

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Montrose Air Quality Services, LLC (MAQS) was retained by Corteva Agriscience (Corteva) to conduct an evaluation of the Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) concentrations and emissions from the TTU-865 and TTU-870 exhaust stacks. The scrubber is located at the Corteva facility in Harbor Beach, Michigan. The evaluation consisted of triplicate approximately 60-minute test runs at each sampling location. US EPA Methods 1, 2, 3, 4, CTM-027 and 320 were utilized to perform the study.

EGL E has published a guidance document entitled "Format for Submittal of Source Emission Test Plans and Reports" (March 2018). The following is a summary of the emissions test plan in the format suggested by the EGL E test plan format guide.

### 1.a IDENTIFICATION, LOCATION, AND DATES OF TEST

Sampling and analysis for the emission test program was conducted on January 27-28, 2020 at the Corteva facility in Harbor Beach, Michigan. The test program included evaluation of NH<sub>3</sub> emissions from the TTU-865 and TU-870 exhaust stacks.

### 1.b PURPOSE OF TESTING

Permit No. ROP MI-ROP-B4942 and PTI 107-18A, issued by State of Michigan Division of Environmental Quality, governs this process.

The allowable NH<sub>3</sub> emission rate by permit is:

31 pounds per hour of ammonia from EUPROCESS pursuant to rule 201(1)(b).

### 1.c SOURCE DESCRIPTION

EU\_PROCESS process vent emissions are collected in a common header and routed to one of five thermal treatment units. Four of the units are catalytic thermal treatment units (TTUs). The fifth unit is a newly commissioned regenerative thermal oxidizer (RTO) installed under Permit 107-18A. The additional control device was installed to increase redundancy and to improve the reliability of the control system for EU\_PROCESS.

Prior to venting to the atmosphere, all associated fermentation, crystallization, and packaging process vents are sent to one of the five TTUs. The 4 catalytic units currently operate at a minimum firebox temperature of 650°F. The RTO operates at a minimum firebox temperature of 1,550°F.

The TTUs primary function is to control VOC. VOC may include MeOH, organic acids, and cyclical volatiles. Ammonia may also be present in process vents routed to the TTUs.

**1.d TEST PROGRAM CONTACT**

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**Table 1  
 Testing Personnel Summary**

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**2.0 SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

Sections 2.a through 2.d summarize the results of the emissions compliance test program.

**2.a OPERATING DATA**

Operating data monitored included the firebox temperature of each TTU. TTU-865 has a minimum firebox temperature of 650°F. The RTO operates at a minimum firebox temperature of 1,550°F.

## **2.b APPLICABLE PERMIT**

The applicable permit for this emissions test program is Permit No. ROP MI-ROP-B4942 and PTI 107-18A.

## **2.c RESULTS**

The overall results of the emission test program are summarized by Table 2 (see Section 5.a). Detailed results for each run can be found in Tables 3-4.

## **2.d EMISSION REGULATION COMPARISON**

The results summarized by Table 2 (section 5.a) shows that the NH3 emissions are below the limits summarized by section 1.b.

## **3.0 SOURCE DESCRIPTION**

Sections 3.a through 3.e provide a detailed description of the process.

### **3.a PROCESS DESCRIPTION**

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### **3.b RAW AND FINISHED MATERIALS**

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### **3.c PROCESS CAPACITY**

N/A

### **3.d PROCESS INSTRUMENTATION**

The Start and Stop times were recorded by Corteva personnel and the firebox temperatures are included in appendix F.

## 4.0 SAMPLING AND ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES

Sections 4.a through 4.d provide a summary of the sampling and analytical procedures used.

