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TECHNOLOGY DESCRIPTION

Wood Pellets from a Renewafuel, LLC facility in Michigan were used for this verification. The pellets were a pressed oak product which is made from the waste of trailer bed manufacturing. No glue or adhesives were used in the manufacture of the pellets. Proximate analyses of the pelletized wood used for this testing is as follows:

<u>Component</u>	<u>% by Weight</u>
Moisture	6.6
Ash	0.43
Volatile matter	75.5
Fixed carbon	17.3

The average heating value was 7,688 British thermal units per pound (Btu/lb).

Testing was conducted at the University of Iowa (UI) Main Power Plant's Boiler 10. The UI Main Power Plant is a combined heat and power (CHP) facility which serves the main campus and the UI hospitals and clinics. The plant continuously supplies steam service and cogenerated electric power. There are four operational boilers at the facility, one stoker unit (Boiler 10), one circulating fluidized bed boiler (Boiler 11), and two gas package boilers (Boilers 7 and 8). Boiler 10 was used during this co-firing demonstration. Boiler 10 is a Riley Stoker Corporation unit rated at 170,000 lb/h steam (206 MMBtu/h heat input) at 750 degrees Fahrenheit (°F) and 600 pounds per square inch, gauge (psig). This unit normally operates in pressure control (swing) mode on a multi-boiler header at a typical operating range of 120,000 to 140,000 lb/h steam. The unit can be base loaded up to its rated capacity or swing down to a minimum load of 90,000lb/h. The facility includes a mechanical dust collector and electrostatic precipitator (ESP) to control particulate emissions. Bottom ash and fly ash generated by Boilers 10 and 11 are collected, blended, and shipped to a nearby limestone quarry where it is mixed with water, solidified, and used to build roads or fill.

Forty-four tons (T) of Renewafuel's wood based pellets were delivered to the River Trading site and mixed with stoker coal using a front end loader. The weight of the total mixture was 294 T, for a pellet fraction by weight of approximately 15 %.

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Under each condition, testing was conducted in triplicate with each test run approximately three hours in duration. In addition to the emissions evaluation, this verification addressed changes in fly ash composition. Fly ash can serve as a portland cement production component, structural fill, road materials, soil stabilization, and other beneficial uses. An important property that limits the use of fly ash is carbon

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 - Hydrogen chloride (HCl) and hydrogen fluoride (HF)
- Boiler efficiency
- Changes in fly ash characteristics including:
 - Carbon, hydrogen, and nitrogen (CHN), and SiO₂, Al₂O₃, and Fe₂O₃ content
 - Primary metals: As, Se, Zn, and Hg
 - Secondary metals: Ba, Be, Cd, Cr, Cu, Mn, Ni, and Ag
 - fly ash fusion temperature
 - Resource Conservation Recovery Act (RCRA) metals and Toxic Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP).
- Sustainability indicators including CO₂ emissions associated with sourcing and transportation of biomass and ash disposal under baseline (no biomass co-firing) and test case (with biomass co-firing) conditions.

Rationale for the experimental design, determination of verification parameters, detailed testing procedures, test log forms, and QA/QC procedures can be found in Test and Quality Assurance Plan titled *Test and Quality Assurance Plan – Environmental and Sustainable Technology Evaluation Biomass Co-firing in Industrial Boilers*.

Quality Assurance (QA) oversight of the verification testing was provided following specifications in the ETV Quality Management Plan (QMP). Southern's QA Manager conducted an audit of data quality on a representative portion of the data generated during this verification and a review of this report. Data review and validation was conducted at three levels including the field team leader (for data generated by subcontractors), the project manager, and the QA manager. Through these activities, the QA manager has

concluded that the data meet the data quality objectives that are specified in the Test and Quality Assurance Plan.

VERIFICATION OF PERFORMANCE

Boiler Efficiency

For the efficiency testing, mass feed of blended coal and wood was increased to attempt to repeat heat input as closely as possible to the baseline coal only tests.

Table S-1. Boiler Efficiency

Test ID	Fuel	Heat Input (MMBtu/hr)	Heat Output (MMBtu/hr)	Efficiency (%)
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	264.6	224.4	84.8
Baseline 2		264.2	223.9	84.8
Baseline 3		264.8	223.7	84.5
Baseline 4		267.6	228.8	85.5
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	275.7	229.7	83.3
Cofire 2		271.9	230.0	84.6
Cofire 3		272.5	230.3	84.5
Baseline Average		265.3	225.2	84.9 ±0.4
Cofire Average		273.4	230.0	84.1 ±0.7
Absolute Difference		8.1	4.8	-0.7
% Difference		3.0%	2.1%	-0.9%
Statistically Significant Change?		na	na	No

The average efficiencies during baseline (coal only) and co-firing tests were 84.9 ± 0.4 and 84.1 ± 0.7 percent respectively. This change is not statistically significant, so it is concluded that co-firing biomass at the 15 percent blending rate did not impact boiler efficiency performance.

Emissions Performance

Table S-2. Gaseous Pollutant Emissions (lb/MMBtu)

Test ID	Fuel	SO ₂	CO ₂	NO _x	CO
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	2.49	207	0.473	0.081
Baseline 2		2.28	206	0.442	0.083
Baseline 3		2.48	206	0.438	0.085
Baseline 4		2.63	202	0.486	0.102
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	2.12	207	0.487	0.089
Cofire 2		2.11	207	0.525	0.081
Cofire 3		2.26	207	0.506	0.081
Baseline Averages		2.47 ± 0.14	205 ± 2	0.460 ± 0.02	0.088 ± 0.010
Cofire Averages		2.16 ± 0.08	207 ± 0.3	0.506 ± 0.018	0.083 ± 0.05
% Difference		-12.4%	0.82%	10.2%	-5.02%
Statistically Significant Change?		Yes	No	Yes	No

SO₂ emissions were about 13 percent lower while combusting the blended fuel, which correlates well with the approximately 15 percent biomass to coal ratio. The reduction in SO₂ indicates that co-firing woody biomass may be a viable option for reducing SO₂ emissions without adding emission control technologies. NO_x emissions had a statistically significant increase when co-firing. Increases are presumably due to the higher temperatures within the boiler that were experienced while firing the dryer, lighter blended fuel. Changes in CO and CO₂ emissions were not statistically significant.

Table S-3. Particulate Emissions (lb/MMBtu)

Test ID	Fuel	Total Particulate	Filterable PM	Condensable PM
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	0.090	0.038	0.051
Baseline 2		0.039	0.023	0.016
Baseline 3		0.054	0.031	0.022
Baseline 3		Not Tested		
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	0.046	0.026	0.021
Cofire 2		0.044	0.023	0.020
Cofire 3		0.041	0.023	0.018
Baseline Averages		0.061 ± 0.03	0.031 ± 0.008	0.030 ± 0.02
Cofire Averages		0.044 ± 0.003	0.024 ± 0.0018	0.020 ± 0.0012
Absolute Difference		-1.71E-02	-7.03E-03	-1.01E-02
% Difference		-28.1%	-22.8%	-33.9%
Statistically Significant Change?		No	No	No

Although not statistically significant, particulate emission fractions were generally lower while co-firing the blended fuel. This is likely caused by the lower ash content of the blended fuels. It could also be the result of better combustion or better ESP performance due to changes in firebox temperatures or flyash characteristics.

Metals emissions were relatively low during all test periods. The only statistically significant change in metals emissions was a decrease in selenium. Emissions of HCl and HF were considerably lower during co-firing decreasing by approximately 9 and 29 percent, respectively.

Fly Ash Characteristics

Changes in ash characteristics were generally small, which is favorable for most operating systems (ash handling systems would not be expected to be impacted by co-firing at this rate). Carbon content and ash loss on ignition were both reduced significantly during biomass co-firing, although neither ash met the Class F requirements for use in concrete. Quantitative flyash results are voluminous and not presented here, but can be viewed in the main body of the report in Tables 3-7 through 3-9.

Biomass co-firing during this verification did not impact the quality of the ash with regard to fly ash TCLP metals (40 CFR 261.24) and Class F Requirements (C 618-05). Metals content of the ash was well below the TCLP criteria during all test periods and changes were not significant. The ash generated during co-firing did have a significantly higher SO₃ content, but was still well below the Class F requirement.

Sustainability Issues

- The wood pellets used for testing at the University of Iowa were produced from waste wood waste at a rate of 4.5 tons per hour. The equipment used to produce the pellets is rated at 250 horsepower and was operated at 80 percent of capacity. Based on electrical consumption of 0.746 kWh/hp multiplied by 200 hp, the energy use per hour to produce the pellets was 149.14 kWh or 33.14 kWh/ton. Based on an Energy Information Administration emission factor for Michigan (location of the production facility) of 1.58 lbs CO₂/kWh, CO₂ emissions per ton of pellets produced is 52.36 lbs.
- Wood-based pellets were transported from Battle Creek Michigan to Muscatine, Iowa (where the University of Iowa's coal supplier is located). 43 tons of wood-based pellets were shipped with two trucks using 350 Cummins motors. The trucks averaged 6.5 miles per gallon. The distance from Battle Creek to Muscatine is 345 miles. Therefore:

$345 \text{ miles} * 2 \text{ trucks} = 690 \text{ miles}$, divided by 6.5 mpg = 106.15 gallons, divided by 43 tons fuel = 2.47 gallons/ton.

Renewafuel has a 28-acre site for possible future operations in Anamosa, Iowa. The distance from Anamosa to Muscatine is 65 miles. Here, Renewafuel can load as much as 25 tons of fuel per truck. Assuming use of the same truck with 6.5 miles per gallon the fuel used per ton of fuel transported from Anamosa to Muscatine, fuel usage from Anamosa is then:

65 miles , divided by 6.5 mpg = 10 gallons, divided by 25 tons per truck = 0.4 gallons/ton

- Based on an Energy Information Administration emission factor of 19.564 lbs CO₂/gallon, CO₂ emissions per ton of pellets transported to the facility are:
 - 48.3 lbs/ton for Battle Creek (2.47 gal fuel /ton pellets * 19.564 lbs CO₂/gal).
 - 7.82 lbs/ton for Anamosa (0.4 gal/ton * 19.564 lbs CO₂/gal).
- Based on data generated during this testing, the CO₂ emission rates while firing straight coal and blended fuel (at a blending rate of approximately 15 percent wood by mass) were 205 and 207 lb/MMBtu, respectively. However, combustion of Renewafuel wood pellets, which are comprised of biogenic carbon—meaning it is part of the natural carbon balance and will not add to atmospheric concentrations of CO₂—emits no creditable CO₂ emissions under international greenhouse gas accounting methods developed by the IPCC and adopted by the CFPA [6]. The slight increase in CO₂ emissions is likely also impacted by the increased mass fuel feed rates during co-firing. By analyzing the heat content of the coal and the wood, the total boiler heat input for the test periods, and boiler efficiency, it was determined that approximately 10 percent of the heat generated during co-firing test periods is attributable to the Renewafuel pellets fuel. It is therefore estimated that the CO₂ emissions offset during this testing is approximately 10 percent, or 20.7 lb/MMBtu at this co-firing blend.
- UI Boiler 10 typically operates in the 160 to 190 MMBtu/hr heat generating rate. Assuming an availability and utilization rate of 80 percent for Boiler 10, this would equate to estimated annual CO₂ emission reductions of approximately 11,000 to 13,000 tons per year. CO₂ offsets from use of wood pellets could be even greater had the analysis included emissions associated with coal mining and transportation.

- Regarding use and or disposal of fly ash, biomass co-firing did not impact either sustainability issue since the quality of the ash with regard to fly ash TCLP metals and Class F Requirements was unchanged.

Details on the verification test design, measurement test procedures, and Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) procedures can be found in the Test Plan titled *Test and Quality Assurance Plan – Environmental and Sustainable Technology Evaluation Biomass Co-firing in Industrial Boilers*. (Southern 2006). Detailed results of the verification are presented in the Final Report titled *Environmental and Sustainable Technology Evaluation Biomass Co-firing in Industrial Boilers – University of Iowa* (Southern 2007). Both can be downloaded from the Southern’s web-site (www.sri-rtp.com) or the ETV Program web-site (www.epa.gov/etv).

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Acronyms and Abbreviations

Ag	silver	ICI	industrial-commercial-institutional
As	arsenic	kW	kilowatt
Ba	barium	lb/h	pounds per hour
Be	beryllium	lb/lb-mol	pounds per pound-mole
BCSG	Biomass Co-firing Stakeholder Group	MMBtu/h	million British thermal units per hour
Btu	British thermal unit	Mn	manganese
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Cd	cadmium	MW	megawatt
CEMS	continuous emissions monitoring system	Ni	nickel
CHN	carbon, hydrogen, and nitrogen	NO _x	nitrogen oxides
CHP	combined heat and power	O ₂	oxygen
CO	carbon monoxide	QA / QC	quality assurance / quality control
CO ₂	carbon dioxide	OAQPS	Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards
Cr	chromium	OAR	Office of Air and Radiation
Cu	copper	OSW	Office of Solid Waste
DQO	data quality objective	ppmvd	parts per million by volume, dry
EPA-ORD	Environmental Protection Agency	psig	pounds per square inch, gauge
	Office of Research and Development	Se	selenium
ESP	electrostatic precipitator	SO ₂	sulfur dioxide
ESTE	Environmental and Sustainable Technology Evaluation	T	tons (English)
ETV	Environmental Technology Verification	TCLP	Toxic Characteristic Leaching Procedure
gr/dscf	grains per dry standard cubic foot	TPM	total particulate matter
HCl	hydrogen chloride	TQAP	test and quality assurance plan
HF	hydrogen fluoride	UI	University of Iowa
Hg	mercury	Zn	zinc
		°F	degrees Fahrenheit

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Research and Development (EPA-ORD) operates the Environmental and Sustainable Technology Evaluation (ESTE) program to facilitate the deployment of innovative technologies through performance verification and information dissemination. In part, the ESTE program is intended to increase the relevance of Environmental Technology Verification (ETV) Program projects to the U.S. EPA program and regional offices.

