## Expected Impacts to Coal Combustion Product Utilization (Risks, Landfilling, and Costs) From Mercury Sorbent Materials

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#### 2001 WE Coal Ash Production

• Fly Ash = 569,744 tons

• Bottom Ash = 129,627 tons



• Total = 699,371 tons



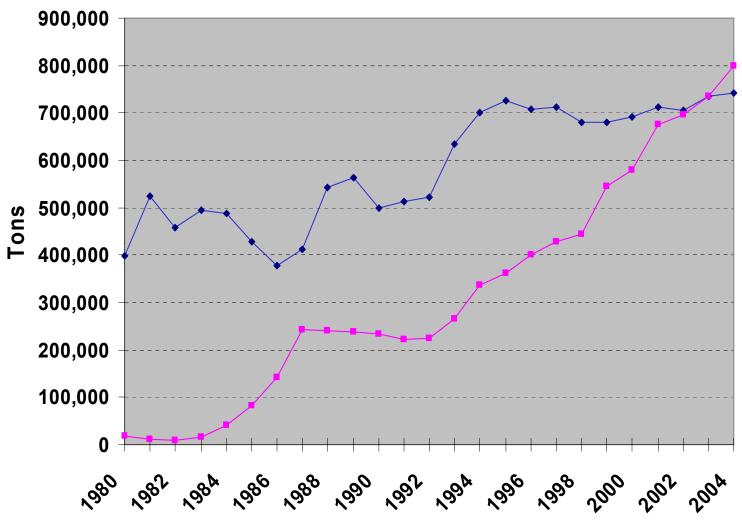
### **2001 CCP's Utilization (Tons)**

•	Concrete	237,000
•	Waste Stabilization	116,000
•	Sub-Base (Btm. Ash)	76,000
•	Supplemental Fuel	70,000
•	<b>Landfill Applications</b>	37,000
•	<b>Cement Raw Feed</b>	23,000
•	<b>CLSM Flowable Fill</b>	19,000
•	Reclaimed Ash Material	9,000
•	Soil/Asphalt Stabilization	6,000
•	Miscellaneous	1,000





#### **WE Coal Ash Production & Utilization**



Year

→ Coal Ash Produced (Tons) → Coal Ash Util. (Tons)



#### 2001 Ash Utilization

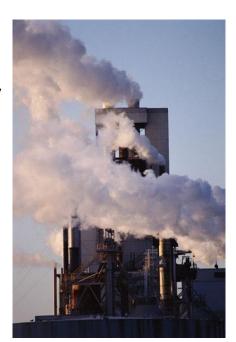
 WE Ash Utilization in Wisconsin is 97%

The National Average is 32%



## Effects of Carbon in Fly Ash for Concrete

- Organic Contaminant
- Affects Freeze/Thaw Durability
- Admixture Quantities
- Color
- Water Demand & Strength





#### **Predicted Carbon in Ash**

Injection Concentration	Injection Rate	PAC in Ash
(lbs/Mmacf)	(lbs/h)	(%)
10	340	4.3
5	170	2.2
2	70	0.9
1.1	40	0.5



## **American Society of Testing and Materials ASTM C618**

- Puts a 6% limit on carbon content in concrete
- Yet 1% is the real world limit

The key is consistency - to manage risk and minimize liability



#### **ASTM C618 P4 Results**

- LOI Changed from O.6% to
  - A range of 1.0 to 3.6%
- Strength Activity Changed from 91.3% to
  - A range of 84.1 to 86.8%
- Specific Gravity Changed from 2.58 to
  - -2.56 to 2.49
- No significant change in other parameters

### Foam Index Testing Method

- Set amount of cement, fly ash and water or fly ash and water are introduced into a jar, capped and shaken
- Diluted drops of concrete air entraining admixture are added in small increments and shaken after each addition
- Determine how many drops are required to produce a stable foam on the surface
- The number of drops is the foam index

# Carbon in Ash Foam Index Results

#### Salable Contract Limit is 25 Drops

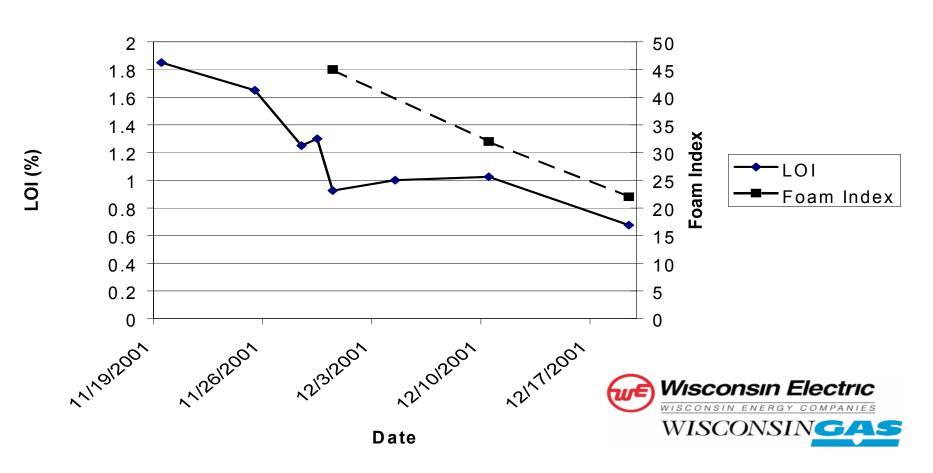
Injection Concentration (lbs/Mmacf)	Unburned Carbon in Ash (%)	Foam Index (Drops)	Comment
0	0.55	15	Normal
1	1.1	>72	Maxed out
3	1.6	>72	Maxed out
10	3.6	>72	Maxed out



#### **Residual Carbon Effects**

#### **Testing Concluded on 11/15/01**

P4 Precip #8 LOI & Foam Index



# Fly Ash Mercury Content (Bulk)

• Normal = 0.13 ppm

- Low Sorbent = 0.74 ppm (0.48-0.93)
- Medium Sorbent = 0.85 ppm (0.80-0.91)
- High Sorbent Hg = 0.95 ppm (0.84-1.00)

• NR 538 (Category 1) = Less than 4.7 ppm

# Fly Ash Mercury Content (Leach)

• Normal = Less than 0.000028 mg/l

- Low Sorbent = 0.000033 mg/l
- Medium Sorbent = Less than 0.000028 mg/l
- High Sorbent Hg = Less than 0.000028 mg/1

• NR538 (Categ. 1) = Less than 0.0002 mg/l