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TRAINING COURSE:  
VOLUME II  
PRESENTATION SLIDES**

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### NOTICE

This training course is intended to provide the operator with a basic understanding of the principles of incineration and air pollution control. This training course is not a substitute for site-specific hands-on training of the operator with the specific equipment to be operated.

## DISCLAIMER

This document generally describes the proper operation of a hospital waste incinerator. It is based on EPA's review and assessment of various scientific and technical sources. The EPA does not represent that this document comprehensively sets forth procedures for incinerator operation, or that it describes applicable legal requirements, which vary according to an incinerator's location. Proper operation of an incinerator is the responsibility of the owner and operator.

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## PREFACE

The program for development of a training course for operators of hospital medical waste incinerators was funded as a project of EPA's Control Technology Center (CTC).

The CTC was established by EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) and Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) to provide technical assistance to State and local air pollution control agencies. Three levels of assistance can be accessed through the CTC. First, a CTC HOTLINE has been established to provide telephone assistance on matters relating to air pollution control technology. Second, more in-depth engineering assistance can be provided when appropriate. Third, the CTC can provide technical guidance through publication of technical guidance documents, development of personal computer software, and presentation of workshops on control technology matters. The technical guidance projects, such as this one to develop training materials for hospital waste incinerator operators, focus on topics of national or regional interest that are identified through contact with State and local agencies.

The CTC became interested in developing a basic training course for operators of hospital waste incinerators with the idea that properly trained operators can improve operating and maintenance procedures and, consequently, minimize air emissions. This training course was prepared to provide the operator with a basic understanding of the principles of incineration and air pollution control and to identify, in a general sense, good operating practices. The course is not intended as a substitute for site-specific hands-on training of the operator with the specific equipment to be operated.

The course consists of three volumes:

Volume I--Student Handbook

Volume II--Course Presentation Slides

Volume III--Instructor Handbook

This volume contains the classroom materials including a copy of the presentation slides and student worksheets. A copy of the presentation slides is provided in Part I so that you can easily follow along during the class. You may want to make notes on the slides to remind yourself later of important points brought up by the instructor or other students. Several worksheets also are included in Part II. Your instructor will allow time for you to complete these worksheets during class.



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## **PART I. SLIDE PRESENTATION**

This section presents the slides and worksheets which will be used during the classroom portion of the course. The slides are organized by session. The slides presented here will be supplemented with actual photographs (which are not presented in this hand-out) during the presentation. Some drawings have been taken from other documents; the sources for these drawings are listed at the end of this part.

## COURSE GOALS

TO PROVIDE YOU WITH AN UNDERSTANDING OF:

- BASIC PRINCIPLES OF INCINERATION
- PROPER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PRACTICES
- REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS AND SAFETY CONCERNS

UPON COMPLETING THIS COURSE YOU SHOULD:

- UNDERSTAND AIR POLLUTION PROBLEMS AND HOW TO MINIMIZE THEM
- UNDERSTAND THE CAUSE OF COMMON OPERATING PROBLEMS AND SAFETY HAZARDS AND HOW TO MINIMIZE THEM
- KNOW HOW TO MONITOR OPERATION TO AID IN COMPLYING WITH REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

## **SESSION 1.**

### **PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT - YOUR RESPONSIBILITY**

SLIDE 1-1

WHY INCINERATE?

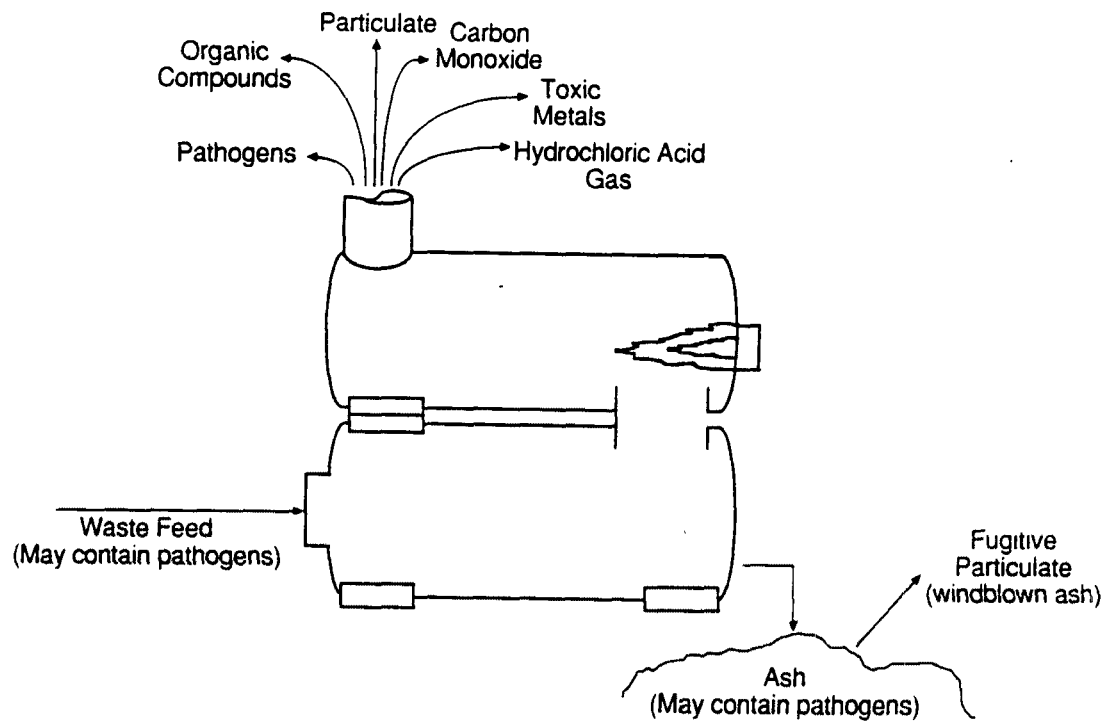
- REDUCES WEIGHT AND VOLUME OF WASTE
- STERILIZES THE WASTE
- DESTROYS ORGANIC MATERIALS THAT MAY DEGRADE AND PRODUCE HARMFUL BY-PRODUCTS IN LANDFILLS
- AESTHETIC REASONS--DESTROYS WASTES SUCH AS BODY PARTS THAT PUBLIC FINDS OBJECTIONABLE

SLIDE 1-2

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS

- PATHOGEN DESTRUCTION
- AIR EMISSIONS
- ASH QUALITY

## SLIDE 1-3



## ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS

SLIDE 1-4

### THE OPERATOR--YOUR ROLE

IT IS YOUR ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT BY:

- MINIMIZING POLLUTANT EMISSIONS THROUGH PROPER OPERATION
- MAINTAINING ACCEPTABLE ASH QUALITY THROUGH PROPER OPERATION
- PREVENTING PARTICULATE EMISSIONS FROM ASH HANDLING AND STORAGE.
- IDENTIFYING MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS BY PERFORMING REGULAR INSPECTIONS

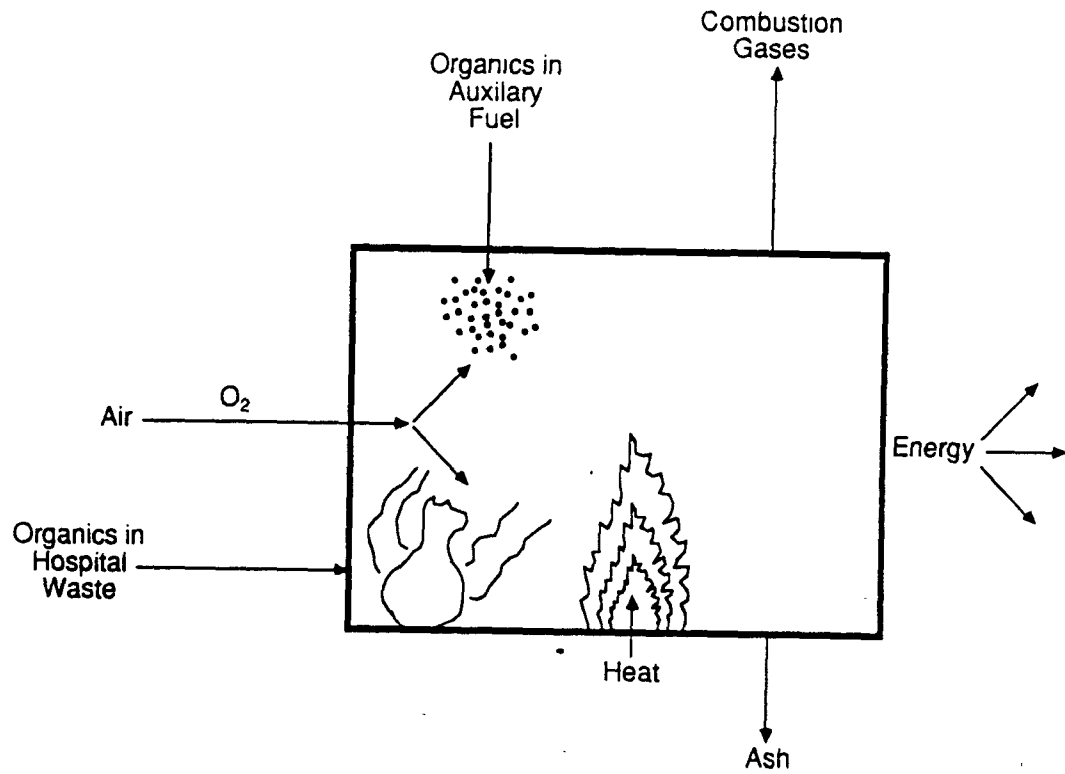




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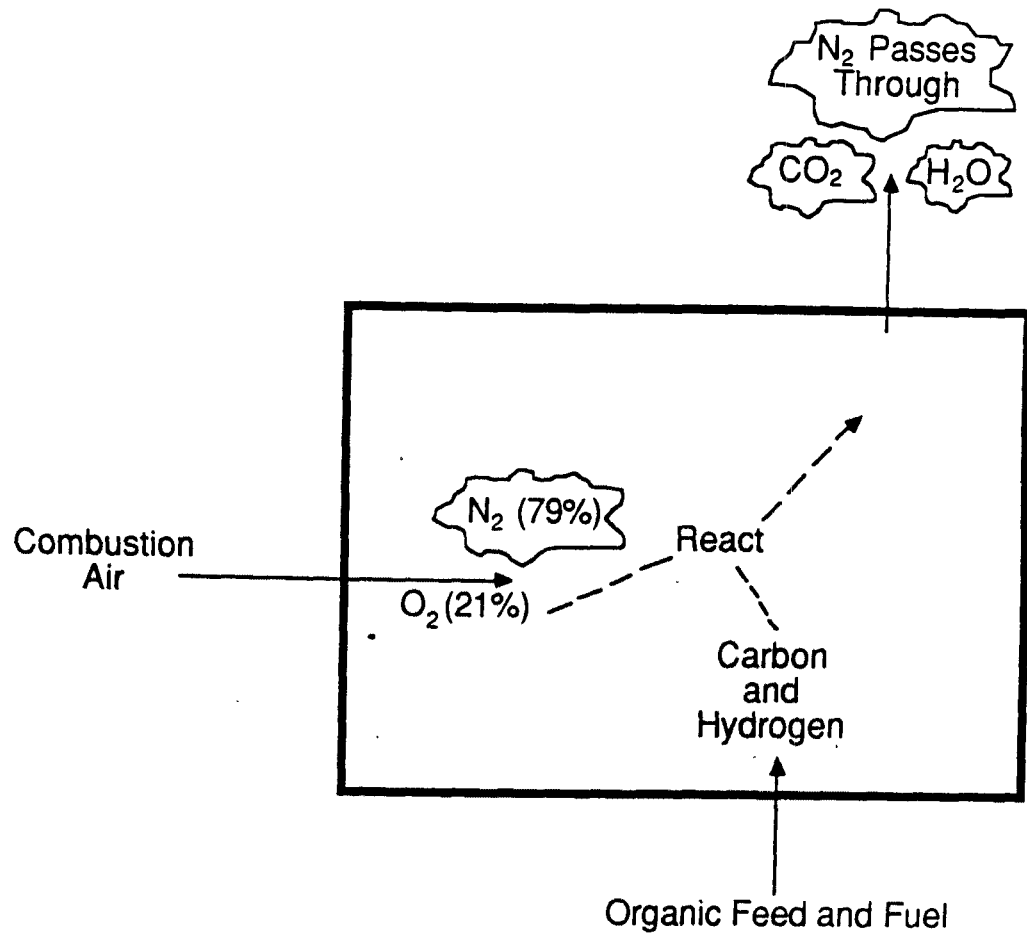
### **BASIC COMBUSTION PRINCIPLES**

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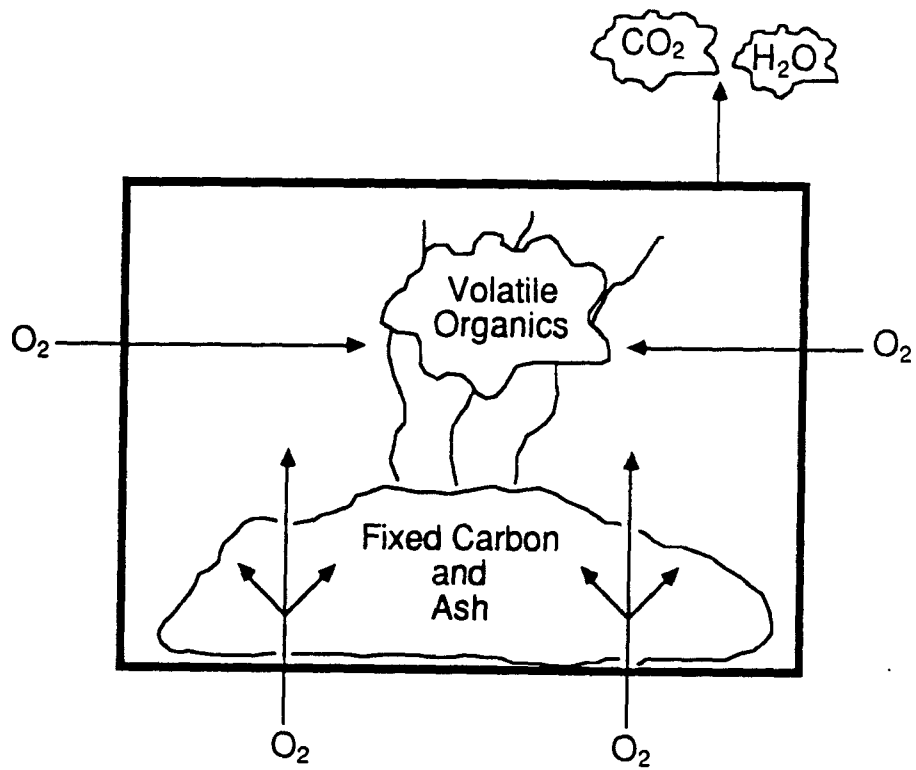
THE COMBUSTION PROCESS

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FATE OF COMBUSTION AIR

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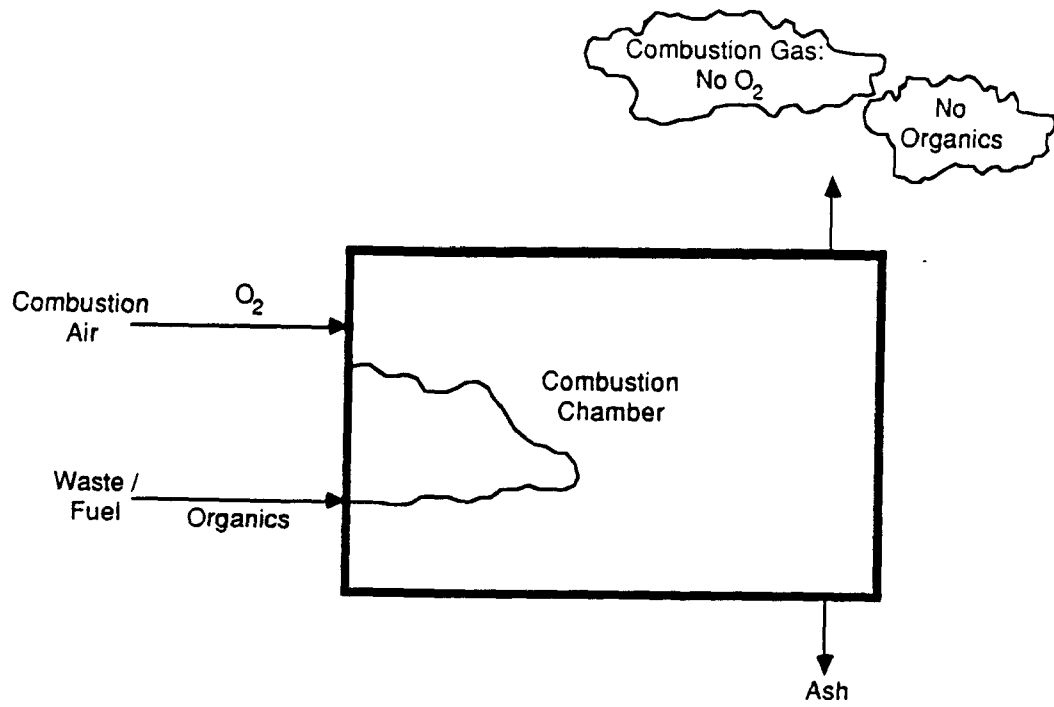
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OPERATING FACTORS RELATED TO COMBUSTION

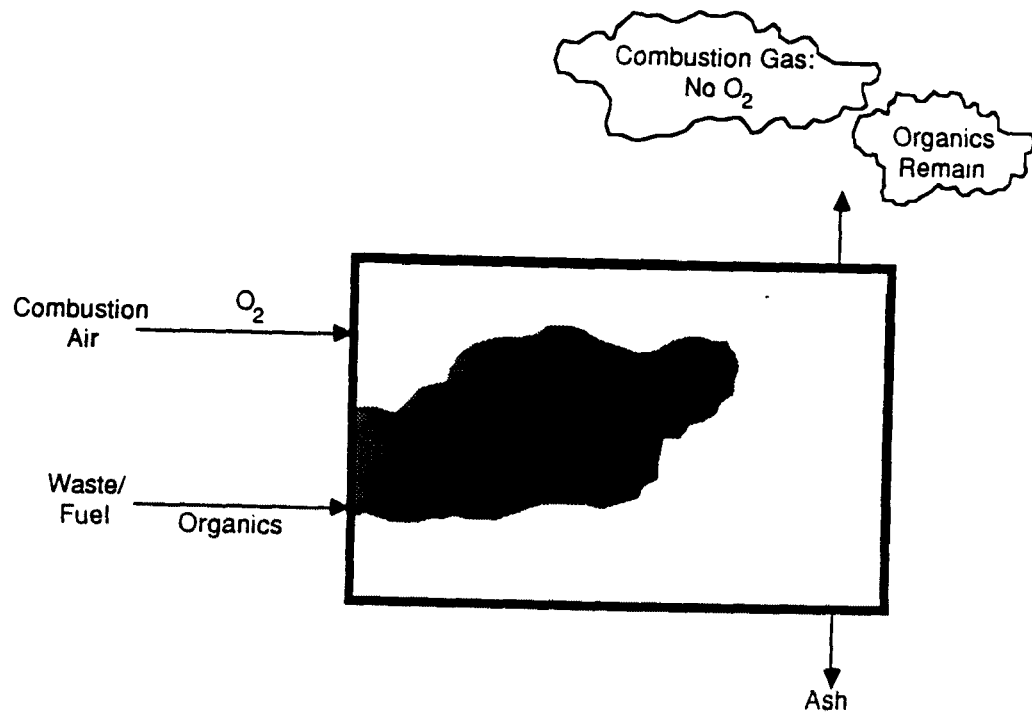
- COMBUSTION AIR
  - FLOW RATE
  - DISTRIBUTION
- OPERATING TEMPERATURES
- WASTE FEED CHARACTERISTICS

SLIDE 2-5



STOICHIOMETRIC AIR LEVEL

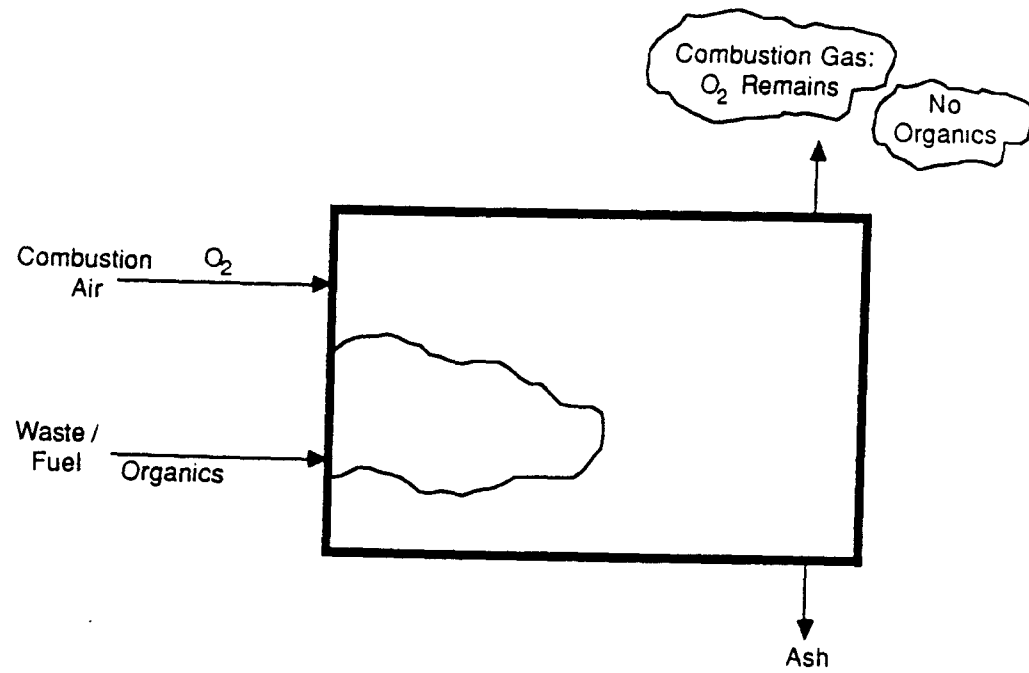
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AIR LEVEL BELOW STOICHIOMETRIC  
"STARVED-AIR"

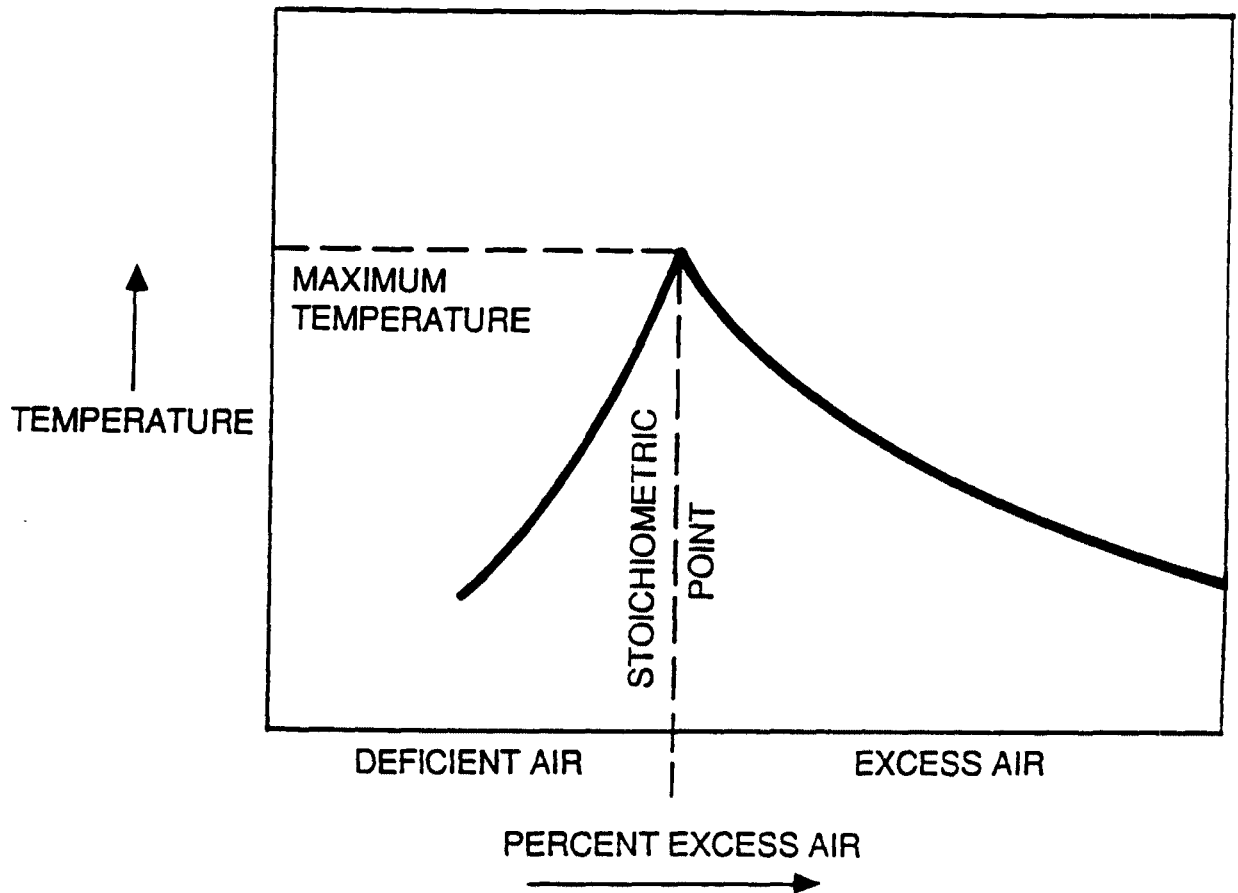


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AIR LEVEL ABOVE STOICHIOMETRIC  
"EXCESS AIR"

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CONTROL OF TEMPERATURE AS A FUNCTION OF EXCESS AIR<sup>1</sup>

SLIDE 2-9

HOSPITAL WASTE CHARACTERISTICS

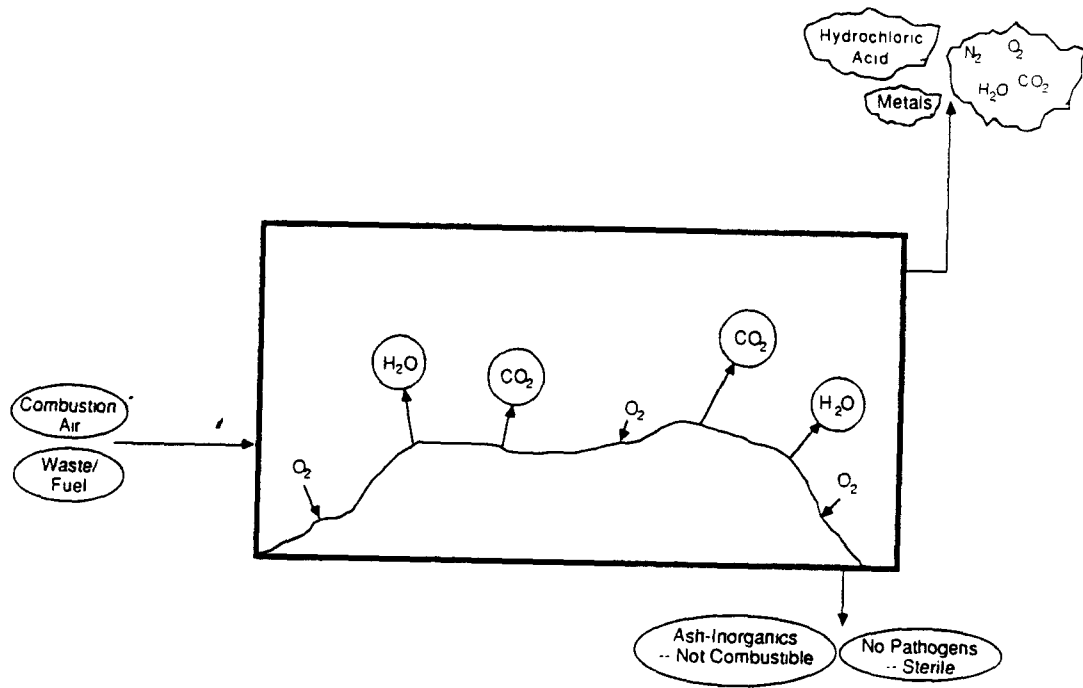
WASTE TYPE	HIGH HEAT VALUE, BTU/LB	MOISTURE, %	HEAT VALUE AS-FIRED, BTU/LB
GAUZE, PADS, SWABS, GARMENTS, PAPER	8,000-12,000	0-30	5,600-12,000
PLASTICS	9,700-20,000	0-1	9,600-20,000
HUMAN ANATOMICAL	8,000-12,000	70-90	800-3,600