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With increasing concern about global warming and fossil fuel energy supplies, there continues to be an increasing interest in biomass as a renewable and sustainable energy source. Many studies and research projects regarding the efficacy and environmental impacts of biomass co-firing have been conducted on large utility boilers, but less data is available regarding biomass co-firing in industrial size boilers. As such, OAQPS has emphasized an interest in biomass co-firing in industrial-commercial-institutional (ICI) boilers in the 100 to 1000 million British thermal units per hour (MMBtu/h) range. The reason for this emphasis is to provide support for development of a new area-source "Maximum Achievable Control Technology" standard.

The focus for this project was to evaluate performance and emission reductions for ICI boilers as a result of biomass co-firing. The primary objectives of this project were to:

- Evaluate changes in boiler emissions due to biomass co-firing
- Evaluate boiler efficiency with biomass co-firing
- Examine any impact on the value and suitability of fly ash for beneficial uses (carbon and metals content)
- Evaluate sustainability indicators including emissions from sourcing and transportation of biomass and disposal of fly ash

This document is one of two Technology Evaluation Reports for this ESTE project. This report presents results of the testing conducted on Unit 10 at the University of Iowa's Power Plant in Iowa City. This report includes the following components:

- Brief description of the verification approach and parameters (§ 2.0)
- Description of the test location (§ 2.1)
- Brief description of sampling and analytical procedures (§ 2.2)
- Test results (§ 3.0)
- Data quality (§ 4.0)

This report has been reviewed by representatives of ORD, OAQPS, OSW, the EPA QA team, and the project stakeholders and collaborators. It documents test operations and verification results. It is available in electronic format from Internet sites maintained by Southern Research Institute (Southern) (www.sri-rtp.com) and ETV program (www.epa.gov/etv).

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2.1 HOST FACILITY AND TEST BOILER

Testing was conducted on two industrial boilers that are capable of co-firing woody biomass using two different biomass types and blends. The two units that hosted tests were Minnesota Power's Rapids Energy Center Boiler 5 (MP-5) and the University of Iowa (UI) Main Power Plant's Boiler 10. Results of the Rapids Energy Center testing are published under separate cover and can be found at www.sri-rtf.com.

The UI Main Power Plant is a combined heat and power (CHP) facility which serves the main campus and the UI hospitals and clinics. The plant continuously supplies steam service and cogenerated electric power. There are four operational boilers at the facility, one stoker unit (Boiler 10), one circulating fluidized bed boiler (Boiler 11), and two gas package boilers (Boilers 7 and 8). Three controlled extraction turbine generators with 24.7 megawatt (MW) capacity cogenerate about 30 percent of the university and hospital facilities total electric needs.



Figure 2-1. The University of Iowa Main Power Plant

Boiler 10 is a Riley Stoker Corporation unit rated at 170,000 lb/h steam (206 MMBtu/h heat input) at 750 degrees Fahrenheit (°F) and 600 pounds per square inch, gauge (psig). This unit normally operates in pressure control (swing) mode on a multi-boiler header at a typical operating range of 120,000 to 140,000 lb/h steam. The unit can be base loaded up to its rated capacity or swing down to a minimum load of 90,000lb/h.

This boiler is currently fired with Appalachian coal mined in West Virginia and Pennsylvania and barged to Muscatine, Iowa for distribution. However, UI has been successful in converting the fluidized bed boiler (Boiler 11) at the facility to a co-firing unit using an oat hull product generated at a nearby food processing plant. In keeping with the economic and environmental benefits realized through this effort,

UI is interested in introducing biomass co-firing on Boiler 10. A pelletized wood product manufactured from woody biomass by Renewafuels, LLC in Minnesota has been identified as a suitable co-firing fuel for Boiler 10.

Emissions testing for this program was conducted in the ductwork of the selected boiler upstream of the stack. The testing location and ports are shown in Figure 2-2.



Figure 2-2. Test Port Locations for Boiler 10

The facility includes a mechanical dust collector and electrostatic precipitator (ESP) to control particulate emissions. Bottom ash and fly ash generated by Boilers 10 and 11 are collected, blended, and shipped to a nearby limestone quarry where it is mixed with water, solidified, and used to build roads or fill.

Boiler 10 is equipped with a continuous emissions monitoring system (CEMS) that monitors flue gas SO₂ and O₂ concentrations. Table 2-1 summarizes the Boiler 10 CEMS specifications.

Table 2-1. UI-10 CEMS

Parameter	Instrument Make/Model	Instrument Range	Reporting Units
SO ₂	TML 50-H	0 – 1000 ppm	lb/MMBtu
O ₂	TML 41-HO2	0 – 25 %	%

The facility has a fully equipped control room that continuously monitors boiler operations. The system's distributed control system includes a PI Historian software package that allows the facility to customize data acquisition, storage, and reporting activities. Operational parameters that were recorded during this test program include the following:

- Heat input, Btu/h
- Steam flow, lb/h
- Steam pressures, psig, and temperatures, °F
- Air flows, lb/h, and temperatures, °F
- Power output, MW
- SO₂ emissions, pounds per million Btu (lb/MMBtu)
- ESP variables (volts, amperes, number of fields on line), recorded manually

These data were recorded using the PI Historian during each test period. One minute readings were recorded during each test period using an assigned start and end tag, and then averaged over the test period to document boiler operations during the testing, co-firing rates, and boiler efficiency. Key parameters such as heat input and steam flow are summarized in the results section of this report. ESP operational data are summarized in Appendix D.

2.2 FIELD TESTING

Wood pellets from a Renewafuel, LLC facility in Michigan were shipped to the River Trading Co. coal yard in Muscatine, IA (the facility's coal supplier). The pellets were a pressed oak product which is made from the waste of trailer bed manufacturing. No glue or adhesives were used in the manufacture of the pellets. A sample of pellets is shown in Figure 2-3.



Figure 2-3. Renewafuel Pelletized Wood

Proximate analyses of the pelletized wood used for this testing is as follows:

<u>Component</u>	<u>% by Weight</u>
Moisture	6.6
Ash	0.43
Volatile matter	75.5

Fixed carbon 17.3

The average heating value was 7,688 British thermal units per pound (Btu/lb).

Forty-four tons (T) of Renewafuel’s wood based pellets were delivered to the River Trading site and mixed with stoker coal using a front end loader. The weight of the total mixture was 294 T, for a pellet fraction by weight of approximately 15 %. Table 3-1 summarizes the composition of the sites coal supply and the blended fuel. The fuel mix was delivered by truck and stored in Silo #3 at the facility. Over the next two days the mixed fuel was transferred by operations staff to the south bunker.

2.2.1 Field Testing Matrix

A set of three replicate tests were conducted while firing coal only on March 13, 2007. The following day, a second set of three tests were conducted while co-firing biomass and coal. Duration of each test run was approximately 180 minutes. Other than changes in fuel composition, all other boiler operations were replicated as closely as possible during test sets. Test and sampling procedures were also consistent between sets of tests. A fourth run on straight coal was conducted on March 15 to repeat the metals testing conducted during Baseline test 3 on the 13th because broken glassware had invalidated that test run. Table 2-2 summarizes the test matrix.

Table 2-2. University of Iowa Boiler 10 Test Periods

Date	Time	Test ID	Fuel	Steam Flow (Klb/h)
3-13-07	08:20 – 11:14	Baseline 1	100 % coal	159.9
	12:12 – 14:55	Baseline 2		159.9
	15:30 - 18:00	Baseline 3		159.7
3-14-07	08:15 – 11:00	Cofire 1	Blended fuel (85.1coal:14.9 wood)	163.0
	11:50 – 14:25	Cofire 2		163.2
	15:10 – 17:35	Cofire 3		163.5
3-15-07	07:50 - 10:10	Baseline 4	100% coal	162.8

All testing was conducted during stable boiler operations (defined as boiler steam flows varying by less than 5 percent over a 5 minute period). Southern representatives coordinated testing activities with boiler operators to ensure that all testing was conducted at the desired boiler operating set points and the boiler operational data needed to calculate efficiency was properly logged and stored. Southern also supervised all emissions testing activities.

2.3 BOILER PERFORMANCE TEST PROCEDURES

Conventional field testing protocols and reference methods were used to determine boiler efficiency, emissions, and fly ash properties. A brief description of the methods and procedures is provided here. Details regarding the protocols and methods proposed are provided in the document titled: *Test and Quality Assurance Plan – Environmental and Sustainable Technology Evaluation – Biomass Co-firing in Industrial Boilers* [1].

2.3.1 Boiler Efficiency

Boiler efficiency was determined following the Btu method in the B&W Steam manual [2]. The efficiency determinations were also used to estimate boiler heat input during each test period. The facility

logs all of the data required for determination of boiler efficiency on a regular basis. Certain parameters such as ambient conditions and flue gas temperatures were independently measured by Southern. Table 2-3 summarizes the boiler operational parameters logged during testing and the source and logging frequency for each.

Table 2-3. Summary of Boiler Efficiency Parameters

Operational Parameter	Source of Data	Logging Frequency
Intake air temperature, °F	Southern measurements	Five minute intervals
Flue gas temperature at air heater inlet, °F		
Fuel temperature, °F	Southern measurements	Twice per test run
Moisture in air, lb/lb dry air		
Fuel consumption, lb/h	Facility PI Historian Control System	One minute averages
Combustion air temperature, °F		
Steam flow, MMBtu/h or lb/h		
Steam pressure, psig		
Steam temperature, °F		
Supply water pressure, psig		
Supply water temperature, °F		
Power generation, kW		
Fuel ultimate analyses, both wood and coal		
Fuel heating value, Btu/lb		
Unburned carbon loss, %		

2.3.1.1 Fuel Sampling and Analyses

Fuel samples were collected during each test run for ultimate and heating value analysis. A composite of grab samples of coal and biomass were prepared during co-firing test runs and submitted to Wyoming Analytical Laboratories, Inc. in Laramie, Wyoming for the analyses shown in Table 2-4.

Table 2-4. Summary of Fuel Analyses

Parameter	Method
Ultimate analysis	ASTM D3176
Gross calorific value	ASTM D5865 (coal) ASTM E711-87 (biomass)

Grab samples of each fuel (straight coal and blended fuel) were collected from the solid fuel conveyer immediately above the stoker feed hopper. The grabs contained approximately one lb of fuel and were collected at 30 minute intervals during each test run and combined in a large pail. One mixed composite sample of approximately one lb of each fuel was generated for each test run, sealed and submitted for analysis. Collected composite samples were labeled, packed and shipped to Wyoming Analytical along with completed chain-of-custody documentation for off-site analysis. Because the blended fuel is delivered premixed, pelletized wood fuel samples were collected at the fuel blending facility (coal yard) and sealed in plastic zip lock bags. These samples were submitted to the field team leader for subsequent analysis. The ultimate analysis reported the following fuel constituents as percent by weight:

- carbon
- sulfur
- hydrogen
- ash
- water
- nitrogen
- oxygen

The efficiency analysis requires the unburned carbon loss value, or carbon content of fly ash. Fly ash samples were also collected during each test run and submitted for analysis. Prior to each test run, precipitator ash hoppers were cleared of residual ash. Grab samples of ash were then collected from a hopper at 30 minute intervals during each test run and combined in a gallon size metal ash sampling can. Collected ash samples were then sealed in plastic bags, labeled, packed and shipped to Wyoming Analytical along with completed chain-of-custody documentation for off-site analysis. Results of these analyses were used to complete the combustion gas calculations in the Btu method.

2.3.2 Boiler Emissions

Measurements required for emissions tests include:

- fuel heat input, Btu/h (via boiler efficiency, Section 2.3.1)
- gaseous pollutant concentrations, parts per million by volume, dry (ppmvd)
- TPM and condensible particulate concentrations, grains per dry standard cubic foot (gr/dscf)
- CO₂ concentrations, percent
- flue gas molecular weight, pounds per pound-mole (lb/lb-mol)
- flue gas moisture concentration, percent
- flue gas flow rate, dry standard cubic feet per hour

The average emission rates for each pollutant are also reported in units of pounds per hour (lb/h), and pounds per million Btu (lb/MMBtu).

All testing was conducted by GE Energy following EPA Reference or Conditional Methods for emissions testing [3]. Table 2-5 summarizes the reference methods used and the fundamental analytical principle for each method.

Table 2-5. Summary of Emission Test Methods and Analytical Equipment

Parameter or Measurement	U.S. EPA Reference Method	Principle of Detection
CO ₂	3A	Non-dispersive infra-red
TPM	5	Gravimetric
Condensable PM	CTM040/202	Gravimetric
Metals	29	Inductively coupled plasma / cold vapor atomic absorption spectroscopy
HCl, HF	26	Ion chromatography
Moisture	4	Gravimetric
Flue gas flow rate	2	Pitot traverse

2.3.3 Fly ash Characteristics

Fly ash samples were collected during the efficiency and emissions testing periods to evaluate the impact of biomass co-firing on ash composition. Fly ash samples were collected from the electrostatic precipitator (ESP) collection hoppers during each test run. Hoppers were cleaned out between runs. Collected samples were submitted to Wyoming Analytical along with completed chain-of-custody documentation for determination of the parameters listed below. The laboratory also conducted tests to evaluate ash fusion temperature. Results are compared to the Class F (bituminous and anthracite) or Class C (lignite and sub bituminous) fly ash specifications. Table 2-6 summarizes the analytical methods that were used.

