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Erica,

The PDH unit will not utilize a separate reactor charge heater to heat the reactor feed. Formosa considered a separate heater during the preliminary design stage and instead selected a more energy efficient design that recovers thermal energy from the reactor flue gases and the reformer effluent stream.

In response to your question concerning the regeneration air, two electric motor-driven air compressors will supply regeneration air. An air heater will not be utilized for regeneration operations.

Regards,



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Cc: Robinson, Jeffrey; Wilson, Aimee **Subject:** Formosa PDH question

Karen and Eric

During the conference call a couple weeks back, you stated that the technology that will be utilized for the Formosa PDH didn't warrant the use of a reactor charge heater to heat the propane feed to the PDH reactors. Please confirm this for the permit record.

Also, will an air compressor be used for the regeneration air to be used to regenerate the PDH reactor catalyst. What will be used to drive the air compressor i.e., steam turbine, electric. Will an air heater be utilized for regeneration of the reactors?

Thank you, Erica

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