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1.0 Introduction

Woodworth, Inc. (Woodworth) (Facility SRN: P0547) owns and operates ferritic nitrocarburizing (FNC) heat treating furnaces at its facility in Homer, Calhoun County, Michigan. The FNC heat treating furnaces are identified as EUHEATTREAT1 through EUHEATTREAT15 (collectively, as flexible group FGHEATTREAT) in Permit to Install (PTI) No. 64-15E.

Air emission compliance testing was performed to satisfy the following requirements contained in PTI No. 64-15E:

> *Between November 1, 2023 and February 28, 2024, the permittee shall verify NOx emission rates from FNC cycles from representative units of FGHEATTREAT by testing at the owner's expense, in accordance with Department requirements. Test results shall be based upon an average of the results of three test runs on representative units with one run per unit during the FNC step of the cycle, unless otherwise specified by the AQD. The permittee shall close the building access door closest to the furnace being tested. Subsequent testing shall be performed every five years from the date of the previous test.*; and
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> *Between November 1, 2023 and February 28, 2024, the permittee shall verify ammonia emission rates from FNC cycles from representative units of FGHEATTREAT by testing at the owner's expense, in accordance with Department requirements. Test results shall be based upon an average of the results of three test runs on representative units with one run per unit during the FNC step of the cycle, unless otherwise specified by the AQD. The permittee shall close the building access door closest to the furnace being tested. Subsequent testing shall be performed every five years from the date of the last test.*

The compliance testing was performed by Impact Compliance & Testing, Inc., (ICT), a Michigan-based environmental consulting and testing company. ICT representatives Max Fierro and Andrew Rusnak performed the field sampling and measurements December 11 – 13, 2023.

The exhaust gas sampling and analysis was performed using procedures specified in the Test Plan that was reviewed and approved by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE). EGLE representative Mr. Trevor Drost observed portions of the testing project.

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2.0 Summary of Test Results and Operating Conditions

2.1 Purpose and Objective of the Tests

The FGHEATTREAT Testing / Sampling conditions in PTI 64-15E specify:

Between November 1, 2023 and February 28, 2024, the permittee shall verify NOx emission rates from FNC cycles from representative units of FGHEATTREAT by testing at the owner's expense, in accordance with Department requirements. Test results shall be based upon an average of the results of three test runs on representative units with one run per unit during the FNC step of the cycle, unless otherwise specified by the AQD. The permittee shall close the building access door closest to the furnace being tested.; and

- *Between November 1, 2023 and February 28, 2024, the permittee shall verify ammonia emission rates from FNC cycles from representative units of FGHEATTREAT by testing at the owner's expense, in accordance with Department requirements. Test results shall be based upon an average of the results of three test runs on representative units with one run per unit during the FNC step of the cycle, unless otherwise specified by the AQD. The permittee shall close the building access door closest to the furnace being tested.*

Therefore, one (1) batch (during FNC gas phase) from three (3) separate furnaces contained in FGHEATTREAT were each sampled for NO_x and ammonia (NH_3) emissions and exhaust gas oxygen (O_2) and carbon dioxide (CO_2) content.

PTI 64-15E specifies the following emission limits for FGHEATTREAT:

- 32.3 lb NO_x / FNC cycle; and
- 0.72 lb NH_3 / hr average.

2.2 Operating Conditions During the Compliance Tests

The testing was performed while the heat treat furnace was operated in the FNC gas phase. ICT representatives recorded the test times and phases for each test period.

The load weight for each batch was recorded by Woodworth representatives.

Appendix 2 provides operating records recorded by Woodworth representatives for each test period.

Table 2.1 presents a summary of the load weights during the test periods.

2.3 Summary of Air Pollutant Sampling Results

The gases exhausted from three (3) heat treat furnaces (EUHEATTREAT6, 7 and 8) were each sampled for a test period encompassing the entire FNC gas phase period (approximately 6.58 hours) during the compliance testing performed December 11 – 13, 2023.

Table 2.2 presents the average measured NO_x and NH_3 emission rates for the furnaces (average of the three test periods).

Test results for each sampling period and comparison to the permitted emission rates are presented in Section 6.0 of this report.