Table 2-6. Summary of Fly ash Analyses

Parameter	Method
CHN	ASTM D5373
Minerals	ASTM D4326-04
RCRA metals	SW-846 3052/6010
Metals TCLP	SW-846 1311/6010
Fly ash fusion temperature	ASTM D1857

2.4 SUSTAINABILITY INDICATORS AND ISSUES

Sustainability is an important consideration regarding use of woody biomass as a renewable fuel source. This project evaluated certain sustainability issues for the two sites selected for field testing. The following sustainability related issues were examined:

- Estimated daily and annual woody biomass consumption at the nominal co-firing rate
- Biomass delivery requirements (distance and mode)
- Coal delivery requirements (distance and mode)
- Fly ash composition, use, and waste disposal including delivery distance and mode.

Biomass Consumption, Type, and Source

The projected daily and annual biomass consumption rate is useful in determining whether the supply of biomass is sustainable. Biomass consumption rates measured during the testing conducted at each site were used as the basis to estimate daily and annual biomass consumption. The source, type, and compositional analyses of the biomass was documented during testing.

Associated Biomass CO_x Emissions

By evaluating the average biomass consumption rate during the testing, upstream CO₂ emissions associated with the biomass supply were estimated. The distance between the biomass source and the boiler tested along with CO₂ emission factors for the modes of transportation used to deliver the biomass were used to complete this analysis. Emission factors were determined based on EPA's AP 42 Emission Factors Database [4].

Solid Waste Issues (Ash utilization)

Results of the baseline coal fly ash analyses and the co-fired fuel fly ash analyses were compared to determine if co-firing biomass has a measurable impact on the carbon content of the ash with respect to

ASTM standards for cement admixtures. In addition, results of the RCRA metals analyses for the baseline and co-fire ash were compared to evaluate impact on metals content. The metals TCLP analytical results were used to examine if co-firing impacts fly ash characteristics with respect to the TCLP standards cited in 40 CFR 261.24 [5].

3.0 RESULTS

Results of the testing are summarized in the following sections. Where results are used to evaluate whether biomass co-firing resulted in significant changes in boiler performance, a statistical t-test was applied with a 90 percent confidence interval. Field and analytical data generated during the verification are presented in Appendices A through C. In general, the facility was able to process and utilize the blended fuel with minimal problems. No physical changes to fuel handling or boiler equipment were necessary to accommodate use of the pelletized biomass fuel. The mix was very dry due to concerns associated with mixing the wood pellets with water, but the crew on shift kept the mix flowing to the boiler and a successful three test runs were completed.

An additional coal only test run was performed as a precaution because a portion of the metals sampling train was spilled during recovery of run 2. Once all runs were completed, test personnel confirmed that all needed data and samples had been collected.

As part of the data analysis, results were analyzed to evaluate changes in boiler performance and fly ash characteristics between the two sets of tests. Standard deviations of the replicate measurements conducted under each fueling condition and a statistical analysis (t-test) with a 90 percent confidence interval were used to verify the statistical significance of any observed changes in emissions or efficiency.

3.1 BOILER EFFICIENCY

Table 3-1 summarizes the major fuel characteristics for both coal and blended fuel. Detailed fuel analyses, including results on a dry basis, are presented in Appendix B.

Table 3-1 Fuel Characteristics (As received)

Test ID	Fuel	Moisture (%)	Carbon (%)	Nitrogen (%)	Sulfur (%)	Ash (%)	Heating Value (Btu/lb)
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	13.8	63.8	1.45	1.48	7.0	11,242
Baseline 2		13.9	63.7	1.31	1.50	6.7	11,287
Baseline 3		14.4	61.8	1.20	1.05	6.4	10,935
Baseline 4		13.8	62.3	1.24	1.48	7.3	11,153
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	13.6	59.8	1.23	1.40	6.6	10,615
Cofire 2		13.1	60.3	1.29	1.37	6.3	10,757
Cofire 3		13.2	59.2	1.11	1.38	6.1	10,555
Baseline Averages		13.9	62.8	1.29	1.40	6.9	11,154
Cofire Averages		13.3	59.8	1.21	1.38	6.4	10,642
% Difference		-4.6%	-4.7%	-6.1%	-1.0	-8.1%	-4.6%

The moisture, carbon content, and heating value of the blended fuel was consistently about 5 percent lower than those of the baseline coal. The blended fuel also had about 8 percent less ash content. Repeatability of the blended fuel results indicate that the fuel was evenly blended.

Efficiency data showed no significant change when burning the coal/wood pellet mix despite the fact that higher superheater and stack outlet temperatures were evident during the test. Combustion appeared to occur higher up the boiler than on coal, this was observed by the camera inside the boiler. Table 3-2 summarizes boiler efficiency during the test periods

Table 3-2. Boiler Efficiency

Test ID	Fuel	Heat Input (MMBtu/hr)	Heat Output (MMBtu/hr)	Efficiency (%)
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	264.6	224.4	84.8
Baseline 2		264.2	223.9	84.8
Baseline 3		264.8	223.7	84.5
Baseline 4		267.6	228.8	85.5
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	275.7	229.7	83.3
Cofire 2		271.9	230.0	84.6
Cofire 3		272.5	230.3	84.5
Baseline Average		265.3	225.2	84.9 ±0.4
Cofire Average		273.4	230.0	84.1 ±0.7
Absolute Difference		8.1	4.8	-0.7
% Difference		3.0%	2.1%	-0.9%
Statistically Significant Change?		na	na	No

The average efficiencies during baseline (coal only) and co-firing tests were 84.9 ± 0.4 and 84.1 ± 0.7 percent respectively. This change is not statistically significant, so it is concluded that co-firing biomass at the 15 percent blending rate did not impact boiler efficiency performance.

3.2 BOILER EMISSIONS

Table 3-3 and Figure 3-1 summarizes emission rates for the gaseous pollutants evaluated. SO₂ emissions were about 13 percent lower while combusting the blended fuel, which correlates well with the approximately 15 percent biomass to coal ratio. The reduction in SO₂ emissions is statistically significant, and indicates that co-firing woody biomass may be a viable option for reducing SO₂ emissions without adding emission control technologies.

Table 3-3. Gaseous Pollutant Emissions (lb/MMBtu)

Test ID	Fuel	SO ₂	CO ₂	NO _x	CO
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	2.49	207	0.473	0.081
Baseline 2		2.28	206	0.442	0.083
Baseline 3		2.48	206	0.438	0.085
Baseline 4		2.63	202	0.486	0.102
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	2.12	207	0.487	0.089
Cofire 2		2.11	207	0.525	0.081
Cofire 3		2.26	207	0.506	0.081
Baseline Averages		2.47 ± 0.14	205 ± 2	0.460 ± 0.02	0.088 ± 0.010
Cofire Averages		2.16 ± 0.08	207 ± 0.3	0.506 ± 0.018	0.083 ± 0.05
% Difference		-12.4%	0.82%	10.2%	-5.02%
Statistically Significant Change?		Yes	No	Yes	No

NO_x emissions had a statistically significant increase when co-firing. Increases are presumably due to the higher temperatures within the boiler that were experienced while firing the dryer, lighter blended fuel. Also, boiler operators did not make significant changes to boiler operations to reduce flue gas temperatures or NO_x emissions. It's worth noting that in similar testing conducted at another facility, a much higher blend of wood was co-fired with the coal and the biomass had much higher moisture content (46 percent). In that case NO_x emissions were significantly reduced, indicating that if the Renewafuel pellets had a higher moisture content (i.e., had sat in a fuel yard for a time), NO_x emissions may have been reduced.

Changes in CO and CO₂ emissions were not statistically significant. Regarding CO₂ emissions, it should be noted that combustion of wood-based fuel, which is comprised of biogenic carbon emits no creditable CO₂ emissions under international greenhouse gas accounting methods developed by the Intergovernmental Panel of Climate Change (IPCC) and adopted by the International Council of Forest and Paper Associations (ICFPA). Therefore, the facility realizes a significant annual reduction in CO₂ emissions when co-firing wood (see Section 3.4.1)

Table 3-4 and Figure 3-2 summarizes results of filterable, condensable, and total particulate emissions.

Table 3-4. Particulate Emissions (lb/MMBtu)

Test ID	Fuel	Total Particulate	Filterable PM	Condensable PM
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	0.090	0.038	0.051
Baseline 2		0.039	0.023	0.016
Baseline 3		0.054	0.031	0.022
Baseline 4		Not Tested		
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	0.046	0.026	0.021
Cofire 2		0.044	0.023	0.020
Cofire 3		0.041	0.023	0.018
Baseline Averages		0.061 ± 0.03	0.031 ± 0.008	0.030 ± 0.02
Cofire Averages		0.044 ± 0.003	0.024 ± 0.0018	0.020 ± 0.0012
Absolute Difference		-1.71E-02	-7.03E-03	-1.01E-02
% Difference		-28.1%	-22.8%	-33.9%
Statistically Significant Change?		No	No	No

Although not statistically significant, particulate emission fractions were generally lower while co-firing the blended fuel. This is likely caused by the lower ash content of the blended fuels. It could also be the result of better combustion or better ESP performance due to changes in firebox temperatures or flyash characteristics. More testing and analysis will be needed to fully understand the impact of co-firing this biomass on particulate emissions. ESP operational data presented in Appendix D indicate that conditions were consistent between the two sets of runs with regard to ESP fields in operation and voltages.

Table 3-5. Primary Metals Emissions (lb/MMBtu)

Test ID	Fuel	Arsenic, As	Mercury, Hg	Selenium, Se	Zinc, Zn
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	7.75E-06	4.71E-06	6.02E-05	2.52E-05
Baseline 2		1.39E-05	4.48E-06	6.43E-05	2.17E-05
Baseline 3		1.84E-05	4.49E-06	7.40E-05	2.55E-05
Baseline 4		8.83E-06	1.15E-07	6.05E-05	1.81E-05
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	9.66E-06	4.21E-06	5.04E-05	2.44E-05
Cofire 2		7.10E-06	3.76E-06	4.28E-05	1.50E-05
Cofire 3		6.84E-06	3.87E-06	3.69E-05	1.55E-05
Baseline Averages		1.22E-05 ± 4.9E-06	3.45E-06 ± 2.2E-06	6.48E-05 ± 6.4E-06	2.26E-05 ± 3.5E-06
Cofire Averages		7.87E-06 ± 1.6E-06	3.957E-06 ± 2.4E-07	4.34E-05 ± 6.8E-06	1.83E-05 ±5.3E-06
Absolute Difference		-4.35E-06	4.98E-07	-2.14E-05	-4.33E-06
% Difference		-35.6%	14.4%	-33.0%	-19.1%
Statistically Significant Change?		No	No	Yes	No

Metals emissions (primary metals summarized in Table 3-5) were relatively low during all test periods. Changes in metals emissions on a percentage basis were large and variable from across the elements analyzed, including the list of eight secondary metals. Absolute differences are shown in the table to demonstrate how low metals emissions were, causing the large changes on a percent difference basis. The only statistically significant change in metals emissions was for Se.

Acid gas emissions are summarized below. Emissions of HCl and HF were considerably lower during co-firing due to the reduced level of chlorine in the fuel. The HF reduction is statistically significant using the t-test while the HCl reduction is not.

Table 3-6. Acid Gases (lb/MMBtu)

Test ID	Fuel	Hydrofluoric Acid, HF	Hydrochloric Acid, HCl
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	5.00E-03	3.94E-02
Baseline 2		5.30E-03	4.30E-02
Baseline 3		6.10E-03	4.00E-02
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	5.30E-03	3.46E-02
Cofire 2		4.50E-03	2.79E-02
Cofire 3		5.10E-03	2.95E-02
Baseline Averages		5.47E-03 ± 0.0019	4.08E-02 ± 0.0006
Cofire Averages		4.97E-03 ± 0.004	3.07E-02 ± 0.0004
Absolute Difference		-5.00E-04	-1.01E-02
% Difference		-9.15%	-28.8%
Statistically Significant Change?		Yes	No

In summary, emissions of SO₂, Se, and HF were all reduced at a level with statistical significance as a result of co-firing the wood based pellets with coal in this boiler, all without significant impacts on boiler operations or efficiency. The co-firing also resulted in a statistically significant increase in NO_x emissions.

3.3 FLYASH CHARACTERISTICS

Results of the flyash analyses are summarized in Tables 3-7 through 3-9. Changes in ash characteristics were generally small, which is favorable for most operating systems (ash handling systems would not be expected to be impacted by co-firing at this rate). Carbon content and ash loss on ignition were both reduced significantly during biomass co-firing, although neither ash met the Class F requirements for use in concrete.

Biomass co-firing during this verification did not impact the quality of the ash with regard to fly ash TCLP metals (40 CFR 261.24) and Class F Requirements (C 618-05), as shown in Tables 3-8 and 3-9. Metals content of the ash was well below the TCLP criteria during all test periods and changes were not significant. The ash generated during co-firing did have a significantly higher SO₃ content, but was still well below the Class F requirement.