SLIDE 2-10

KEY OPERATING PARAMETERS

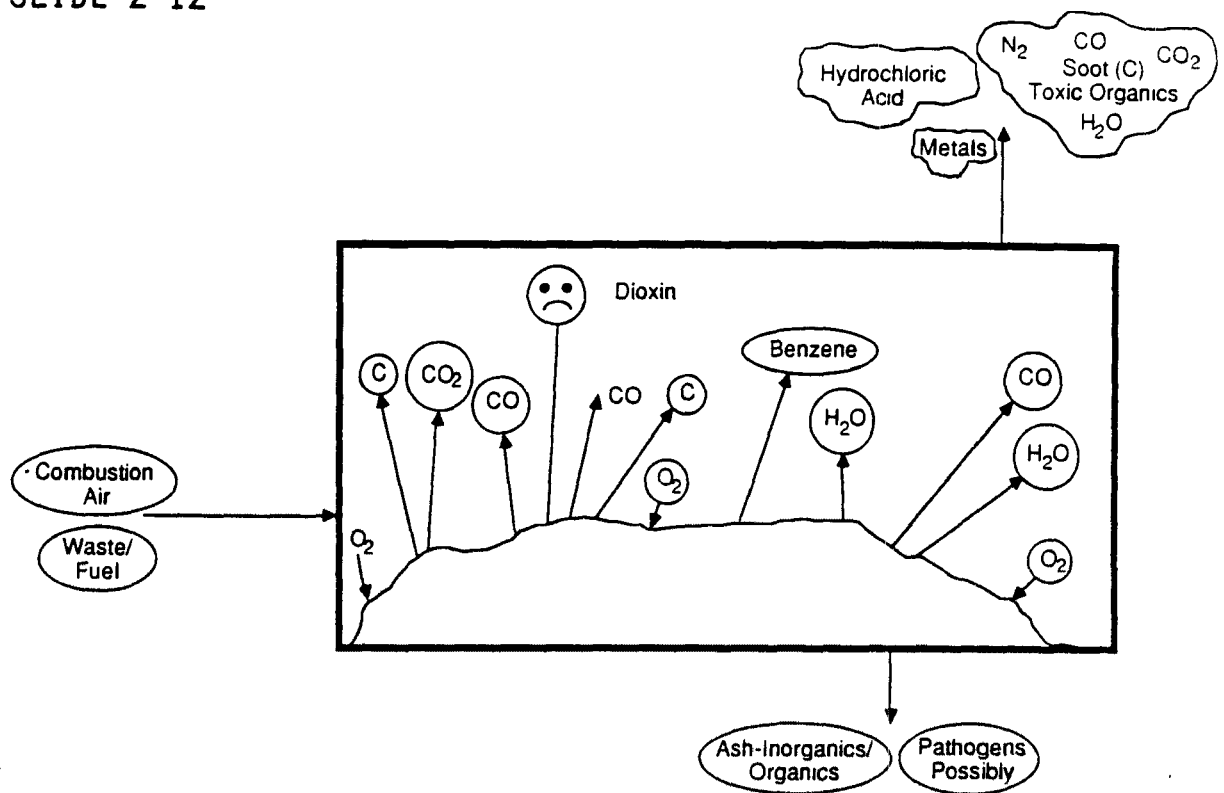
- COMBUSTION AIR
- MIXING
- TEMPERATURE
- RESIDENCE TIME/RETENTION TIME
- WASTE CHARACTERISTICS
  - HEATING VALUE
  - MOISTURE CONTENT
  - CHLORINE CONTENT

SLIDE 2-11



COMPLETE COMBUSTION

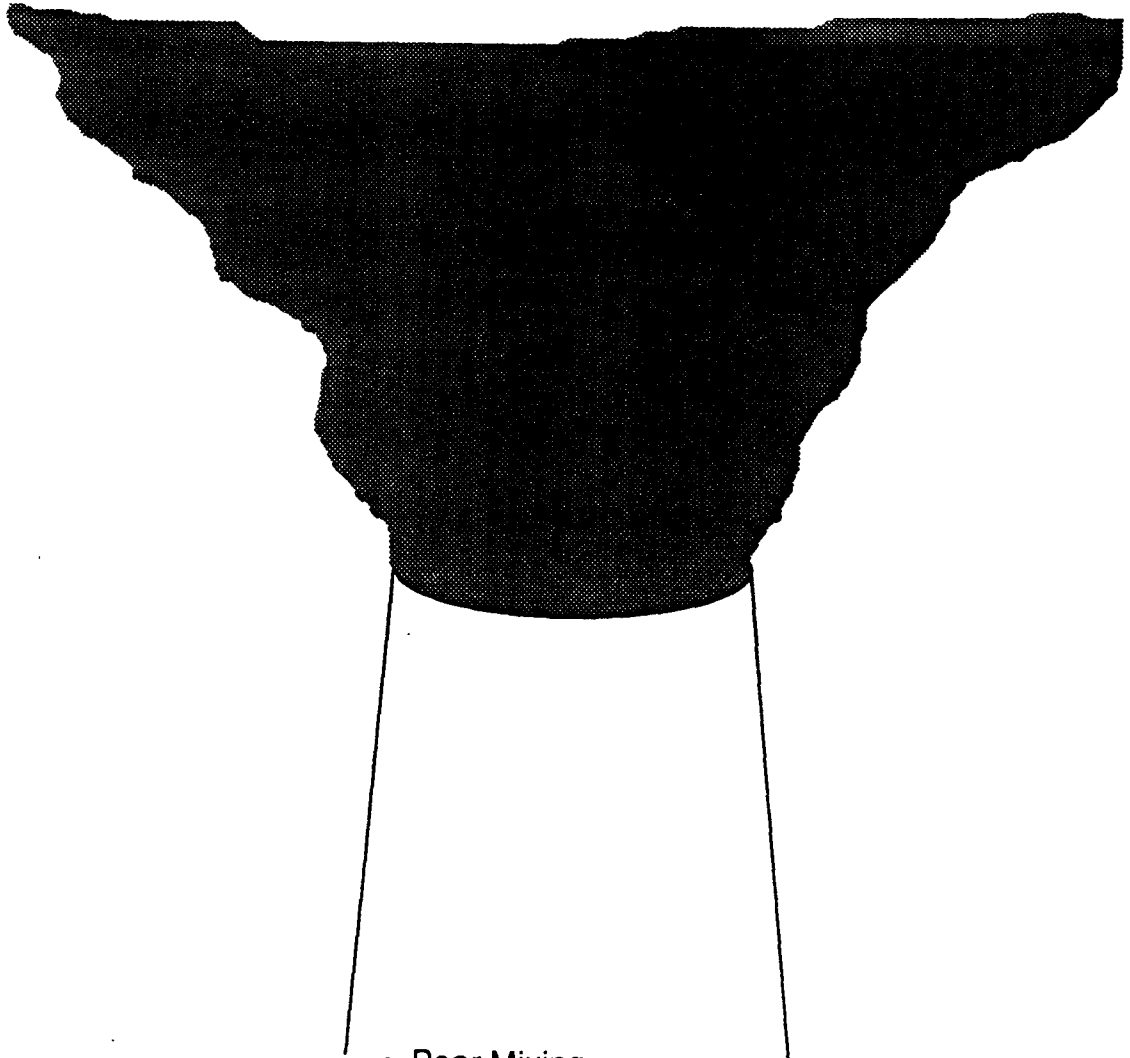
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INCOMPLETE COMBUSTION

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## OPACITY



- Poor Mixing
- Starved-Air Conditions
- Low Temperatures
- Acid Gases

SLIDE 2-14

STACK GAS O<sub>2</sub> AND CO

- Low O<sub>2</sub>  
-- INSUFFICIENT AIR
- High O<sub>2</sub>  
-- TOO MUCH EXCESS AIR COOLS GAS
- HIGH CO MEANS POOR COMBUSTION



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ASH QUALITY

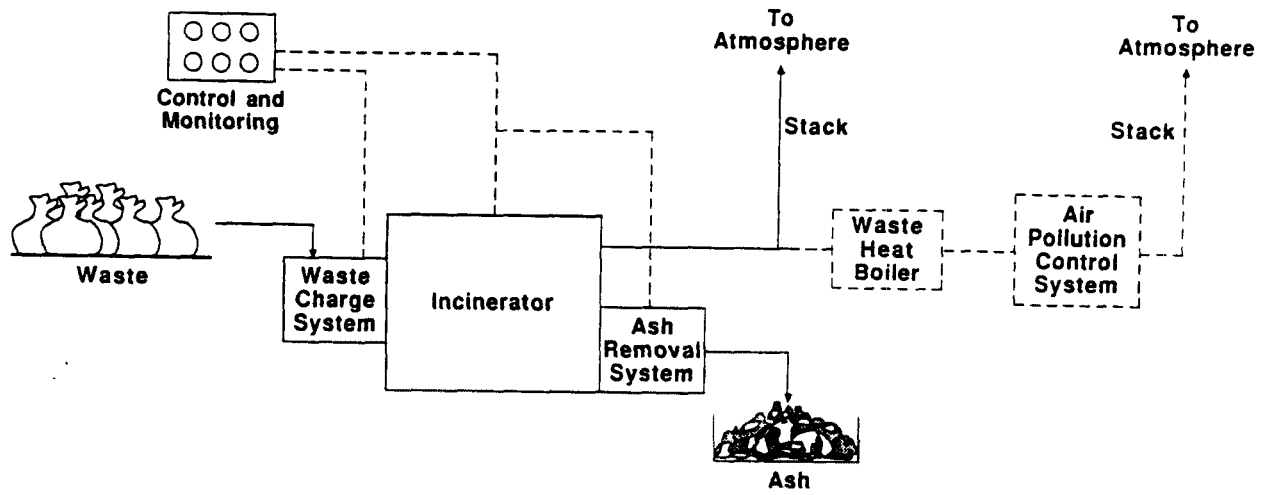
- VISUAL APPEARANCE
- NO RECOGNIZABLE MEDICAL WASTES
- BURNOUT--CARBON REMAINING  
-- WHITISH GRAY VS BLACK



## **SESSION 3.**

### **BASIC INCINERATOR DESIGN**

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MAJOR COMPONENTS OF AN INCINERATION SYSTEM

SLIDE 3-2

INCINERATOR TYPES

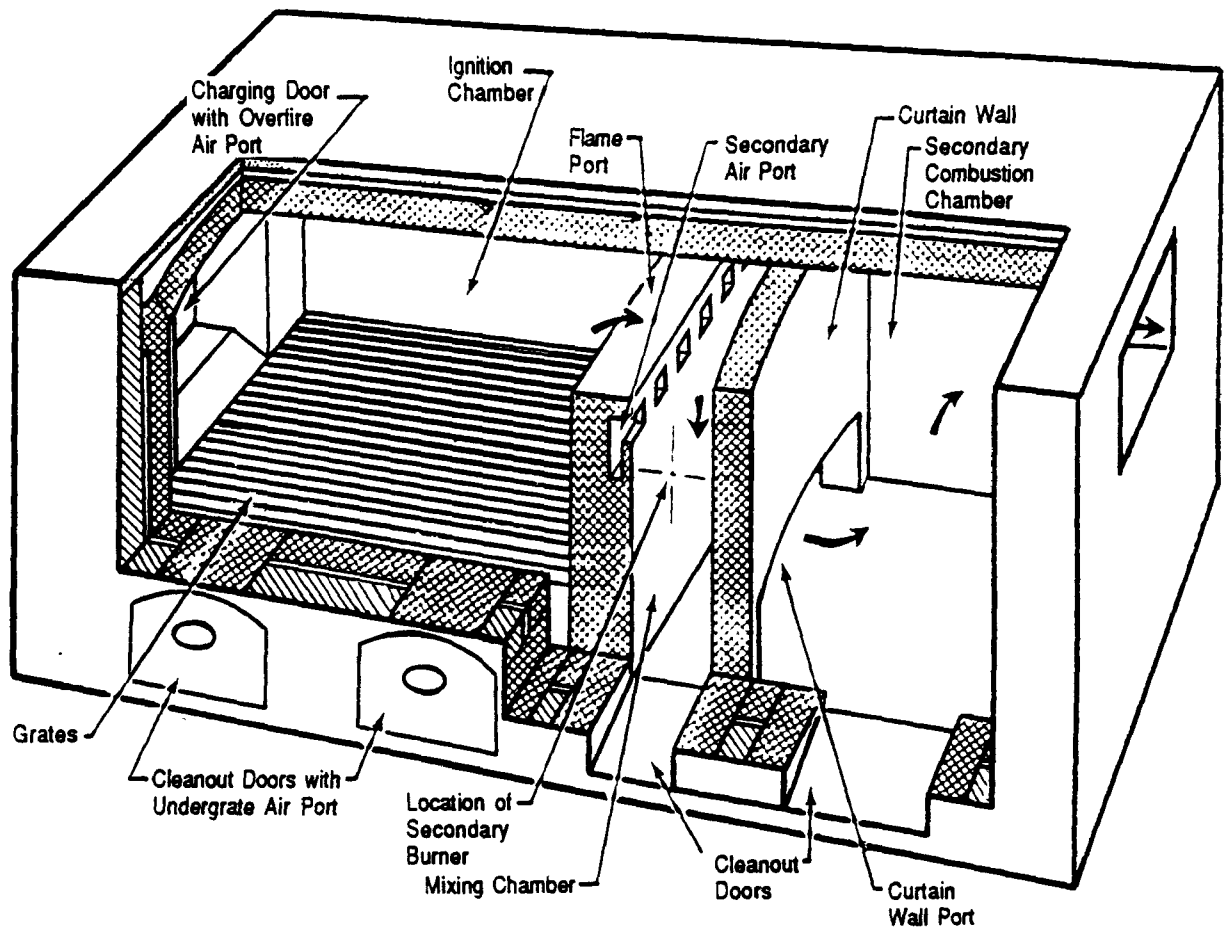
- MULTIPLE CHAMBER--EXCESS AIR
- CONTROLLED (STARVED) AIR
- ROTARY KILN

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MULTIPLE-CHAMBER INCINERATORS

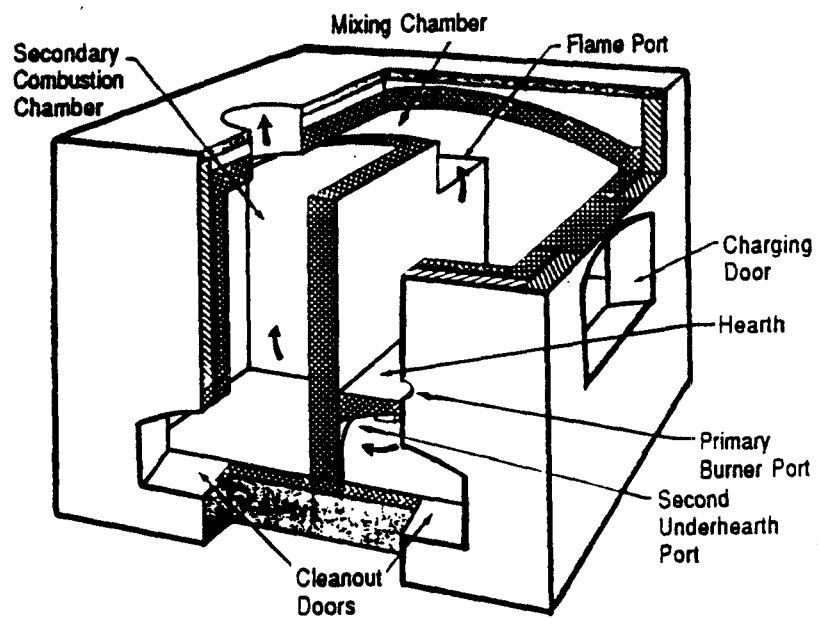
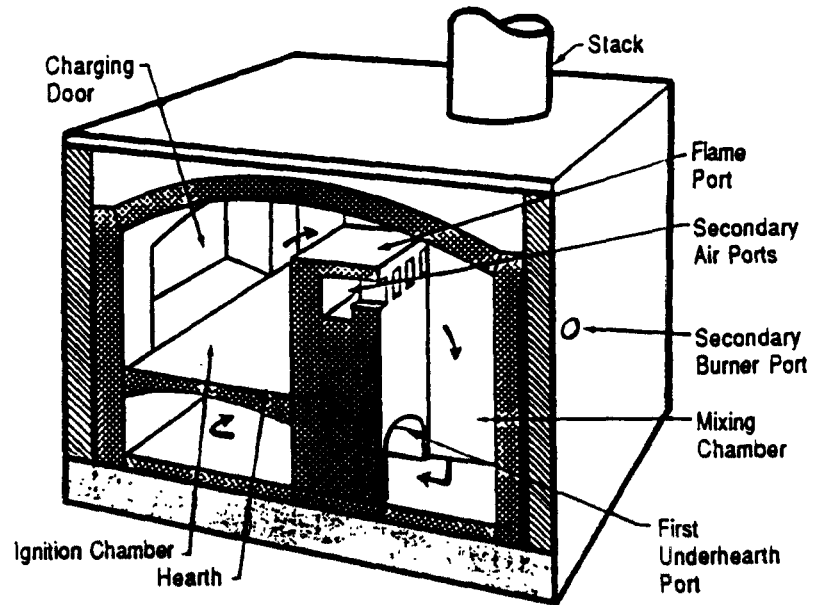
- COMBUSTION OCCURS IN TWO OR MORE CHAMBERS
- PRIMARY AND SECONDARY CHAMBER OPERATE WITH AIR LEVELS ABOVE STOICHIOMETRIC
- PRIMARILY USE OVERFIRE COMBUSTION AIR
- IN-LINE AND RETORT DESIGNS

SLIDE 3-4



IN-LINE MULTIPLE-CHAMBER, EXCESS-AIR INCINERATOR<sup>1</sup>

SLIDE 3-5



RETORT MULTIPLE-CHAMBER, EXCESS-AIR INCINERATOR <sup>1</sup>

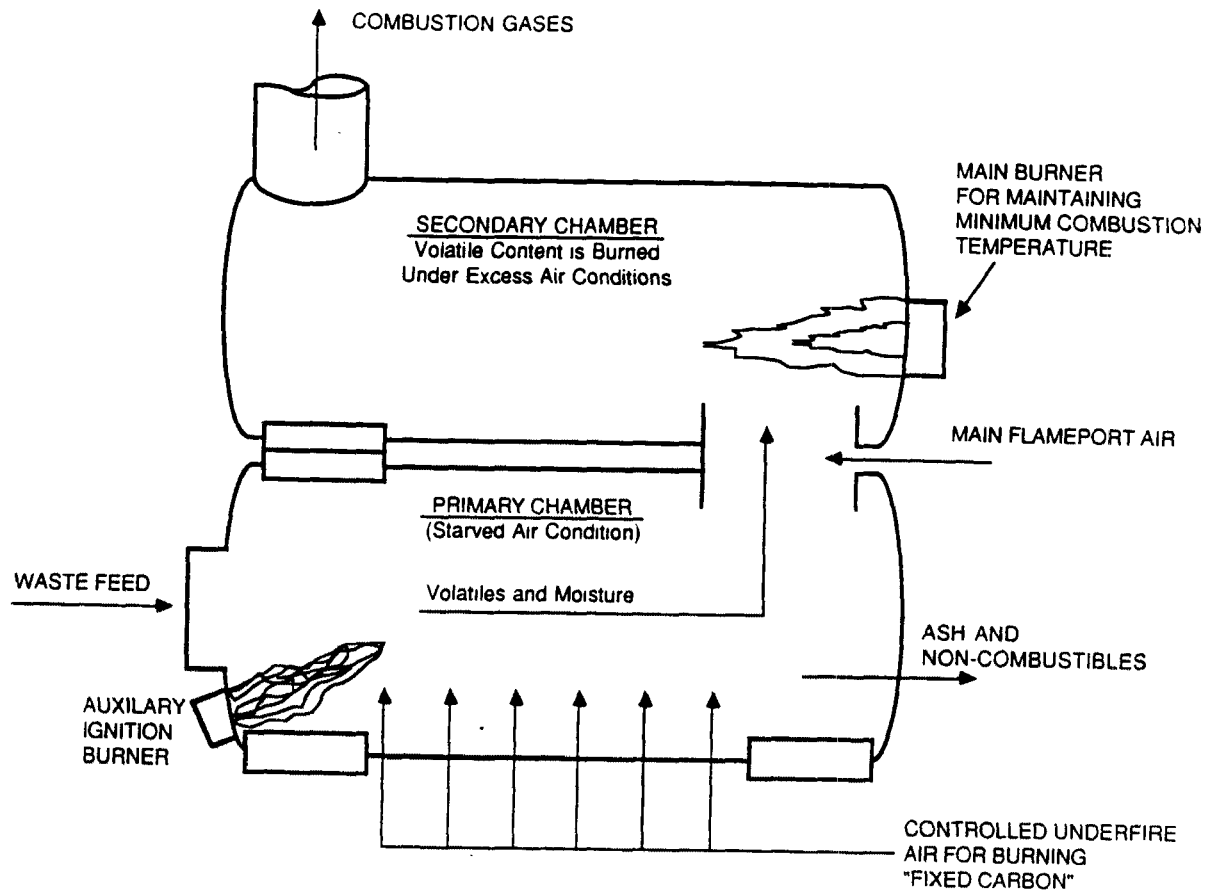


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CONTROLLED-AIR INCINERATION

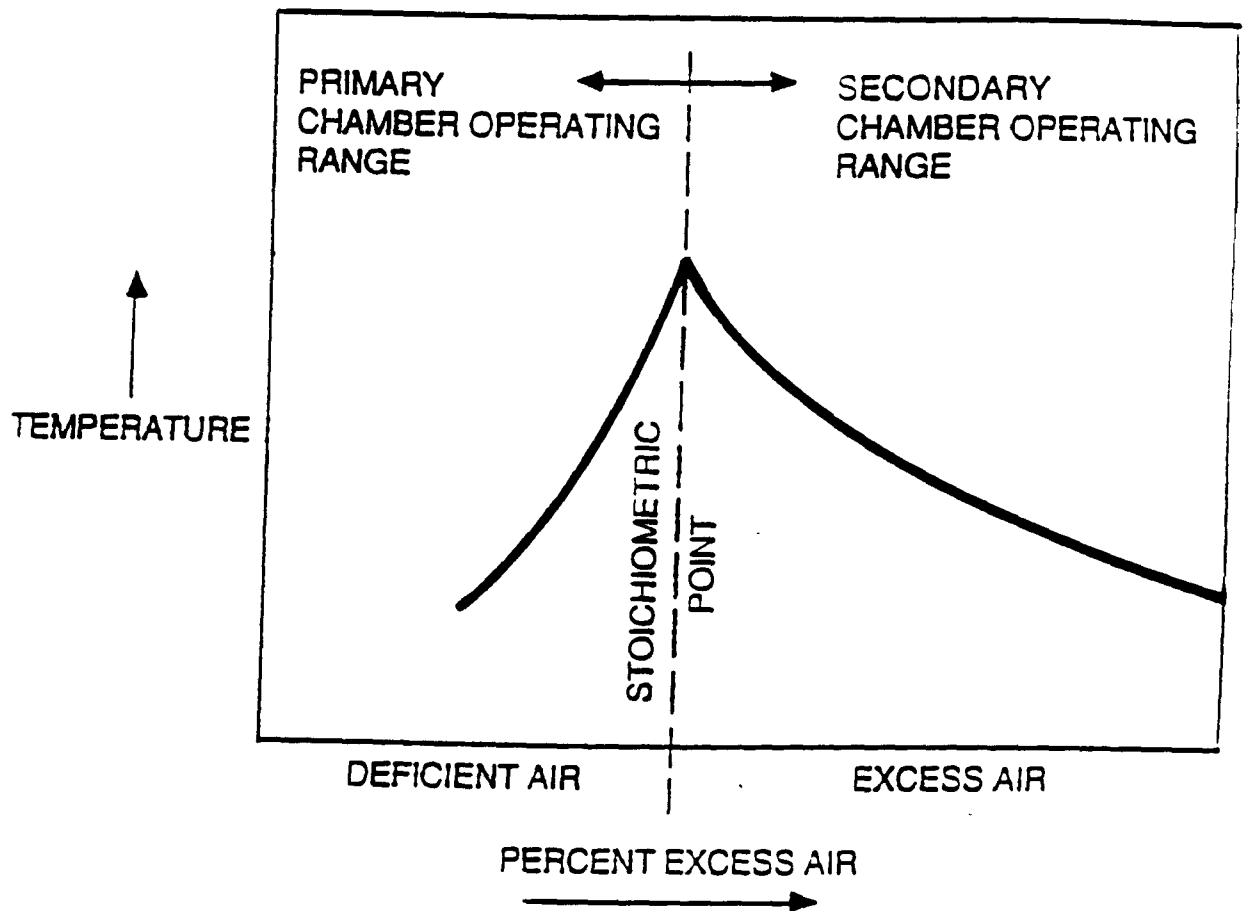
- COMBUSTION OCCURS IN TWO OR MORE CHAMBERS
- AMOUNTS AND DISTRIBUTION OF COMBUSTION AIR TO EACH CHAMBER ARE CONTROLLED
  - PRIMARY CHAMBER BELOW STOICHIOMETRIC
  - SECONDARY CHAMBER ABOVE STOICHIOMETRIC

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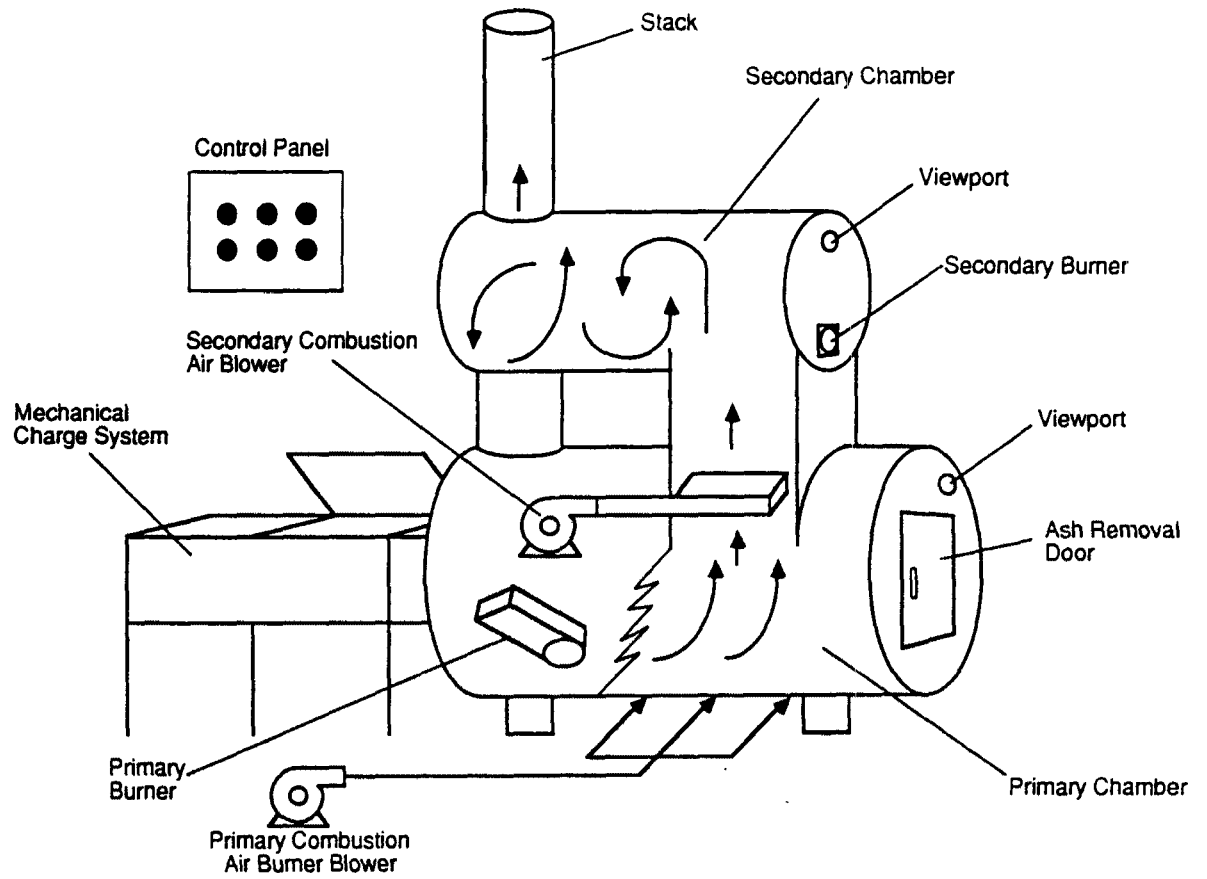
PRINCIPLE OF CONTROLLED-AIR INCINERATION <sup>2</sup>

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CONTROL OF TEMPERATURE AS A FUNCTION OF EXCESS AIR <sup>3</sup>

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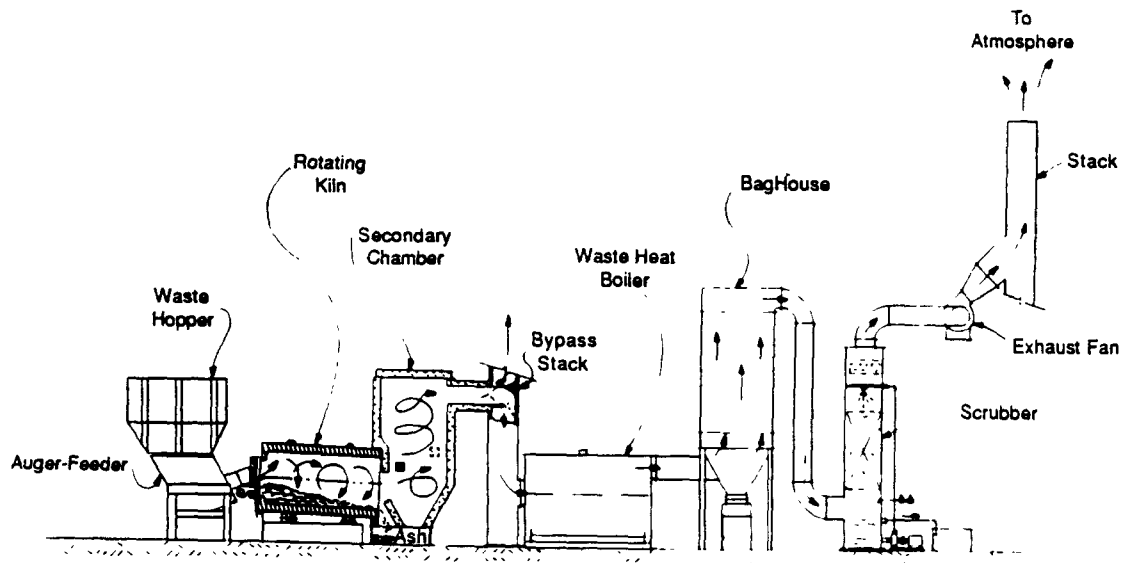
MAJOR COMPONENTS OF A CONTROLLED-AIR INCINERATOR

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ROTARY KILNS

- COMBUSTION OCCURS IN MULTIPLE CHAMBERS
- PRIMARY CHAMBER IS ROTATING CYLINDER  
--PRODUCES TURBULENCE IN WASTE BED

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ROTARY KILN WITH AUGER FEED<sup>4</sup>