Table 2.1 Load weights during the test periods

Parameter	EUHEATTREAT6	EUHEATTREAT7	EUHEATTREAT8
Part Type	19.N398.10	19.N397.10	19.N397.10
Number of Parts	616	528	739
Part Type	19.N400.10	19.N398.10	19.N398.10
Number of Parts	315	88	264
Part Type	19.N426.20	19.N400.10	19.N400.10
Number of Parts	360	165	132
Part Type	-	19.N426.20	-
Number of Parts	-	360	-
Part Type	-	19.N429.20	-
Number of Parts	-	216	-
Part Type	-	19.N481.20	-
Number of Parts	-	198	-
Load Weight (lb)	60,244.5	63,733.7	57,203.3

Table 2.2 Average measured emission rates for heat treat furnaces (three-tests)

Emission Unit	NO_x Emission Rates (lb/FNC cycle)[1]	NH_3 Emission Rates (lb/hr)
FGHEATTREAT	21.5	0.45
Permit Limit	*32.3*	*0.72*

Notes for Table 2.2:

1. Includes 18.0 lb/cycle during the FNC gas phase (tested emissions) and 3.5 lb/cycle from natural gas combustion during all other phases (calculated, as presented in the approved test protocol).

3.0 Source and Sampling Location Description

3.1 General Process Description

WWI has been permitted to install and operate fifteen (15) heat treat furnaces that are identified as emission units EUHEATTREAT1 through EUHEATTREAT15 (collectively FGHEATTREAT). The furnaces are used to heat treat brake rotors.

The brake rotors treated at the WWI Homer facility are subjected to two separate treatment steps:

1. Stress relief heat treatment that is performed on the brake rotor after casting, and
2. Ferritic nitrocarburizing (FNC) treatment performed on the brake rotor after machining.

The metal heat treating process is a batch-type process and has a specific cycle; in general racks of parts are loaded into the furnace, the furnace is heated, the burner ramps down to idle mode to maintain the desired furnace temperature for several hours, the furnace is cooled, and the parts are unloaded.

FNC treatment results in greater rotor performance, enhanced durability, corrosion performance, and wear resistance. In gaseous FNC treatment, the atmosphere within the furnace is purged of ambient air (oxygen) and replaced with a controlled mixture of nitrogen, ammonia, and methane (natural gas). In the high temperature furnace, the ammonia is cracked into nitrogen and hydrogen. Nitrogen and carbon diffuse into the surface of the ferrous material at controlled temperatures to result in the desired properties.

3.2 Rated Capacities and Air Emission Controls

The heat treat furnace has a capacity of approximately six (6) MMBtu/hr.

The entire FNC cycle has a duration of approximately 24 hours. Approximately 6.5 hours of the cycle time uses the FNC process gas (FNC gas phase), which includes ammonia. During the FNC gas phase portion of the cycle, residual methane and hydrogen are ignited and burned off via the oven exhaust burn-off tower. At the end of the cycle, the FNC atmosphere is purged with nitrogen.

During the FNC gas phase portion of the cycle (approximately 6.5 hours), residual methane and hydrogen are ignited and burned off via the oven exhaust burn-off tower. The burn-off tower consists of vertical sections of insulated pipe. The furnace exhaust is introduced at the base of the tower through piping that disperses the gas within the tower. Natural gas fueled burners at the base of the tower ignite the gas mixture, which burns as it travels through the tower. Ambient air is allowed into the flame section by gaps between the insulated sections.

The purpose of the burn-off tower is to combust hydrogen and methane exiting the furnace before it is discharged to the ambient air. However, it also has the potential to convert residual ammonia in the furnace exhaust to NO_x.

3.3 Sampling Locations

The furnace exhaust gas is directed through dedicated burn-off towers and is released to the atmosphere through dedicated vertical exhaust stacks with vertical release points. The exhaust stacks for the furnaces are identical.

The exhaust stack sampling ports for the furnaces are located in a vertical exhaust stack with an inner diameter of 33.25 inches. The stack is equipped with two (2) sample ports, opposed 90°, that provide a sampling location >25 inches (>0.75 duct diameters) upstream and 67.0 inches (2.0 duct diameters) downstream from any flow disturbance. The location satisfies the USEPA Method 1 criteria for a representative sample location.

Individual traverse points were determined in accordance with USEPA Method 1.

Appendix 1 provides diagrams of the emission test sampling locations.