Table 3-7. Ash Characteristics

Test ID	Fuel	Carbon, wt %	Silicon Dioxide, % as SiO ₂	Aluminum Oxide, % as Al ₂ O ₃	Iron Oxide, % as Fe ₂ O ₃	Loss on Ignition	Ash Fusion Temp., °F	
							Reducing Atmosphere: Initial Deformation	Oxidizing Atmosphere: Initial Deformation
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	17.9	39.1	18.8	14.1	19.2	1,849	2,005
Baseline 2		17.2	39.0	18.4	14.9	18.6	1,900	2,051
Baseline 3		18.4	38.7	18.3	15.1	19.1	1,877	2,060
Baseline 4		16.5	38.0	17.7	15.0	18.5	1,915	2,039
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	16.5	38.3	18.0	15.0	18.3	1,860	2,075
Cofire 2		16.6	37.6	17.6	14.7	18.4	1,870	2,009
Cofire 3		15.7	38.0	17.7	15.2	17.4	2,095	2,007
Baseline Averages		17.5 ± 0.8	38.7 ± 0.5	18.3 ± 0.5	14.8 ± 0.5	18.9 ± 0.3	1,885 ± 29	2,038 ± 24
Cofire Averages		16.3 ± 0.5	37.9 ± 0.3	17.8 ± 0.2	15.0 ± 0.3	18.0 ± 0.5	1,942 ± 130	2,030 ± 39
% Difference		-6.9%	-2.0%	-3.0%	1.5%	-4.6%	3.0%	-0.40%
Statistically Significant Change?		Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No

Table 3-8. Ash TCLP Metals (mg/l)

Test ID	Fuel	Silver	Arsenic	Barium	Cadmium	Chromium	Mercury	Lead	Selenium
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	< 0.001	0.35	0.51	0.075	0.18	< 0.001	0.80	0.033
Baseline 2		< 0.001	0.25	0.47	0.086	0.18	< 0.001	0.76	0.028
Baseline 3		< 0.001	0.11	0.43	0.088	0.16	< 0.001	0.80	0.026
Baseline 4		< 0.001	0.16	0.64	0.11	0.13	< 0.001	0.60	0.021
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	< 0.001	0.29	0.64	0.110	0.19	< 0.001	1.00	0.032
Cofire 2		< 0.001	0.11	0.18	0.10	0.32	< 0.001	0.86	0.075
Cofire 3		< 0.001	0.096	0.18	0.10	0.31	< 0.001	0.66	0.067
Baseline Averages		<0.001	0.22	0.51	0.09	0.16	< 0.001	0.74	0.027
Cofire Averages		< 0.001	0.17	0.33	0.10	0.27	< 0.001	0.84	0.058
Limit / 40 CFR 261.24		5.0	5.0	100.0	1.0	5.0	0.2	5.0	1.0

Table 3-9. Fly Ash Class F Requirements (C 618-05)

Test ID	Fuel	Silicon Dioxide (SiO ₂) + Aluminum Oxide (Al ₂ O ₃) + Iron Oxide (Fe ₂ O ₃), (%)	Sulfur Trioxide (SO ₃), (%)	Loss on ignition, (%)
Baseline 1	100 % Coal	72.0	0.43	19.23
Baseline 2		72.3	0.46	18.64
Baseline 3		72.0	0.37	19.11
Baseline 4		70.8	0.99	18.53
Cofire 1	Blended Fuel (85.1 coal: 14.9 wood)	71.3	0.75	18.28
Cofire 2		69.9	1.14	18.36
Cofire 3		70.9	1.15	17.37
Class F Requirements		70.0 (min %)	5.0 (max %)	6.0 (max %)
Baseline Averages		71.8	0.56	18.9
Cofire Averages		70.7	1.01	18.0

3.4 SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES

Table 3-1 summarized the composition of the site’s coal supply and the blended fuel. Regarding use and or disposal of fly ash, biomass co-firing did not impact either sustainability issue since the quality of the ash with regard to fly ash TCLP metals and Class F Requirements was unchanged. The following is a brief GHG sustainability analysis for use of the pelletized fuel at this site.

3.4.1 GHG Emission Offsets

Energy Used to Produce Wood-Based Pelletized Fuel

The wood pellets used for testing at the University of Iowa were produced from waste wood waste at a rate of 4.5 tons per hour. The equipment used to produce the pellets is rated at 250 horsepower and was operated at 80 percent of capacity. Based on electrical consumption of 0.746 kWh/hp multiplied by 200 hp, the energy use per hour to produce the pellets was 149.14 kWh or 33.14 kWh/ton (149.14 divided by 4.5).

CO₂ Emissions from Energy Used to Produce Wood-Based Pelletized Fuel

Based on an Energy Information Administration emission factor for Michigan (location of the production facility) of 1.58 lbs CO₂/kWh, CO₂ emissions per ton of pellets produced is 52.36 lbs (1.58 * 33.14).

Transportation Fuel Use

From Battle Creek, MI:

Wood-based pellets were transported from Battle Creek Michigan to Muscatine, Iowa (where the University of Iowa's coal supplier is located). 43 tons of wood-based pellets were shipped with two trucks using 350 Cummins motors. The trucks averaged 6.5 miles per gallon. The distance from Battle Creek to Muscatine is 345 miles. Therefore:

- 345 miles * 2 trucks = 690 miles, divided by 6.5 mpg = 106.15 gallons, divided by 43 tons fuel = 2.47 gallons/ton.

From Anamosa, IA

Renewafuel has a 28-acre site for possible future operations in Anamosa, Iowa. The distance from Anamosa to Muscatine is 65 miles. Further, Renewafuel can load as much as 25 tons of fuel per truck. Assuming use of the same truck with 6.5 miles per gallon the fuel used per ton of fuel transported from Anamosa to Muscatine, fuel usage from Anamosa is:

- 65 miles, divided by 6.5 mpg = 10 gallons, divided by 25 tons per truck = 0.4 gallons/ton

CO₂ Emissions From Transportation Fuel Use

Based on an Energy Information Administration emission factor of 19.564 lbs CO₂/gallon, CO₂ emissions per ton of pellets transported to the facility are:

- 48.3 lbs/ton for Battle Creek (2.47 gal fuel /ton pellets * 19.564 lbs CO₂/gal).
- 7.82 lbs/ton for Anamosa (0.4 gal/ton * 19.564 lbs CO₂/gal).

CO₂ Emissions from Combustion of Bituminous Coal Compared to Wood Pellets

Based on data generated during this testing, the CO₂ emission rates while firing straight coal and blended fuel (at a blending rate of approximately 15 percent wood by mass) were 205 and 207 lb/MMBtu, respectively. However, combustion of Renewafuel wood pellets, which are comprised of biogenic carbon—meaning it is part of the natural carbon balance and will not add to atmospheric concentrations of CO₂—emits no creditable CO₂ emissions under international greenhouse gas accounting methods developed by the IPCC and adopted by the CFPA [6]. By analyzing the heat content of the coal and the wood, the total boiler heat input for the test periods, and boiler efficiency, it was determined that approximately 10 percent of the heat generated during co-firing test periods is attributable to the Renewafuel pellets fuel. The following equation was used:

$$Heat_b = Fuel_t * 0.149 * (LHV_b/1000000)$$

Where: $Heat_b$ = average heat input attributable to wood pellets (27.7 MMBtu/hr)
 $Fuel_t$ = average fuel feed rate (24,200 lb/hr), from plant records
 0.149 = coal : biomass ratio, determined at coal yard
 LHV_b = heat content of wood pellets (7,688 Btu/lb), from fuel sample analyses
 $1,000,000$ = Btu/MMBtu

It is therefore estimated that the CO₂ emissions offset during this testing is approximately 10 percent, or 20.7 lb/MMBtu at this co-firing blend.

UI Boiler 10 typically operates in the 160 to 190 MMBtu/hr heat generating rate. Assuming an availability and utilization rate of 80 percent for Boiler 10, this would equate to estimated annual CO₂ emission reductions of approximately 11,000 to 13,000 tons per year. CO₂ offsets from use of wood pellets could be even greater had the analysis included emissions associated with coal mining and transportation.

The following equation was used:

$$CO_{2\text{offset-annual}} = CO_{2\text{offset}} * Gen_{\text{rate}} * Av * 8,765 * (1/2,000)$$

Where:

- $CO_{2\text{offset-annual}}$ = annual CO₂ offset (13,648 ton/yr)
- $CO_{2\text{offset}}$ = CO₂ emissions offset (20.7 lb/MMBtu)
- Gen_{rate} = average boiler generating rate (190 MMBtu/hr)
- Av = Assumed availability for boiler 10 (80 percent)
- $8,765$ = hours per year
- $2,000$ = lbs per ton

4.0 DATA QUALITY ASSESSMENT

4.1 DATA QUALITY OBJECTIVES

Under the ETV-ESTE program, Southern specifies data quality objectives (DQOs) for each primary verification parameter before testing commences as a statement of data quality. The DQOs for this verification were developed based on input from EPA's ETV QA reviewers, and input from the BCSG. Test results which meet the DQOs provide an acceptable level of data quality for technology users and decision makers.

The DQOs for this verification are qualitative in that the verification produced emissions performance data that satisfy the QC requirements contained in the EPA Reference Methods specified for each pollutant, and the fuel and fly ash analyses meet the quality assurance / quality control (QA/QC) requirements contained in the ASTM Methods being used.

This verification did not include a stated DQO for boiler efficiency determinations because measurement accuracy validation for certain boiler parameters was not possible. Section 4.1.3 provides further discussion.

4.1.1 Emissions Testing QA/QC Checks

Each of the EPA Reference Methods used here for emissions testing contains rigorous and detailed calibrations, performance criteria, and other types of QA/QC checks. For instrumental methods using gas analyzers, these performance criteria include analyzer span, calibration error, sampling system bias, zero drift, response time, interference response, and calibration drift requirements. Methods 5, 29, CTM040, and 202 for determination of particulates and metals also include detailed performance requirements and QA/QC checks. Details regarding each of these checks can be found in the methods and are not repeated here. However, results of certain key QA/QC checks for each method are reported as documentation that the methods were properly executed. Key emissions testing QA/QC checks are summarized in Table 4-1. Where facility CEMS were used, up to date relative accuracy test audit (RATA) certifications and quarterly cylinder gas audits (CGAs) have been procured, reviewed, and filed at Southern to document system accuracy.

The emissions testing completeness goal for this verification was to obtain valid data for 90 percent of the test periods on each boiler tested. This goal was achieved as all data was validated for the test periods except for the third baseline test run. Test personnel conducted a fourth test run in response.

Table 4-1. Summary of Emission Testing Calibrations and QA/QC Checks

Parameter	Calibration/QC Check	When Performed/Frequency	Allowable Result	Actual Result
NO _x , CO, CO ₂ , O ₂	Analyzer calibration error test	Daily before testing	± 2 % of analyzer span	All calibrations, system bias checks, and drift tests were within the allowable criteria.
	System bias checks	Before each test run	± 5 % of analyzer span	
	System calibration drift test	After each test run	± 3 % of analyzer span	
SO ₂	Relative accuracy test audit	annually	± 20 percent of reference method	Relative accuracy was 5.2 percent (February 2007)
NO _x	NO ₂ converter efficiency	Once before testing begins	98 % minimum	NO _x converter efficiency was over 99%.
TPM, Metals	Percent isokinetic rate	After each test run	90 - 110 % for TPM and metals	All criteria were met for the TPM and metals measurement and analytical systems.
	Analytical balance calibration	Daily before analyses	± 0.0002 g	
	Filter and reagent blanks	Once during testing after first test run	< 10 % of particulate catch for first test run	
	Sampling system leak test	After each test	<0.02 cfm	
	Dry gas meter calibration	Once before and once after testing	± 5 %	
	Sampling nozzle calibration	Once for each nozzle before testing	± 0.01 in.	
Metals	ICP/CVAAS	Spike and recovery of prepared QC standards	± 25% of expected value	All matrix spike and recovery results were within 90 to 110 percent of the standards, including an independent Hg audit sample
HCl, HF	Sampling system leak test	After each test	<0.02 cfm	All criteria were met for the acid gases measurement and analytical systems.
	Dry gas meter calibration	Once before and once after testing	± 5 %	
	Ion chromatograph	Analysis of prepared QC standards	± 10% of expected value	

4.1.2 Fly ash and Fuel Analyses QA/QC Checks

The laboratory selected for analysis of collected fuel and fly ash samples (Wyoming Analytical Laboratory Services, Inc.) operates under an internal quality assurance protocol, a copy of which is maintained at Southern. Each of the analytical procedures used here include detailed procedures for instrument calibration and sample handling. They also include QA/QC checks in the form of analytical repeatability requirements or matrix spike analyses. All of the QA/QC checks specified in the methods were met during these analyses.

4.1.3 Boiler Efficiency QA/QC Checks

Table 4-2 summarizes the contributing measurements for boiler efficiency determination, measurement quality objectives (MQOs) for each, and the primary method of evaluating the MQOs. Factory calibrations, sensor function checks, and reasonableness checks in the field were used to assess achievement of the MQOs where possible. Some of the MQOs were either not met or impossible to verify, so the overall uncertainty of the boiler efficiency determinations is unclear. In anticipation of this, the test plan did not specify a DQO for boiler efficiency.