### 4.a SAMPLING TRAIN AND FIELD PROCEDURES

Measurement of exhaust gas velocity, molecular weight, and moisture content was conducted using the following reference test methods codified at Title 40, Part 60, Appendix A of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR 60, Appendix A):

- Method 1 - "Location of the Sampling Site and Sampling Points"
- Method 2 - "Determination of Stack Gas Velocity and Volumetric Flowrate"
- Method 3 - "Determination of Molecular Weight of Dry Stack Gas"
- Method 4 - "Determination of Moisture Content in Stack Gases"
- CTM-027 - "Procedure for Collection and Analysis of Ammonia in Stationary Sources"
- Method 320 - "Measurement of Vapor Phase Organic and Inorganic Emissions by Extractive Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR) Spectroscopy"

Stack gas velocity traverses were conducted in accordance with the procedures outlined in Methods 1 and 2. Figures 1 and 2 present the test port and traverse/sampling point locations used. A cyclonic flow evaluation was conducted at each sampling location. An S-type pitot tube and thermocouple assembly calibrated in accordance with Method 2, Section 4.1.1 was used to measure exhaust gas velocity pressures and temperatures during testing. Because the pitot tube dimensions outlined in Sections 2.6 through 2.8 were within the specified limits, the baseline pitot tube coefficient of 0.84 (dimensionless) was assigned for this testing.

Molecular weight determinations were conducted according to Method 3. The equipment used for this evaluation consisted of a one-way squeeze bulb with connecting tubing and a set of Fyrite® combustion gas analyzers. Moisture content was determined from the condensate collected in the CTM-027 sampling trains according to Method 4.

Conditional Test Method 027 (CTM-027) is a manual, isokinetic test method used to determine NH<sub>3</sub> emissions. This method is performed in conjunction with EPA Methods 1, 2, 3, and 4. The stack gas is sampled through a nozzle, an in-stack filter, probe and impinger train. A diagram of the CTM-027 train is included as figure 3. NH<sub>3</sub> is analyzed via ion chromatography and results are reported in emission concentrations and emission rate units.

A sampling train and pitot tube leak test was conducted before and after each test run. Upon completion of the final leak check for each test run, the impinger train was carefully disassembled. The liquid volume of each impinger was measured gravimetrically and any volume increase was noted on field sheets. The impinger catch solution was then transferred to a pre-cleaned sample container. Each impinger was then triple rinsed with deionized water (DI H<sub>2</sub>O), and the rinses added to a specific sample container. Each container was labeled with the test number, test location, test date and the level of liquid was marked on the outside of each container. The samples were then placed in a sealed cooler for storage. In addition, blank samples of the 0.1N H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and DI were collected. MAQS personnel shipped the samples to

Enthalpy Analytical Laboratories in Durham, North Carolina for analysis. All appropriate QA/QC measures were strictly adhered to. Results of the laboratory tests are included in Appendix D.

**4.b RECOVERY AND ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES**

Recovery and analytical procedures were described in Section 4.a.

**4.c SAMPLING PORTS**

Sampling ports are located on the stack and meet method 1 criteria.

**4.d TRAVERSE POINTS**

Sampling port and traverse point locations for TTU-865 and TTU-870 exhaust stacks are illustrated by Figures 1 and 2.

**5.0 TEST RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Sections 5.a through 5.k provide a summary of the test results.

**5.a RESULTS TABULATION**

The results of the emissions test program are summarized by Table 2.

**TABLE 2  
 Test Program NH3 Emission Rates Summary**

Unit	Emission Rate		Permit Limit	
	NH3 (lb/hr)	NH3 (PPMV, Dry)	NH3 (lb/hr)	NH3(PPMV, Dry)
TTU-865	0.003	0.1	31	
TTU-870	0.138	1.9	31	

Detailed data for each test run can be found in Tables 3-4.

**5.b DISCUSSION OF RESULTS**

Emission limitations for Permit No. MI-ROP-B4942 and PTI 107-18A are summarized by section 1b. The results of the emissions test program are summarized by Table 2 (see section 5.a). Detailed results for each run are summarized by Tables 3-4.