4.0 Sampling and Analytical Procedures

A test protocol for the air emission testing was reviewed and approved by the EGLE. This section provides a summary of the sampling and analytical procedures that were used during the Woodworth testing periods.

4.1 Summary of Sampling Methods

USEPA Method 1	Exhaust gas velocity measurement locations were determined based on the physical stack arrangement and requirements in USEPA Method 1
USEPA Method 2	Exhaust gas velocity pressure was determined using a Type-S Pitot tube connected to a red oil incline manometer; temperature was measured using a K-type thermocouple connected to the Pitot tube.
USEPA Method 3A	Exhaust gas O_2 and CO_2 content was determined using a paramagnetic and IR analyzer, respectively.
ASTM D6348	Exhaust gas NO_x, NH_3 and moisture concentration was measured using a Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR) analyzer.

4.2 Exhaust Gas Velocity Determination (USEPA Method 2F)

The furnace exhaust stack gas velocities and volumetric flow rates were determined using USEPA Method 2 during each test. Four (4) traverses were conducted during each batch. Each traverse was performed during a separate phase of the FNC gas phase period (i.e., distinct time period that has different inlet gas flowrates). A traverse was performed during the burn-start, FNC1, FNC2 and FNC3 phases of the FNC gas phase. An Type-S Pitot tube connected to a red-oil manometer was used to determine velocity pressure at each traverse point across the stack cross section. Gas temperature was measured using a K-type thermocouple mounted to the Pitot tube. The Pitot tube and connective tubing were leak-checked prior to use to verify the integrity of the measurement system.

The absence of significant cyclonic flow for the exhaust configuration was verified using the Pitot tube and oil manometer.

Appendix 3 provides exhaust gas flowrate calculations and field data sheets.

4.3 Exhaust Gas Molecular Weight Determination (USEPA Method 3A)

CO_2 and O_2 content in the exhaust gas stream was measured continuously throughout each test period in accordance with USEPA Method 3A. The CO_2 content of the exhaust was monitored using a M&C GenTwo infrared gas analyzer. The O_2 content of the exhaust was monitored using a M&C GenTwo gas analyzer that uses a paramagnetic sensor.

During each sampling period, a continuous sample of the furnace exhaust gas stream was extracted from the stack using a stainless steel probe connected to a Teflon® heated sample line. The sampled gas was conditioned by removing moisture prior to being introduced to the analyzers; therefore, measurement of O_2 and CO_2 concentrations correspond to standard dry gas conditions. Instrument response data were recorded using an ESC Model 8816 data acquisition system that monitored the analog output of the instrumental analyzers continuously and logged data as one-minute averages.

Prior to, and at the conclusion of each test, the instruments were calibrated using upscale calibration and zero gas to determine analyzer calibration error and system bias (described in Section 5.0 of this document). Sampling times were recorded on field data sheets.

Appendix 4 provides O_2 and CO_2 calculation sheets. Raw instrument response data are provided in Appendix 5.

4.4 Determination of NO_x and NH_3 Emissions (ASTM D6348)

NO_x, NH_3 and moisture concentrations in the furnace exhaust gas streams were determined using a MKS Multi-Gas 2030 FTIR spectrometer.

Samples of the exhaust gas were delivered directly to the instrumental analyzer using a Teflon® heated sample line, heated head pump and heated filter to prevent condensation. The sample to the FTIR analyzer was not conditioned to remove moisture. Therefore, raw NO, NO_2 and NH_3 measurements correspond to standard conditions with no moisture correction (wet basis). The instrument calculated NO_x and NH_3 concentrations on a dry basis using the sum of the measured NO and NO_2 concentrations (for NO_x) and the measured moisture concentration.

A calibration transfer standard (CTS), ethylene standard, and nitrogen zero gas were analyzed before and after each test run. Analyte spiking, of each furnace, with nitrogen oxide, ammonia and sulfur hexafluoride was performed to verify the ability of the sampling system to quantitatively deliver a sample containing the compound of interest from the base of the probe to the FTIR. Data was collected at 0.5 cm^{-1} resolution. Instrument response was recorded using MKS data acquisition software. Spiking with nitrogen oxide and ammonia was performed during each batch run.