Table 4-2. Boiler Efficiency QA/QC Checks

Measurement / Instrument	QA/QC Check	When Performed	MQO	Results achieved
Fuel temperature, °F	NIST-traceable calibration	Upon purchase and every 2 years	± 6 °F	Fuel temp ± 1°F
Flue gas temperature at air heater inlet, °F				Flue gas temp ± 5°F
Air temperature, °F			± 1 °F	± 1°F
Moisture in air, lb/lb dry air	NIST-traceable calibration		± 3.5 %	± 3.0 %
Combustion air temperature, °F	Cross check with NIST-traceable standard	Annually	± 6 °F	Within 5°F
Steam flow, MMBtu/h or lb/h	Orifice calibration	Upon installation	± 5 % reading	Calibration not available
Steam pressure, psig	Cross check with NIST-traceable standard	Annually	± 5 psig	± 6 psig
Steam temperature, °F			± 6 °F	± 10 °F
Supply water pressure, psig			± 5 psig	Calibrations not available
Supply water temperature, °F			± 2 % of reference standard	
Fuel feed rate, lb/h	Cross check with boiler efficiency calculations	Annually	± 5 % reading	Average ± 11%, but not used for determining efficiency
Fuel ultimate analyses, both wood and coal	ASTM D1945 duplicate sample analysis and repeatability	2 samples	Within D1945 repeatability limits for each fuel component	Method repeatability criteria were met
Fuel heating value, Btu/lb	ASTM D1945 duplicate sample analysis and repeatability		Within D1945 repeatability limits for each fuel component	

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Appendix A
Unit 10 Emissions Data

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PARTICULATE TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

Company: University of Iowa
Plant: Main Power Plant
Unit: Boiler 10 Outlet Duct

Test Run Number	1	2	3	Average
Source Condition	Coal Only	Coal Only	Coal Only	
Date	3/13/2007	3/13/2007	3/13/2007	
Start Time	8:25	12:12	15:30	
End Time	11:11	14:52	18:00	
Total Particulate:				
grains/dscf	0.0426	0.0188	0.0259	0.0291
lb/hr	18.434	8.445	11.501	12.793
lb/mmBtu (Fd = 9746)	0.0892	0.0391	0.0534	0.0606
Filterable PM:				
grains/dscf	0.0182	0.0112	0.0151	0.0148
lb/hr	7.873	5.018	6.699	6.530
lb/mmBtu (Fd = 9746)	0.0381	0.0232	0.0311	0.0308
Condensable PM (Method 202):				
grains/dscf	0.0244	0.0076	0.0108	0.0143
lb/hr	10.561	3.427	4.802	6.263
lb/mmBtu (Fd = 9746)	0.0511	0.0159	0.0223	0.0298
Stack Parameters:				
Gas Volumetric Flow Rate, acfm	86,169	88,443	88,768	87,793
Gas Volumetric Flow Rate, dscfm	50,484	52,428	51,832	51,581
Average Gas Temperature, °F	347.4	348.6	347.7	347.9
Average Gas Velocity, ft/sec	47.636	48.893	49.073	48.534
Flue Gas Moisture, percent by volume	7.8	6.5	8.0	7.4
Average Flue Pressure, in. Hg	29.06	29.06	29.06	
Barometric Pressure, in. Hg	29.15	29.15	29.15	
Average %CO ₂ by volume, dry basis	12.4	12.4	12.5	12.4
Average %O ₂ by volume, dry basis	7.0	6.9	6.8	6.9
Dry Molecular Wt. of Gas, lb/lb-mole	30.264	30.260	30.272	
Gas Sample Volume, dscf	94.896	95.904	95.071	
Isokinetic Variance	104.3	101.5	101.8	

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**University of Iowa
 Main Power Plant - Boiler 10 Outlet Duct
 Average Metals Results
 Tests 1 through 4 - Coal Only
 March 13 and 15, 2007**

Parameter	Concentration (lbs/dscf)	Emissions Rate (lbs/hr)	gr/dscf	gr/acf	lbs/MMBtu (using calculated fuel factor)	ug/Nm ³
Arsenic	8.37E-10	2.77E-03	5.86E-06	3.42E-06	1.22E-05	13.415
Barium	2.82E-10	9.35E-04	1.97E-06	1.15E-06	4.14E-06	4.518
Beryllium	2.05E-11	6.82E-05	1.44E-07	8.39E-08	3.01E-07	0.329
Cadmium	3.79E-11	1.25E-04	2.65E-07	1.54E-07	5.55E-07	0.607
Chromium	1.20E-09	4.07E-03	8.40E-06	4.95E-06	1.78E-05	19.213
Copper	2.59E-10	8.87E-04	1.81E-06	1.06E-06	3.81E-06	4.152
Lead	3.61E-10	1.19E-03	2.53E-06	1.47E-06	5.26E-06	5.787
Manganese	1.10E-09	3.76E-03	7.68E-06	4.54E-06	1.63E-05	17.566
Mercury	< 2.37E-10	< 7.73E-04	< 1.66E-06	< 9.62E-07	< 3.45E-06	< 3.796
Nickel	1.87E-09	6.40E-03	1.31E-05	7.73E-06	2.78E-05	29.889
Selenium	4.42E-09	1.47E-02	3.10E-05	1.81E-05	6.48E-05	70.854
Silver	4.22E-11	1.40E-04	2.95E-07	1.73E-07	6.19E-07	0.676
Zinc	1.55E-09	5.11E-03	1.08E-05	6.31E-06	2.26E-05	24.765

Test Support Data	
Volumetric Flowrate (acfm)	94,641
Volumetric Flowrate (dscfm)	55,247
%O2	7.0
%CO2	12.3
Calculated Fuel Factor	9,746

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HYDROGEN CHLORIDE/HYDROGEN FLUORIDE TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

University of Iowa
 Main Power Plant
 Boiler 10 Outlet Duct
 Coal Only
 March 13, 2007

RUN #	Time	CO ₂ % dry	O ₂ % dry	Flow dscfm	HCl		
					ppm	lbs/hr	lbs/MMBtu
1	08:57-09:57	12.4	7.0	50,484	28.405	8.148	0.039
2	12:50-13:50	12.4	6.9	52,428	31.209	9.297	0.043
3	15:30-16:30	12.5	6.8	51,832	29.236	8.611	0.040
Average		12.4	6.9	51,581	29.617	8.685	0.041

RUN #	Time	HF		
		ppm	lbs/hr	lbs/MMBtu
1	08:57-09:57	6.598	1.039	0.005
2	12:50-13:50	6.952	1.136	0.005
3	15:30-16:30	8.099	1.309	0.006
Average		7.216	1.161	0.006

Fuel factor = 9746 dscf/MMBtu

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GASEOUS TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

University of Iowa
 Main Power Plant
 Boiler 10 Outlet Duct
 Coal Only
 March 13 and 15, 2007

Run #	Time	Flow dscfm	O ₂ % dry	CO ₂ % dry	NO _x		
					ppmvd	lbs/MMBtu	lbs/hr
1	08:25-11:11	50,484	7.0	12.4	270.5	0.473	97.83
2	12:11-14:52	52,428	6.9	12.4	254.3	0.442	95.51
3	15:30-18:00	51,832	6.8	12.5	253.8	0.438	94.24
Average		51,581	6.9	12.4	259.5	0.451	95.86
4	07:50-10:10	57,861	7.3	12.0	276.4	0.486	114.57

Run #	Time	CO		
		ppmvd	lbs/MMBtu	lbs/hr
1	08:25-11:11	76.2	0.081	16.78
2	12:11-14:52	78.5	0.083	17.93
3	15:30-18:00	81.0	0.085	18.30
Average		78.6	0.083	17.67
4	07:50-10:10	95.3	0.102	24.03

March 13 Fuel factor = 9746 dscf/MMBtu
 March 15 Fuel factor = 9584 dscf/MMBtu

Note: The flow dscfm values for runs 1 through 3 were taken from the particulate results.
 The flow dscfm value for run 4 was taken from the metal results.

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PARTICULATE TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

Company: University of Iowa
Plant: Main Power Plant
Unit: Boiler 10 Outlet Duct

Test Run Number	1	2	3	Average
Source Condition	75% Coal / 25% Wood	75% Coal / 25% Wood	75% Coal / 25% Wood	
Date	3/14/2007	3/14/2007	3/14/2007	
Start Time	8:20	11:50	15:10	
End Time	11:00	14:23	17:35	
Total Particulate:				
grains/dscf	0.0221	0.0211	0.0200	0.0210
lb/hr	10.554	9.665	9.380	9.866
lb/mmBtu (Fd = 9648)	0.0464	0.0435	0.0411	0.0436
Filterable PM:				
grains/dscf	0.0123	0.0112	0.0110	0.0115
lb/hr	5.891	5.143	5.170	5.402
lb/mmBtu (Fd = 9648)	0.0259	0.0231	0.0226	0.0239
Condensible PM (Method 202):				
grains/dscf	0.0097	0.0099	0.0090	0.0095
lb/hr	4.662	4.521	4.210	4.465
lb/mmBtu (Fd = 9648)	0.0205	0.0203	0.0184	0.0198
Stack Parameters:				
Gas Volumetric Flow Rate, acfm	95,517	92,261	94,020	93,933
Gas Volumetric Flow Rate, dscfm	55,795	53,385	54,851	54,677
Average Gas Temperature, °F	351.1	352.8	351.8	351.9
Average Gas Velocity, ft/sec	52.804	51.004	51.976	51.928
Flue Gas Moisture, percent by volume	7.8	8.5	7.9	8.1
Average Flue Pressure, in. Hg	29.13	29.13	29.13	
Barometric Pressure, in. Hg	29.20	29.20	29.20	
Average %CO ₂ by volume, dry basis	12.3	12.6	12.6	12.5
Average %O ₂ by volume, dry basis	7.2	6.9	6.9	7.0
Dry Molecular Wt. of Gas, lb/lb-mole	30.256	30.292	30.292	
Gas Sample Volume, dscf	104.464	101.033	95.281	
Isokinetic Variance	103.9	105.1	96.4	

GE Energy

University of Iowa
 Main Power Plant - Boiler 10 Outlet Duct
 Average Metals Results
 Tests 1 through 3 - 75% Coal/25% Wood
 March 14, 2007

Parameter	Concentration (lbs/dscf)	Emissions Rate (lbs/hr)	gr/dscf	gr/acf	lbs/MMBtu (using calculated fuel factor)	ug/Nm ³
Arsenic	5.42E-10	1.87E-03	3.79E-06	2.21E-06	7.87E-06	8.674
Barium	1.87E-10	6.43E-04	1.31E-06	7.62E-07	2.71E-06	2.996
Beryllium	2.17E-11	7.49E-05	1.52E-07	8.85E-08	3.15E-07	0.348
Cadmium	3.16E-11	1.09E-04	2.21E-07	1.29E-07	4.58E-07	0.506
Chromium	7.47E-09	2.63E-02	5.23E-05	3.05E-05	1.10E-04	119.658
Copper	3.28E-10	1.15E-03	2.29E-06	1.34E-06	4.80E-06	5.247
Lead	1.70E-10	5.87E-04	1.19E-06	6.90E-07	2.46E-06	2.715
Manganese	1.13E-09	3.92E-03	7.89E-06	4.59E-06	1.64E-05	18.045
Mercury	2.72E-10	9.37E-04	1.90E-06	1.11E-06	3.94E-06	4.353
Nickel	3.95E-09	1.39E-02	2.77E-05	1.61E-05	5.81E-05	63.310
Selenium	2.99E-09	1.03E-02	2.09E-05	1.22E-05	4.34E-05	47.835
Silver	4.34E-11	1.50E-04	3.04E-07	1.77E-07	6.30E-07	0.696
Zinc	1.35E-09	4.70E-03	9.44E-06	5.49E-06	1.83E-05	21.609

Test Support Data	
Volumetric Flowrate (acfm)	98,755
Volumetric Flowrate (dscfm)	57,455
%O2	7.0
%CO2	12.5
Calculated Fuel Factor	9.648

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HYDROGEN CHLORIDE/HYDROGEN FLUORIDE TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

University of Iowa
 Main Power Plant
 Boiler 10 Outlet Duct
 75% Coal/25% Wood
 March 14, 2007

RUN #	Time	CO ₂ % dry	O ₂ % dry	Flow dscfm	HCl		
					ppm	lbs/hr	lbs/MMBtu
1	08:20-09:20	12.3	7.2	55,795	24.848	7.878	0.035
2	11:50-12:50	12.6	6.9	53,385	20.451	6.204	0.028
3	15:10-16:10	12.6	6.9	54,851	21.655	6.749	0.030
Average		12.5	7.0	54,677	22.318	6.944	0.031

RUN #	Time	HF		
		ppm	lbs/hr	lbs/MMBtu
1	08:20-09:20	6.944	1.208	0.005
2	11:50-12:50	6.005	0.999	0.005
3	15:10-16:10	6.855	1.172	0.005
Average		6.601	1.127	0.005

Fuel factor = 9648 dscf/MMBtu

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GASEOUS TEST RESULTS SUMMARY

University of Iowa
 Main Power Plant
 Boiler 10 Outlet Duct
 75% Coal/25% Wood
 March 14, 2007

Run #	Time	Flow dscfm	O ₂ % dry	CO ₂ % dry	NO _x		
					ppmvd	lbs/MMBtu	lbs/hr
1	08:20-11:00	55,795	7.2	12.3	277.4	0.487	110.88
2	11:50-14:23	53,385	6.9	12.6	305.5	0.525	116.84
3	15:10-17:35	54,851	6.9	12.6	294.4	0.506	115.69
Average		54,677	7.0	12.5	292.4	0.506	114.47

Run #	Time	CO		
		ppmvd	lbs/MMBtu	lbs/hr
1	08:20-11:00	83.0	0.089	20.19
2	11:50-14:23	77.1	0.081	17.95
3	15:10-17:35	77.1	0.081	18.43
Average		79.1	0.084	18.86

Fuel factor (75% Coal/25% Wood) = 9648 dscf/MMBtu

Appendix B

Fuel and Ash Analyses

Fuel samples labeled as 3-13-07 represent baseline results, and fuel samples labeled 3-14-07 represent co-fired fuel results. Ash samples labeled as Runs 1 through 3 represent samples collected while firing straight coal, and samples labeled as Runs 4 through 7 represent samples while co-firing.