SLIDE 3-12

OPERATING MODE

- SINGLE BATCH
- INTERMITTENT DUTY
- CONTINUOUS DUTY

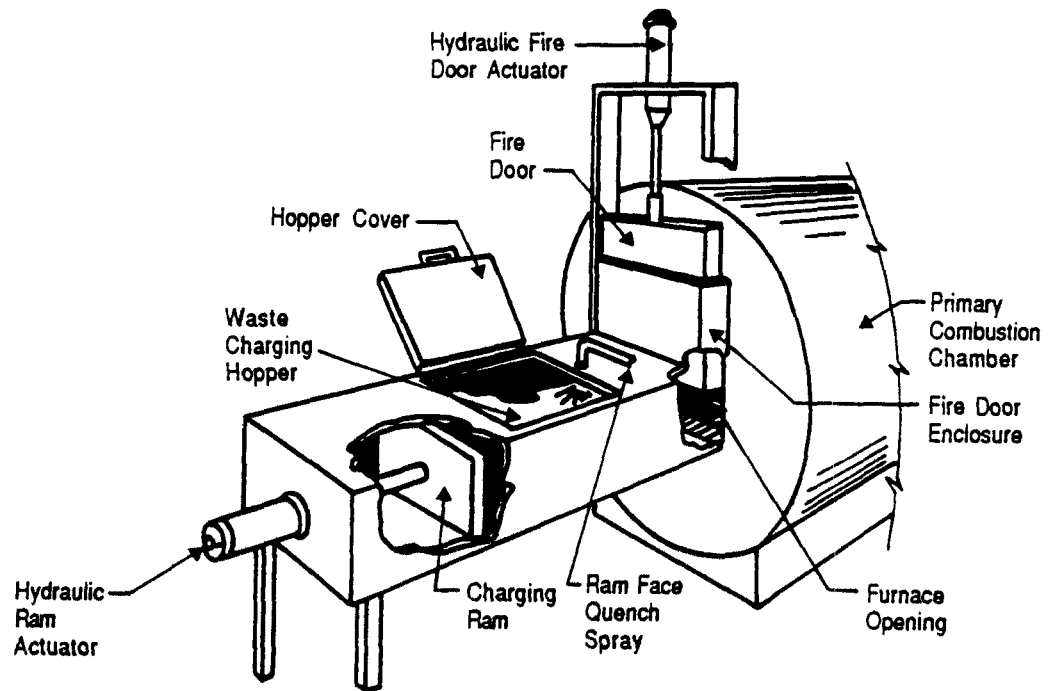
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WASTE FEED LOADING/CHARGING SYSTEMS

- CONSISTENT WITH INCINERATOR CAPACITY
- CONSISTENT WITH OPERATING MODE
- MANUAL VS MECHANICAL VS AUTOMATED

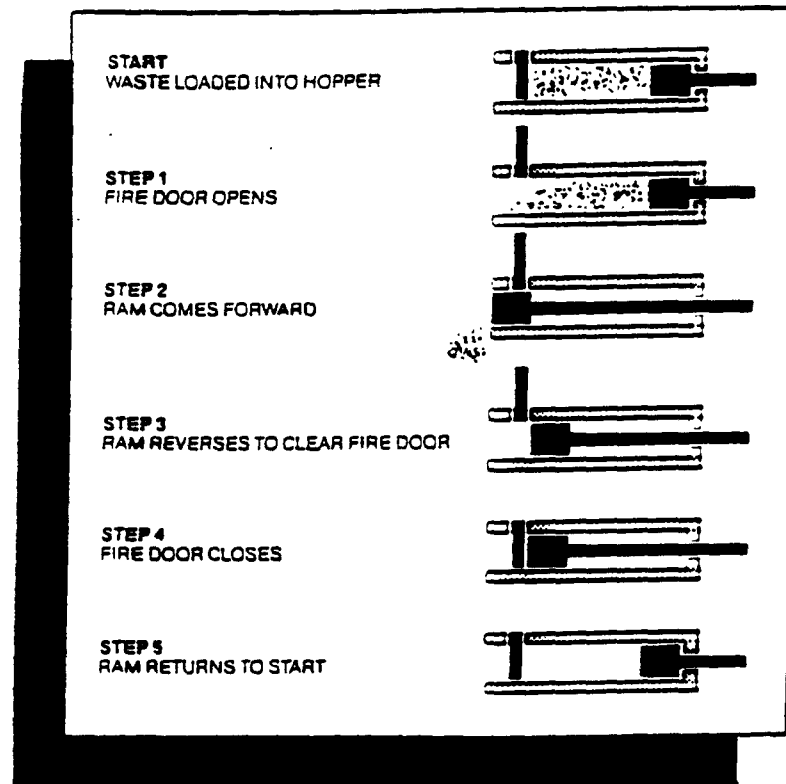


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HOPPER RAM ASSEMBLY<sup>5</sup>

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HOPPER RAM CHARGING SEQUENCE <sup>6</sup>

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ASH DISCHARGE AND REMOVAL SYSTEMS

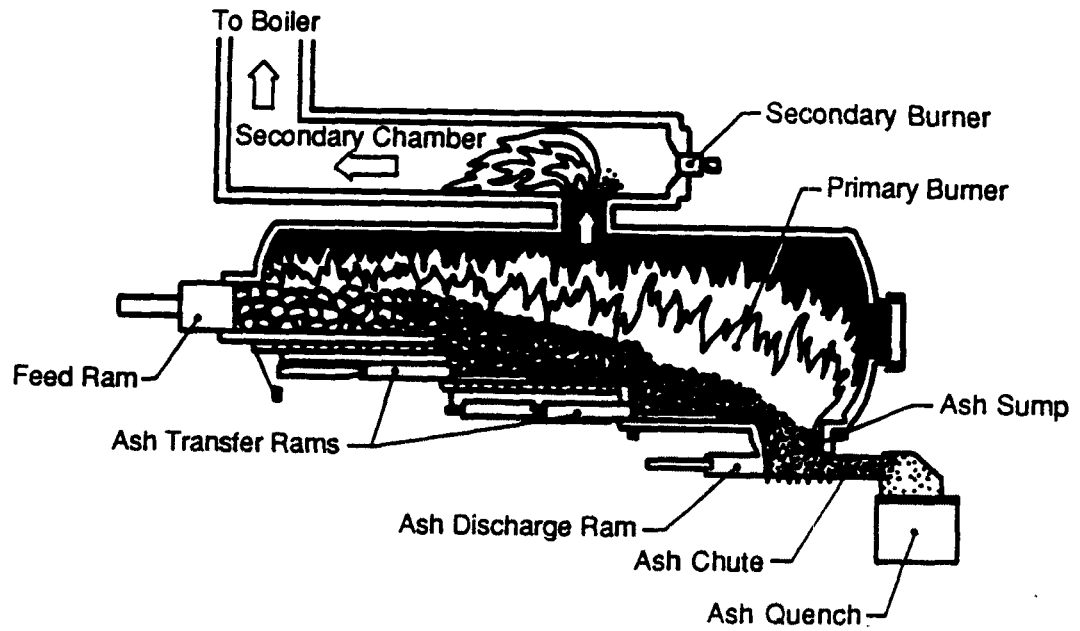
- CONSISTENT WITH OPERATING MODE
- CONSISTENT WITH CAPACITY
- MANUAL VS MECHANICAL

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MECHANICAL ASH REMOVAL

- TRANSFER OF ASH TO END OF HEARTH
- COLLECTION CONTAINER
- TRANSFER FROM COLLECTION POINT

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INCINERATOR WITH STAGED HEARTH AND  
AUTOMATIC ASH REMOVAL<sup>7</sup>

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COMBUSTION GAS HANDLING SYSTEMS

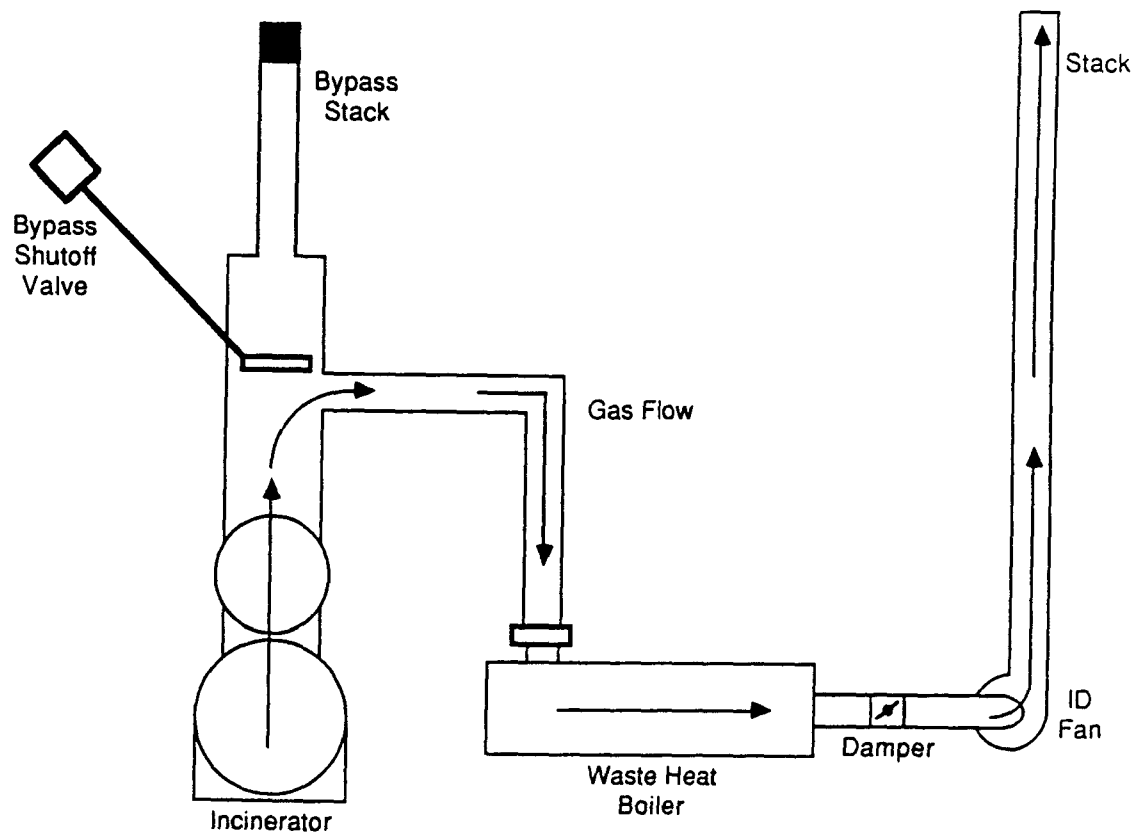
- NATURAL DRAFT
- INDUCED DRAFT
- BALANCED DRAFT

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MAJOR COMPONENTS OF BURNER SYSTEM

- FORCED AIR BLOWER(S)
- FUEL TRAIN
- PILOT AND MAIN BURNER
- FLAME SAFE GUARD SYSTEM

SLIDE 3-21



INCINERATOR WITH WASTE HEAT BOILER AND BYPASS STACK<sup>2</sup>



SESSION 4.

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL EQUIPMENT

DESIGN AND FUNCTIONS

SLIDE 4-1

## CONTROL STRATEGIES FOR AIR POLLUTANTS

CONTROL strategy	POLLUTANT				
	Particulate matter	Hydrochloric acid	Toxic organics	Toxic metals	Carbon monoxide
Controlling feed material	X	X		X	
Combustion control	X		X		X
Add-on pollution control equipment:					
Spray tower	a	X	a	a	
Venturi	X	a	a	X	
Packed-bed	a	X	a	a	
Fabric filter	X			X	
Dry injection <sup>b</sup>	X	X	a	X	
Dry scrubber <sup>b</sup>	X	X	a	X	
ESP	X				

<sup>a</sup>Achieves limited control; not designed for high efficiency.

<sup>b</sup>Followed by high-efficiency particulate control.

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AIR POLLUTION CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR  
HOSPITAL WASTE INCINERATORS

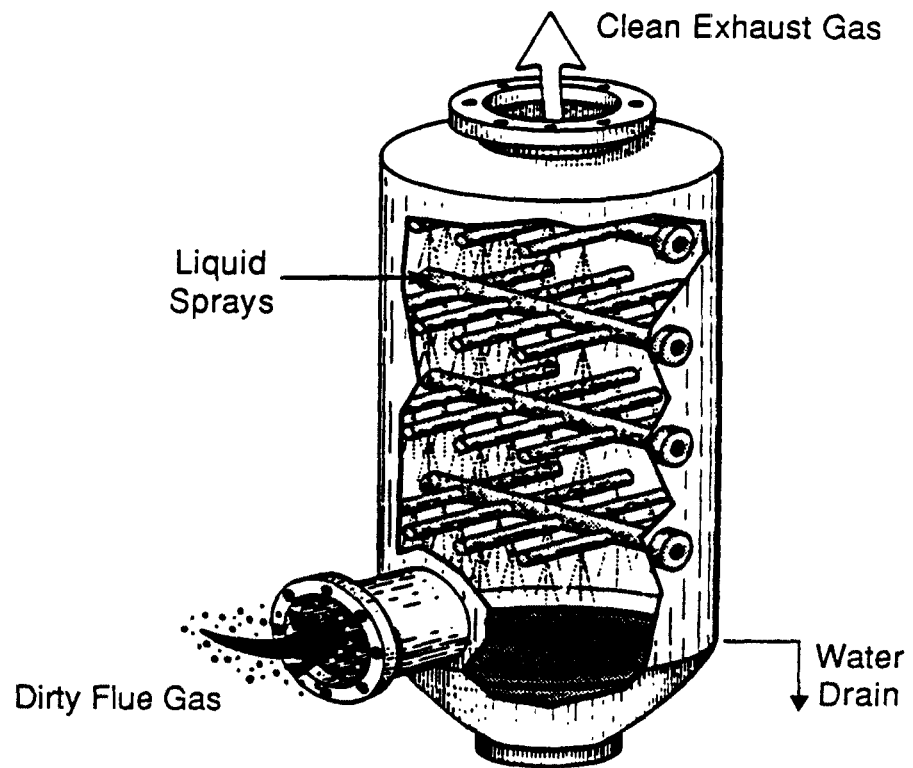
- WET SCRUBBERS
  - SPRAY TOWERS
  - VENTURI SCRUBBERS
  - PACKED-BED SCRUBBERS
- FABRIC FILTERS
- DRY SCRUBBERS
  - DRY INJECTION
  - SPRAY DRYERS
- ELECTROSTATIC PRECIPITATORS

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SPRAY TOWER

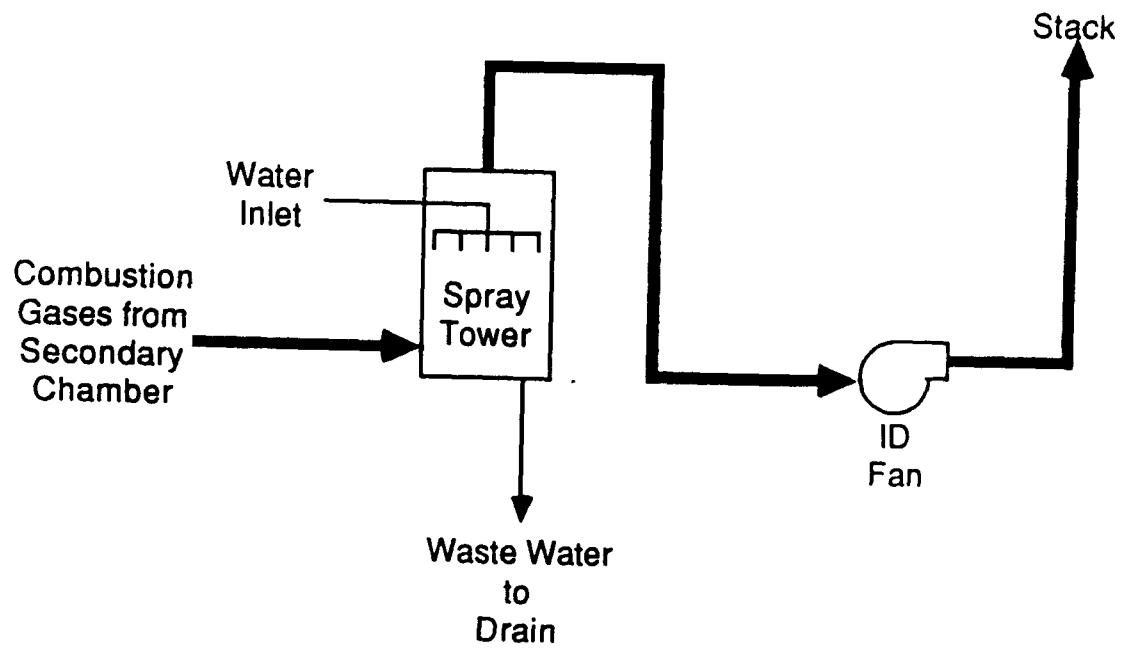
- LOW ENERGY
- LIMITED PARTICULATE CONTROL
- LIMITED HCL ACID GAS CONTROL

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COUNTERCURRENT-FLOW SPRAY TOWER<sup>1</sup>

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Spray Tower System

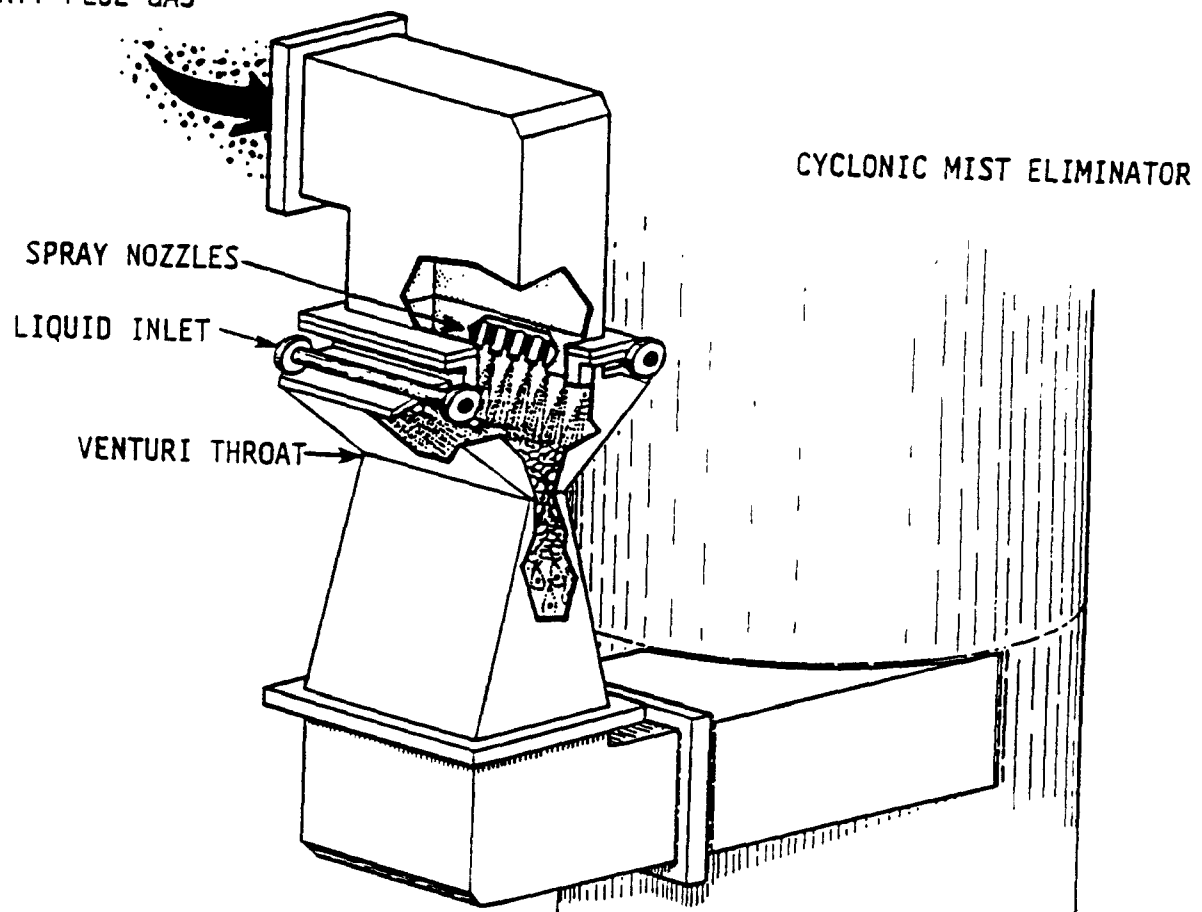
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VENTURI SCRUBBER

- HIGH ENERGY
- HIGH EFFICIENCY PARTICULATE CONTROL
- LIMITED HCL ACID GAS CONTROL

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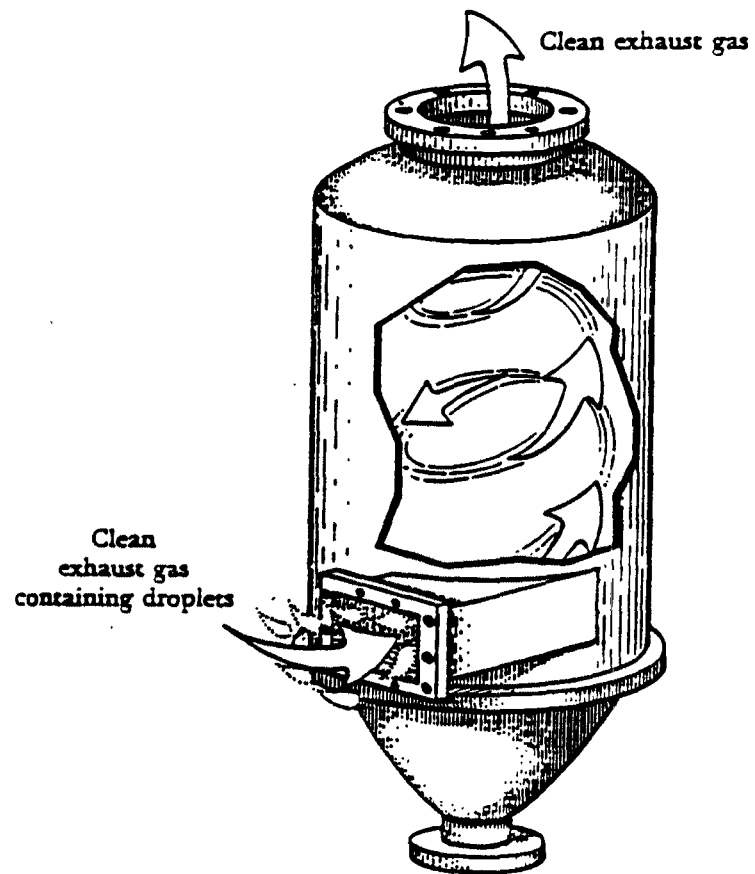
DIRTY FLUE GAS



SPRAY VENTURI WITH RECTANGULAR THROAT<sup>1</sup>

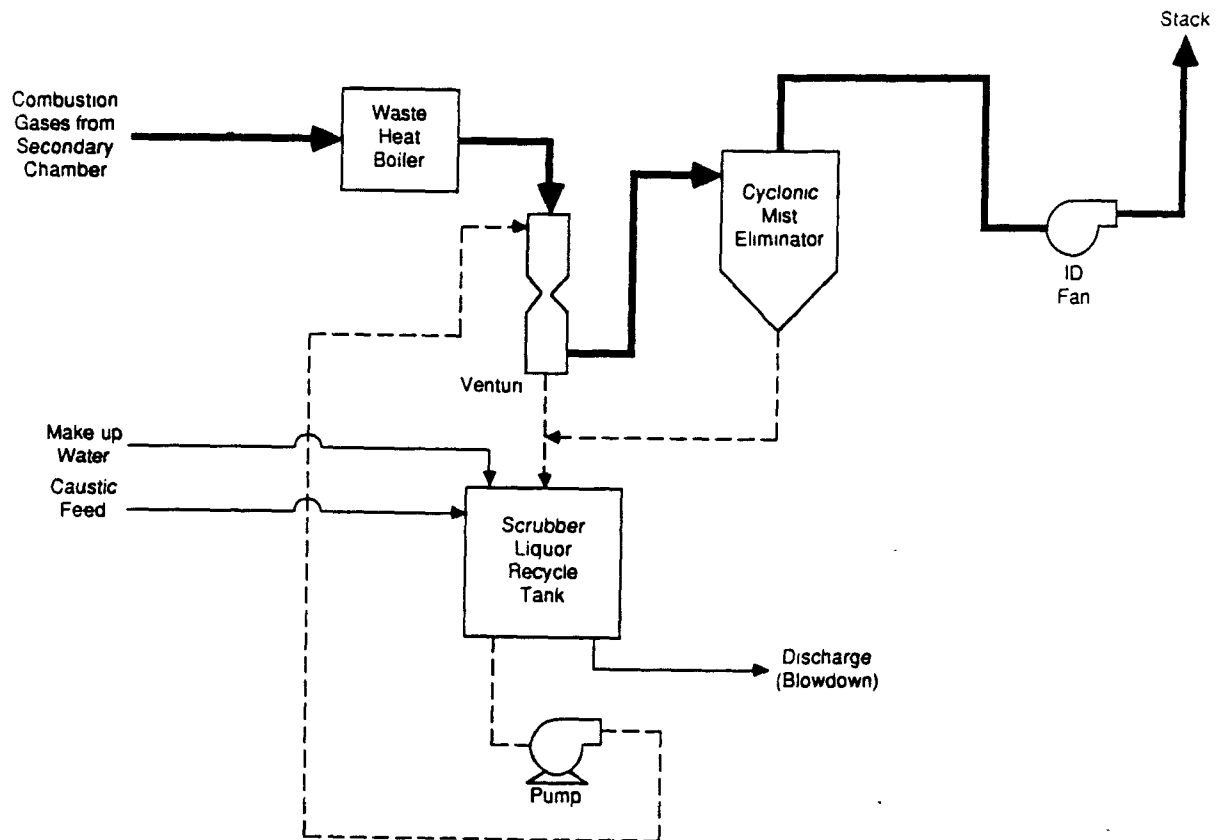


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CYCLONIC MIST ELIMINATOR<sup>1</sup>

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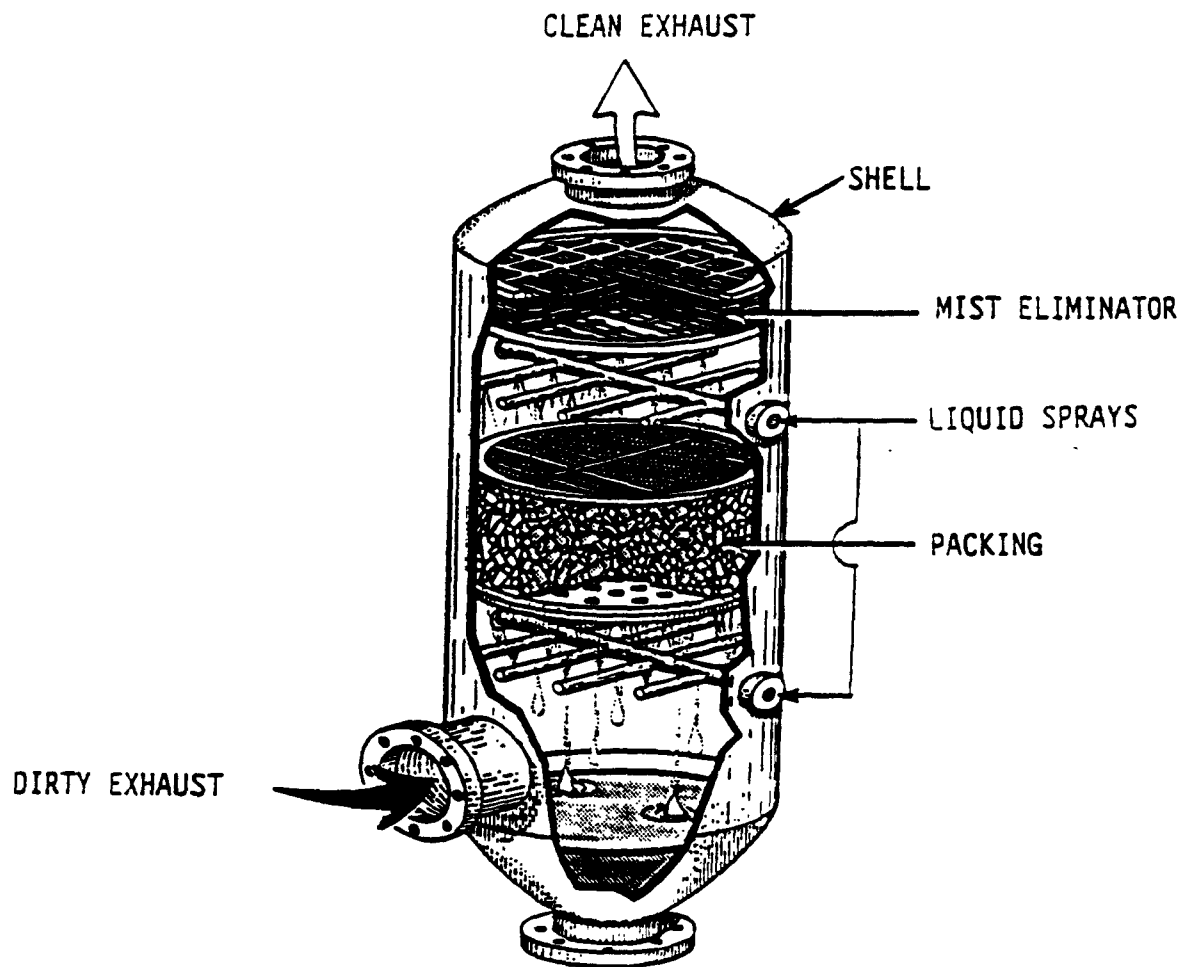
VENTURI SCRUBBER SYSTEM WITH  
RECIRCULATED SCRUBBER LIQUOR