Appendix 4 provides NO_x and NH_3 calculation sheets. Instrument response data for the FTIR is provided in Appendix 6.

5.0 QA/QC Activities

5.1 Instrument Calibration and System Bias Checks

At the beginning of each day of the testing program, initial three-point instrument calibrations were performed for the CO_2 and O_2 analyzers by injecting calibration gas directly into the inlet sample port for each instrument. Bias checks were performed prior to and at the conclusion of each sampling period by introducing the upscale calibration gas and zero gas into the sampling system (at the instrumental analyzer inlet) and determining the instrument response against the initial instrument calibration readings.

The instruments were calibrated with USEPA Protocol 1 certified concentrations of CO_2, and O_2 in nitrogen and zeroed using hydrocarbon free nitrogen.

5.2 FTIR QA/QC Activities

At the beginning of each day a calibration transfer standard (CTS, ethylene gas), analyte of interest (nitrogen oxide and ammonia) and nitrogen calibration gas were directly injected into the FTIR to evaluate the unit response.

Prior to and after each test run the CTS was analyzed. The ethylene was passed through the entire system (system purge) to verify the sampling system response and to ensure that the sampling system remained leak-free at the stack location. Nitrogen was also passed through the sampling system to ensure the system is free of contaminants.

Analyte spiking, of each emission unit during the run on exhaust gas (spike data during the run was removed from the overall test run averages), with nitrogen oxide and ammonia was performed to verify the ability of the sampling system to quantitatively deliver a sample containing the compound of interest from the base of the probe to the FTIR and assured the ability of the FTIR to quantify that compound in the presence of effluent gas. The spike target dilution ratio was 1:10 (1 part cal gas; 9 parts stack gas).

As part of the data validation procedure, reference spectra were manually fit to that of the sample spectra (two spectra from each test period) and a concentration was determined. Concentration data was manually validated using the MKS MG2000 method analyzer software. The software used multi-point calibration curves to quantify each spectrum. The software-calculated results were then compared with the measured concentrations to ensure the quality of the data.

Appendix 7 presents test equipment quality assurance data (instrument calibration and bias check records, calibration gas, Pitot tube calibration records and FTIR QA/QC data).

6.0 Results

6.1 Test Results and Allowable Emission Limits

Furnace operating data and air pollutant emission measurement results for each batch test period are presented in Table 6.1.

Sampling was conducted on Furnace Nos. 6, 7 and 8 which are located in the middle of the building. All man doors were closed during testing. This satisfies the testing requirement that:

> *The permittee shall close the building access door closest to the furnace being tested.*

The three-test average NH_3 emission rate for the furnaces was 0.45 lb/hr. The permitted emission limit is 0.72 lb/hr. The results of the performance testing demonstrate compliance with the NH_3 emission limit specified in PTI No. 64-15E.

The three-test average NO_x emission rate for the furnaces was 18.0 lb/FNC gas phase. As presented in the approved test plan the NO_x emission rate for the entire cycle is calculated as follows:

> The furnaces use a maximum of 35,000 cubic feet of natural gas per load (35 MCF/load). Air pollutant emissions from the combustion of natural gas in the furnaces were calculated using default air pollutant emission factors from USEPA's Compilation of Air Pollutant Emission Factors for Stationary Point and Area Sources (AP-42) Section 1.4 for natural gas external combustion.
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> [1] (35,000 CF natural gas) x (100 lb NOx/MMcf) = 3.5 lbs NO_x/cycle
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> NO_x emissions during the FNC gas phase (presented above) were determined based on the average emission rate for the three (3) one-hour test periods and the duration of the gas phase:
>
> [2] NO_x FNC gas phase (lbs) = (NO_x emission rate, lb/hr) x (gas phase duration, hrs)
>
> [3] Total NO_x / FNC cycle = (3.5 lbs NO_x) + (lbs NO_x FNC gas phase)

Therefore, the overall calculated NO_x FNC cycle emission rate is 21.5 lb/FNC cycle. The permitted emission limit is 32.3 lb/FNC cycle. The results of the performance testing demonstrates compliance with the NO_x emission limit specified in PTI No. 64-15E.

6.2 Variations from Normal Sampling Procedures or Operating Conditions

The testing for all pollutants was performed in accordance with USEPA and ASTM methods and the approved test protocol. The furnaces were operated at their normal operating conditions and no variations from normal operating conditions occurred during the furnace test periods.