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Appendix C

Boiler Efficiency Determinations

University of Iowa Testing: Day 1, Coal only, Run #1 03/13/2007														
Combustion Calculations - Btu Method														
INPUT CONDITIONS - BY TEST OR SPECIFICATION					FUEL - Subbituminous Coal, Iowa									
1	Excess air: at burner/leaving boiler/econ, % by weight	38.5	15	Ultimate Analysis	16	Theo Air, lb/100 lb fuel	17	H ₂ O, lb/100 lb fuel						
2	Entering air temperature, F	58.34		Constituent	% by weight	K1	[15] x K1	K2	[15] x K2					
3	Reference temperature, F	80	A	C	63.77	11.51	734.0							
4	Fuel temperature, F	70.6	B	S	1.48	4.32	6.4							
5	Air temperature leaving air heater, F	246.87	C	H ₂	4.37	34.29	149.8	8.94	39.07					
6	Flue gas temperature leaving (excluding leakage), F	371.51	D	H ₂ O	13.76			1.00	13.76					
7	Moisture in air, lb/lb dry air	0.0078	E	N ₂	1.45									
8	Additional moisture, lb/100 lb fuel	0	F	O ₂	8.16	-4.32	-35.3							
9	Residue leaving boiler/economizer, % Total	85	G	Ash	7.01									
10	Output, 1,000,000 Btu/h (MMBtu/h)	224.40	H	Total	100.00	Air	855.0	H ₂ O	52.83					
11	Additional theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [2]	0	18	Higher heating value (HHV), Btu/lb fuel					11,242					
12	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [19]	0	19	Unburned carbon loss, % fuel input					0.28					
13	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [20]	0	20	Theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu			[16H] x 100 / [18]		7.605					
14	Spent sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [24]	0	21	Unburned carbon, % of fuel			[19] x [18] / 14,500		0.22					
COMBUSTION GAS CALCULATIONS, Quantity/10,000 Btu Fuel Input														
22	Theoretical air (corrected), lb/10,000 Btu	[20] - [21] x 1151 / [18] + [11]							7.583					
23	Residue from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[(15G) + [21]] x 100 / [18]							0.064					
24	Total residue, lb/10,000 Btu	[23] + [14]							0.064					
25	Excess air, % by weight		A	At Burners	38.5	B	Infiltration	0.0	C	Leaving Furnace	38.5	D	Leaving Blr/Econ	38.5
26	Dry air, lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [25] / 100) x [22]								10.504			10.504	
27	H ₂ O from air, lb/10,000 Btu	[26] x [7]				0.082	0.082	0.082	0.082				0.082	
28	Additional moisture, lb/10,000 Btu	[8] x 100 / [18]				0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000				0.000	
29	H ₂ O from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[17H] x 100 / [18]				0.470		0.470					0.470	
30	Wet gas from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	(100 - [15G] - [21]) x 100 / [18]						0.825					0.825	
31	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[12]						0.000					0.000	
32	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[13]				0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000				0.000	
33	Total wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [26] through [32]						11.411					11.411	
34	Water in wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [27] + [28] + [29] + [32]				0.552	0.552	0.552	0.552				0.552	
35	Dry gas, lb/10,000 Btu	[33] - [34]						10.860					10.860	
36	H ₂ O in gas, % in weight	100 x [34] / [33]						4.84					4.84	
37	Residue, % by weight (zero if < 0.15 lbm/10KB)	[9] x [24] / [33]						0.48					0.48	
EFFICIENCY CALCULATIONS, % Input from Fuel														
Losses														
38	Dry Gas, %	0.0024 [35D] x ([6] - [3])											7.60	
39	Water from fuel, as fired	Enthalpy of steam at 1 psi, T = [6] H1 = (3.958E-5 x T + 0.4329) x T + 1062.2					1228.5							
40		Enthalpy of water at T = [3] H2 = [3] - 32					48.0							
41	%	[29] x ([39] - [40]) / 100											5.55	
42	Moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([6] - [3])											0.11	
43	Unburned carbon, %	[19] or [21] x 14,500 / [18]											0.28	
44	Radiation and convection, %	ABMA curve, Chapter 23											0.70	
45	Other, % (include manufacturers margin if applicable)												1.50	
46	Sorbent net losses, % if sorbent is used	From Chapter 10, Table 14, Item [41]											0.00	
47	Summation of losses, %	Summation [38] through [46]											15.73	
Credits														
48	Heat in dry air, %	0.0024 x [26D] x ([2] - [3])											-0.55	
49	Heat in moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([2] - [3])											-0.01	
50	Sensible heat in fuel, %	(H at T[4] - H at T[3]) x 100 / [18]				0.01			H @ 80 ~ 1.0				0.01	
51	Other, %												0.00	
52	Summation of credits, %	Summation [48] through [51]											-0.55	
53	Efficiency, %	100 - [47] - [52]											84.81	
KEY PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS														
54	Input from fuel, 1,000,000 Btu/h	100 x [10] / [53]											264.6	
55	Fuel rate, 1000 lb/h	1000 x [54] / [18]											23.5	
56	Wet gas weight, 1000 lb/h	[54] x [33] / 10					301.9						301.9	
57	Air to burners (wet), lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [7]) x (1 + [25A] / 100) x [22]					10.586							
58	Air to burners (wet), 1000 lb/h	[54] x [57] / 10					280.1							
59	Heat available, 1,000,000 Btu/h	[54] x (([18] - 10.30 x [17H]) / [18] - 0.005												
60	Ha (Btu/lb)	41.37											260.5	
61	Heat available/lb wet gas, Btu/lb	1000 x [59] / [56]											862.6	
61	Adiabatic flame temperature, F	From Chapter 10, Fig.3 at H = [60], % H ₂ O = [36]											3020.0	

University of Iowa Testing: Day 1, Coal only, Run #2 03/13/2007										
Combustion Calculations - Btu Method										
INPUT CONDITIONS - BY TEST OR SPECIFICATION					FUEL - Subbituminous Coal, Iowa					
1	Excess air: at burner/leaving boiler/econ, % by weight	38.6		15	Ultimate Analysis	16	Theo Air, lb/100 lb fuel	17	H ₂ O, lb/100 lb fuel	
2	Entering air temperature, F	69.83			Constituent	% by weight	K1	[15] x K1	K2	[15] x K2
3	Reference temperature, F	80	A	C	63.73		11.51	733.5		
4	Fuel temperature, F	71	B	S	1.50		4.32	6.5		
5	Air temperature leaving air heater, F	249.29	C	H ₂	4.19		34.29	143.7	8.94	37.46
6	Flue gas temperature leaving (excluding leakage), F	372.92	D	H ₂ O	13.87				1.00	13.87
7	Moisture in air, lb/lb dry air	0.0077	E	N ₂	1.31					
8	Additional moisture, lb/100 lb fuel	0	F	O ₂	8.71		-4.32	-37.6		
9	Residue leaving boiler/economizer, % Total	85	G	Ash	6.69					
10	Output, 1,000,000 Btu/h (MMBtu/h)	223.90	H	Total	100.00		Air	846.1	H ₂ O	51.33
11	Additional theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [2]	0	18	Higher heating value (HHV), Btu/lb fuel						11,287
12	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [19]	0	19	Unburned carbon loss, % fuel input						0.27
13	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [20]	0	20	Theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu				[16H] x 100 / [18]		7.496
14	Spent sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [24]	0	21	Unburned carbon, % of fuel				[19] x [18] / 14,500		0.21
COMBUSTION GAS CALCULATIONS, Quantity/10,000 Btu Fuel Input										
22	Theoretical air (corrected), lb/10,000 Btu	[20] - [21] x 1151 / [18] + [11]								7.474
23	Residue from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	([15G] + [21]) x 100 / [18]								0.061
24	Total residue, lb/10,000 Btu	[23] + [14]								0.061
			A	At Burners	B	Infiltration	C	Leaving Furnace	D	Leaving Blr/Econ
25	Excess air, % by weight			38.6		0.0		38.6		38.6
26	Dry air, lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [25] / 100) x [22]						10.359		10.359
27	H ₂ O from air, lb/10,000 Btu	[26] x [7]					0.080	0.080	0.080	0.080
28	Additional moisture, lb/10,000 Btu	[8] x 100 / [18]					0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
29	H ₂ O from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[17H] x 100 / [18]					0.455		0.455	
30	Wet gas from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	(100 - [15G] - [21]) x 100 / [18]						0.825		0.825
31	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[12]						0.000		0.000
32	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[13]					0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
33	Total wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [26] through [32]						11.263		11.263
34	Water in wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [27] + [28] + [29] + [32]					0.535	0.535	0.535	0.535
35	Dry gas, lb/10,000 Btu	[33] - [34]						10.729		10.729
36	H ₂ O in gas, % in weight	100 x [34] / [33]						4.75		4.75
37	Residue, % by weight (zero if < 0.15 lbm/10KB)	[9] x [24] / [33]						0.46		0.46
EFFICIENCY CALCULATIONS, % Input from Fuel										
Losses										
38	Dry Gas, %	0.0024 x [35d] x ([6] - [3])								7.54
39	Water from fuel, as fired	Enthalpy of steam at 1 psi, T = [6] H1 = (3.958E-5 x T + 0.4329) x T + 1062.2					1229.1			
40		Enthalpy of water at T = [3] H2 = [3] - 32					48.0			
41	%	[29] x ([39] - [40]) / 100								5.37
42	Moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([6] - [3])								0.11
43	Unburned carbon, %	[19] or [21] x 14,500 / [18]								0.27
44	Radiation and convection, %	ABMA curve, Chapter 23								0.70
45	Other, % (include manufacturers margin if applicable)									1.50
46	Sorbent net losses, % if sorbent is used	From Chapter 10, Table 14, Item [41]								0.00
47	Summation of losses, %	Summation [38] through [46]								15.49
Credits										
48	Heat in dry air, %	0.0024 x [26D] x ([2] - [3])								-0.25
49	Heat in moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([2] - [3])								0.00
50	Sensible heat in fuel, %	(H at T[4] - H at T[3]) x 100 / [18]					0.01	H @ 80 ~ 1.0		0.01
51	Other, %									0.00
52	Summation of credits, %	Summation [48] through [51]								-0.25
53	Efficiency, %	100 - [47] - [52]								84.76
KEY PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS										
54	Input from fuel, 1,000,000 Btu/h	100 x [10] / [53]						Leaving Furnace	Leaving Blr/Econ	264.2
55	Fuel rate, 1000 lb/h	1000 x [54] / [18]								23.4
56	Wet gas weight, 1000 lb/h	[54] x [33] / 10						297.5		297.5
57	Air to burners (wet), lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [7]) x (1 + [25A] / 100) x [22]						10.439		
58	Air to burners (wet), 1000 lb/h	[54] x [57] / 10						275.7		
59	Heat available, 1,000,000 Btu/h	[54] x (([18] - 10.30 x [17H]) / [18] - 0.005								
	Ha (Btu/lb) 41.97	x ([44] + [45]) + Ha at T[5] x [57] / 10,000)						260.5		
60	Heat available/lb wet gas, Btu/lb	1000 x [59] / [56]						875.4		
61	Adiabatic flame temperature, F	From Chapter 10, Fig.3 at H = [60], % H2O = [36]						3055.0		