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PACKED TOWER

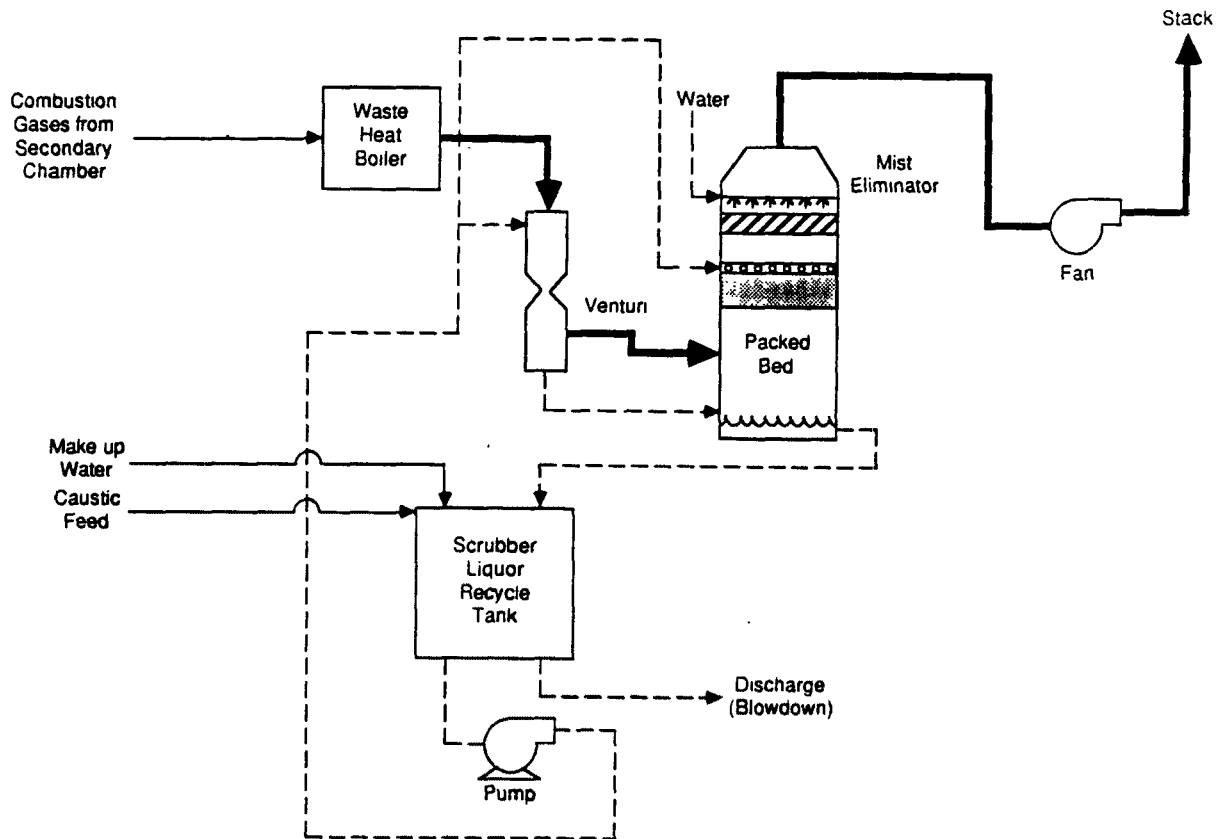
- LOW ENERGY
- HIGH EFFICIENCY ACID GAS CONTROL

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COUNTERCURRENT-FLOW  
PACKED-BED SCRUBBER<sup>1</sup>

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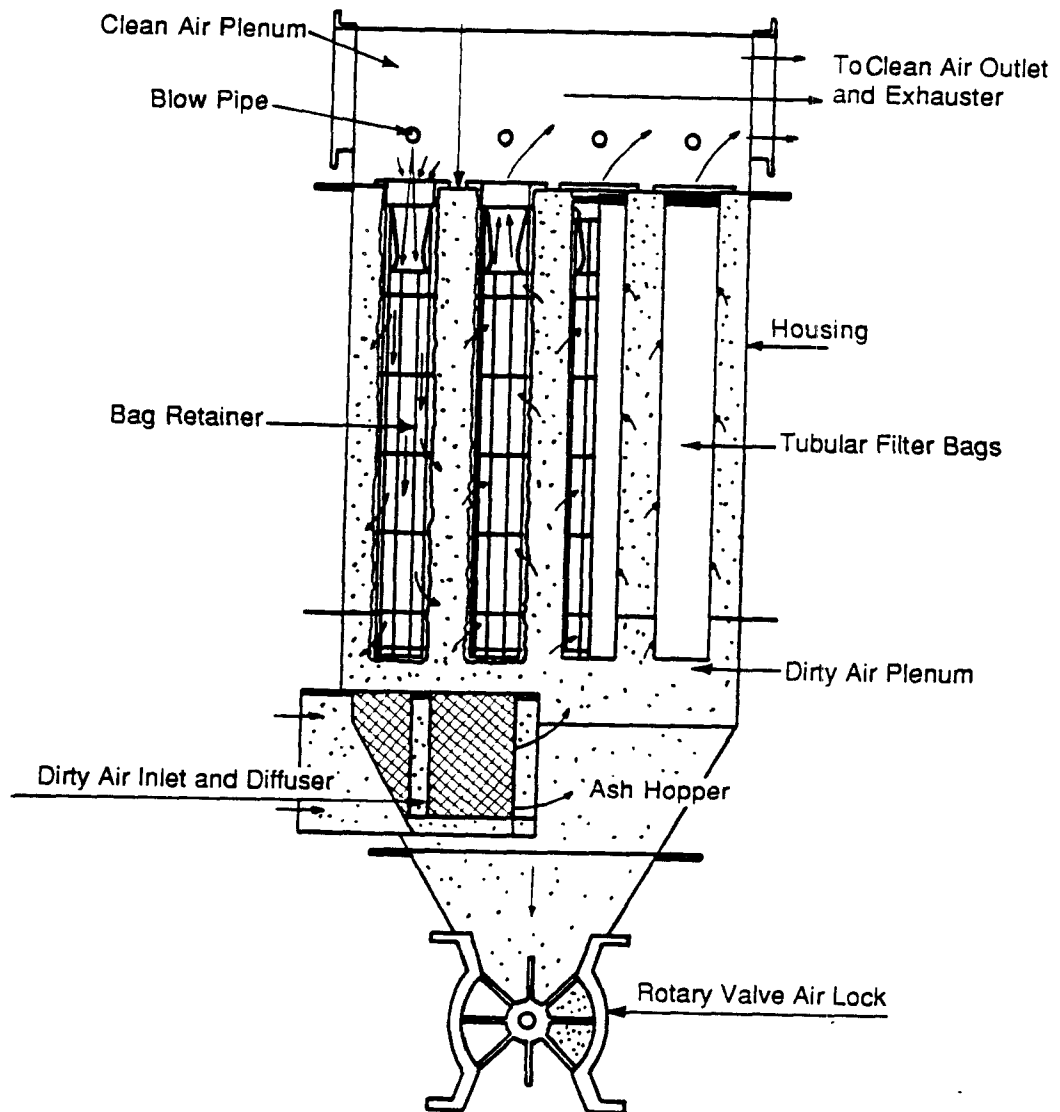
VENTURI SCRUBBER WITH PACKED BED

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FABRIC FILTER

- OFTEN CALLED "BAGHOUSE"
- PARTICULATE CONTROL
  - ESPECIALLY EFFECTIVE FOR FINE PARTICULATE
- ACID GAS CONTROL
  - IF USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH DRY SCRUBBER

SLIDE 4-14



PULSE JET BAGHOUSE<sup>2</sup>

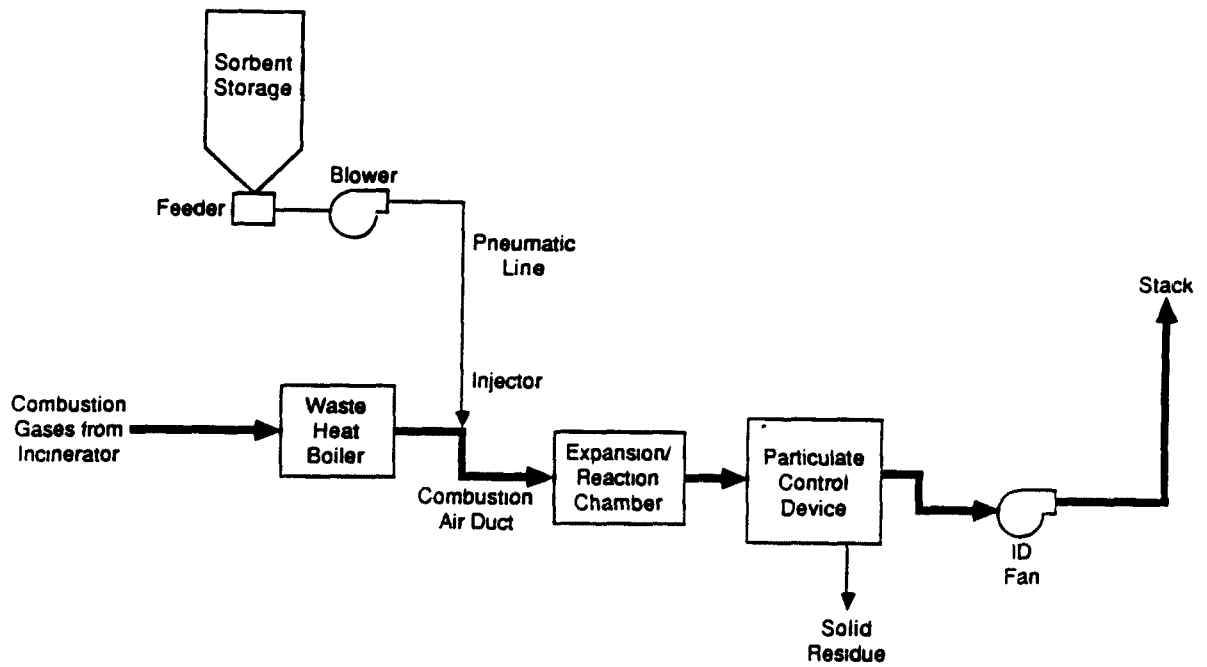
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DRY SCRUBBERS

- ACID GAS CONTROL
- IN CONJUNCTION WITH PARTICULATE CONTROL
  - FABRIC FILTER
  - ELECTROSTATIC PRECIPITATOR

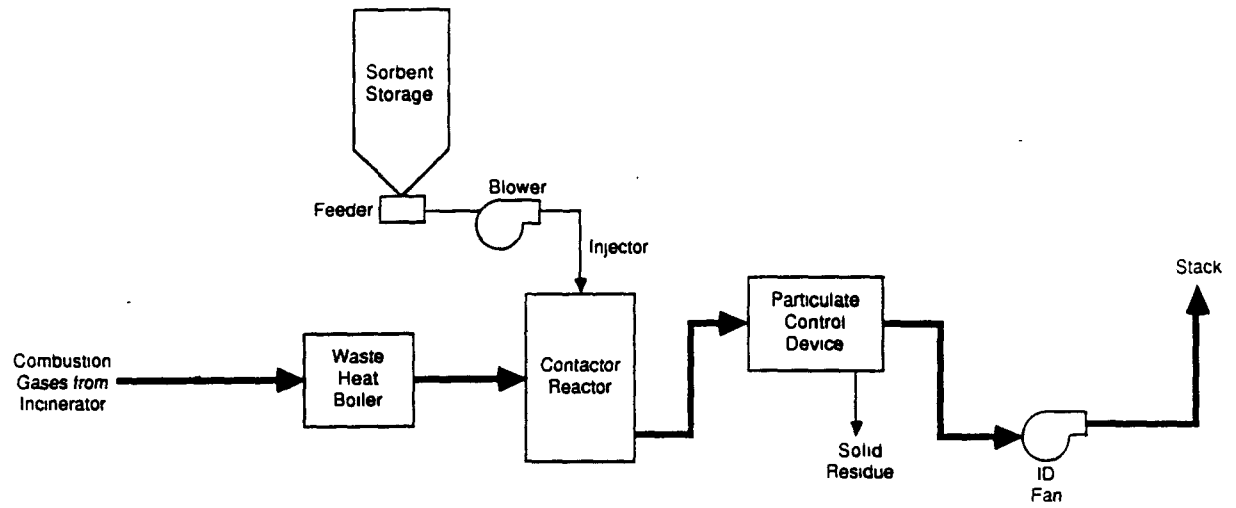


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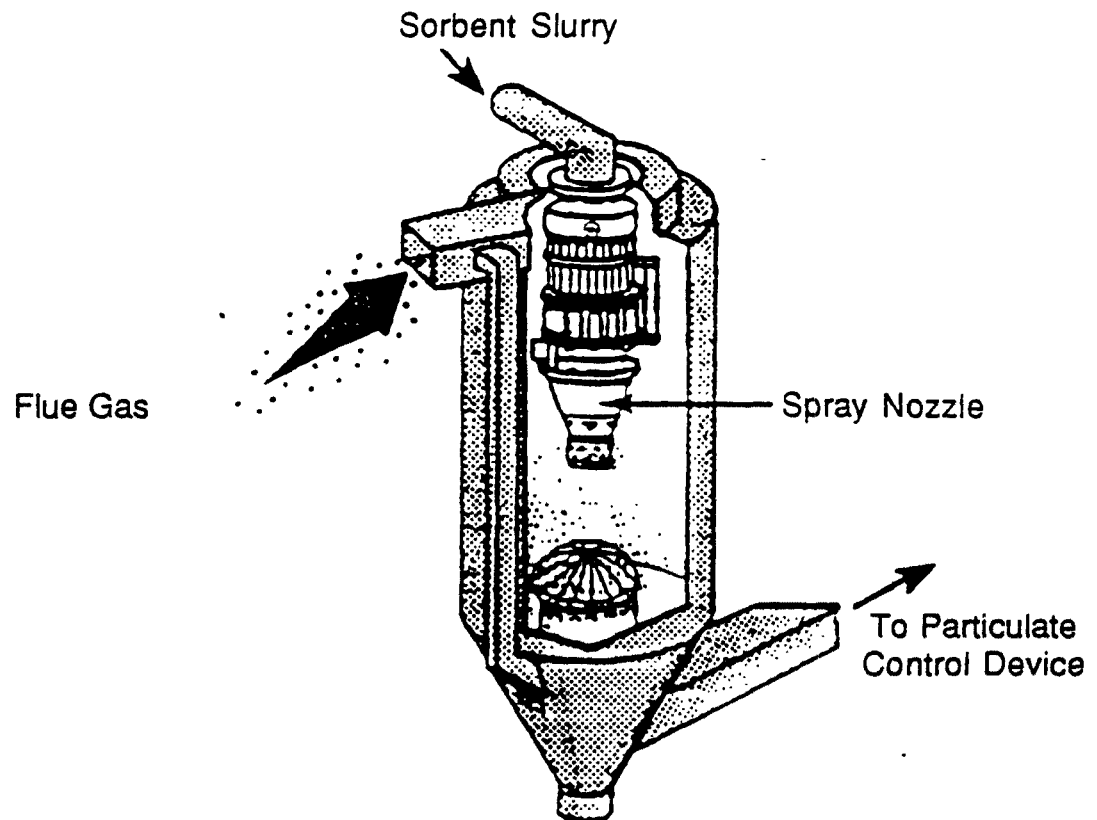
DRY INJECTION ABSORPTION SYSTEM

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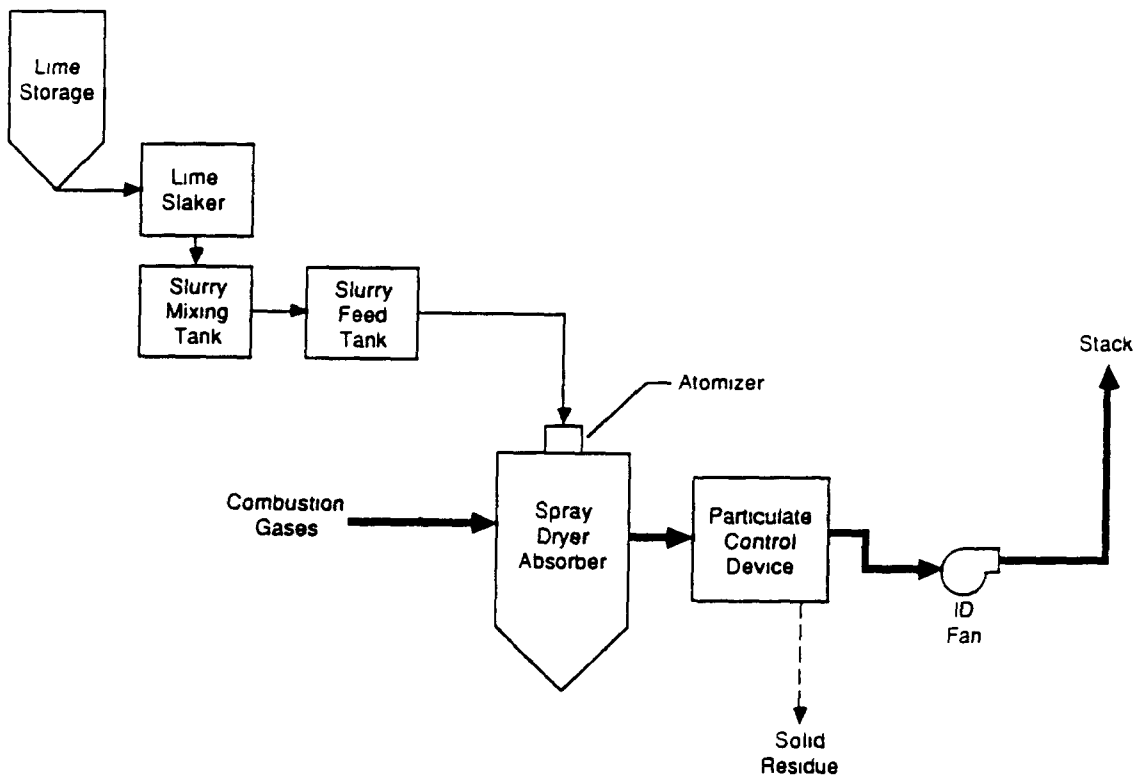
DRY INJECTION ABSORPTION SYSTEM

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SPRAY DRYER ABSORBER VESSEL

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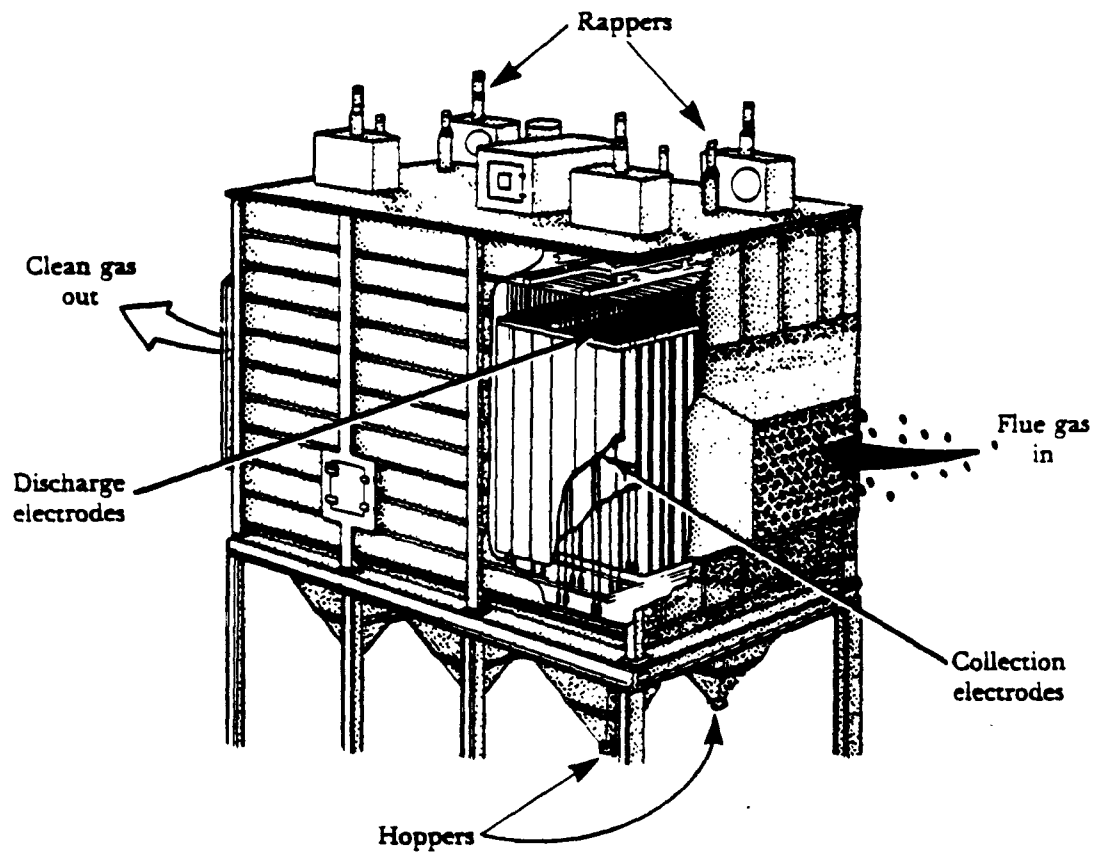
COMPONENTS OF A SPRAY DRYER ABSORBER SYSTEM

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ELECTROSTATIC PRECIPITATORS

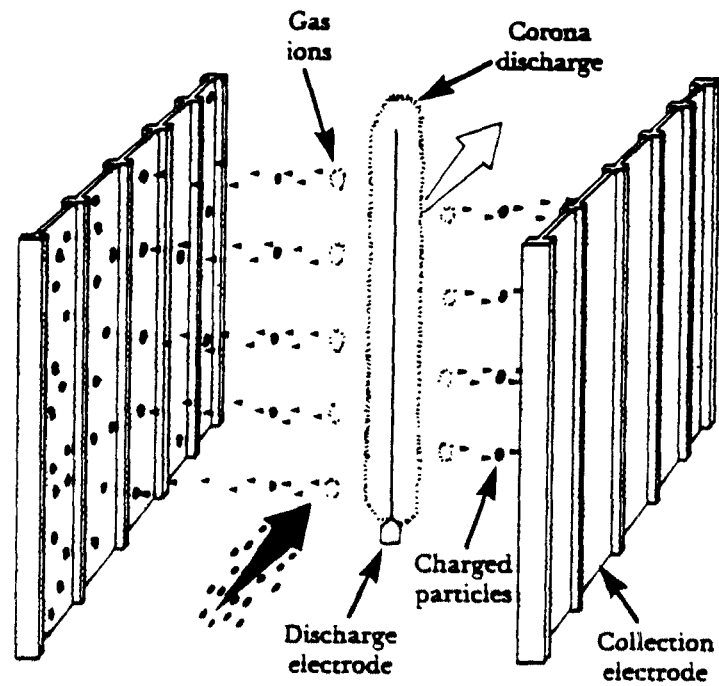
- PARTICULATE CONTROL
- LARGER REGIONAL FACILITY MOST LIKELY APPLICATION
- SOMETIMES USED WITH DRY SCRUBBERS

SLIDE 4-20



COMPONENTS OF AN ESP

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GAS FLOW THROUGH A PLATE PRECIPITATOR <sup>3</sup>

**SESSION 5.**  
**MONITORING AND AUTOMATIC CONTROL SYSTEMS**

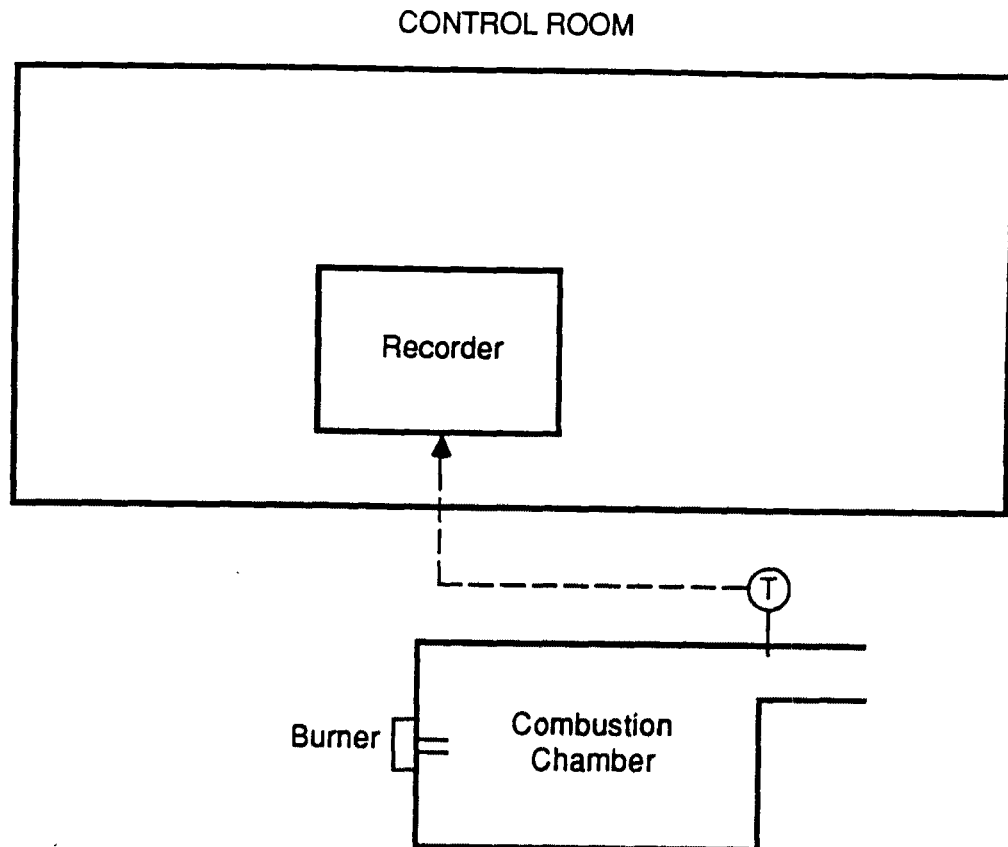


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MONITORED VS CONTROLLED PROCESS PARAMETERS

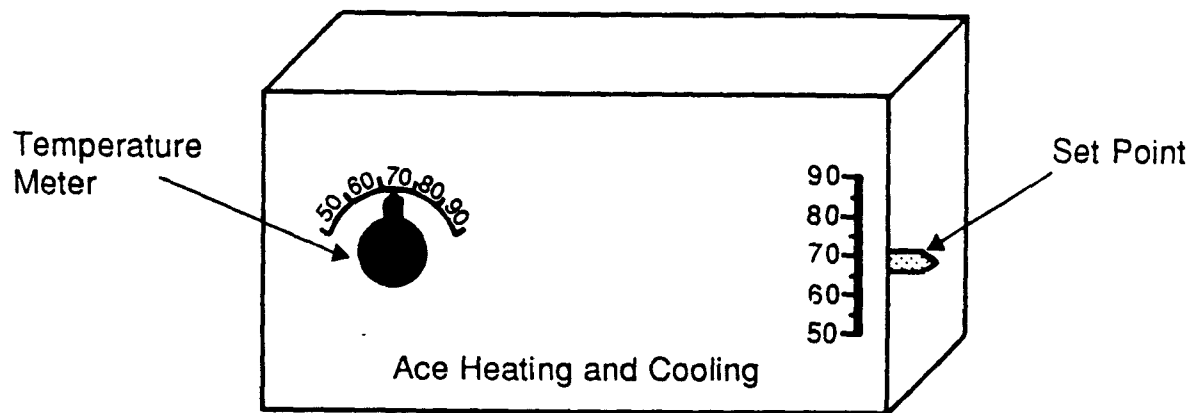
- MONITORED PARAMETER
  - MEASURE AND DISPLAY VALUE
- CONTROLLED PARAMETER
  - MEASURE AND DISPLAY VALUE
  - AUTOMATICALLY ADJUSTS PROCESS OPERATION  
TO MAINTAIN CONTROL PARAMETER WITHIN LIMITS

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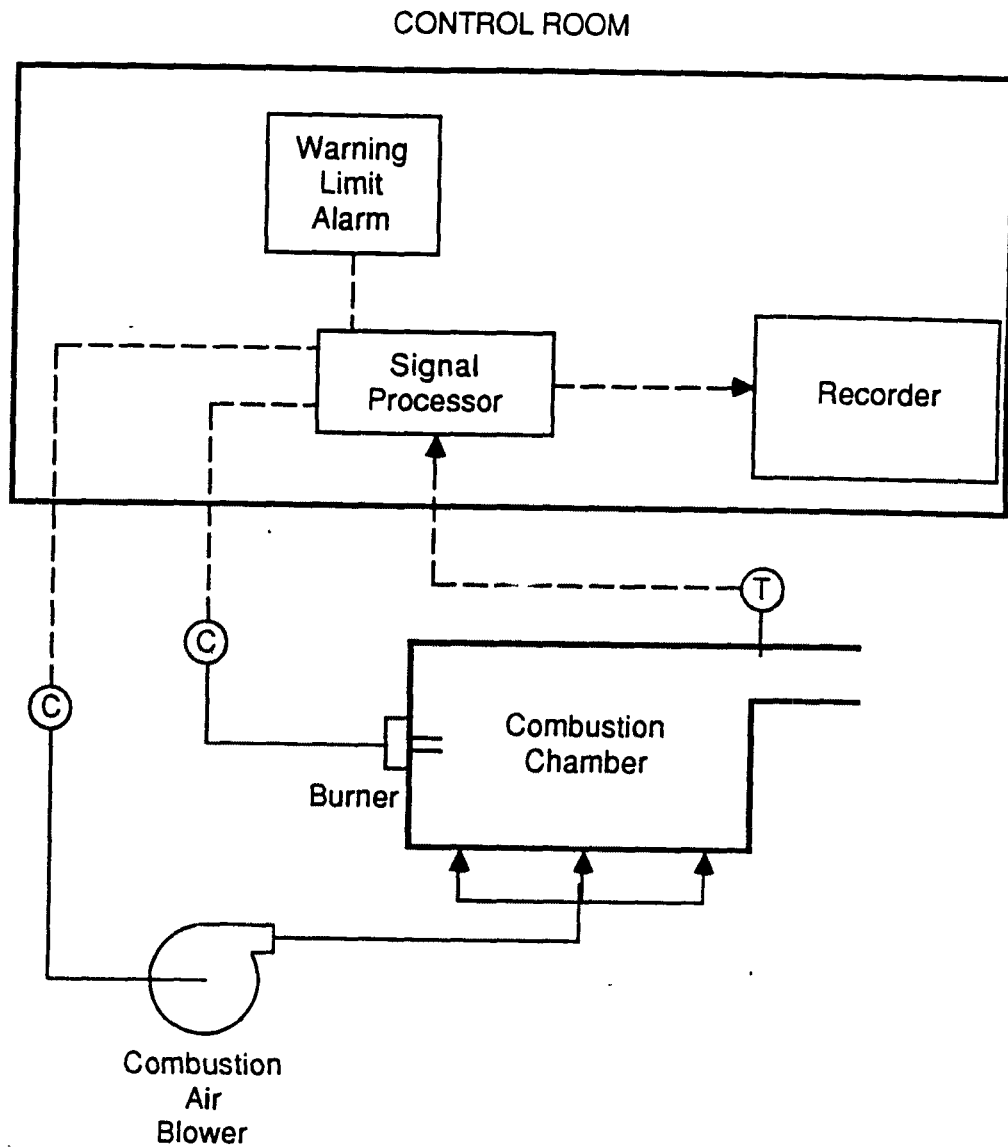
TEMPERATURE MONITORING SYSTEM