Table 6.1 Measured exhaust gas conditions and NO_x and NH_3 air pollutant emission rates for FGHEATTREAT

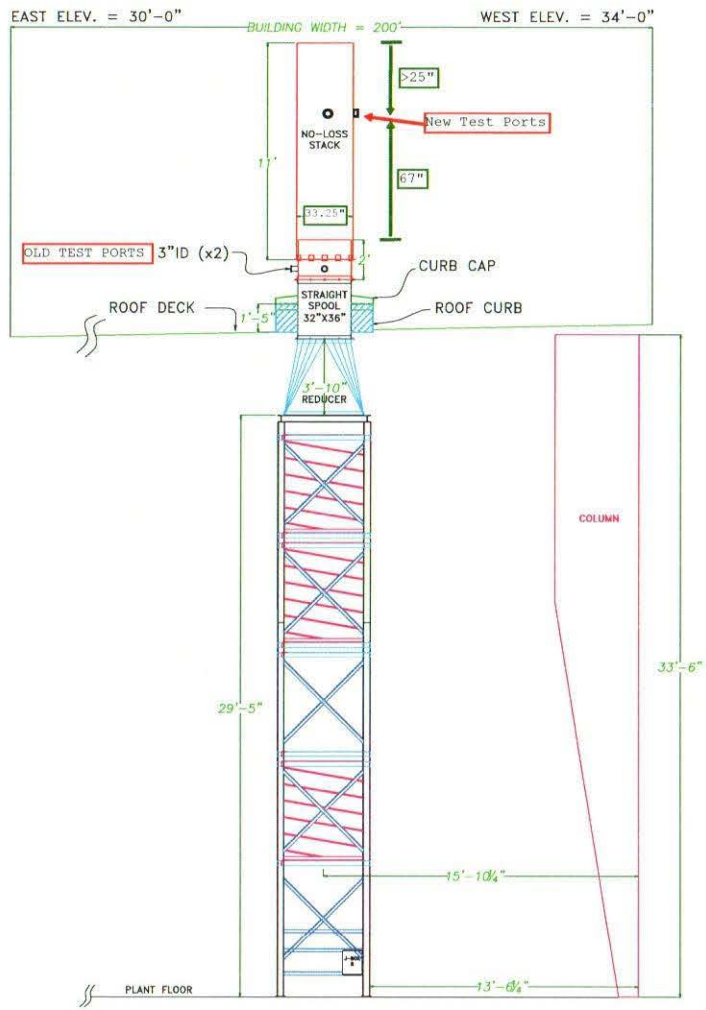
Test No. Furnace No. Test date Test period (24-hr clock)	1 6 12/11/23 855-1536	2 7 12/12/23 819-1454	3 8 12/13/23 806-1441	Three Test Average
Furnace Load Weights				
Load Weight (lb)	60,245	63,734	57,203	60,394
Exhaust Gas Composition				
CO_2 content (% vol)	0.27	0.32	0.33	0.31
O_2 content (% vol)	20.6	20.7	20.5	20.6
Moisture (% vol)	1.84	1.58	1.34	1.59
Exhaust gas flowrate (dscfm)	7,328	7,099	6,807	7,078
Exhaust gas flowrate (scfm)	7,206	6,991	6,722	6,973
Ammonia				
NH_3 conc. (ppmv)	22.0	21.3	27.7	23.7
NH_3 emissions (lb/hr)	0.42	0.44	0.49	0.45
Permitted emissions (lb/hr)				*0.72*
Nitrogen Oxides				
NO_x conc. (ppmvd)	66.0	52.9	44.4	54.4
NO_x emissions FNC gas phase (lb/cycle)	22.7	16.9	14.3	18.0
NO_x emissions total FNC cycle (lb/cycle)[1]	26.2	20.4	17.8	21.5
Permitted emissions (lb/cycle)	-	-	-	*32.3*

Notes for Table No. 6.1:

1. Calculated emission rate includes 3.5 lb/cycle from natural gas combustion as presented in approved test plan and Section 6.1.
2. Presented emission limit is for each FNC cycle for FGHEATTREAT.

APPENDIX 1

- Figure 1 – Sample Port Diagram



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