0	3	0	0		27	5		0				
Maximum		24.99	1 968	103 514	6 796	14.80		912	654		25				
Mean		12.83	1 067	78 893	5 591	10.07		801	564		12				
Standard Deviation		5.07	458	16 438	1 520	0.93		245	116		5				
Total		63 577									52 603				
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Minimum					-	0		880	550						
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Count	4 453		3 230	4 131						4 143					
as % of Operating Hours	94%		68%	88%						88%					
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Maximum			1 732	96 663											
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Upper bound			1 636	110 349											
Count			3 168	3 949											
as % of Operating Hours			67%	84%											
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T 5 Project emission factor

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Maximum		16.73	1 940	103 655	7 575	19.05	911	649										
Mean		7.96	689	88 540	3 489	7.05	507	569										
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