

Austin Powder Argentina SA Petrochemical Division

N2O ABATEMENT PLANT AND PROCESS DATA

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1	General plant information	
1.1	Plant type (Dual Pressure/Mono-High/Mono-Medium/Mono-Low)	Mono-High
1.2	Reactor supplier (Grande Paroisse , Uhde , Wetherley , other)	Girdler
1.3	Year of start-up	First in the 60s and new Commissioning in mid- 2018
1.4	Number of reactors	1
1.5	Reactor pressure (bar, abs)	9
1.6	Reactor internal diameter in mm (basket)	800 (Hexagonal)
1.7	Gauze temperature (°C)	910
1.8	Production rate, design (100% Metric Tons HNO ₃ /day)	180
1.9	Production rate, real (100% Metric Tons HNO₃/day)	160
1.10	HNO₃ concentration in the final product (%)	56
1.11	Normal duration of the productive campaign (months)	3
1.12	Operation time (days per year)	330
1.13a	Ammonia flow to reactor (kg/h)	2,000
1.13b	Ammonia flow to reactor (Nm3/h)	2,600
1.14	Primary air flow to ammonia reactor (Nm ³ /h)	24,000
1.15	Secondary air flow (Nm ³ /h)	1,550
1.16	Temperature of the gas mixture (air/NH $_3$) to the reactor (°C)	240
1.17	Conversion efficiency of the plant at the beginning of the campaign (% or kgNH $_3$ /teHNO $_3$)	0.99
1.18	Plant conversion efficiency at the end of the campaign (% or kgNH $_3$ /teHNO $_3$)	0.88
2	Pt gauze per reactor	
2.1	Material (Pt% / Rh% / Pd%)	95/5
2.2	Diameter (mm)	800 (Hexagonal)
23	Number of gauze	42
2.4	Gauze supplier	Hereaus
3	Change of Pt gauze per reactor	
3.1	Average number of stops per campaign in the last three campaigns	14
3.2	Number of stops that were not planned	8
3.3	Date of next scheduled stoppage	Every 3 months for a mesh change and a general shutdown in July.



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3.4	Planned changes to the composition of Pt gauze in the future?	NO		
4	Reactor Basket / Pressure Drop Data			
4.1	Type of support system installed (basket with Raschig rings , others)	Mesh: Nickel / Chrome		
4.2	Support system depth (mm)	120		
4.3	Available depth for a secondary catalyst under gauze (mm)	260 Distance between the mesh and the top of the exchanger tubes		
4.4	Pressure drop tolerance in combustion reactor of:			
	Primary gauze (mbar)	-		
	Raschig ring bed (mbar)	-		
	Or full package (2 items above), (mbar)	-		
5	NSCR and tail gas information			
5.1	NOx abatement unit installed (Yes / No)	Yeah		
5.2	NOx abatement unit	Before expand		
5.3	NOx reduction system type (SCR /NSCR)	NSCR		
5.4	NSCR catalyst (precious metal, base metal, zeolite)	Pt-Rh-Pd Impregnating in ceramic base		
5.5	NSCR Catalyst Supplier	ECS		
5.6	Maximum temperature allowed in the NSCR reactor (°C)	732		
5.7	NSCR catalyst age (years)	Lifespan: 3-4 years Last upload: April 2023		
5.8	NOx regulation limit (ppm)	50		
5.9	NOx content before the reactor (ppm)	5,500		
5.10	NOx content after reactor (ppm)	< 50		
5.11	Gas flow before NSCR (kg/h or Nm 3 / h)	25,000 kg/h		
5.12	Gas flow after NSCR (kg/h or Nm ³ /h)	25,200 kg/h		
5.13	Tail gas temperature at the outlet of the absorption tower (°C)	25		
5.14	Tail gas temperature (°C) before NSCR	478 - 480		
5.15	Tail gas temperature (°C) after NSCR	710 - 730		
5.16	SCR O2 content (% vol.)	1.3 – 1.5%		
5.17	Tail gas temperature (°C) before expander	590 - 610		
5.18	Tail gas temperature (°C) before expander (max. Allowable)	620		
5.19	Tail gas temperature (°C) after turbine	270 - 280		
5.20	Tail gas pressure at the outlet of the absorption tower (bar a)	7.97		

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5.21	Tail gas pressure at the absorption tower inlet (bar a)	7.97
5.22	Tail gas pressure (bar a) before turbine	6.4
5.23	Tail gas pressure (bar absolute) after turbine	~1
5.24	Tail gas flow (kg/h or Nm3 / h)	25,200 kg/h
	Reducing agents for NSCR:	
5.25	 Ammonia Plant Purge Gas Flow (kg/h) Natural Gas flow 	360 kg/h 200 kg/h
5.26	 Purge gas composition Natural Gas Composition 	68% H2 – 3%Ar – 26%N2 - 3%NH3 91% CH4 – 5.5% C2H2 – 0.5% C3H8 – 0.2% C4H10 – 2.8% others
6	Chimney information	
6.2	Distance from chimney to control room (m)	100
6.3	Distance from sampling location (possible/existing) at chimney to ground level	30
6.4	Sampling platform required (Yes/No)	No
6.5	Access to the sampling platform (stairs)	Through stairs
6.6	O ₂ content in tail gases (% vol.)	1.3 - 1-5%
6.7	Maximum allowable additional pressure drop caused by the tertiary reduction system	0.2 kg/cm2g
7	Steam generation with NSCR heat exchanger The pre- and post-NSCR boilers are considered.	
7.1	Steam flow generated (kg/h)	1,700
7.2	Generated steam temperature (°C)	200
7.3	Generated steam pressure (bar)	15 – 15.5
7.4	Use of generated steam	Turbine