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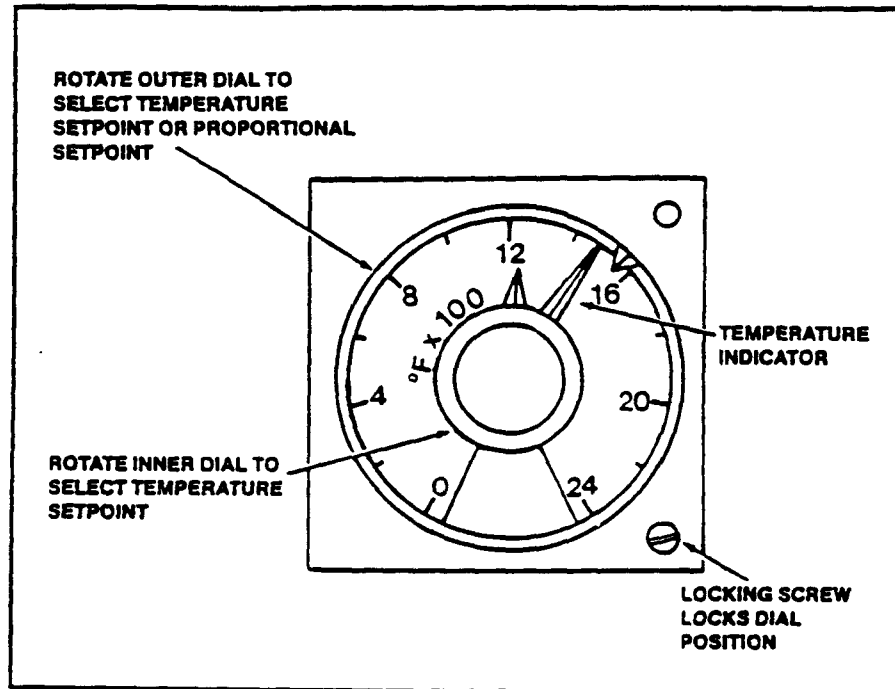
THERMOSTAT WITH TEMPERATURE "SET POINT"

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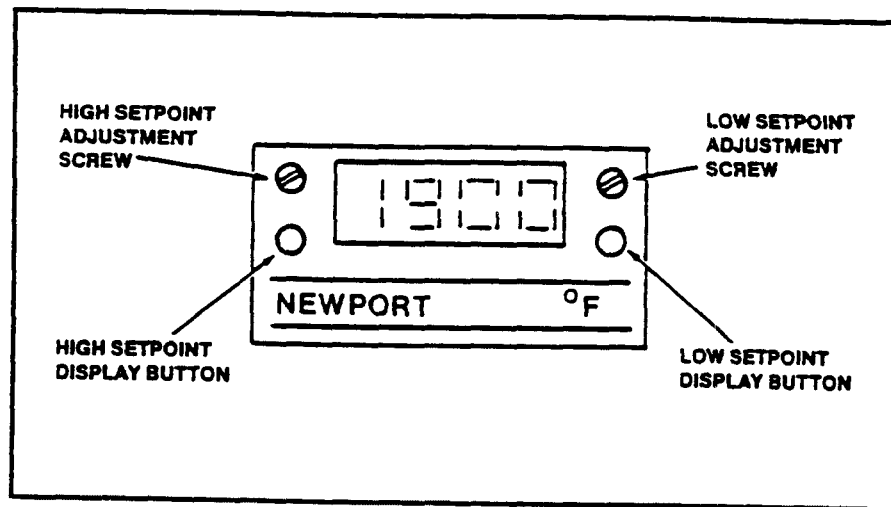
SCHEMATIC OF TEMPERATURE CONTROL LOOP

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TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER/METER  
WITH LOW/HIGH SETPOINTS<sup>1</sup>

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TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER  
WITH DIGITAL DISPLAY<sup>1</sup>

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BASIC TYPES OF INCINERATOR PROCESS CONTROL SYSTEMS

- MANUAL
- AUTOMATIC TIMER SEQUENCE
- AUTOMATIC MODULATED CONTROL

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### AUTOMATIC TIMER SEQUENCE

- PRESET TIMER SEQUENCE
  - ACTIVATES ON/OFF OR HIGH/LOW SETTINGS
    - BURNERS
    - COMBUSTION AIR
    - CHARGE FEEDER
- SETPOINT LIMITS OVERRIDE TIMER SEQUENCE



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AUTOMATIC MODULATED CONTROL

- SETPOINT FOR CONTROLLED PARAMETER IS CHOSEN
- OPERATING PARAMETERS ARE CONTINUOUSLY ADJUSTED TO  
MAINTAIN SETPOINT
  - COMBUSTION AIR

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MONITORED AND CONTROLLED PROCESS PARAMETERS  
FOR INCINERATORS

MONITORED/CONTROLLED PARAMETER	INCINERATOR FUNCTIONS CONTROLLED
TEMPERATURE (PRIMARY AND SECONDARY CHAMBERS)	COMBUSTION AIR AUXILIARY BURNERS
DRAFT	BAROMETRIC DAMPER ID FAN DAMPER
OXYGEN	COMBUSTION AIR
CARBON MONOXIDE	--
OPACITY	--
CHARGE RATE	AUTOMATIC FEED INTERLOCK

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MONITORED AND CONTROLLED PROCESS PARAMETERS  
FOR SCRUBBERS

MONITORED PARAMETER	SCRUBBER FUNCTIONS CONTROLLED
PRESSURE AND PRESSURE DROP	VENTURI THROAT ID FAN
SCRUBBER LIQUID FLOW RATE OR PRESSURE	LIQUID FLOW CONTROL VALVE
SCRUBBER LIQUID PH	CAUSTIC FLOW CONTROL VALVE
INLET TEMPERATURE	PREQUENCH EMERGENCY QUENCH BYPASS STACK DILUTION AIR

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MONITORED AND CONTROLLED PROCESS PARAMETERS  
FOR FABRIC FILTERS

<u>MONITORED PARAMETER</u>	<u>FABRIC FILTER OPERATING FUNCTIONS CONTROLLED</u>
PRESSURE DROP	CLEANING CYCLE
INLET GAS TEMPERATURE	EMERGENCY BYPASS STACK EMERGENCY QUENCH DILUTION AIR

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MONITORED AND CONTROLLED PROCESS PARAMETERS  
FOR ESP's

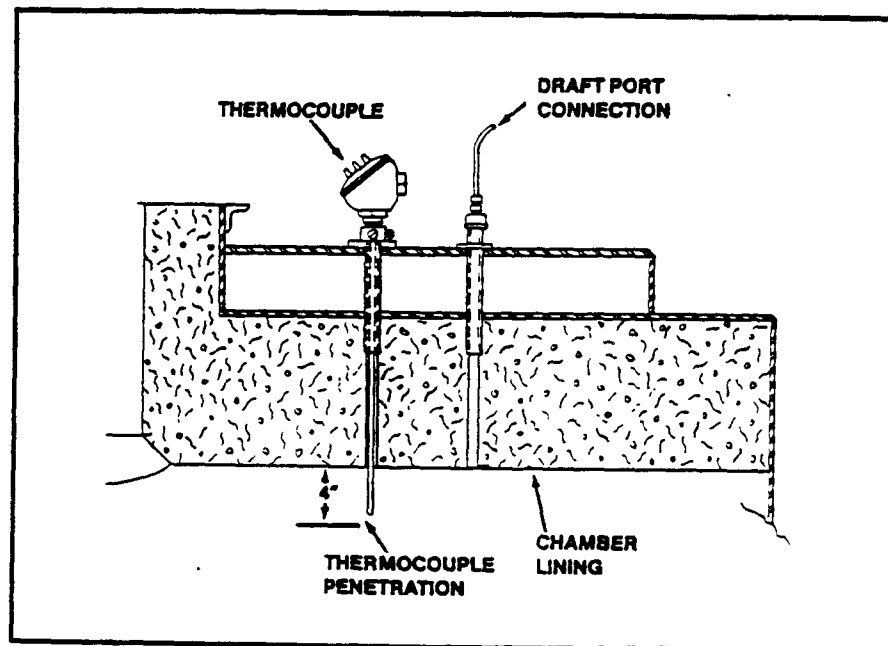
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• INLET GAS TEMPERATURE</li></ul>	INCREASE/DECREASE INCINERATOR OR BOILER OUTLET TEMPERATURE CONDITION GAS

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TEMPERATURE

- THERMOCOUPLE(S)
- DEGREES FAHRENHEIT
- EXIT OF SECONDARY COMBUSTION CHAMBER
- MIDDLE OF PRIMARY CHAMBER
- BEFORE/AFTER APC

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THERMOCOUPLE AND  
DRAFT GAUGE CONNECTIONS <sup>1</sup>

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INCINERATOR DRAFT AND APCS PRESSURE DROP

- DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE GAUGE,  $\Delta P$
- INCHES OF WATER COLUMN, IN. W.C.
- DIFFERENCE OF PRESSURE AT TWO POINTS

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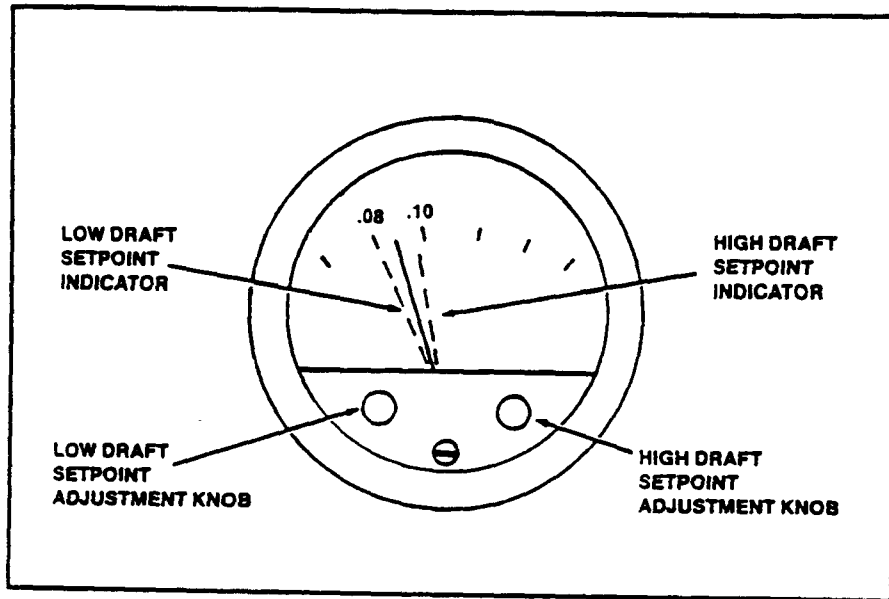
$\Delta P$  OF INCINERATOR CHAMBER AND ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE

APCS PRESSURE DROP:

$\Delta P$  BEFORE AND AFTER APC

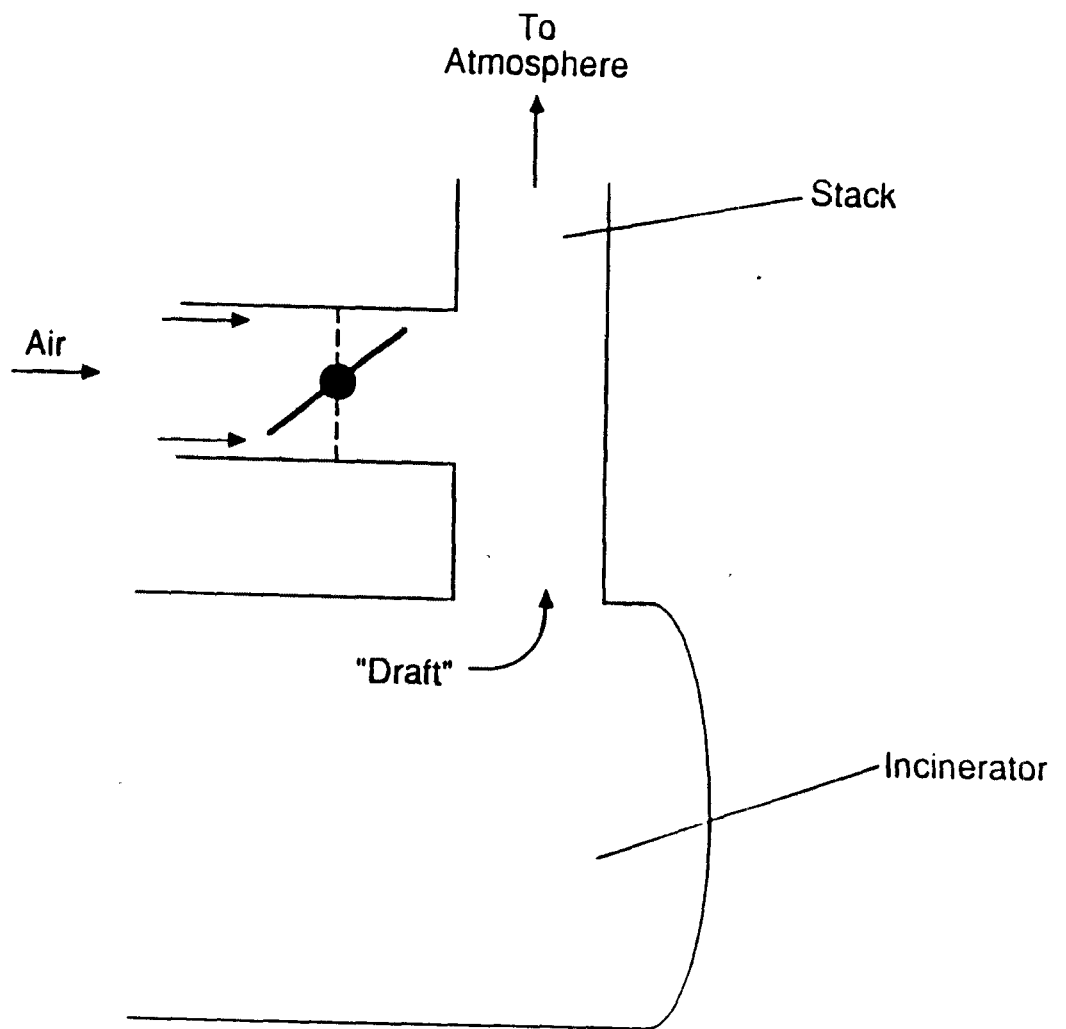


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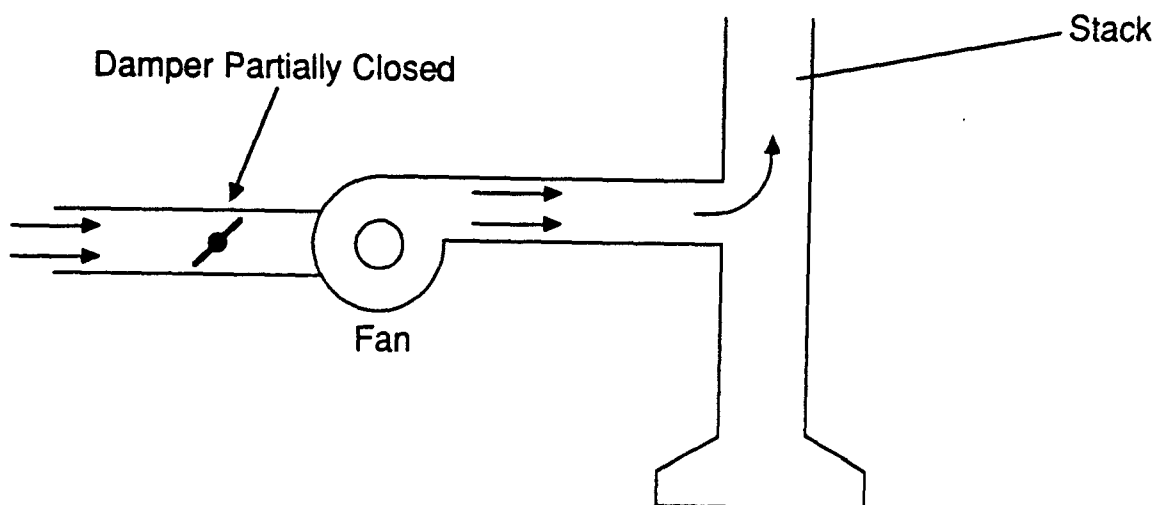
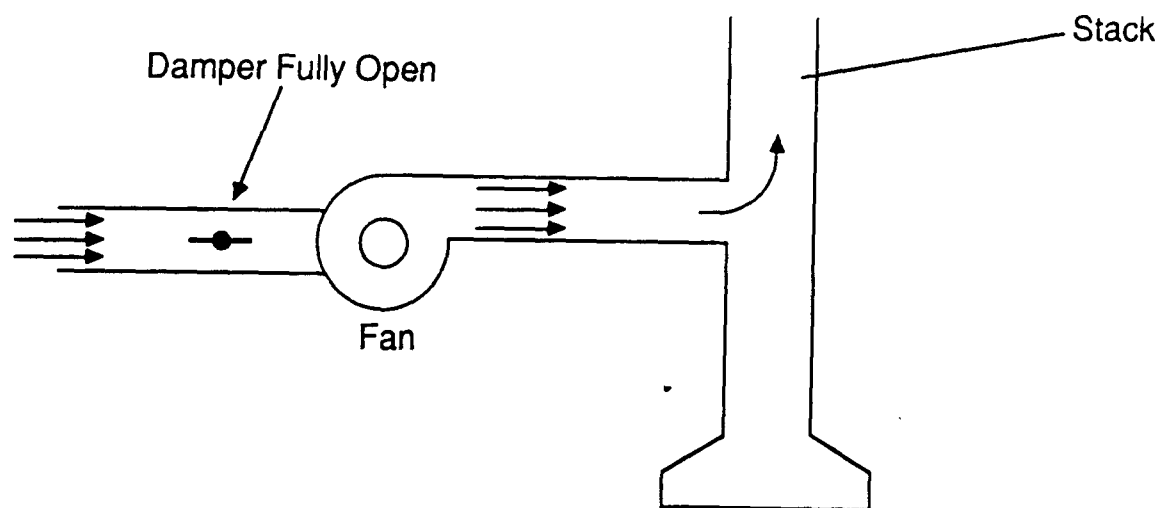
METER FOR DIFFERENTIAL  
PRESSURE GAUGE<sup>1</sup>

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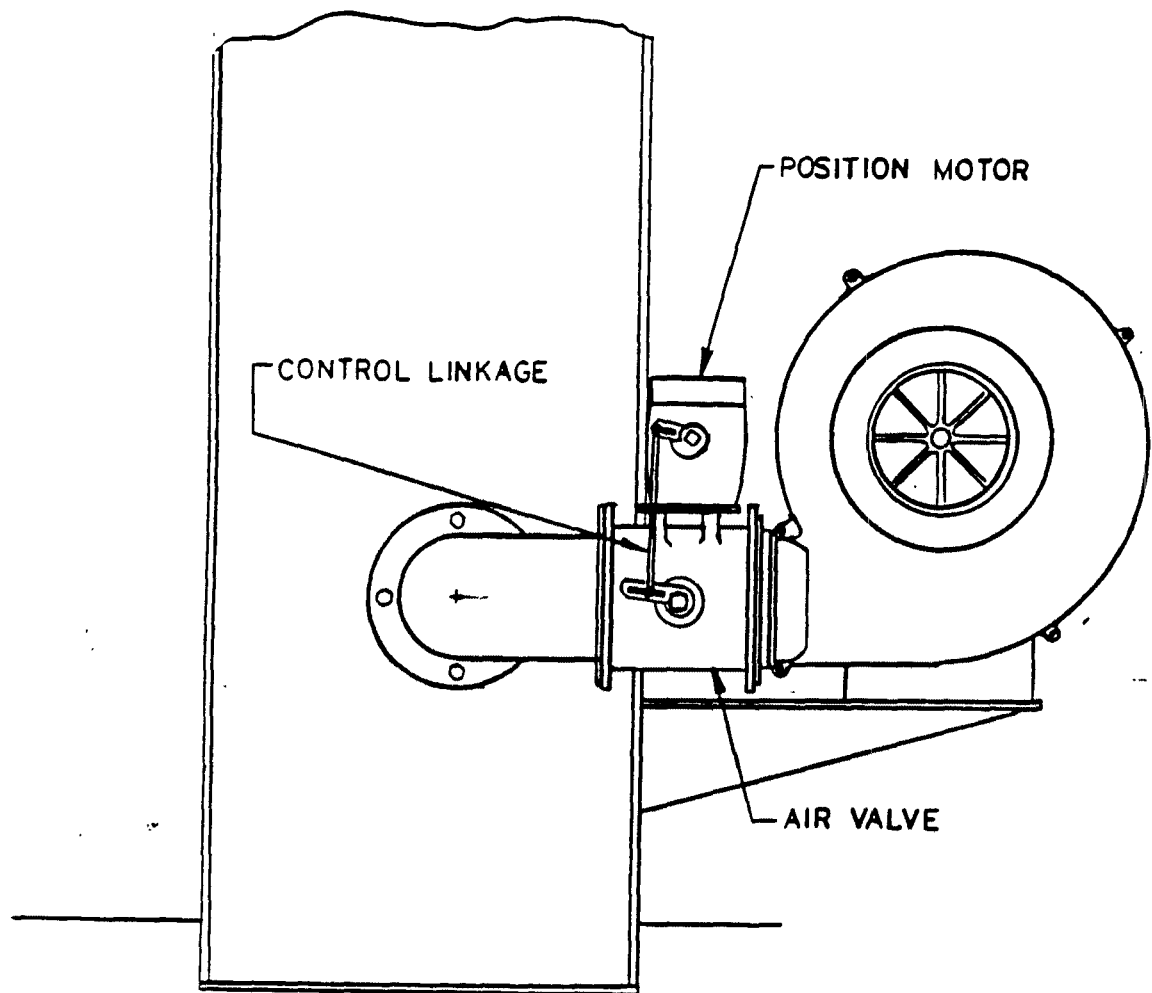
BAROMETRIC/AUTOMATIC DAMPER

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ID FAN DAMPER CONTROL

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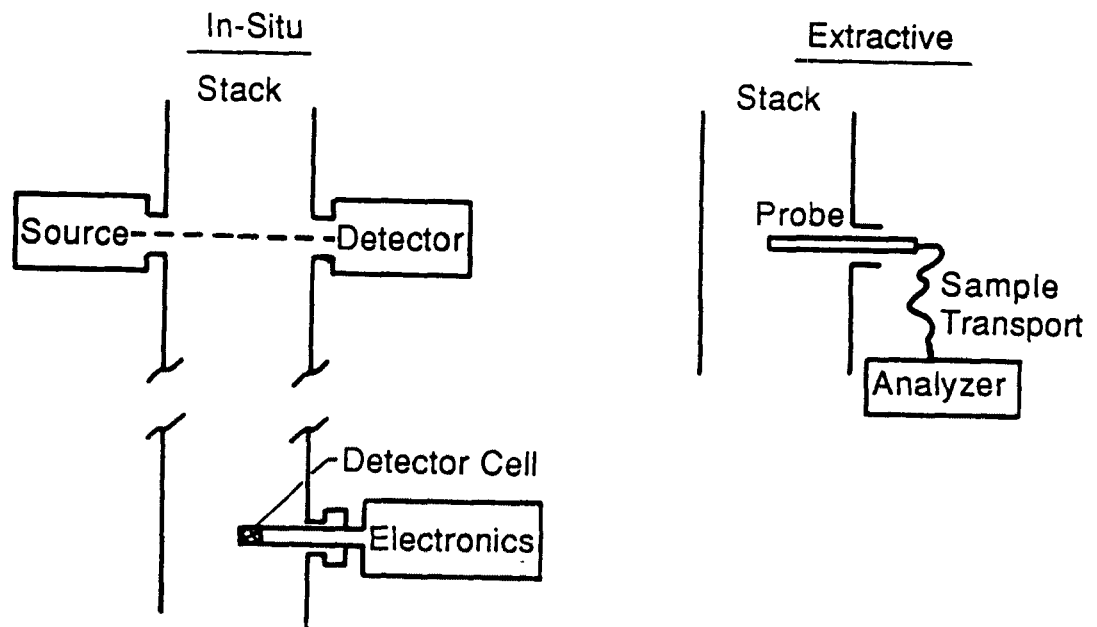
COMBUSTION BLOWER  
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OXYGEN AND CO MONITORS

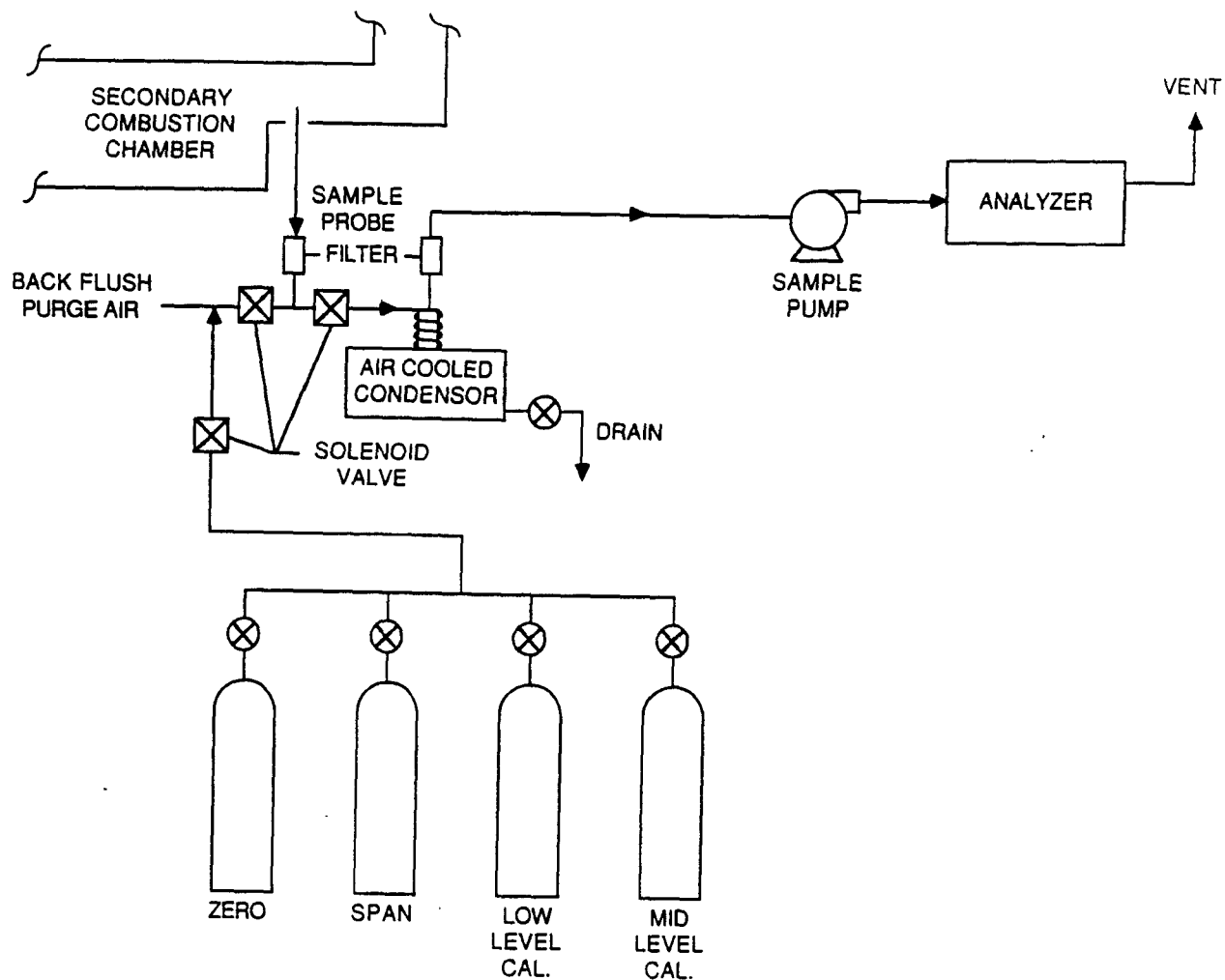
- CONTINUOUS EMISSION MONITORING SYSTEMS, CEMS
- PERCENT OXYGEN, %  $O_2$
- PARTS PER MILLION CARBON MONOXIDE, PPM CO
- MONITOR LOCATION
  - COMBUSTION CHAMBER OUTLET
  - STACK
  - SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN

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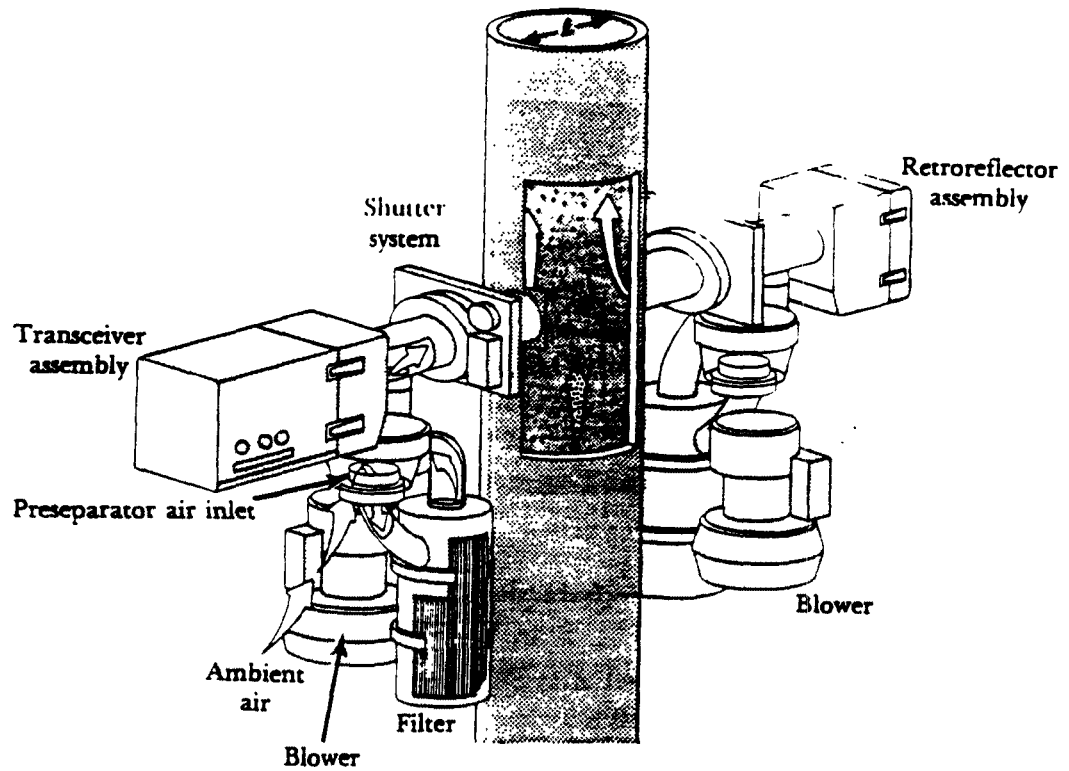
IN SITU VS EXTRACTIVE CEMS

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EXTRACTIVE MONITORING SYSTEM

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OPACITY MONITORING SYSTEM<sup>2</sup>  
(Transmissometer)



SLIDE 5-25

CHARGE RATE

- LB/LOAD
- LB/H
- WEIGH SCALE/LOG BOOK
- AUTOMATIC WEIGH SCALE OR WEIGH HOPPER

SLIDE 5-26

APC MONITORS

- SCRUBBER LIQUID FLOW
  - GALLONS PER MINUTE, GPM
  - FLOW METER
  - PUMP PRESSURE
- PH OF SCRUBBER LIQUID
  - PH METER
- TEMPERATURE
  - THERMOCOUPLE
- PRESSURE DROP,  $\Delta P$ 
  - DIFFERENTIAL PRESSURE GAUGE

SESSION 6.