USEPA Method 320 was performed onsite during testing of TTU-870 for comparison purposes with the CTM-027 sampling train. The FTIR was run from approximately 11:00-17:20, and yielded an average of 1.9 ppmv wet. The CTM-027 sampling train was run from approximately 13:00-17:20, and yielded an average of 1.9 ppmv dry. The FTIR average moisture for the

duration of the sample was 3.19 percent. The FTIR average was then corrected to ppmv dry using the following equation:

$$\frac{1.9 \text{ ppmv wet}}{1 - 0.0319} = 1.96 \text{ ppmv dry}$$

The results of the FTIR are within 3% of the CTM-027. The FTIR was again used on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as an investigation of the higher than anticipated ammonia results for both TTU-865 and TTU-870 from the testing performed on October 22-23, 2019 during the PAI MACT test program. After completion of testing on TTU-865, the FTIR was used to sample on TTU-870 while simulating process scenarios that were anticipated to have caused the higher than normal readings from the October test program.

Test results from the October testing showed an average NH3 result of 0.48 pounds per hour per CTM-027. The Results from the testing performed on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 showed an average NH3 result of 0.14 pounds per hour per CTM-027. FTIR Data was calculated during the investigation testing and showed an average NH3 result of 0.19 pounds per hour. A detailed FTIR report is included in this report as Appendix E.

#### **5.c SAMPLING PROCEDURE VARIATIONS**

There were no sampling procedure variations during the test program.

#### **5.d PROCESS OR CONTROL DEVICE UPSETS**

No upset conditions occurred during testing.

#### **5.e CONTROL DEVICE MAINTENANCE**

No maintenance was performed during the test program.

#### **5.f AUDIT SAMPLE ANALYSIS**

There was no audit sample during the test program.

#### **5.g CALIBRATION SHEETS**

Relevant equipment calibration documents are provided as Appendix B.

#### **5.h SAMPLE CALCULATIONS**

Sample Calculations are provided in Appendix C.

#### **5.i FIELD DATA SHEETS**

Field documents relevant to the emissions test program are presented in Appendix A.

**5.j LABORATORY DATA**

Laboratory results are presented in Appendix D.

**Tables**

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**Table 3  
NH3 Emission Rates**

<b>Company</b>	<b>Corteva</b>			
<b>Source Designation</b>	<b>TTU 865</b>			
<b>Test Date</b>	<b>1/28/2020</b>	<b>1/28/2020</b>	<b>1/28/2020</b>	
<b>Meter/Nozzle Information</b>				
	P-1	P-2	P-3	Average
Meter Temperature Tm (F)	64.6	66.5	68.6	66.6
Meter Pressure - Pm (in. Hg)	29.5	29.5	29.5	29.5
Measured Sample Volume (Vm)	54.3	52.5	53.9	53.6
Sample Volume (Vm-Std ft3)	54.6	52.5	53.7	53.6
Sample Volume (Vm-Std m3)	1.55	1.49	1.52	1.52
Condensate Volume (Vw-std)	2.452	2.310	2.923	2.562
Gas Density (Ps(std) lbs/ft3) (wet)	0.0740	0.0740	0.0738	0.0739
Gas Density (Ps(std) lbs/ft3) (dry)	0.0752	0.0752	0.0752	0.0752
Total weight of sampled gas (m g lbs) (wet)	4.22	4.06	4.18	4.15
Total weight of sampled gas (m g lbs) (dry)	4.11	3.95	4.04	4.03
Nozzle Size - An (sq. ft.)	0.000504	0.000491	0.000504	0.000500
Isokinetic Variation - I	98.0	99.1	99.9	99.0
<b>Stack Data</b>				
Average Stack Temperature - Ts (F)	289.1	305.3	309.0	301.1
Molecular Weight Stack Gas- dry (Md)	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1
Molecular Weight Stack Gas-wet (Ms)	28.6	28.6	28.5	28.6
Stack Gas Specific Gravity (Gs)	0.989	0.989	0.985	0.988
Percent Moisture (Bws)	4.30	4.21	5.16	4.56
Water Vapor Volume (fraction)	0.0430	0.0421	0.0516	0.0456
Pressure - Ps ("Hg)	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3
Average Stack Velocity -Vs (ft/sec)	43.5	43.4	43.5	43.4
Area of Stack (ft2)	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6
<b>Exhaust Gas Flowrate</b>				
Flowrate ft <sup>3</sup> (Actual)	32,768	32,681	32,768	32,739
Flowrate ft <sup>3</sup> (Standard Wet)	22,649	22,113	22,064	22,276
Flowrate ft <sup>3</sup> (Standard Dry)	21,676	21,181	20,924	21,260
Flowrate m <sup>3</sup> (standard dry)	614	600	593	602
<b>Total Ammonia Weight (ug)</b>				
Total	70	72	28	57
<b>Total Ammonia Concentration</b>				
lb/1000 lb (wet)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
lb/1000 lb (dry)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
mg/dscm (dry)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PPM (dry)	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
<b>Total Ammonia Emission Rate</b>				
lb/ hr	0.004	0.004	0.001	0.003