University of Iowa Testing: Day 1, Coal only, Run #3 03/13/2007										
Combustion Calculations - Btu Method										
INPUT CONDITIONS - BY TEST OR SPECIFICATION					FUEL - Subbituminous Coal, Iowa					
1	Excess air: at burner/leaving boiler/econ, % by weight	37.9	15	Ultimate Analysis	16	Theo Air, lb/100 lb fuel	17	H ₂ O, lb/100 lb fuel		
2	Entering air temperature, F	74.35		Constituent	% by weight	K1	[15] x K1	K2	[15] x K2	
3	Reference temperature, F	80	A	C	61.82	11.51	711.5			
4	Fuel temperature, F	74.8	B	S	1.05	4.32	4.5			
5	Air temperature leaving air heater, F	249.86	C	H ₂	4.20	34.29	144.0	8.94	37.55	
6	Flue gas temperature leaving (excluding leakage), F	372.753	D	H ₂ O	14.39			1.00	14.39	
7	Moisture in air, lb/lb dry air	0.0082	E	N ₂	1.20					
8	Additional moisture, lb/100 lb fuel	0	F	O ₂	10.95	-4.32	-47.3			
9	Residue leaving boiler/economizer, % Total	85	G	Ash	6.39					
10	Output, 1,000,000 Btu/h (MMBtu/h)	223.71	H	Total	100.00	Air	812.8	H ₂ O	51.94	
11	Additional theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [2]	0	18	Higher heating value (HHV), Btu/lb fuel					10,935	
12	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [19]	0	19	Unburned carbon loss, % fuel input					0.30	
13	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [20]	0	20	Theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu		[16H] x 100 / [18]			7.433	
14	Spent sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [24]	0	21	Unburned carbon, % of fuel		[19] x [18] / 14,500			0.22	
COMBUSTION GAS CALCULATIONS, Quantity/10,000 Btu Fuel Input										
22	Theoretical air (corrected), lb/10,000 Btu	[20] - [21] x 1151 / [18] + [11]							7.409	
23	Residue from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[(15G) + (21)] x 100 / [18]							0.060	
24	Total residue, lb/10,000 Btu	[23] + [14]							0.060	
25	Excess air, % by weight		A	At Burners	B	Infiltration	C	Leaving Furnace	D	Leaving Blr/Econ
26	Dry air, lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [25] / 100) x [22]		37.9	0.0		37.9		37.9	
27	H ₂ O from air, lb/10,000 Btu	[26] x [7]					10.218		10.218	
28	Additional moisture, lb/10,000 Btu	[8] x 100 / [18]					0.084	0.084	0.084	
29	H ₂ O from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[17H] x 100 / [18]					0.000	0.000	0.000	
30	Wet gas from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[100 - [15G] - [21]] x 100 / [18]					0.475	0.475	0.475	
31	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[12]						0.854	0.854	
32	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[13]					0.000	0.000	0.000	
33	Total wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [26] through [32]					0.000	0.000	0.000	
34	Water in wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [27] + [28] + [29] + [32]					0.559	0.559	0.559	
35	Dry gas, lb/10,000 Btu	[33] - [34]					10.597	10.597	10.597	
36	H ₂ O in gas, % in weight	100 x [34] / [33]					5.01	5.01	5.01	
37	Residue, % by weight (zero if < 0.15 lbm/10KB)	[9] x [24] / [33]					0.46	0.46	0.46	
EFFICIENCY CALCULATIONS, % Input from Fuel										
Losses										
38	Dry Gas, %	0.0024 x [35d] x ([6] - [3])							7.45	
39	Water from fuel, as fired	Enthalpy of steam at 1 psi, T = [6] H1 = (3.958E-5 x T + 0.4329) x T + 1062.2					1229.1			
40	%	Enthalpy of water at T = [3] H2 = [3] - 32					48.0			
41		[29] x ([39] - [40]) / 100							5.61	
42	Moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([6] - [3])							0.11	
43	Unburned carbon, %	[19] or [21] x 14,500 / [18]							0.30	
44	Radiation and convection, %	ABMA curve, Chapter 23							0.70	
45	Other, % (include manufacturers margin if applicable)								1.50	
46	Sorbent net losses, % if sorbent is used	From Chapter 10, Table 14, Item [41]							0.00	
47	Summation of losses, %	Summation [38] through [46]							15.66	
Credits										
48	Heat in dry air, %	0.0024 x [26D] x ([2] - [3])							-0.14	
49	Heat in moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([2] - [3])							0.00	
50	Sensible heat in fuel, %	(H at T[4] - H at T[3]) x 100 / [18]					0.01	H @ 80 ~ 1.0	0.01	
51	Other, %								0.00	
52	Summation of credits, %	Summation [48] through [51]							-0.13	
53	Efficiency, %	100 - [47] - [52]							84.47	
KEY PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS										
54	Input from fuel, 1,000,000 Btu/h	100 x [10] / [53]						Leaving Furnace	Leaving Blr/Econ	
55	Fuel rate, 1000 lb/h	1000 x [54] / [18]							264.8	
56	Wet gas weight, 1000 lb/h	[54] x [33] / 10							24.2	
57	Air to burners (wet), lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [7]) x (1 + [25A] / 100) x [22]					295.4		295.4	
58	Air to burners (wet), 1000 lb/h	[54] x [57] / 10					10.301		272.8	
59	Heat available, 1,000,000 Btu/h	[54] x {([18] - 10.30 x [17H]) / [18] - 0.005								
60	Ha (Btu/lb)	x ([44] + [45]) + Ha at T[5] x [57] / 10,000}					260.5			
61	Heat available/lb wet gas, Btu/lb	1000 x [59] / [56]					881.6			
61	Adiabatic flame temperature, F	From Chapter 10, Fig.3 at H = [60], % H ₂ O = [36]					3063.0			

University of Iowa Testing: Day 3, Coal only, Run #7 03/15/2007										
Combustion Calculations - Btu Method										
INPUT CONDITIONS - BY TEST OR SPECIFICATION					FUEL - Subbituminous Coal, Iowa					
1	Excess air: at burner/leaving boiler/econ, % by weight	41.1	15	Ultimate Analysis	16	Theo Air, lb/100 lb fuel	17	H ₂ O, lb/100 lb fuel		
2	Entering air temperature, F	42.09		Constituent	% by weight	K1	[15] x K1	K2	[15] x K2	
3	Reference temperature, F	80	A	C	62.27	11.51	716.7			
4	Fuel temperature, F	69	B	S	1.48	4.32	6.4			
5	Air temperature leaving air heater, F	233.95	C	H ₂	4.14	34.29	142.0	8.94	37.01	
6	Flue gas temperature leaving (excluding leakage), F	372.14	D	H ₂ O	13.84			1.00	13.84	
7	Moisture in air, lb/lb dry air	0.0033	E	N ₂	1.24					
8	Additional moisture, lb/100 lb fuel	0	F	O ₂	9.76	-4.32	-42.2			
9	Residue leaving boiler/economizer, % Total	85	G	Ash	7.27					
10	Output, 1,000,000 Btu/h (MMBtu/h)	228.83	H	Total	100.00		Air	822.9	H ₂ O	50.85
11	Additional theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [2]	0	18	Higher heating value (HHV), Btu/lb fuel					11,153	
12	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [19]	0	19	Unburned carbon loss, % fuel input					0.27	
13	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [20]	0	20	Theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu		[16H] x 100 / [18]			7.378	
14	Spent sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [24]	0	21	Unburned carbon, % of fuel		[19] x [18] / 14,500			0.20	
COMBUSTION GAS CALCULATIONS, Quantity/10,000 Btu Fuel Input										
22	Theoretical air (corrected), lb/10,000 Btu	[20] - [21] x 1151 / [18] + [11]							7.357	
23	Residue from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[(15G) + [21] x 100 / [18]							0.067	
24	Total residue, lb/10,000 Btu	[23] + [14]							0.067	
25	Excess air, % by weight		A	At Burners	B	Infiltration	C	Leaving Furnace	D	Leaving Blr/Econ
26	Dry air, lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [25] / 100) x [22]		41.1	0.0		41.1		41.1	
27	H ₂ O from air, lb/10,000 Btu	[26] x [7]					0.034	0.034	0.034	
28	Additional moisture, lb/10,000 Btu	[8] x 100 / [18]					0.000	0.000	0.000	
29	H ₂ O from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[17H] x 100 / [18]					0.456		0.456	
30	Wet gas from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	(100 - [15G] - [21]) x 100 / [18]						0.830	0.830	
31	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[12]						0.000	0.000	
32	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[13]					0.000	0.000	0.000	
33	Total wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [26] through [32]						11.247	11.247	
34	Water in wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [27] + [28] + [29] + [32]					0.490	0.490	0.490	
35	Dry gas, lb/10,000 Btu	[33] - [34]						10.757	10.757	
36	H ₂ O in gas, % in weight	100 x [34] / [33]						4.36	4.36	
37	Residue, % by weight (zero if < 0.15 lbm/10KB)	[9] x [24] / [33]						0.51	0.51	
EFFICIENCY CALCULATIONS, % Input from Fuel										
Losses										
38	Dry Gas, %	0.0024 [35D] x ([6] - [3])							7.54	
39	Water from fuel, as fired	Enthalpy of steam at 1 psi, T = [6] H1 = (3.958E-5 x T + 0.4329) x T + 1062.2					1228.8			
40	%	Enthalpy of water at T = [3] H2 = [3] - 32					48.0			
41		[29] x ([39] - [40]) / 100							5.38	
42	Moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([6] - [3])							0.05	
43	Unburned carbon, %	[19] or [21] x 14,500 / [18]							0.27	
44	Radiation and convection, %	ABMA curve, Chapter 23					based on output of plant Btu/h		0.70	
45	Other, % (include manufacturers margin if applicable)								1.50	
46	Sorbent net losses, % if sorbent is used	From Chapter 10, Table 14, Item [41]							0.00	
47	Summation of losses, %	Summation [38] through [46]							15.44	
Credits										
48	Heat in dry air, %	0.0024 x [26D] x ([2] - [3])							-0.94	
49	Heat in moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([2] - [3])							-0.01	
50	Sensible heat in fuel, %	(H at T[4] - H at T[3]) x 100 / [18]				0.01		H @ 80 ~ 1.0	0.01	
51	Other, %								0.00	
52	Summation of credits, %	Summation [48] through [51]							-0.94	
53	Efficiency, %	100 - [47] - [52]							85.51	
KEY PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS										
54	Input from fuel, 1,000,000 Btu/h	100 x [10] / [53]							267.6	
55	Fuel rate, 1000 lb/h	1000 x [54] / [18]							24.0	
56	Wet gas weight, 1000 lb/h	[54] x [33] / 10					301.0		301.0	
57	Air to burners (wet), lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [7]) x (1 + [25A] / 100) x [22]					10.417			
58	Air to burners (wet), 1000 lb/h	[54] x [57] / 10					278.8			
59	Heat available, 1,000,000 Btu/h	[54] x (([18] - 10.30 x [17H]) / [18] - 0.005								
60	Ha (Btu/lb)	x ([44] + [45]) + Ha at T[5] x [57] / 10,000					262.8			
61	Heat available/lb wet gas, Btu/lb	1000 x [59] / [56]					873.0			
61	Adiabatic flame temperature, F	From Chapter 10, Fig.3 at H = [60], % H ₂ O = [36]					2925.0			

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Combustion Calculations - Btu Method														
INPUT CONDITIONS - BY TEST OR SPECIFICATION					FUEL - Biomass, Iowa									
1	Excess air: at burner/leaving boiler/econ, % by weight	41.7	15	Ultimate Analysis	16	Theo Air, lb/100 lb fuel	17	H ₂ O, lb/100 lb fuel						
2	Entering air temperature, F	53.71		Constituent	% by weight	K1	[15] x K1	K2	[15] x K2					
3	Reference temperature, F	80	A	C	59.83	11.51	688.6							
4	Fuel temperature, F	70.667	B	S	1.40	4.32	6.0							
5	Air temperature leaving air heater, F	242.99	C	H ₂	4.54	34.29	155.7	8.94	40.59					
6	Flue gas temperature leaving (excluding leakage), F	375.45	D	H ₂ O	13.59			1.00	13.59					
7	Moisture in air, lb/lb dry air	0.0056	E	N ₂	1.23									
8	Additional moisture, lb/100 lb fuel	0	F	O ₂	12.77	-4.32	-55.2							
9	Residue leaving boiler/economizer, % Total	85	G	Ash	6.64									
10	Output, 1,000,000 Btu/h	229.68	H	Total	100.00	Air	795.2	H ₂ O	54.18					
11	Additional theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [21]	0	18	Higher heating value (HHV), Btu/lb fuel					10,615					
12	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [19]	0	19	Unburned carbon loss, % fuel input					0.28					
13	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [20]	0	20	Theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu		[16H] x 100 / [18]			7.491					
14	Spent sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [24]	0	21	Unburned carbon, % of fuel		[19] x [18] / 14,500			0.20					
COMBUSTION GAS CALCULATIONS, Quantity/10,000 Btu Fuel Input														
22	Theoretical air (corrected), lb/10,000 Btu	[20] - [21] x 1151 / [18] + [11]							7.469					
23	Residue from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	([15G] + [21]) x 100 / [18]							0.064					
24	Total residue, lb/10,000 Btu	[23] + [14]							0.064					
25	Excess air, % by weight		A	At Burners	41.7	B	Infiltration	0.0	C	Leaving Furnace	41.7	D	Leaving Blr/Econ	41.7
26	Dry air, lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [25] / 100) x [22]								10.584			10.584	
27	H ₂ O from air, lb/10,000 Btu	[26] x [7]				0.059	0.059	0.059	0.059	0.059			0.059	
28	Additional moisture, lb/10,000 Btu	[8] x 100 / [18]				0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000			0.000	
29	H ₂ O from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[17H] x 100 / [18]				0.510				0.510			0.510	
30	Wet gas from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	(100 - [15G] - [21]) x 100 / [18]						0.878		0.878			0.878	
31	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[12]						0.000		0.000			0.000	
32	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[13]				0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000			0.000	
33	Total wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [26] through [32]						11.521		11.521			11.521	
34	Water in wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [27] + [28] + [29] + [32]				0.570	0.570	0.570	0.570	0.570			0.570	
35	Dry gas, lb/10,000 Btu	[33] - [34]						10.951		10.951			10.951	
36	H ₂ O in gas, % in weight	100 x [34] / [33]						4.94		4.94			4.94	
37	Residue, % by weight (zero if < 0.15 lbm/10KB)	[9] x [24] / [33]						0.48		0.48			0.48	
EFFICIENCY CALCULATIONS, % Input from Fuel														
Losses														
38	Dry Gas, %	0.0024 x [35d] x ([6] - [3])								7.77			7.77	
39	Water from fuel, as fired	Enthalpy of steam at 1 psi, T = [6]			H1 = (3.958E-5 x T + 0.4329) x T + 1062.2			1230.3		1230.3			1230.3	
40	%	Enthalpy of water at T = [3]			H2 = [3] - 32			48.0		48.0			48.0	
41	Moisture in air, %	[29] x ([39] - [40]) / 100											6.03	
42	Unburned carbon, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([6] - [3])											0.08	
43	Radiation and convection, %	[19] or [21] x 14,500 / [18]											0.28	
44	Other, % (include manufacturers margin if applicable)	ABMA curve, Chapter 23								based on output of plant Btu/h			1.70	
45	Sorbent net losses, % if sorbent is used	From Chapter 10, Table 14, Item [41]											1.50	
46	Summation of losses, %	Summation [38] through [46]											17.35	
Credits														
48	Heat in dry air, %	0.0024 x [26D] x ([2] - [3])											-0.67	
49	Heat in moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([2] - [3])											-0.01	
50	Sensible heat in fuel, %	(H at T[4] - H at T[3]) x 100 / [18]						0.01		H @ 80 ~ 1.0			0.01	
51	Other, %												0.00	
52	Summation of credits, %	Summation [48] through [51]											-0.67	
53	Efficiency, %	100 - [47] - [52]											83.31	
KEY PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS														
54	Input from fuel, 1,000,000 Btu/h	100 x [10] / [53]								Leaving Furnace			Leaving Blr/Econ	275.7
55	Fuel rate, 1000 lb/h	1000 x [54] / [18]												26.0
56	Wet gas weight, 1000 lb/h	[54] x [33] / 10								317.6				317.6
57	Air to burners (wet), lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [7]) x (1 + [25A] / 100) x [22]								10.644				10.644
58	Air to burners (wet), 1000 lb/h	[54] x [57] / 10								293.4				293.4
59	Heat available, 1,000,000 Btu/h	[54] x ([18] - 10.30 x [17H]) / [18] - 0.005												
60	Ha (Btu/lb)	40.42												
60	Heat available/lb wet gas, Btu/lb	x ([44] + [45]) + Ha at T[5] x [57] / 10,000								268.6				268.6
61	Adiabatic flame temperature, F	From Chapter 10, Fig.3 at H = [60], % H ₂ O = [36]								1000 x [59] / [56]				845.8
61	Adiabatic flame temperature, F									2205.0				2205.0