INCINERATOR OPERATION



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TOPICS

- WASTE HANDLING
- OPERATION OF CONTROLLED-AIR INCINERATORS
- OPERATION OF EXCESS-AIR INCINERATORS

SLIDE 6-2

WASTE HANDLING

- STURDY CONTAINERS
- MINIMIZE HANDLING
- PROPERLY OPERATE/MAINTAIN WASTE CHARGING DEVICES
- SAFE STORAGE--EVEN FOR SHORT TIMES

SLIDE 6-3

### INCINERATOR OPERATION

- KEY OPERATING PARAMETERS
- OPERATING RANGES
- MONITORING OPERATION
- CONTROLLING OPERATION
- WASTE CHARGING PROCEDURES
- ASH HANDLING PROCEDURES
- STARTUP/SHUTDOWN PROCEDURES

SLIDE 6-4

KEY OPERATING PARAMETERS FOR  
CONTROLLED-AIR INCINERATORS

- CHARGING RATE
- PRIMARY CHAMBER TEMPERATURE
- SECONDARY CHAMBER TEMPERATURE
- COMBUSTION CHAMBER DRAFT
- PRIMARY CHAMBER COMBUSTION AIR LEVEL
- TOTAL COMBUSTION AIR LEVEL
- COMBUSTION GAS OXYGEN CONCENTRATION



SLIDE 6-5

KEY OPERATING PARAMETER--WASTE CHARGING RATE

OPERATING RANGE:

- HEAT INPUT CONSISTENT WITH DESIGN
- SINGLE BATCH OPERATION
  - FILL CHAMBER; DO NOT OVERFILL
- INTERMITTENT AND CONTINUOUS DUTY
  - SMALL BATCHES AT FREQUENT INTERVALS
  - 10 TO 25 PERCENT RATED CAPACITY AT 5 TO 15 MINUTES

FACTORS:

- WASTE PROPERTIES
- OPERATING MODE OF INCINERATOR

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KEY OPERATING PARAMETER--WASTE CHARGING RATE

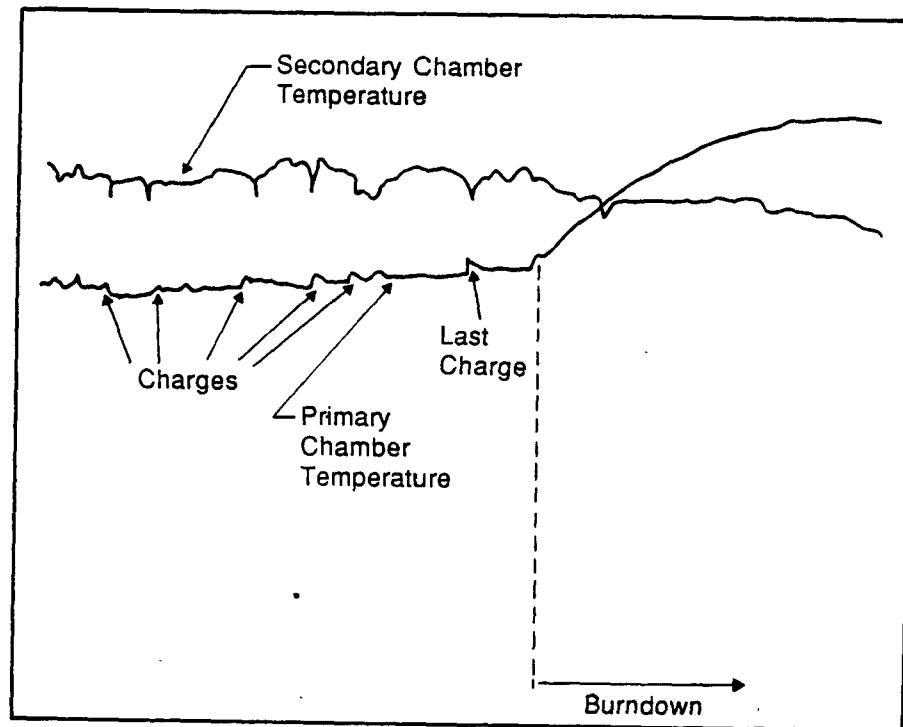
OPERATOR MONITORS:

- CHARGE RATE, LB/H
  - AMOUNT AND FREQUENCY OF CHARGE
- ASH BED
  - BUILDUP
- ASH QUALITY
  - "GOOD" BURNOUT
- TEMPERATURE TRENDS
  - LOW TEMPERATURE--CHARGE NEEDED?
  - HIGH SECONDARY TEMPERATURE--WAIT?

CONTROL BY:

- SMALLER OR LARGER BATCHES
- LESS OR MORE FREQUENT CHARGES

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TEMPERATURE TREND<sup>1</sup>

SLIDE 6-8

PRIMARY CHAMBER TEMPERATURE

LOWER LIMIT: MINIMUM OPERATING TEMPERATURE

- ACHIEVE ADEQUATE BURNOUT
- STERILIZE ASH

UPPER LIMIT: MAXIMUM OPERATING TEMPERATURE

- LIMIT SLAGGING OF ASH

THERE MAY BE A REGULATORY REQUIREMENT ON LOWER LIMIT

SLIDE 6-9

KEY OPERATING PARAMETER--PRIMARY CHAMBER TEMPERATURE

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGE:

- BATCH - 1000° TO 1800°F
- INTERMITTENT - 1000° TO 1800°F
- CONTINUOUS - 1400° TO 1800°F

OPERATOR MONITORS

- TEMPERATURE READING
- TEMPERATURE TREND

CONTROL BY:

- ADJUSTING CHARGING RATE
- ADJUSTING PRIMARY COMBUSTION AIR LEVEL
- AUXILIARY BURNER OPERATION

SLIDE 6-10

## SECONDARY CHAMBER TEMPERATURE

LOWER LIMIT: MINIMUM OPERATING TEMPERATURE

- HIGH ENOUGH TEMPERATURE TO COMBUST ALL ORGANIC COMPOUNDS

UPPER LIMIT: MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE

- PREVENT DAMAGE TO REFRACTORY

THERE MAY BE A REGULATORY REQUIREMENT ON LOWER LIMIT

SLIDE 6-11

KEY OPERATING PARAMETER--SECONDARY CHAMBER TEMPERATURE

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGE:

- 1800° to 2200°

OPERATOR MONITORS:

- TEMPERATURE READING
- TEMPERATURE TREND

CONTROL BY:

- ADJUSTING SECONDARY COMBUSTION AIR LEVEL
- SECONDARY BURNER OPERATION
- ADJUSTING PRIMARY CHAMBER PARAMETERS
- ADJUSTING CHARGING RATE

SLIDE 6-12

PRIMARY CHAMBER COMBUSTION AIR LEVEL

- CONTROLS COMBUSTION RATE AND TEMPERATURE IN PRIMARY CHAMBER
- CONTROLS RELEASE RATE OF COMBUSTIBLE GASES TO SECONDARY CHAMBER
- MAINTAINED BELOW STOICHIOMETRIC



SLIDE 6-13

KEY OPERATING PARAMETER--PRIMARY CHAMBER COMBUSTION AIR

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGE:

- 30 TO 80 PERCENT OF STOICHIOMETRIC

MONITOR:

- VISUAL OBSERVATION
  - DARK RED SMOKEY COMBUSTION ZONE
- PRIMARY CHAMBER TEMPERATURE

CONTROL BY:

- INCREASE/DECREASE COMBUSTION AIRFLOW

SLIDE 6-14

SECONDARY CHAMBER AND TOTAL COMBUSTION AIR LEVEL

- CONTROLS TEMPERATURE OF SECONDARY CHAMBER
- EXCESS AIR ASSURES SUFFICIENT OXYGEN FOR COMPLETE COMBUSTION

SLIDE 6-15

KEY OPERATING PARAMETER--TOTAL COMBUSTION AIR LEVEL

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGE:

- 140 TO 200 PERCENT EXCESS AIR

MONITORING:

- SECONDARY COMBUSTION CHAMBER TEMPERATURE
- STACK GAS OPACITY
  - BLACK SMOKE → DEFICIENT AIR
- COMBUSTION GAS OXYGEN LEVEL

CONTROL BY:

- ADJUSTING SECONDARY AIRFLOW

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COMBUSTION CHAMBER DRAFT

- PREVENT EXCESSIVE PARTICULATE MATTER ENTRAINMENT
- PREVENT AIR OUT-LEAKAGE

SLIDE 6-17

KEY OPERATING PARAMETER--COMBUSTION CHAMBER DRAFT

RECOMMENDED RANGE:

- NEGATIVE 0.05 TO 0.1 INCHES WATER

MONITOR:

- DRAFT GAUGE

CONTROL BY:

- NATURAL DRAFT DAMPER SETTING  
-- BAROMETRIC, AUTOMATIC, MANUAL
- FAN DAMPER SETTING

SLIDE 6-18

OTHER PARAMETERS TO MONITOR

STACK GAS OPACITY

- EASY TO DO
- INDICATOR OF PARTICULATE EMISSION/POOR COMBUSTION
- ADJUST SECONDARY AIR OR CHARGE RATE
- CHECK SECONDARY BURNER

SLIDE 6-19

OTHER PARAMETERS TO MONITOR

ASH QUALITY

- EASY TO DO
- PIECES OF UNBURNED WASTE NOT GOOD
- GRAY COLOR BETTER THAN BLACK
- INCREASE PRIMARY TEMPERATURE
- DECREASE CHARGE RATE
- INCREASE BURNOUT TIME

SLIDE 6-20

OTHER PARAMETERS TO MONITOR

STACK GAS CARBON MONOXIDE

- INDICATOR OF COMBUSTION EFFICIENCY
- NEED INSTRUMENT
- SHOULD BE <100 PPM



SLIDE 6-21

OTHER PARAMETERS TO MONITOR

SECONDARY BURNER FLAME PATTERN

- BRIGHT YELLOW/ORANGE
- NO SMOKE
- NO IMPINGEMENT

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CONTROL AND MONITORING SUMMARY

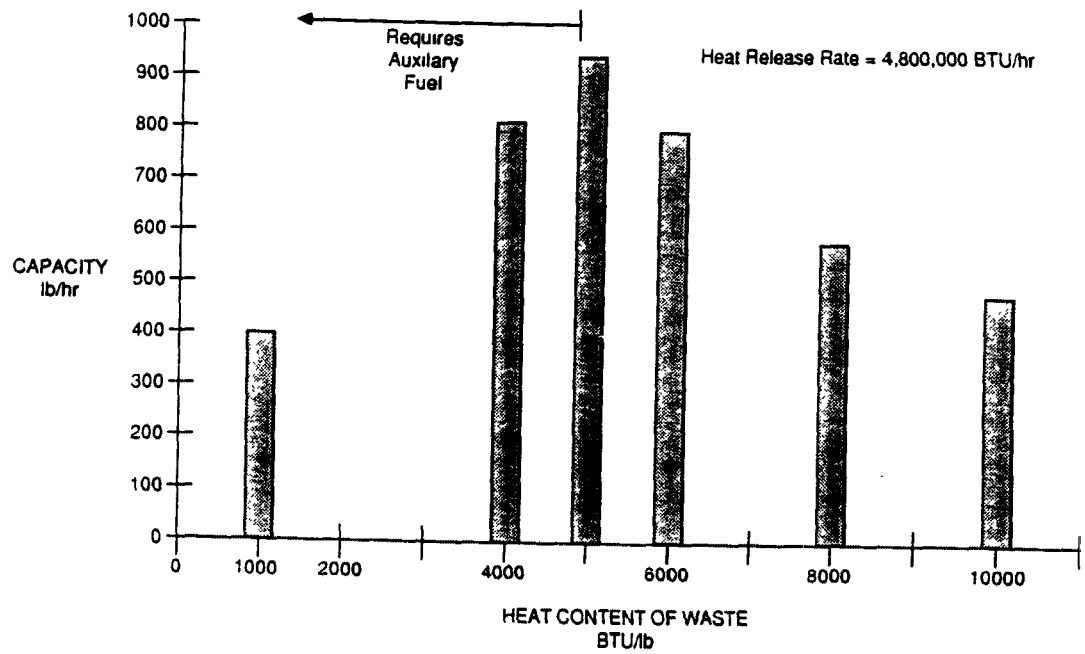
- WASTE COMPOSITION, CHARGE RATE, TEMPERATURES, AIR LEVELS ARE ALL INTERRELATED
- WITHIN LIMITS OF DESIGN--AUTOMATIC CONTROL SYSTEM ADJUSTS AIR LEVEL TO CONTROL HEAT RELEASE AND TEMPERATURE
- OPERATOR CAN CONTROL CHARGE RATE

SLIDE 6-23

CONTROL AND MONITORING SUMMARY (CONTINUED)

- TO OPERATE INCINERATOR WITHIN DESIGN LIMITS, THE OPERATOR
  - MONITORS:
    - TEMPERATURES
    - CHARGE RATE
    - WASTE BED APPEARANCE
    - ASH QUALITY
    - OPACITY
  - ADJUSTS:
    - CHARGE RATE
    - COMBUSTION AIR LEVELS
    - BURNERS

# SLIDE 6-24



INCINERATOR CAPACITY VERSUS HEAT CONTENT OF WASTE

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PROPER WASTE CHARGING PROCEDURES

SINGLE BATCH OPERATION

- CHARGE INCINERATOR COLD
- DO NOT "STUFF" INCINERATOR
- CLOSE AND SEAL DOOR BEFORE IGNITION
- PREHEAT SECONDARY CHAMBER BEFORE IGNITION
- DECREASE SIZE OF LOAD, AS NECESSARY, TO PREVENT EMISSIONS AT STARTUP

SLIDE 6-26

PROPER WASTE CHARGING PROCEDURES

INTERMITTENT DUTY AND CONTINUOUS DUTY

- MORE FREQUENT SMALLER CHARGES ARE BETTER THAN ONE LARGE CHARGE
- ADJUST CHARGE VOLUME AND FREQUENCY TO ACCOUNT FOR WASTE VARIATIONS

SLIDE 6-27

### PATHOLOGICAL WASTES

- LIMIT AMOUNT OF PATHOLOGICAL WASTE IF INCINERATOR IS NOT A PATHOLOGICAL DESIGN
- OPERATE PRIMARY BURNERS DURING INCINERATION
- CHARGE WASTE TO HEARTH IN SHALLOW LAYER
  - DO NOT PILE
  - EXPOSE TO FLAME

SLIDE 6-28

## PROPER ASH HANDLING PROCEDURES

### SINGLE BATCH/INTERMITTENT OPERATION

- ALLOW INCINERATOR TO COOL
- DO NOT SPRAY WATER INTO COMBUSTION CHAMBER
- USE FLAT/BLUNT TOOL FOR ASH REMOVAL
- AVOID PUSHING ASH INTO UNDERFIRE PORTS
- PLACE ASH IN METAL CONTAINER
- DAMPEN ASH TO PREVENT FUGITIVE DUST
- PROPERLY DISPOSE OF ASH
- MAKE SURE ASH DOOR IS PROPERLY SEALED
- INSPECT ASH QUALITY;  
MAKE CORRECTIONS TO OPERATION, IF NECESSARY



SLIDE 6-29

PROPER ASH HANDLING PROCEDURES

CONTINUOUS DUTY

- WATCH FOR JAMS IN CONVEYOR SYSTEMS
- ASSURE QUENCH WATER FLOW IS ADEQUATE
- REPLACE FULL ASH CONTAINER WITH EMPTY CONTAINER
- KEEP ASH WET OR COVER TO PREVENT FUGITIVE DUST
- INSPECT ASH QUALITY  
ADJUST INCINERATOR OPERATION, IF NECESSARY

SLIDE 6-30

## STARTUP AND SHUTDOWN

### SINGLE BATCH UNIT

#### STARTUP:

- CHARGE INCINERATOR COLD
- PREHEAT THE SECONDARY CHAMBER BEFORE IGNITING WASTE

#### SHUTDOWN:

- INCREASE PRIMARY COMBUSTION CHAMBER AIR TO PROMOTE COMBUSTION OF FIXED CARBON
- AFTER PRIMARY TEMPERATURE DECREASES TO PRESET LEVEL, SHUT DOWN SECONDARY BURNER
- KEEP COMBUSTION BLOWERS OPERATING TO COOL INCINERATOR
- REMOVE ASH AFTER INCINERATOR COOLS

SLIDE 6-31

## STARTUP AND SHUTDOWN

### INTERMITTENT AND CONTINUOUS DUTY

#### STARTUP:

- PREHEAT SECONDARY CHAMBER BEFORE INITIATING CHARGING
- CHARGE WASTE
- IGNITE WASTE

#### SHUTDOWN:

- INTERMITTENT DUTY--SAME AS BATCH
- CONTINUOUS DUTY
  - STOP CHARGING SYSTEM
  - MAINTAIN OPERATION OF INCINERATOR AND ASH SYSTEM UNTIL ALL WASTE IS DISCHARGED FROM INCINERATOR
  - SHUTDOWN INCINERATOR

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OPERATOR'S LOG

- WRITTEN LOG BOOK
- RECORD SIGNIFICANT EVENTS
  - STARTUP/SHUTDOWN
  - ADJUSTMENTS
  - CHANGES IN CHARGE RATE
- RECORD UNUSUAL PROBLEMS AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

SLIDE 6-33

DO

- PAY CAREFUL ATTENTION TO CHARGING RATE
  - ADJUST CHARGING RATE, IF NECESSARY
- MONITOR COMBUSTION TEMPERATURES
  - LEARN TO RECOGNIZE TRENDS
- MONITOR STACK OPACITY
- INSPECT THE CHAMBERS THROUGH VIEWPORTS
- INSPECT ASH QUALITY
  - ADJUST OPERATION, IF NECESSARY
- PROPERLY HANDLE AND DISPOSE OF ASH
- PREHEAT THE SECONDARY CHAMBER BEFORE STARTUP
- KEEP AN OPERATING LOG

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DON'T

- IGNORE PROBLEMS INDICATED BY MONITORS
- OVERCHARGE THE INCINERATOR

SLIDE 6-35

KEY OPERATING PARAMETERS:  
MULTIPLE-CHAMBER, EXCESS-AIR INCINERATORS

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGE</u>
WASTE CHARGE RATE	
--RED BAG	10-25% OF RATED CAPACITY AT 10-15 MINUTE INTERVALS
--PATHOLOGICAL	SINGLE LAYER ON HEARTH

SLIDE 6-36

KEY OPERATING PARAMETERS:  
MULTIPLE-CHAMBER, EXCESS-AIR INCINERATORS

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGE</u>
PRIMARY CHAMBER TEMPERATURE	
--GENERAL REFUSE	1000°-1400°F
--PATHOLOGICAL	1600°-1800°F
SECONDARY CHAMBER TEMPERATURE	1800°-2200°F



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KEY OPERATING PARAMETERS:  
MULTIPLE-CHAMBER, EXCESS-AIR INCINERATORS

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGE</u>
PRIMARY CHAMBER COMBUSTION AIR	80-150% EXCESS AIR
TOTAL COMBUSTION AIR	120 TO 300% EXCESS AIR
COMBUSTION GAS OXYGEN CON.	10-16%
COMBUSTION CHAMBER DRAFT	NEGATIVE 0.05 TO 0.1 IN. W.C.

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### SUMMARY OF OPERATION

- UNITS ARE BATCH OR INTERMITTENT DUTY
- PRIMARY CHAMBER IS EXCESS AIR ATMOSPHERE
  - HEAT RELEASE RATE IS CONTROLLED BY CHARGE RATE AND BURNERS
  - FOR PATHOLOGICAL WASTE HEAT RELEASE RATE IS CONTROLLED BY PRIMARY BURNERS

SLIDE 6-39

SUMMARY OF MONITORING AND CONTROL

OPERATOR MONITORS:

- CHARGING RATE
- TEMPERATURES OF BOTH CHAMBERS
- TEMPERATURE TRENDS
- DRAFT
- ASH BED APPEARANCE
- ASH QUALITY
- OPACITY

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SUMMARY OF MONITORING AND CONTROL

OPERATOR CONTROLS:

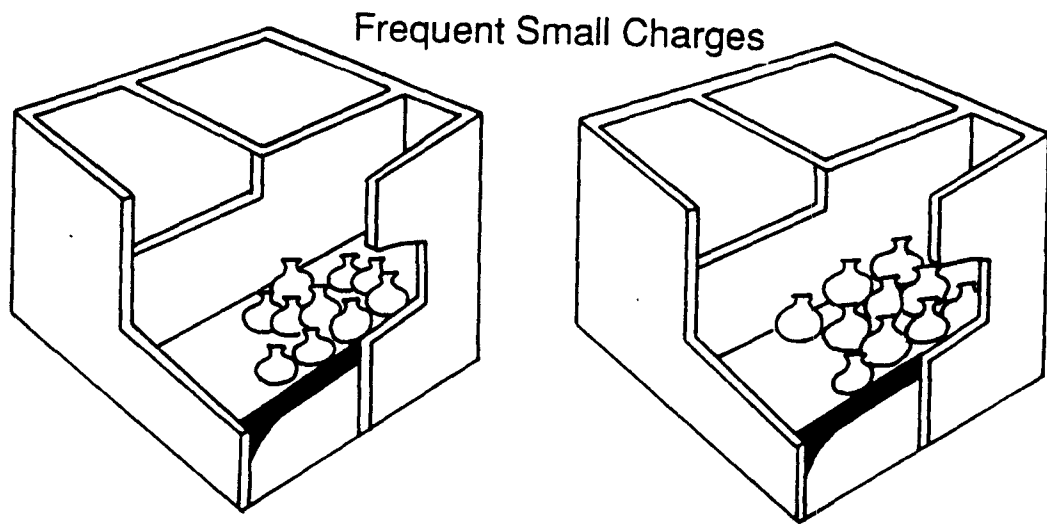
- CHARGE RATE
- AIR DAMPER SETTINGS
- AUXILIARY BURNER OPERATION

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### WASTE CHARGING PROCEDURES

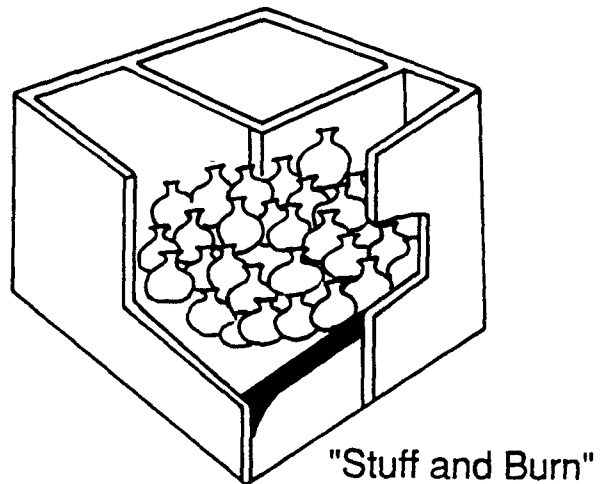
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- MORE FREQUENT SMALLER CHARGES ARE BETTER THAN ONE LARGE CHARGE
- DO NOT "STUFF" INCINERATOR
- ASSURE PRIMARY BURNER IS OFF PRIOR TO CHARGING
- GENTLY PUSH OLD WASTE TO BACK OF HEARTH; CHARGE NEW WASTE AT FRONT OF HEARTH

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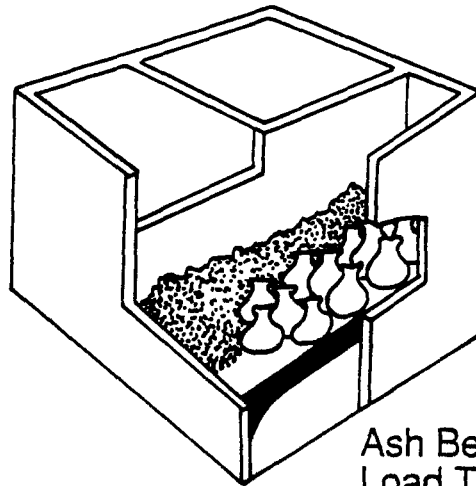
PROPER CHARGE PROCEDURES

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IMPROPER CHARGE PROCEDURES

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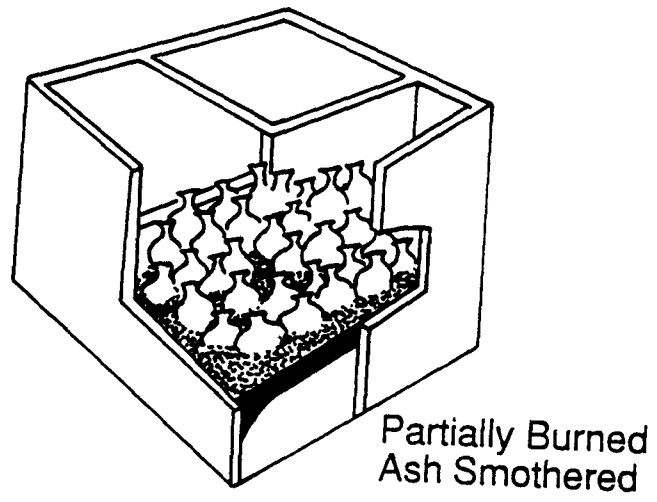


Ash Bed Stoked To Rear;  
Load To Front

PROPER LOADING ON HEARTH



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IMPROPER LOADING ON HEARTH

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PATHOLOGICAL WASTES

- CHARGE WASTE TO HEARTH IN A SHALLOW LAYER
  - DO NOT PILE
  - EXPOSE TO FLAME
- TURN OFF PRIMARY BURNER BEFORE CHARGING

SLIDE 6-47

PROPER ASH HANDLING PROCEDURES

- ALLOW INCINERATOR TO COOL
- DO NOT SPRAY WATER INTO COMBUSTION CHAMBER
- USE FLAT/BLUNT TOOL FOR ASH REMOVAL
- PLACE ASH IN METAL CONTAINER
- DAMPEN ASH TO PREVENT FUGITIVE DUST
- PROPERLY DISPOSE OF ASH
- INSPECT ASH QUALITY; MAKE CORRECTIONS IN OPERATION, IF NECESSARY

SLIDE 6-48

## STARTUP AND SHUTDOWN

### STARTUP:

- PREHEAT SECONDARY CHAMBER BEFORE INITIATING CHARGING
- CHARGE WASTE
- IGNITE WASTE

### SHUTDOWN:

- SHUT DOWN BURNERS
- ALLOW INCINERATOR TO COOL
- REMOVE ASH

SLIDE 6-49

DO

- PREHEAT THE SECONDARY CHAMBER
- PAY CAREFUL ATTENTION TO CHARGING PROCEDURES AND RATES
- SHUT OFF PRIMARY BURNER WHEN CHARGING
- MONITOR COMBUSTION CHAMBER TEMPERATURES
- MONITOR COMBUSTION CHAMBER DRAFT
- MONITOR STACK GAS OPACITY--ESPECIALLY AFTER CHARGING
- INSPECT ASH QUALITY
- FOR PATHOLOGICAL WASTES, OPERATE PRIMARY BURNER AT ALL TIMES

SLIDE 6-50

DON'T

- OVERCHARGE THE INCINERATOR
- DEEPLY PILE PATHOLOGICAL WASTE ON THE HEARTH

SESSION 7.