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**Table 4  
NH3 Emission Rates**

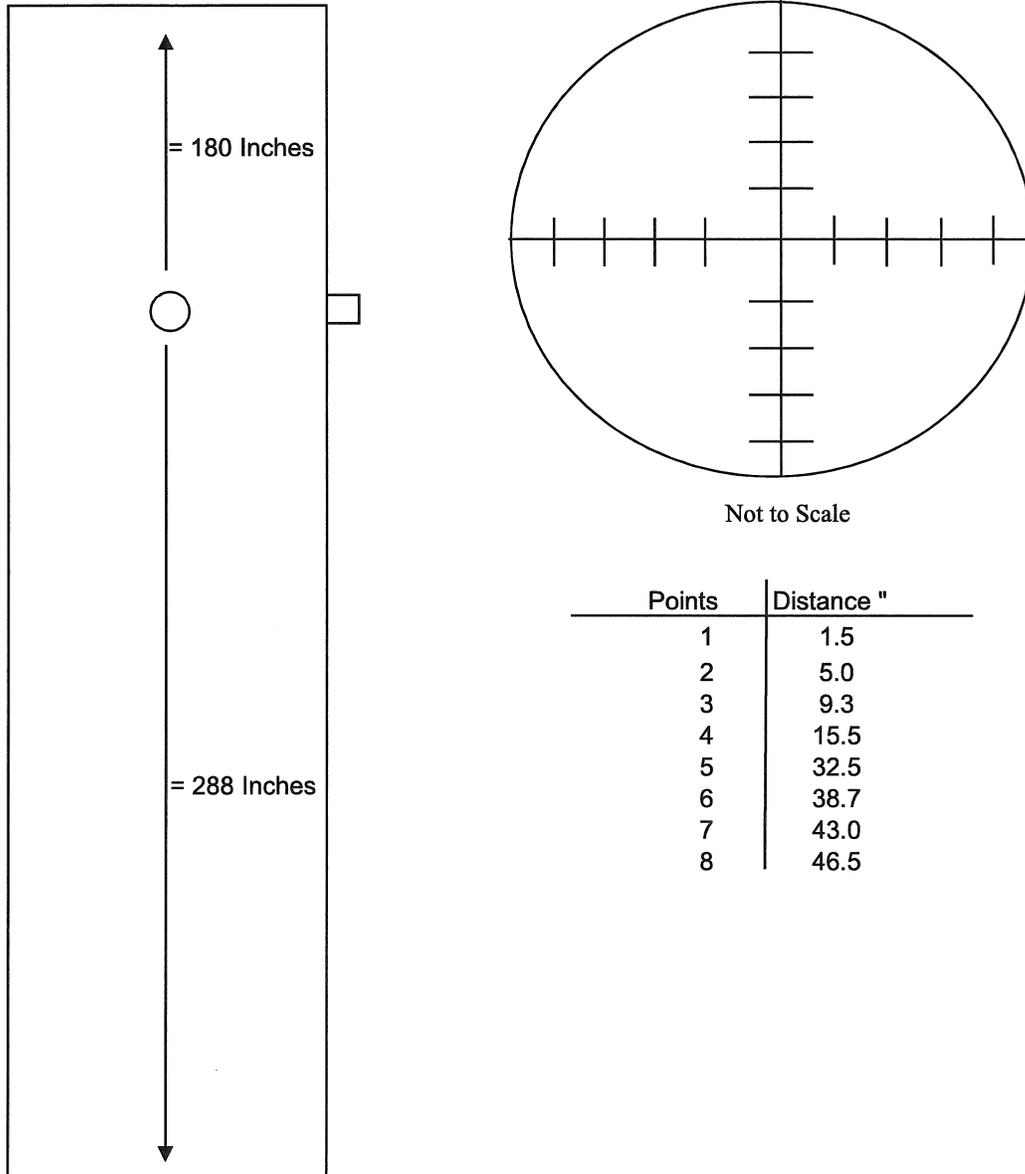
<b>Company</b>	<b>Corteva</b>			
<b>Source Designation</b>	<b>TTU 870</b>			
<b>Test Date</b>	<b>1/27/2020</b>	<b>1/27/2020</b>	<b>1/27/2020</b>	
<b>Meter/Nozzle Information</b>				
	P-1	P-2	P-3	Average
Meter Temperature Tm (F)	73.3	73.6	74.0	73.6
Meter Pressure - Pm (in. Hg)	29.4	29.4	29.4	29.4
Measured Sample Volume (Vm)	43.9	44.9	43.8	44.2
Sample Volume (Vm-Std ft3)	43.2	44.2	43.0	43.4
Sample Volume (Vm-Std m3)	1.22	1.25	1.22	1.23
Condensate Volume (Vw-std)	1.415	1.603	1.745	1.587
Gas Density (Ps(std) lbs/ft3) (wet)	0.0742	0.0741	0.0739	0.0741
Gas Density (Ps(std) lbs/ft3) (dry)	0.0751	0.0751	0.0751	0.0751
Total weight of sampled gas (m g lbs) (wet)	3.31	3.39	3.31	3.34
Total weight of sampled gas (m g lbs) (dry)	3.24	3.31	3.23	3.26
Nozzle Size - An (sq. ft.)	0.000491	0.000504	0.000491	0.000495
Isokinetic Variation - I	99.5	100.2	101.1	100.3
<b>Stack Data</b>				
Average Stack Temperature - Ts (F)	153.3	151.0	150.8	151.7