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Combustion Calculations - Btu Method									
INPUT CONDITIONS - BY TEST OR SPECIFICATION					FUEL - Biomass, Iowa				
1	Excess air: at burner/leaving boiler/econ, % by weight	39.2	15	Ultimate Analysis	16	Theo Air, lb/100 lb fuel	17	H ₂ O, lb/100 lb fuel	
2	Entering air temperature, F	61.82		Constituent	% by weight	K1	[15] x K1	K2	[15] x K2
3	Reference temperature, F	80	A	C	60.32	11.51	694.3		
4	Fuel temperature, F	71.25	B	S	1.37	4.32	5.9		
5	Air temperature leaving air heater, F	246.97	C	H ₂	4.51	34.29	154.6	8.94	40.32
6	Flue gas temperature leaving (excluding leakage), F	377.23	D	H ₂ O	13.12			1.00	13.12
7	Moisture in air, lb/lb dry air	0.0049	E	N ₂	1.29				
8	Additional moisture, lb/100 lb fuel	0	F	O ₂	13.07	-4.32	-56.5		
9	Residue leaving boiler/economizer, % Total	85	G	Ash	6.32				
10	Output, 1,000,000 Btu/h	230.03	H	Total	100.00	Air	798.4	H ₂ O	53.44
11									
11	Additional theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [21]	0	18	Higher heating value (HHV), Btu/lb fuel					10,757
12	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [19]	0	19	Unburned carbon loss, % fuel input					0.28
13	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [20]	0	20	Theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu		[16H] x 100 / [18]			7.422
14	Spent sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [24]	0	21	Unburned carbon, % of fuel		[19] x [18] / 14,500			0.20
COMBUSTION GAS CALCULATIONS, Quantity/10,000 Btu Fuel Input									
22	Theoretical air (corrected), lb/10,000 Btu	[20] - [21] x 1151 / [18] + [11]							7.400
23	Residue from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[(15G) + [21]] x 100 / [18]							0.061
24	Total residue, lb/10,000 Btu	[23] + [14]							0.061
25	Excess air, % by weight		A	At Burners	39.2	B	Infiltration	C	Leaving Furnace
26	Dry air, lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [25] / 100) x [22]						D	Leaving Blr/Econ
27	H ₂ O from air, lb/10,000 Btu	[26] x [7]							39.2
28	Additional moisture, lb/10,000 Btu	[8] x 100 / [18]							10.304
29	H ₂ O from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[17H] x 100 / [18]							0.050
30	Wet gas from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	(100 - [15G] - [21]) x 100 / [18]							0.050
31	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[12]							0.000
32	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[13]							0.000
33	Total wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [26] through [32]							11.224
34	Water in wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [27] + [28] + [29] + [32]							0.547
35	Dry gas, lb/10,000 Btu	[33] - [34]							10.677
36	H ₂ O in gas, % in weight	100 x [34] / [33]							4.88
37	Residue, % by weight (zero if < 0.15 lbm/10KB)	[9] x [24] / [33]							0.46
EFFICIENCY CALCULATIONS, % Input from Fuel									
Losses									
38	Dry Gas, %	0.0024 x [35d] x ([6] - [3])							7.62
39	Water from fuel, as fired	Enthalpy of steam at 1 psi, T = [6] H1 = (3.958E-5 x T + 0.4329) x T + 1062.2							1231.1
40	%	Enthalpy of water at T = [3] H2 = [3] - 32							48.0
41		[29] x ([39] - [40]) / 100							5.88
42	Moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([6] - [3])							0.07
43	Unburned carbon, %	[19] or [21] x 14,500 / [18]							0.28
44	Radiation and convection, %	ABMA curve, Chapter 23							0.50
45	Other, % (include manufacturers margin if applicable)								1.50
46	Sorbent net losses, % if sorbent is used	From Chapter 10, Table 14, Item [41]							0.00
47	Summation of losses, %	Summation [38] through [46]							15.84
Credits									
48	Heat in dry air, %	0.0024 x [26D] x ([2] - [3])							-0.45
49	Heat in moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([2] - [3])							0.00
50	Sensible heat in fuel, %	(H at T[4] - H at T[3]) x 100 / [18]							0.01
51	Other, %								0.00
52	Summation of credits, %	Summation [48] through [51]							-0.44
53	Efficiency, %	100 - [47] - [52]							84.61
KEY PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS									
54	Input from fuel, 1,000,000 Btu/h	100 x [10] / [53]							271.9
55	Fuel rate, 1000 lb/h	1000 x [54] / [18]							25.3
56	Wet gas weight, 1000 lb/h	[54] x [33] / 10							305.1
57	Air to burners (wet), lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [7]) x (1 + [25A] / 100) x [22]							10.355
58	Air to burners (wet), 1000 lb/h	[54] x [57] / 10							281.5
59	Heat available, 1,000,000 Btu/h	[54] x (([18] - 10.30 x [17H]) / [18]) - 0.005							
	Ha (Btu/lb)	41.40							
60	Heat available/lb wet gas, Btu/lb	x ([44] + [45]) + Ha at T[5] x [57] / 10,000							266.9
		1000 x [59] / [56]							874.7
61	Adiabatic flame temperature, F	From Chapter 10, Fig.3 at H = [60], % H ₂ O = [36]							2280.0

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Combustion Calculations - Btu Method									
INPUT CONDITIONS - BY TEST OR SPECIFICATION					FUEL - Biomass, Iowa				
1	Excess air: at burner/leaving boiler/econ, % by weight	38.3	15	Ultimate Analysis	16	Theo Air, lb/100 lb fuel	17	H ₂ O, lb/100 lb fuel	
2	Entering air temperature, F	58.48		Constituent	% by weight	K1	[15] x K1	K2	[15] x K2
3	Reference temperature, F	80	A	C	59.24	11.51	681.9		
4	Fuel temperature, F	74.2	B	S	1.38	4.32	6.0		
5	Air temperature leaving air heater, F	244.72	C	H ₂	4.49	34.29	154.0	8.94	40.14
6	Flue gas temperature leaving (excluding leakage), F	376.55	D	H ₂ O	13.18			1.00	13.18
7	Moisture in air, lb/lb dry air	0.0041	E	N ₂	1.11				
8	Additional moisture, lb/100 lb fuel	0	F	O ₂	14.46	-4.32	-62.5		
9	Residue leaving boiler/economizer, % Total	85	G	Ash	6.14				
10	Output, 1,000,000 Btu/h	230.31	H	Total	100.00	Air	779.3	H ₂ O	53.32
11									
11	Additional theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [21]	0	18	Higher heating value (HHV), Btu/lb fuel					10,555
12	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [19]	0	19	Unburned carbon loss, % fuel input					0.27
13	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [20]	0	20	Theoretical air, lb/10,000 Btu		[16H] x 100 / [18]			7.383
14	Spent sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu Table 14, Item [24]	0	21	Unburned carbon, % of fuel		[19] x [18] / 14,500			0.19
COMBUSTION GAS CALCULATIONS, Quantity/10,000 Btu Fuel Input									
22	Theoretical air (corrected), lb/10,000 Btu	[20] - [21] x 1151 / [18] + [11]							7.362
23	Residue from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[(15G) + [21]] x 100 / [18]							0.060
24	Total residue, lb/10,000 Btu	[23] + [14]							0.060
25	Excess air, % by weight		A	At Burners	38.3	B	Infiltration	C	Leaving Furnace
26	Dry air, lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [25] / 100) x [22]			0.0			D	Leaving Blr/Econ
27	H ₂ O from air, lb/10,000 Btu	[26] x [7]					38.3		38.3
28	Additional moisture, lb/10,000 Btu	[8] x 100 / [18]					10.184		10.184
29	H ₂ O from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	[17H] x 100 / [18]					0.042	0.042	0.042
30	Wet gas from fuel, lb/10,000 Btu	(100 - [15G] - [21]) x 100 / [18]					0.000	0.000	0.000
31	CO ₂ from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[12]					0.505	0.505	0.505
32	H ₂ O from sorbent, lb/10,000 Btu	[13]							
33	Total wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [26] through [32]						0.887	0.887
34	Water in wet gas, lb/10,000 Btu	Summation [27] + [28] + [29] + [32]					0.000	0.000	0.000
35	Dry gas, lb/10,000 Btu	[33] - [34]					0.547	0.547	0.547
36	H ₂ O in gas, % in weight	100 x [34] / [33]						10.566	10.566
37	Residue, % by weight (zero if < 0.15 lbm/10KB)	[9] x [24] / [33]						4.92	4.92
								0.46	0.46
EFFICIENCY CALCULATIONS, % Input from Fuel									
Losses									
38	Dry Gas, %	0.0024 x [35d] x ([6] - [3])							7.52
39	Water from fuel, as fired	Enthalpy of steam at 1 psi, T = [6] H1 = (3.958E-5 x T + 0.4329) x T + 1062.2					1230.8		
40		Enthalpy of water at T = [3] H2 = [3] - [32]					48.0		
41		[29] x ([39] - [40]) / 100							5.98
42	Moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([6] - [3])							0.06
43	Unburned carbon, %	[19] or [21] x 14,500 / [18]							0.27
44	Radiation and convection, %	ABMA curve, Chapter 23						based on output of plant Btu/h	0.70
45	Other, % (include manufacturers margin if applicable)								1.50
46	Sorbent net losses, % if sorbent is used	From Chapter 10, Table 14, Item [41]							0.00
47	Summation of losses, %	Summation [38] through [46]							16.02
Credits									
48	Heat in dry air, %	0.0024 x [26D] x ([2] - [3])							-0.53
49	Heat in moisture in air, %	0.0045 x [27D] x ([2] - [3])							0.00
50	Sensible heat in fuel, %	(H at T[4] - H at T[3]) x 100 / [18]					0.01	H @ 80 ~ 1.0	0.01
51	Other, %								0.00
52	Summation of credits, %	Summation [48] through [51]							-0.52
53	Efficiency, %	100 - [47] - [52]							84.50
KEY PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS									
54	Input from fuel, 1,000,000 Btu/h	100 x [10] / [53]						Leaving Furnace	Leaving Blr/Econ
55	Fuel rate, 1000 lb/h	1000 x [54] / [18]							272.5
56	Wet gas weight, 1000 lb/h	[54] x [33] / 10							25.8
57	Air to burners (wet), lb/10,000 Btu	(1 + [7]) x (1 + [25A] / 100) x [22]					302.9		302.9
58	Air to burners (wet), 1000 lb/h	[54] x [57] / 10					10.226		
59	Heat available, 1,000,000 Btu/h	[54] x (([18] - 10.30 x [17H]) / [18] - 0.005					278.7		
	Ha (Btu/lb)	40.85							
60	Heat available/lb wet gas, Btu/lb	x ([44] + [45]) + Ha at T[5] x [57] / 10,000)					266.8		
61	Adiabatic flame temperature, F	1000 x [59] / [56]					880.7		
		From Chapter 10, Fig.3 at H = [60], % H ₂ O = [36]					2875.0		

Appendix D

Electrostatic Precipitator Data

Summary of Electrostatic Precipitator Voltages

Run ID	Panel A		Panel B		Panel C	
	Primary Voltage	Precipitator Voltage	Primary Voltage	Precipitator Voltage	Primary Voltage	Precipitator Voltage
1	295	34	337	36	333	46
2	301	33	333	36	330	46
3	299	33	330	36	330	46
4	294	33	333	34	329	46
5	283	32	338	36	326	46
6	278	32	332	36	328	46
7	290	34	345	36	330	46