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL SYSTEMS OPERATION

SLIDE 7-1

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR HOSPITAL INCINERATORS

- WET SCRUBBERS
  - SPRAY TOWERS
  - VENTURI SCRUBBERS
  - PACKED-BED SCRUBBERS
- FABRIC FILTERS
- DRY SCRUBBERS
  - DRY INJECTION
  - SPRAY DRYERS
- ELECTROSTATIC PRECIPITATORS



SLIDE 7-2

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGES FOR KEY PARAMETERS

VENTURI SCRUBBER

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
• PRESSURE DROP	20-30 IN. W.C.
• LIQUID SUPPLY	7-10 GAL/1,000 ACF
• PH	5.5-7.0
• SUSPENDED SOLIDS	0-3 PERCENT

SLIDE 7-3

VENTURI SCRUBBER PARAMETERS USUALLY  
MONITORED BY OPERATOR

- PRESSURE DROP
- LIQUID FLOW RATE
- pH
- FAN
  - STATIC PRESSURE
  - RPM
  - AMPERAGE

SLIDE 7-4

VENTURI SCRUBBER OPERATION

<u>KEY PARAMETER</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
PRESSURE DROP	VARIABLE THROAT FAN DAMPER FAN SPEED
LIQUID SUPPLY	LIQUID FLOW RATE
SUSPENDED SOLIDS	MAKEUP WATER BLOWDOWN
PH	MAKEUP CAUSTIC

SLIDE 7-5

VENTURI SCRUBBER STARTUP SEQUENCE

1. TURN ON LIQUID SUPPLY AND RECIRCULATION
2. SET LIQUID FLOW TO MANUFACTURER SPECIFICATIONS
3. CLOSE FAN DAMPER
4. START FAN
5. GRADUALLY OPEN DAMPER
6. ADJUST LIQUID FLOW TO OBTAIN DESIRED LIQUID SUPPLY
7. ADJUST VENTURI THROAT, FAN AMPERAGE, OR DAMPER TO OBTAIN DESIRED PRESSURE DROP
8. ADJUST BLOWDOWN

SLIDE 7-6

VENTURI SCRUBBER SHUTDOWN SEQUENCE

1. SHUT OFF SCRUBBER FAN
2. SHUT OFF RECIRCULATION
3. SHUT OFF MAKEUP WATER

SLIDE 7-7

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGES FOR KEY PARAMETERS

PACKED-BED SCRUBBER

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
• LIQUID SUPPLY	15-25 GAL/1,000 ACF
• PH	5.5-7.0
• SUSPENDED SOLIDS	0-3 PERCENT
• INLET GAS TEMPERATURE	SPECIFIED BY MANUFACTURER
• PRESSURE DROP	1-5 IN. W.C.

SLIDE 7-8

PACKED-BED SCRUBBER PARAMETERS USUALLY  
MONITORED BY OPERATOR

- LIQUID FLOW RATE
- PRESSURE DROP
- INLET GAS TEMPERATURE
- PH
- FAN
  - STATIC PRESSURE
  - RPM
  - AMPERAGE

SLIDE 7-9

PACKED-BED SCRUBBER OPERATION

<u>KEY PARAMETER</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
LIQUID SUPPLY	LIQUID FLOW RATE
PH	CAUSTIC FEED RATE
SUSPENDED SOLIDS	MAKEUP WATER BLOWDOWN
INLET GAS TEMPERATURE	INCINERATOR EXHAUST TEMPERATURE PREQUENCH



SLIDE 7-10

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGES FOR KEY PARAMETERS

SPRAY TOWER

- LIQUID SUPPLY 5 TO 20 GAL/1,000 ACF
- PRESSURE DROP 1 TO 3 IN. W.C.

SLIDE 7-11

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGES FOR KEY PARAMETERS

PULSE-JET FABRIC FILTER

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
FLUE GAS TEMPERATURE:	
UPPER LIMIT	SPECIFIED BY MANUFACTURER
LOWER LIMIT	ABOVE DEWPOINT
PRESSURE DROP	5-9 IN. W.C.
CLEANING AIR PRESSURE	60-100 PSIG

SLIDE 7-12

FABRIC FILTER PARAMETERS USUALLY  
MONITORED BY OPERATOR

- OPACITY
- PRESSURE DROP
- INLET GAS TEMPERATURE
- OUTLET GAS TEMPERATURE

SLIDE 7-13

FABRIC FILTER OPERATION

<u>KEY PARAMETER</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
FLUE GAS TEMPERATURE:	
UPPER LIMIT	BYPASS FABRIC FILTER LOWER INCINERATOR (BOILER) EXHAUST TEMPERATURE INTRODUCE COOL AMBIENT AIR
LOWER LIMIT	INCREASE AUXILIARY FUEL
PRESSURE DROP	BAG CLEANING FREQUENCY
CLEANING AIR PRESSURE	COMPRESSED AIR SYSTEM

SLIDE 7-14

FABRIC FILTER STARTUP

- PRECOAT BAGS
- USE AUXILIARY FUEL-FIRING TO BRING SYSTEM TO OPERATING TEMPERATURE
- GRADUALLY BUILDUP DUST CAKE

SLIDE 7-15

FABRIC FILTER SHUTDOWN

- STOP WASTE CHARGING
- MAINTAIN SECONDARY CHAMBER BURNER FIRING UNTIL WASTE IS COMBUSTED
- SHUT OFF INCINERATOR
- PURGE REMAINING COMBUSTION PRODUCTS
- CLEAN BAGS

SLIDE 7-16

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGES FOR KEY PARAMETERS

DRY INJECTION

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
• SORBENT INJECTION RATE	SPECIFIED BY MANUFACTURER
• SORBENT PARTICLE SIZE	90 PERCENT BY WEIGHT THROUGH 325 MESH SCREEN

SLIDE 7-17

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGES FOR KEY PARAMETERS

SPRAY DRYERS

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
• SLURRY SORBENT CONTENT	5-20 PERCENT
• WET BULB/DRY BULB TEMPERATURE DIFFERENCE	90° TO 180°F



SLIDE 7-18

SPRAY DRYER OPERATION

KEY PARAMETER

ADJUSTMENT

SLURRY SORBENT CONTENT

DRY SORBENT/WATER RATIO

WET BULB/DRY BULB TEMPERATURE  
DIFFERENCE

SLURRY FLOW RATE

SLIDE 7-19

## SPRAY DRYER STARTUP/SHUTDOWN

### STARTUP ALTERNATIVES:

1. USE AUXILIARY FUEL-FIRING TO BRING SYSTEM UP TO OPERATING TEMPERATURE BEFORE INJECTING SLURRY
2. GRADUALLY INCREASE SLURRY FEED AS EXHAUST TEMPERATURE INCREASES TO MAINTAIN 90° TO 180°F WET BULB/DRY BULB DIFFERENCE

### SHUTDOWN:

1. USE AUXILIARY FUEL-FIRING TO MAINTAIN TEMPERATURE ABOVE SATURATION UNTIL ALL WASTE IS COMBUSTED
2. SHUT OFF SPRAY DRYER

SLIDE 7-20

RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGES FOR KEY PARAMETERS

ELECTROSTATIC PRECIPITATORS

<u>PARAMETER</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
INLET GAS TEMPERATURE	
-- HOT SIDE ESP	570° TO 800°F
-- COLD SIDE ESP	<400°F
PARTICULATE RESISTIVITY	$10^7$ TO $10^{10}$ OHM-CM
POWER RATIO	0.5 TO 0.9

SLIDE 7-21

## ESP OPERATION

<u>KEY PARAMETER</u>	<u>ADJUSTMENT</u>
PRIMARY VOLTAGE/CURRENT	POWER SUPPLY CLEAN/ADJUST ELECTRODES
SECONDARY VOLTAGE/CURRENT	T/R RESISTIVITY
RESISTIVITY	GAS TEMPERATURE CONDITIONING AGENT ADDITION COMBUSTION/CARBON CONTENT
GAS TEMPERATURE	CONDITION GAS STREAM INCINERATOR/BOILER OPERATION

SLIDE 7-22

## ESP STARTUP/SHUTDOWN

### STARTUP

- CHECK HOPPER/ASH HANDLING OPERATION
- PREHEAT HOPPERS
- SET RAPPER CYCLE
- CHECK RAPPER OPERATION
- CHECK T/R SETTING
- SEQUENTIALLY ENERGIZE T/R BY FIELD

### SHUTDOWN

- SHUTDOWN INCINERATOR
- DEENERGIZE T/R BY FIELD
- AFTER 4 HOURS DEENERGIZE HEATERS
- AFTER 8 HOURS SHUTDOWN RAPPERS

## **SESSION 8.**

**MAINTENANCE INSPECTION--A NECESSARY PART OF YOUR JOB**

SLIDE 8-1

## PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

- PROGRAM TO CONDUCT MAINTENANCE ON REGULAR SCHEDULED BASIS
- RESPONSIBILITY OF MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT?
- YOU CAN HELP
  - INSPECT UNIT
  - IDENTIFY MINOR PROBLEMS
  - REPORT TO MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

SLIDE 8-2

TYPICAL MAINTENANCE INSPECTION SCHEDULE

<u>ACTIVITY FREQUENCY</u>	<u>INCINERATOR COMPONENT</u>
HOURLY	ASH REMOVAL CONVEYOR WATER QUENCH PIT RAM COOLING SYSTEM
DAILY	STACK THERMOCOUPLES LIMIT SWITCHES UNDERFIRE AIR PORTS OPACITY MONITOR OXYGEN MONITOR
WEEKLY	BLOWER INTAKES INDUCED-DRAFT FANS CONTROL PANELS REFRACTORY
MONTHLY	EXTERNAL SURFACE OF INCINERATOR AND STACK
90 DAY	SHUT DOWN AND DO COMPLETE WALKTHROUGH (FIRST YEAR)



SLIDE 8-3

TYPICAL MAINTENANCE INSPECTION SCHEDULE FOR  
A WET SCRUBBER

<u>INSPECTION FREQUENCY</u>	<u>COMPONENT</u>
DAILY	SCRUBBER LIQUID PUMP VARIABLE THROAT ACTIVATOR SCRUBBER LIQUID LINES REAGENT FEED SYSTEM FAN PH METER $\Delta$ P METER
MONTHLY	DUCT WORK

SLIDE 8-4

TYPICAL MAINTENANCE INSPECTION SCHEDULE FOR  
A FABRIC FILTER SYSTEM

<u>INSPECTION FREQUENCY</u>	<u>COMPONENT</u>
DAILY	STACK MANOMETER COMPRESSED AIR SYSTEM COLLECTOR/CLEAN CYCLE HOPPERS/DUST REMOVAL SYSTEM FAN

SLIDE 8-5

RECORDKEEPING

- RECORDS ALLOW TRENDS TO BE TRACKED
- ASSISTS WITH EVALUATING PM PROGRAM
- ASSISTS INVENTORY DECISIONS

SLIDE 8-6

## DAILY MAINTENANCE INSPECTION LOG

Facility name: \_\_\_\_\_

Operator's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time	Equipment inspected	Notes
	Ash removal conveyor	
	Water quench pit	
	Opacity monitor	
	Oxygen monitor	
	Underfire air ports	
	Ash pit/dropout sump	
	Stack	
	Scrubber liquid pump	
	Variable throat activator	
	Scrubber liquid lines	
	Mist eliminator pressure lines	
	Reagent feed system	
	Fan	
	Fan belt	

## SESSION 9.

### TYPICAL PROBLEMS



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PROBLEMS

IT'S BETTER TO PREVENT PROBLEMS  
THAN TO CORRECT PROBLEMS

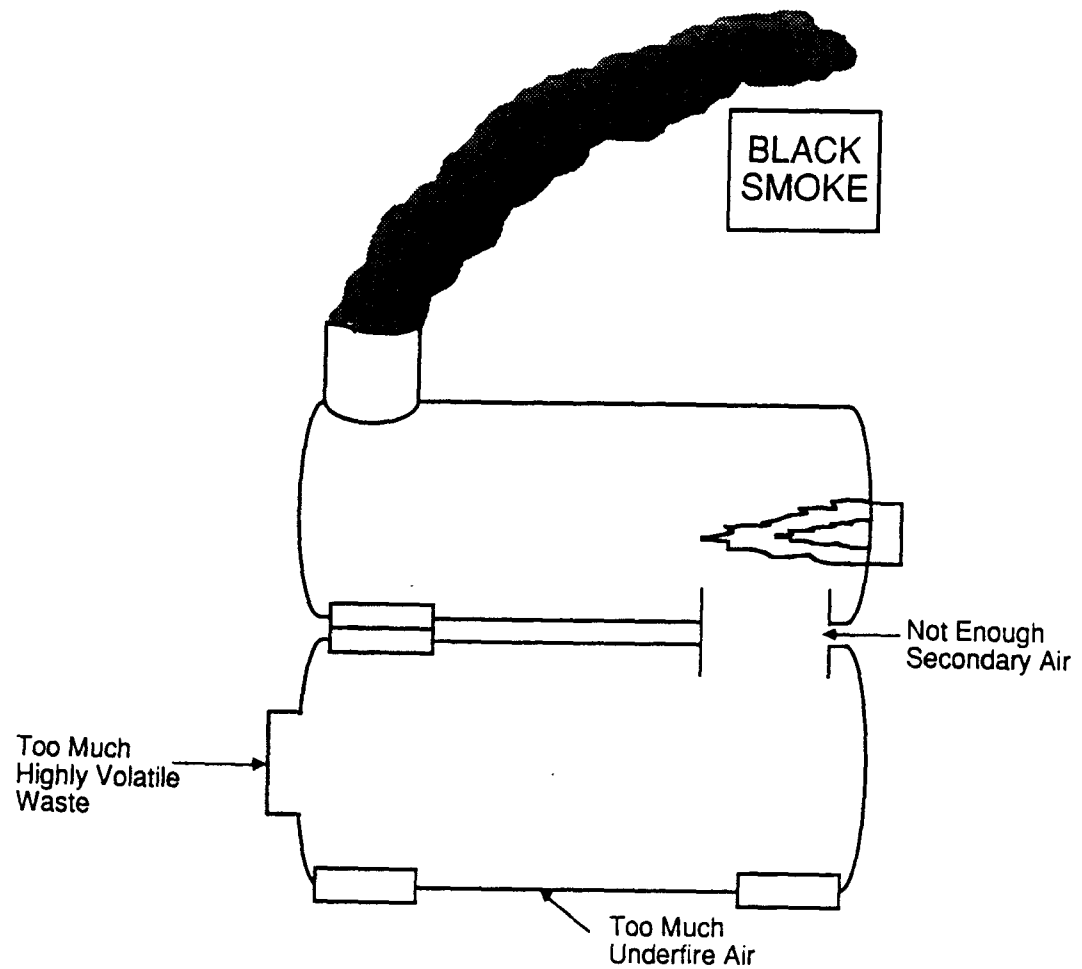
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INCINERATOR PROBLEMS

- BLACK SMOKE
- WHITE/BLUE-WHITE SMOKE
- WHITE SMOKE/HAZE
- PUFFING SMOKE FROM CHAMBER
- EXCESSIVE AUXILIARY FUEL USAGE
- POOR ASH QUALITY
- BURNER PROBLEMS

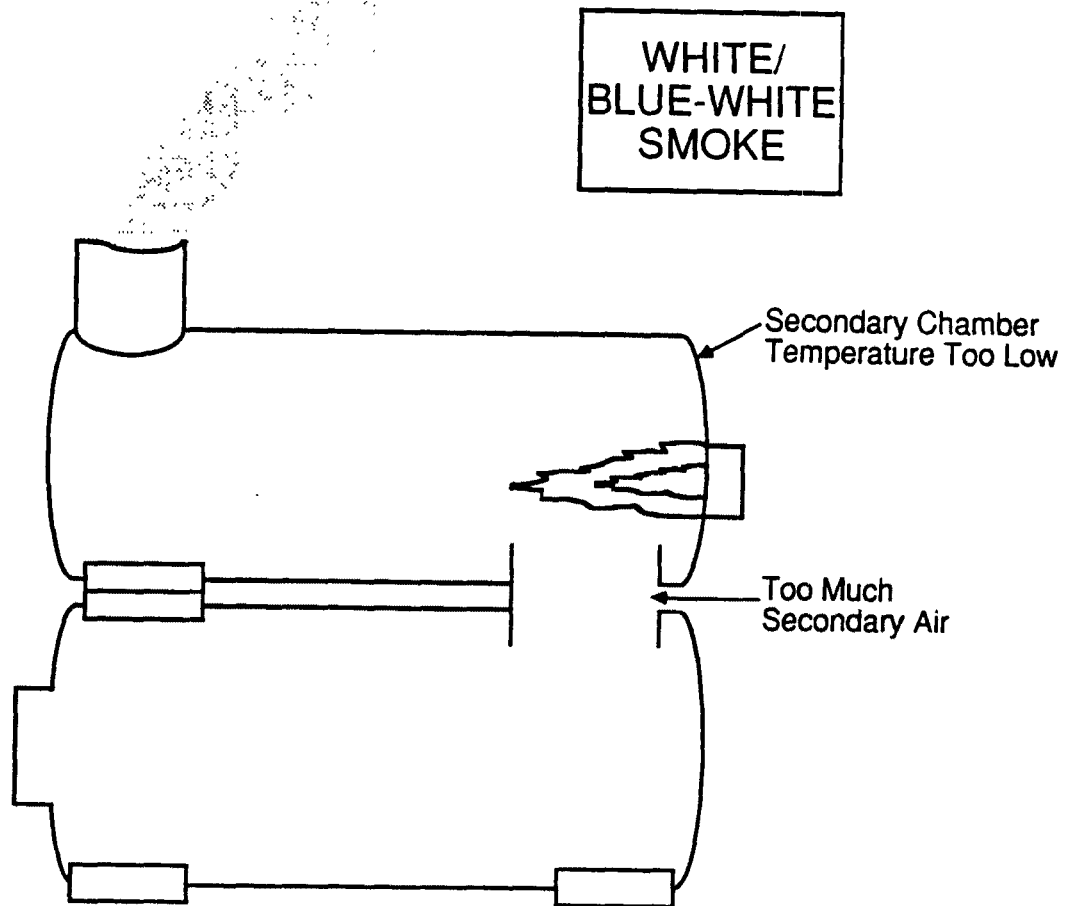


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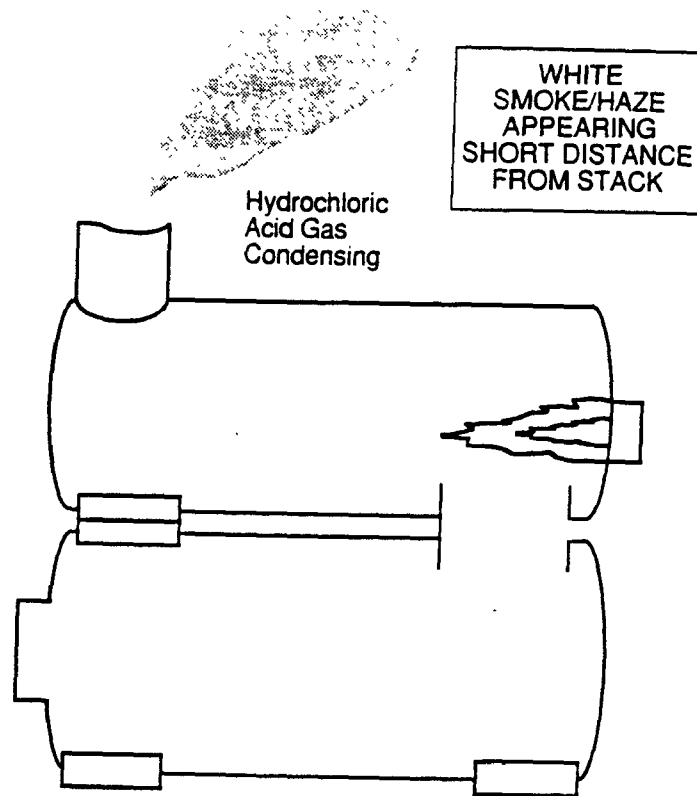
BLACK SMOKE FROM INCINERATOR STACK

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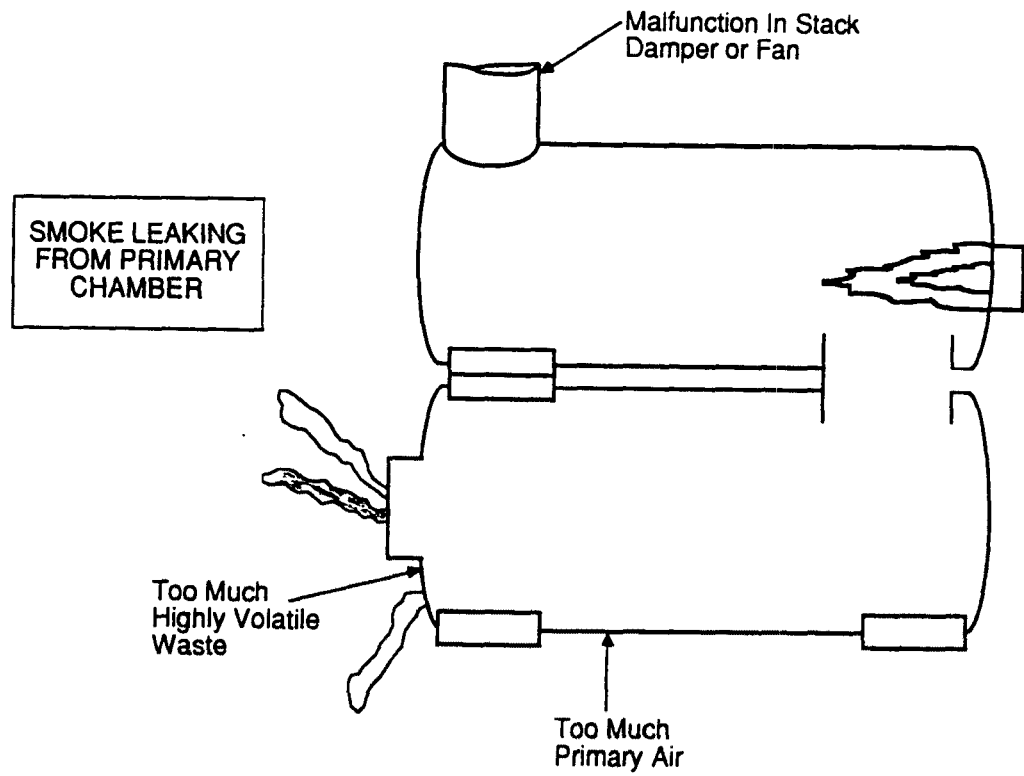
WHITE/BLUE-WHITE SMOKE FROM INCINERATOR STACK

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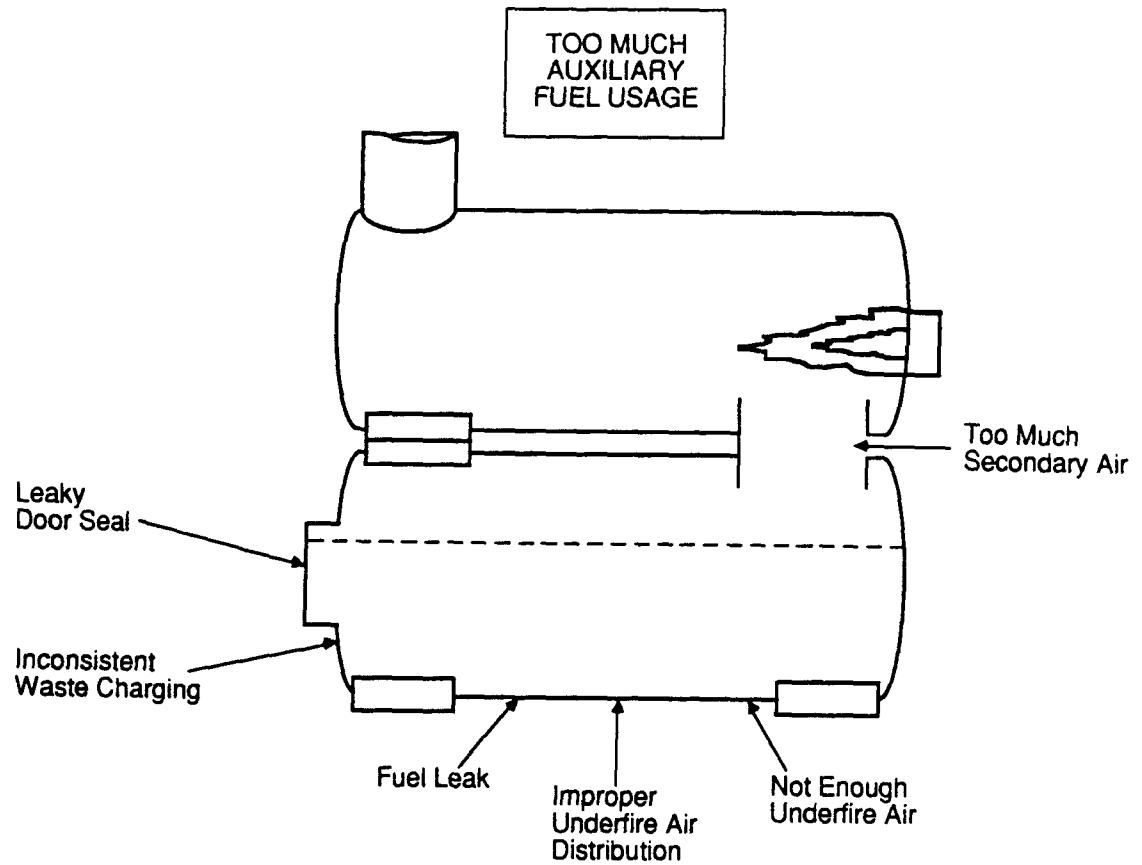
WHITE SMOKE/HAZE A SHORT DISTANCE FROM INCINERATOR STACK

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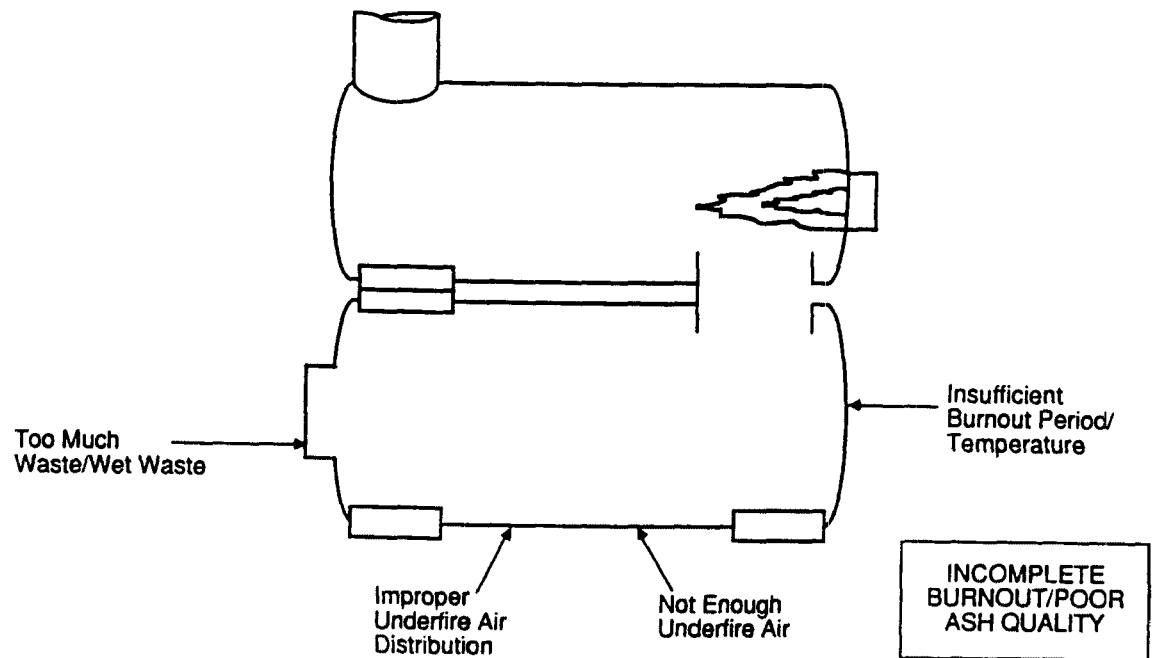
SMOKE LEAVING PRIMARY CHAMBER OF INCINERATOR

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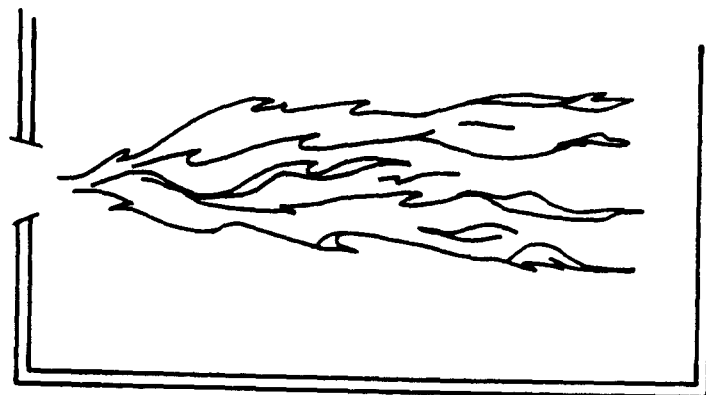
TOO MUCH AUXILIARY FUEL USAGE

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INCOMPLETE BURNOUT/POOR ASH QUALITY