Molecular Weight Stack Gas- dry (Md)	29.0	29.0	29.0	29.0
Molecular Weight Stack Gas-wet (Ms)	28.7	28.7	28.6	28.6
Stack Gas Specific Gravity (Gs)	0.990	0.989	0.988	0.989
Percent Moisture (Bws)	3.28	3.50	3.90	3.56
Water Vapor Volume (fraction)	0.0317	0.0350	0.0390	0.0352
Pressure - Ps ("Hg)	29.3	29.3	29.3	29.3
Average Stack Velocity - Vs (ft/sec)	28.9	28.6	28.4	28.7
Area of Stack (ft2)	19.4	19.4	19.4	19.4
<b>Exhaust Gas Flowrate</b>				
Flowrate ft <sup>3</sup> (Actual)	33,621	33,241	33,071	33,311
Flowrate ft <sup>3</sup> (Standard Wet)	28,308	28,096	27,960	28,121
Flowrate ft <sup>3</sup> (Standard Dry)	27,380	27,112	26,870	27,121
Flowrate m <sup>3</sup> (standard dry)	775	768	761	768
<b>Total Ammonia Weight (ug)</b>				
Total	1,275	1,778	1,940	1,664
<b>Total Ammonia Concentration</b>				
lb/1000 lb (wet)	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001
lb/1000 lb (dry)	0.001	0.001	0.001	0.001
mg/dscm (dry)	1.0	1.4	1.6	1.4
PPM (dry)	1.5	2.0	2.3	1.9
<b>Total Ammonia Emission Rate</b>				
lb/ hr	0.107	0.145	0.161	0.138