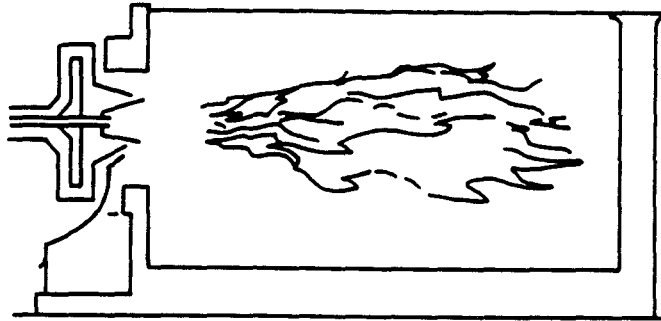
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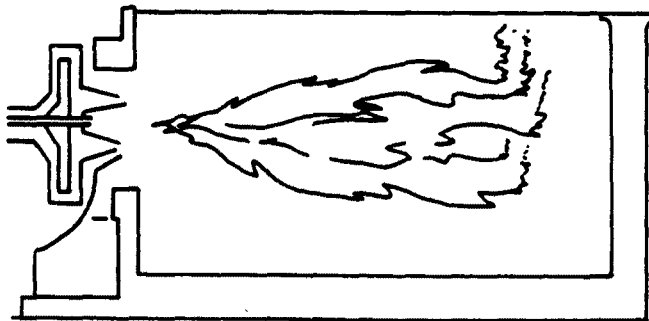
Proper Flame  
Pattern

BURNER FLAME PATTERNS <sup>1</sup>

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Detached Flame; Too  
Much Burner Air

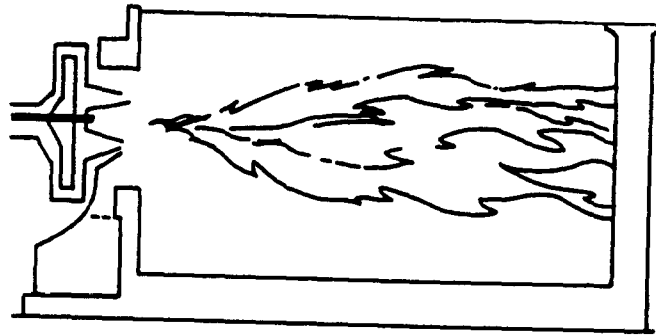


Smoking Flame;  
Not Enough Air

BURNER FLAME PATTERNS <sup>1</sup>



SLIDE 9-11



Flame Impingement  
On Refractory

BURNER FLAME PATTERNS<sup>1</sup>

SLIDE 9-12

PREVENT INCINERATOR PROBLEMS

- PROPERLY CHARGE INCINERATOR
- NOTE SMALL OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS  
AND GET FIXED BEFORE THEY BECOME BIG PROBLEMS

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WET SCRUBBER PROBLEMS

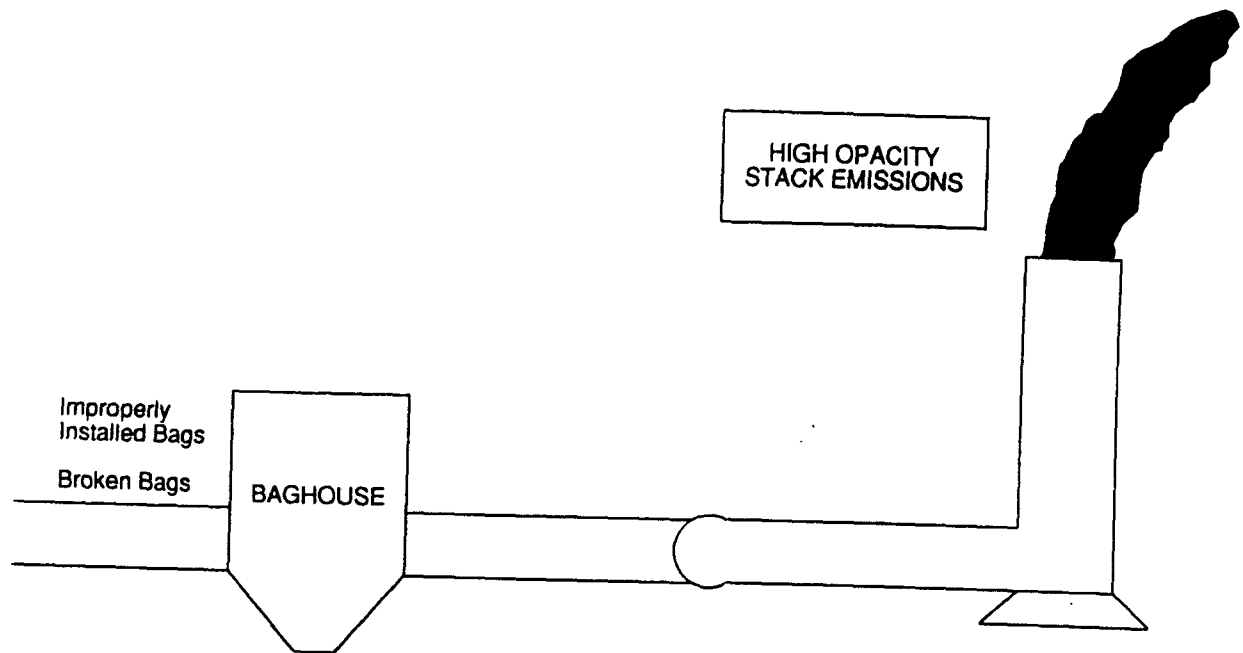
- CORROSION
- PLUGGED SPRAY NOZZLES
- FAN VIBRATION

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PREVENT SCRUBBER PROBLEMS

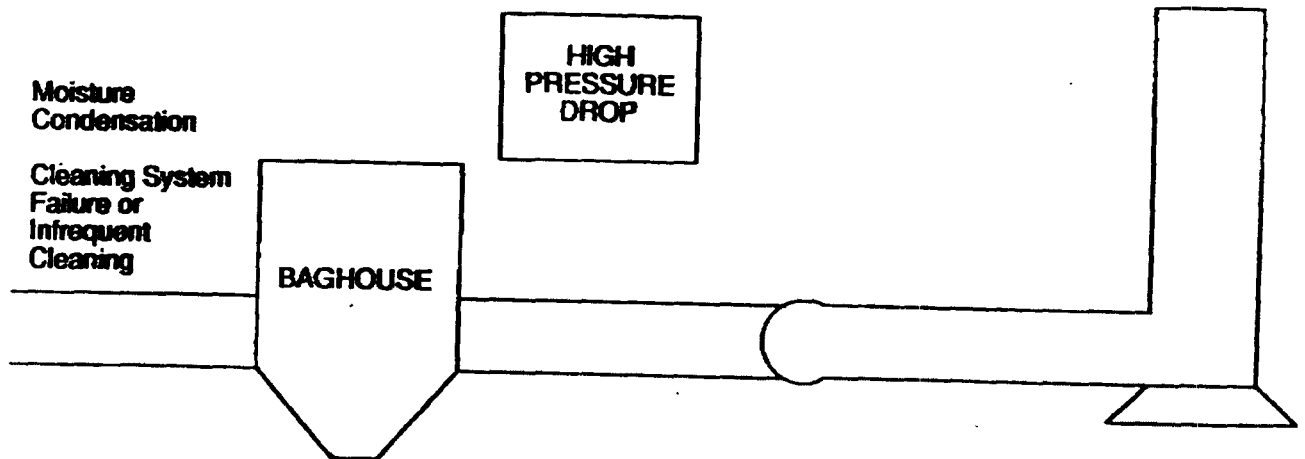
- MAINTAIN CORRECT PH FOR SCRUBBER LIQUID
- MAINTAIN LOW LEVEL OF SOLIDS IN RECIRCULATED SCRUBBING LIQUID
- USE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR INSPECTING/CLEANING NOZZLES, FANS, DAMPERS

SLIDE 9-15



HIGH OPACITY FROM FABRIC FILTER

SLIDE 9-16



**HIGH PRESSURE DROP IN FABRIC FILTER**

SLIDE 9-17

PREVENT FABRIC FILTER PROBLEMS

- MAINTAIN PROPER TEMPERATURE RANGE WITHIN BAGHOUSE
- MONITOR  $\Delta P$
- MAINTAIN PROPER CLEANING CYCLE
- MONITOR OPACITY

SLIDE 9-18

OTHER PROBLEMS

- WATER COOLING SYSTEMS FOR RAMS
  - MAINTAIN WATER FLOW
  - MAINTAIN COOLER OPERATION
- MICROSWITCHES
  - CHECK MOVEMENT BY HAND
  - LUBRICATE



SLIDE 9-19

WHAT PROBLEMS

DO

YOU HAVE?

SESSION 10.

STATE REGULATIONS

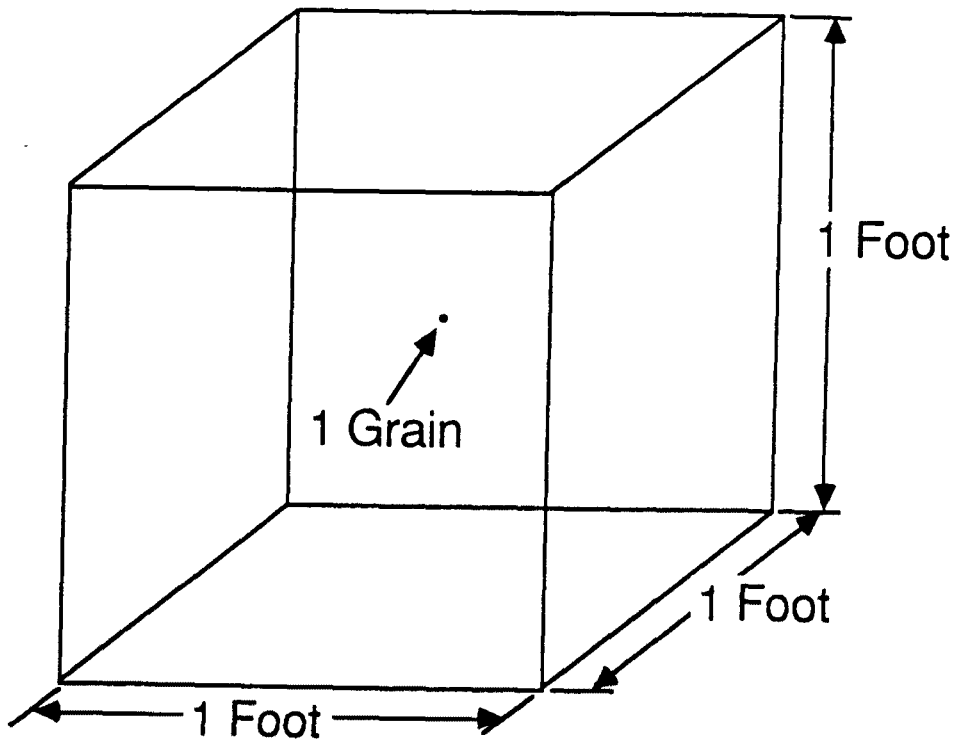


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TYPES OF REQUIREMENTS IN STATE REGULATIONS

- EMISSION LIMITS
- OPERATING PRACTICES/LIMITS
- CONTINUOUS EMISSION MONITORING
- RECORDKEEPING AND REPORTING
- OPERATOR TRAINING

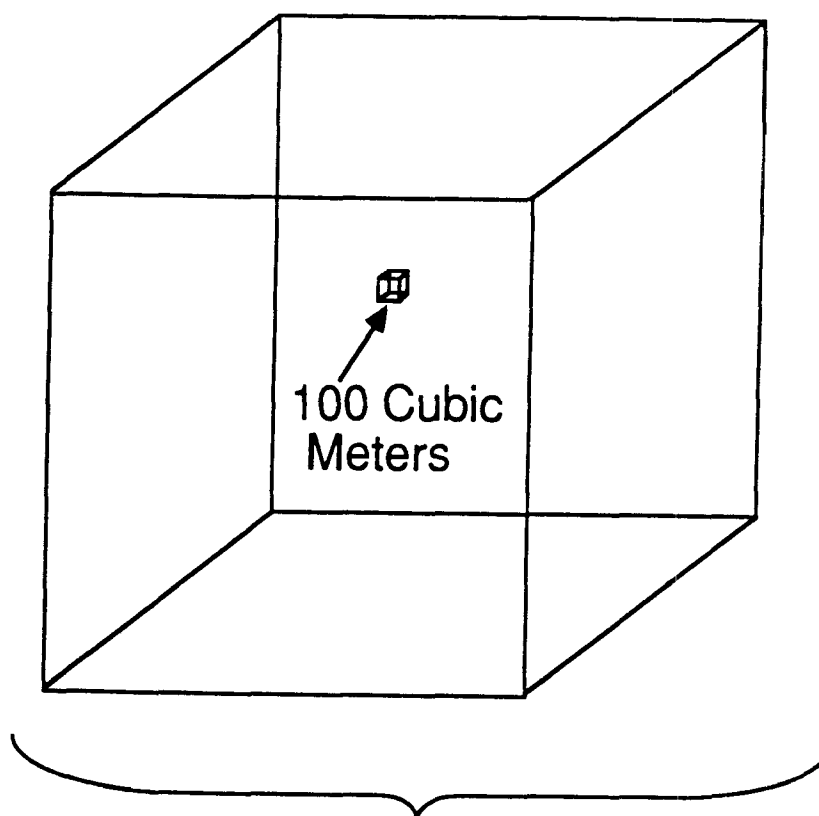
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1 Grain Per Dry Standard  
Cubic Foot

7000 Grains=1 pound

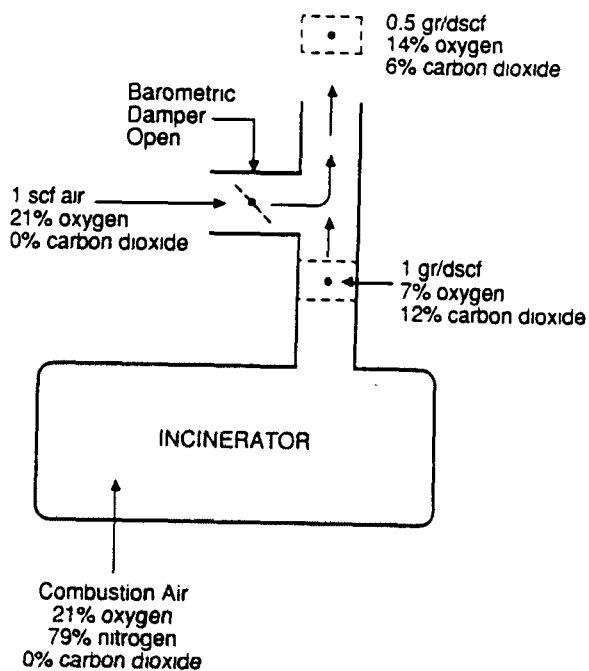
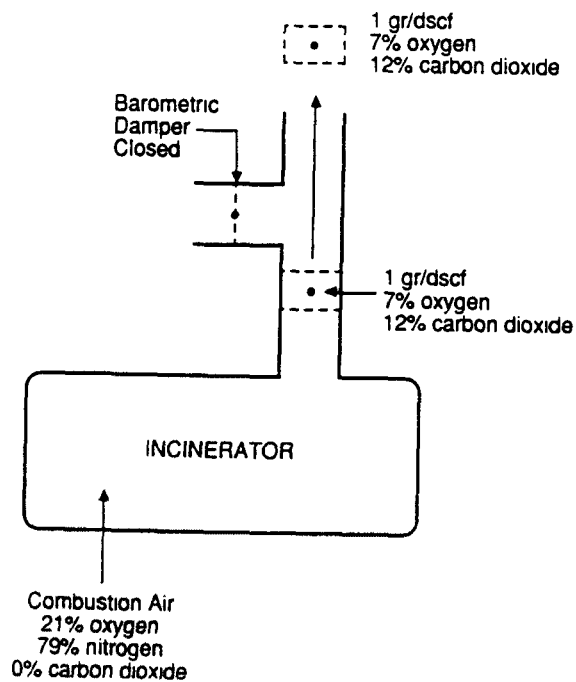
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Contains 1 Million  
Cubic Meters

100 Parts Per million

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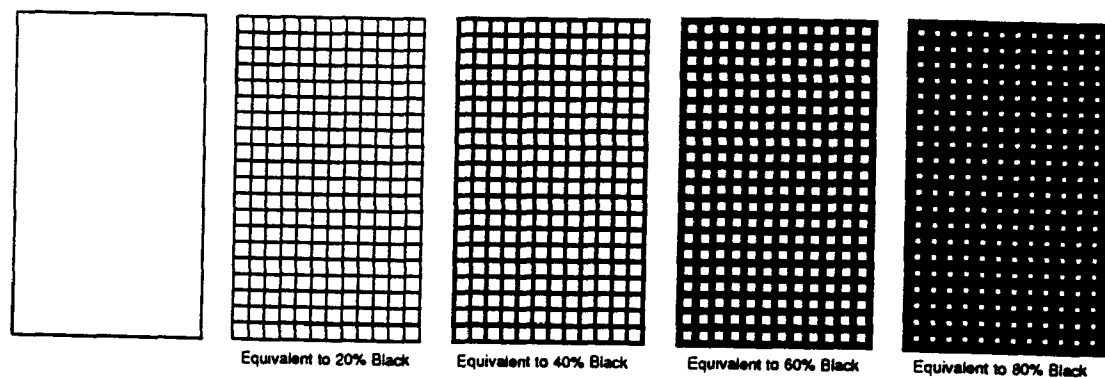


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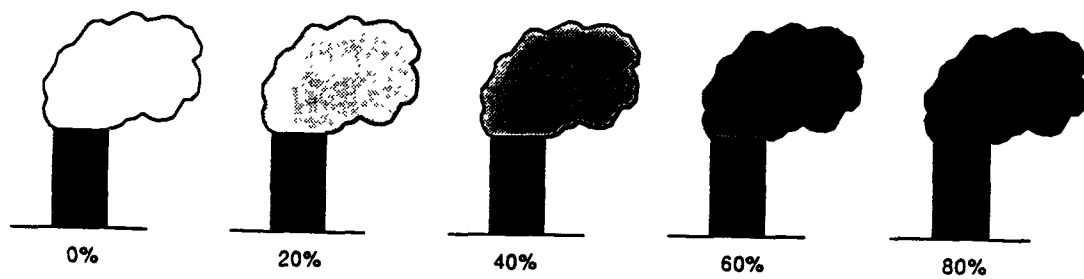
$$1 \text{ gr/dscf @ } 12\% \text{ CO}_2 = 0.5 \text{ gr/dscf @ } 6\% \text{ CO}_2$$

CORRECTION FOR DILUTION

## SLIDE 10-5



Ringlemann's Scale for Grading the Density of Smoke



## OPACITY AND THE RINGLEMANN CHART



SESSION 11.

SAFETY: AN IMPORTANT PART OF YOUR JOB



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TORN "RED" BAG

SLIDE 11-2

## WASTE HANDLING SAFETY

### HAZARDS

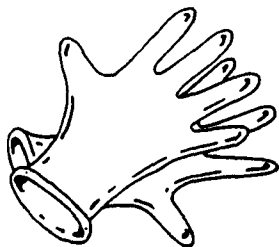
- SHARP OBJECTS IN WASTE BAGS
- INFECTIOUS WASTE SPILLAGE
- MICRO-ORGANISMS IN AIR

### PRECAUTIONS

- MINIMIZE BAG HANDLING
- DO NOT OPEN OR CRUSH BAGS
- WEAR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING AND SAFETY GEAR
- DO NOT EAT OR DRINK IN THE AREA
- WASH HANDS BEFORE EATING OR DRINKING

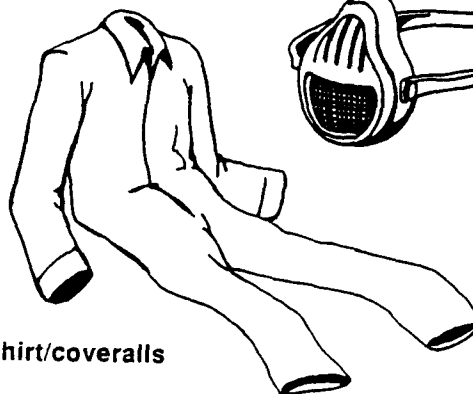
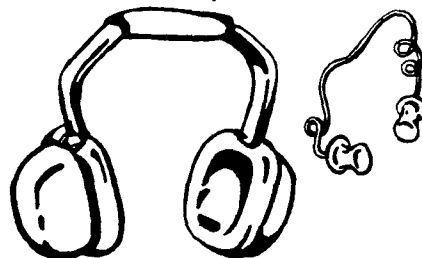
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Thick rubber gloves



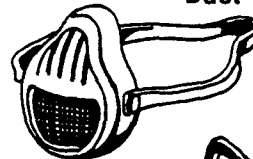
Hard-soled rubber shoes

Ear protectors



Long-sleeved shirt/coveralls

Dust mask



Safety glasses

PROPER SAFETY GEAR

SLIDE 11-4

INCINERATOR OPERATION--  
INJURIES AND SAFETY HAZARDS

- BURNS
  - HOT SURFACES
  - CARELESS CHARGING
  - CARELESS ASH REMOVAL
  - OPENING INSPECTION PORTS
- INJURY
  - MOVING BELTS AND HYDRAULIC CYLINDERS
  - ELEVATED WALKWAYS
- EXPOSURE TO AIR CONTAMINANTS/LACK OF OXYGEN
  - LEAK IN EQUIPMENT OR DUCTWORK
  - POOR VENTILATION OF AREA

SLIDE 11-5

BURNER FLAME SAFEGUARD SYSTEM

- CONTROLS BURNER IGNITION
- PURGES SYSTEM
- PILOT IGNITION
  - DETECTOR
  - 15 SECONDS
  - FUEL RELAY
- MAIN BURNER IGNITION
- SHUTDOWN
  - FLAME OUT
  - AIR SUPPLY FAILURE

SLIDE 11-6

## INCINERATOR OPERATION SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

### Do's

- WEAR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING AND SAFETY GEAR
- BE CAREFUL AROUND MOVING BELTS, HYDRAULIC CYLINDERS, AND DOORS
- AVOID CONTACT WITH HOT SURFACES
- WATCH FOR FUEL LEAKS
- BE CAREFUL ON ELEVATED WALKWAYS
- VENTILATE ROOM IF THERE IS LACK OF OXYGEN OR UNUSUAL ODORS
- LEAVE AREA IF YOU DEVELOP
  - HEADACHE, DROWSINESS, SHORTNESS OF BREATH, NAUSEA



SLIDE 11-7

INCINERATOR OPERATION SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

DON'TS

- DO NOT OPEN INSPECTION PORTS DURING OPERATION
- DO NOT PLACE HANDS OR FEET INTO FEED RAM ASSEMBLY OR ASH REMOVAL SYSTEM
- DO NOT LEAN ON GUARDRAILS OF WALKWAYS
- DO NOT BYPASS BURNER FLAME SAFEGUARD SYSTEM

SLIDE 11-8

INCINERATOR OPERATION SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: MANUAL CHARGING

Do's

- WAIT FOR PREVIOUS CHARGE TO BURN DOWN
- TURN OFF PRIMARY CHAMBER BURNER
- STAND BEHIND AND AWAY FROM DOOR

DON'TS

- DO NOT LOOK INTO OPEN CHARGE DOOR
- DO NOT CHARGE BOTTLES OF FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS

SLIDE 11-9

INCINERATOR OPERATION SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: ASH REMOVAL

Do's

- USE PROPER EQUIPMENT TO REMOVE ASH
- WATCH OUT FOR HOT SPOTS AND SHARP OBJECTS
- PUT ASH INTO NONCOMBUSTIBLE CONTAINER
- SPRAY WATER ON ASH IN CONTAINER TO COOL

SLIDE 11-10

INCINERATOR OPERATION SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: ASH REMOVAL

DON'TS

- DO NOT ENTER INCINERATOR CHAMBER
- DO NOT DAMAGE INCINERATOR REFRACTORY
- DO NOT SPRAY WATER INTO CHAMBER
- DO NOT HANDLE ASH DIRECTLY

SLIDE 11-11

WET SCRUBBERS: HAZARDS

- CHEMICAL BURNS
- FALLS
- FAN/FAN BELTS
- HEARING LOSS

SLIDE 11-12

WET SCRUBBERS: SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Do's

- KEEP SCRUBBER LIQUOR OFF SKIN AND EYES
- LEARN LOCATION OF AND HOW TO USE EYEWASH
- GET SCRUBBER LEAKS REPAIRED
- STAY AWAY FROM FANS, DRIVE SHAFTS, AND FAN BELT ASSEMBLIES
- WEAR EARPLUGS OR EARMUFFS AROUND NOISY EQUIPMENT

SLIDE 11-13

WET SCRUBBERS: SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

DON'TS

- DO NOT PLACE HAND IN FAN BELT/PULLEY ASSEMBLY
- DO NOT CONTINUE TO OPERATE IF FAN IS VIBRATING SEVERELY

SLIDE 11-14

FABRIC FILTERS: HAZARDS

- TOXIC CHEMICALS IN FINE DUSTS
- EXCESSIVE HEAT
- FAN/FAN BELTS
- HEARING LOSS
- INSIDE FABRIC FILTER
  - TOXIC GASES AND DUST
  - HOT, FREE FLOWING SOLIDS
  - OXYGEN DEFICIENCY
  - ROTATING EQUIPMENT
  - MOVING MECHANICAL PARTS



SLIDE 11-15

## FABRIC FILTERS: SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

### Do's

- PREVENT INHALATION OF DUST BY WEARING DUST MASK
- WEAR EARPLUGS OR EARMUFFS AROUND NOISY EQUIPMENT
- STAY AWAY FROM FANS, DRIVE SHAFTS, AND FAN BELT ASSEMBLIES
- BEFORE ENTERING A FABRIC FILTER
  - CLEAN DUST FROM BAGS AND HOPPER
  - PURGE WITH AIR
  - BE SURE FAN IS "LOCKED OUT"
  - HAVE A SECOND TRAINED PERSON STANDING BY
  - PLAN TO STAY INSIDE AS SHORT A TIME AS POSSIBLE

SLIDE 11-16

FABRIC FILTERS: SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

DON'TS

- DO NOT PLACE HAND IN FAN BELT/PULLEY ASSEMBLY
- DO NOT CONTINUE TO OPERATE IF FAN IS VIBRATING SEVERELY
- NEVER ENTER FABRIC FILTER WITHOUT PROPER TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT

SLIDE 11-17

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

- POST TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES
- SECURITY SHOULD INCLUDE INCINERATOR ON ROUNDS
- POST SPILL CONTROL/DECONTAMINATION PROCEDURES
- POST PROCEDURES FOR ADDRESSING PUNCTURE WOUNDS



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**PART II.**  
**STUDENT WORKSHEETS**

## INCINERATOR SYSTEM INFORMATION

Can you describe the type incinerator you operate? Fill out this table. Circle the answer that best fits your system.

Operator's name \_\_\_\_\_

Incinerator manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_

A. Incinerator type (Circle)

1. Controlled ("starved") air
2. Multiple chamber "excess" air
  - In-line
  - Retort
3. Rotary kiln
4. Other
5. Don't know

- B. My incinerator is designed especially for pathological waste:  
Yes      No      Don't know

C. Operating mode

1. Single batch
2. Intermittent duty
3. Continuous duty
4. Don't know

D. Waste feed charge system

1. Manual - I do all the work
2. Mechanical hopper/ram
  - a. Manually operated
  - b. Automatic timer sequence
3. Mechanical hopper/ram with cart dumper
4. Other
5. Don't know

E. Ash removal system

1. Manual - rake and hoe
2. Continuous mechanical
3. Don't know



## INCINERATOR SYSTEM INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

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### F. Combustion Gas Flow

1. Natural draft
2. Induced draft
3. Balanced draft
  - Forced combustion air/natural draft stack
  - Forced combustion air/induced draft fan

### G. Waste heat boiler

1. Yes
2. No

## INCINERATOR SYSTEM INFORMATION

### Monitoring and Control Systems

Operator's name \_\_\_\_\_

Incinerator manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_

A. How would you describe the operating mode of your incinerator?

1. Single batch
2. Intermittent duty
3. Continuous duty

B. How would you describe the control system used on your incinerator?

1. Manual
2. Automatic timer sequence
3. Automatic modulated control

C. What operating parameters are monitored or used as control parameters on your incinerator?

	<u>Monitored</u>	<u>Function Controlled</u>	<u>Controlled</u>
1. Primary Chamber			
Temperature			
2. Secondary Chamber			
Temperature			
3. Draft			
4. Charge rate			
5. Oxygen			
6. Carbon Monoxide			
7. Opacity			
8. Other:			

## INCINERATOR SYSTEM INFORMATION

WORKSHEET NO. 3

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### Operating Parameters

Operator's name \_\_\_\_\_

Incinerator manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_

What are the key operating parameters for your incinerator. What are the setpoints or operating ranges used?

<u>Key Parameter</u>	<u>Setpoints/Operating Range</u>		<u>No setpoint</u>
	<u>upper</u>	<u>lower</u>	
1. Primary chamber temperature			
2. Secondary chamber temperature			
3. Draft			
4. Charge rate			
5. Oxygen concentration			
6. Carbon monoxide concentration			

### OPERATING REVIEW

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A. List the things to do when operating your incinerator that you think are the most important:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

B. Name the things to watch (monitor) when operating your incinerator that you think are the most important.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

C. Name the things not to do when operating your incinerator that you think are the most important:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

## OPERATING PROBLEMS REVIEW

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What are the most frequent problems you usually have?

A. Problem:

Possible causes:

Possible solutions:

B. Problem:

Possible causes:

Possible solutions:

C. Problem:

Possible causes:

Possible solutions:

## INCINERATOR SYSTEM INFORMATION

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### Regulatory Limits

Operator's name \_\_\_\_\_

Incinerator manufacturer \_\_\_\_\_

What regulatory limits are you required to meet during operation of your incinerator?

Limit

A. Emission Limits:

1. Opacity
2. Particulate
3. Other

B. Operating Limits

1. Charge rate
2. Primary chamber temp
3. Secondary chamber temp
4. Oxygen concentration
5. Ash quality
6. Other

C. Record Keeping

1. Charge rate
2. Primary chamber temp
3. Secondary chamber temp
4. Other

## SAFETY REVIEW

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A. What personal safety gear do you use?

1. Coveralls
2. Hard soled shoes
3. Eye protection
4. Gloves
5. Dust mask
6. Ear protection

B. List the most serious safety hazards to which you are exposed.  
How do you minimize your chances of injury??

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.





PART C.

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