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# Figures

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diameter = 48



Points	Distance "
1	1.5
2	5.0
3	9.3
4	15.5
5	32.5
6	38.7
7	43.0
8	46.5

**Figure 1**

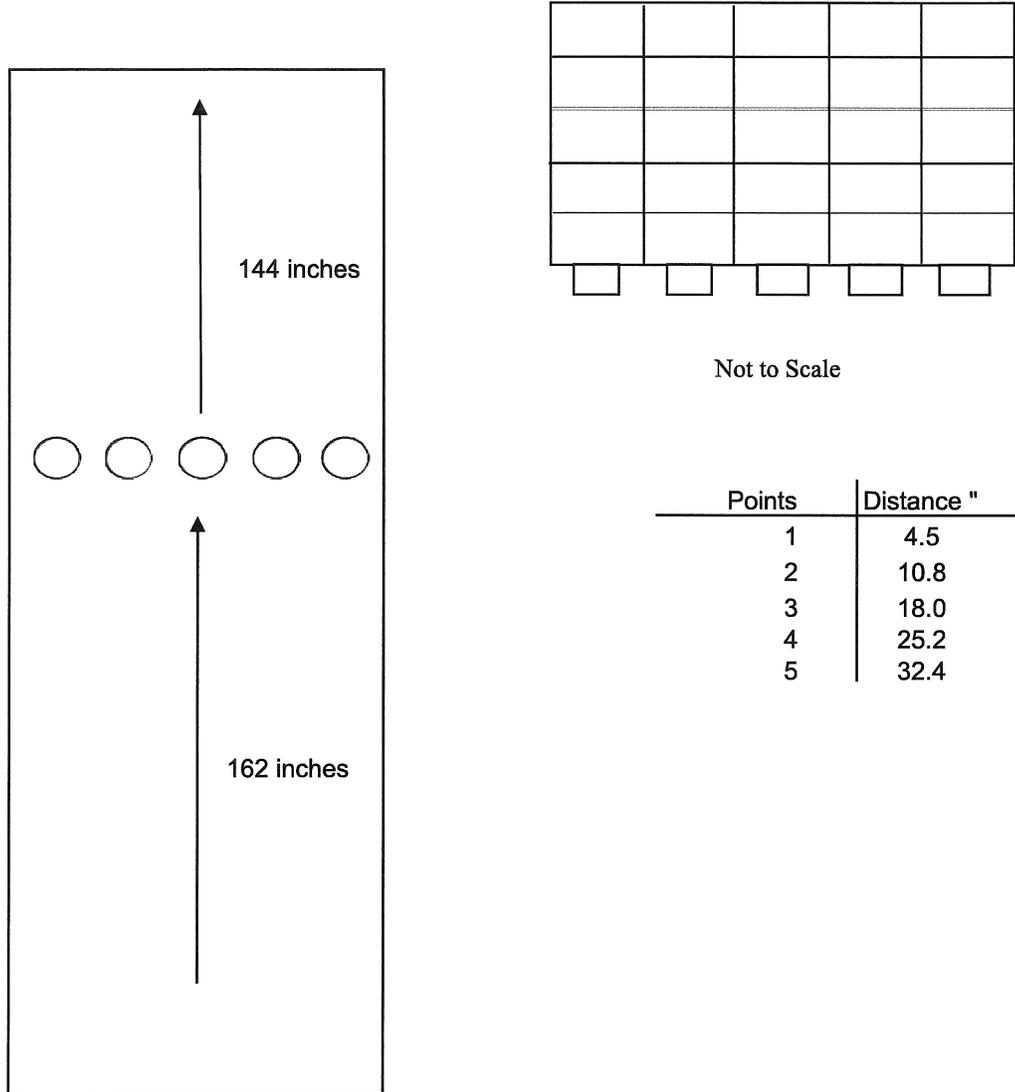
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TTU-865 Exhaust  
Cortiva Agriscience  
Harbor Beach, Michigan

**Sampling Dates:**  
January 28, 2020

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Stack Dimensions: 36 x 77.5



Points	Distance "
1	4.5
2	10.8
3	18.0
4	25.2
5	32.4

**Figure 2**

**Site:**  
TTU-870 Exhaust  
Cortiva Agriscience  
Harbor Beach, Michigan

**Sampling Date:**  
January 27, 2020

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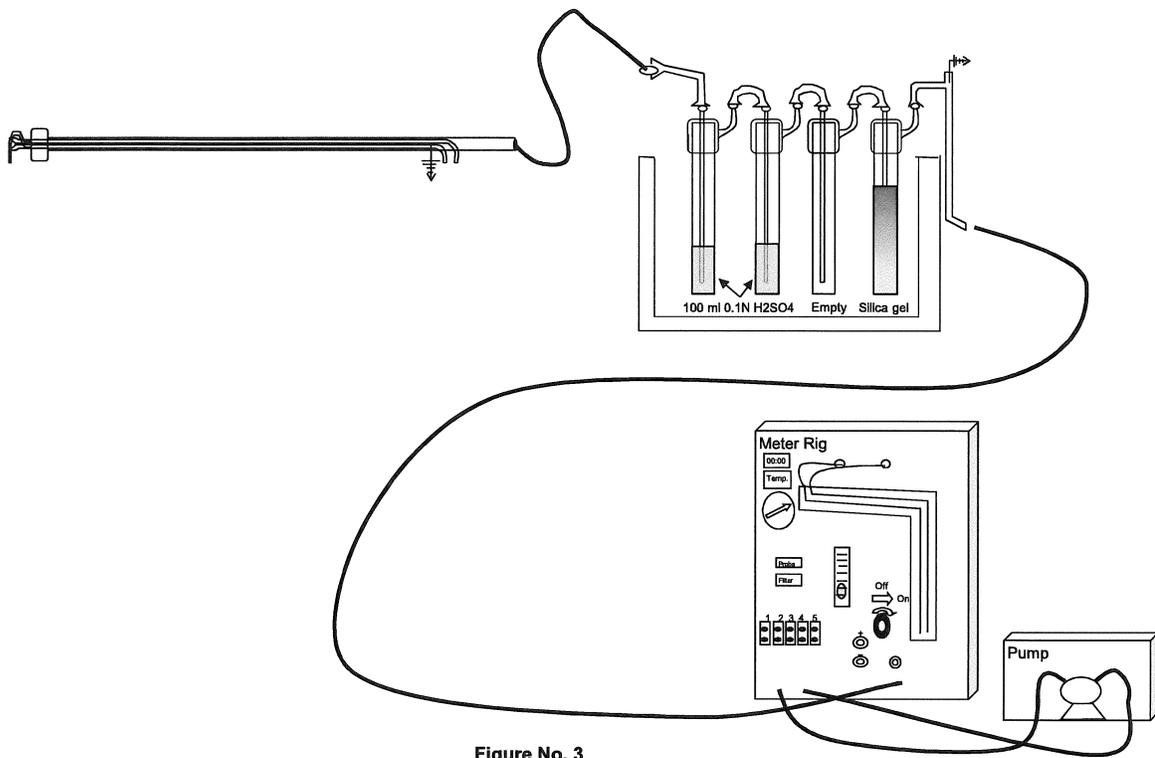


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Site:  
USEPA CTM 027  
Corteva Agriscience  
Harbor Beach, Michigan

Sampling Date:  
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