

# New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) 40 CFR 60 Subpart OOOO for Storage Tanks (Part 1)



## APPLICABILITY AND COMPLIANCE



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# General Applicability



## Affected Facilities Applicable to NSPS Subpart 0000

| Affected Facilities  | Production Facility (Well Site) | Gathering Facility | Onshore Gas Processing Facility | Transmission Facility |
|--|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Natural Gas Well (hydraulically fractured or refractured)                      | X                               |                    |                                 |                       |
| Centrifugal Compressor (using wet seal)  |                                 | X                  | X                               |                       |
| Reciprocating Compressor   |                                 | X                  | X                               |                       |
| Natural Gas Driven Pneumatic Controller (continuous bleed)                     | X                               | X                  | X                               |                       |
| <b>Storage Vessels</b>   | <b>X</b>                        | <b>X</b>           | <b>X</b>                        | <b>X</b>              |
| Equipment (pump, valve, flange, etc. in VOC/wet service) within a process unit |                                 |                    | X                               |                       |
| Sweetening units located at onshore natural gas processing plants              |                                 |                    | X                               |                       |

# Final Rule Compliance Schedule

| <b>NSPS 0000 Affected Facility</b>   | <b>Standard</b>                      | <b>Compliance Date</b>            |
|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Hydraulically fractured wildcat and delineation wells                      | Complete combustion                  | October 15, 2012                  |
| Hydraulically fractured low pressure non-wildcat and non-delineation wells | Complete combustion                  | October 15, 2012                  |
| Other hydraulically fractured wells  | Complete combustion                  | Before 1/1/2015                   |
| Other hydraulically fractured wells  | REC and complete combustion          | After 1/1/2015                    |
| Centrifugal compressors with wet seals                                     | 95% reduction                        | October 15, 2012                  |
| Reciprocating compressors  | Charge rod packing                   | October 15, 2012                  |
| Pneumatic controllers at NG processing plants                              | Zero bleed rate                      | October 15, 2012                  |
| Pneumatic controllers between wellhead and NG processing plants            | 6 scfh bleed rate                    | October 15, 2013                  |
| <b><i>Group 2 and 1 Storage Vessels</i></b>                                | <b><i>95% reduction</i></b>          | <b><i>April 15, 2014/2015</i></b> |
| Equipment Leaks  | LDAR program                         | October 15, 2012                  |
| Sweetening Units   | Reduce SO <sub>2</sub> as calculated | October 15, 2012                  |

# Kentucky Division of Air Quality Meeting



- Tuesday, November 5th, 2013 meeting
- Next meeting: December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013
- State will seek primacy over NSPS 0000
- In order to obtain primacy, Kentucky must file regs. Should be filed in early 2014
- EPA is scheduling a fact-finding meeting in KY in Nov/Dec 2013 with KDAQ
- DAQ is interested in a general air permit for tanks, based on product through-put
- DAQ's general permit and their PTE spreadsheet calculations **MAY** look similar to the TX program ([www.tceq.texas.gov/assistance/industry/oilgas\\_air.html](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assistance/industry/oilgas_air.html))
- Sampling methodology is to be discussed in the Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting

# What is a Storage Vessel:



**Storage Vessel is a tank containing**

- **Crude Oil,**
- **Condensate,**
- **Intermediate hydrocarbon liquids, or**
- **Produced Water**

# What does VOC and PTE Mean?



- **VOC = Volatile organic compound**
  - Defined by EPA and are generally organic chemical compounds whose composition makes it possible for them to evaporate under normal atmospheric conditions of temperature and pressure.
- **PTE = Potential to emit**
  - Maximum or worse-case potential air emissions from a source based on maximum daily throughput (a.k.a. barrels/day or gal/day of production)

# Tanks in the Program



- **Each single Storage Vessel with a PTE  $>$  or  $=$  6 TPY of VOCs and located in the:**
  - Oil and natural gas production segment
  - Oil and natural gas gathering segment
  - Natural gas processing segment
  - Natural gas transmission and storage segment

# Tanks Not In The Program



Storage Vessels do not include:

- **Skid-mounted or permanently attached** to something that is mobile and on-site for < 180 consecutive days. Trucks, railcars, barges, etc.
- **Process vessels**-Typically: Used to complete process. Separating or combining 2 or more products. Examples: Surge control vessels, bottoms receivers or knock out vessel.
- **Pressure vessels**-Designed to operate in excess of 29.7 psi w/o emissions to atmosphere.



# Storage Vessel Affected Facility



- **Affected Storage Vessels Threshold**
  - PTE of VOC emissions  $>$  than or = **6 TPY**
    - ✦ PTE calculated using a generally accepted model or calculation methodology
    - ✦ Based on the maximum daily throughput
    - ✦ Can rely on enforceable limitations to  $<$  6 TPY VOC
    - ✦ PTE based on VOC emissions after any vapor recovery unit (VRU)
- **Group 1 Storage Vessels**
  - Constructed/Modified/Reconstructed after **Aug 23, 2011** and before **April 12, 2013**
- **Group 2 Storage Vessels**
  - Constructed/Modified/Reconstructed **after April 12, 2013**

# Reconstruction Definition



- The replacement of components of an existing facility... to such an extent that the fixed capital cost of the new components exceeds **50% of the fixed capital cost that would be required to construct a comparable entirely new facility,**
- **Fixed Capital Costs**-capital needed to provide all the depreciable components...and it is technologically and economically feasible to meet applicable standards.

# PTE Calculations



- PTE for each tank requires evaluation to determine if = or > 6 tons/year
- The total VOC PTE for each tank needs to be evaluated that will **generally include three components**:
  - flash emissions,
  - working losses and
  - breathing losses.

# Guidelines for Compliance



- **Develop an inventory of storage tanks installed, modified, or reconstructed after August 23, 2011.**
- **Perform emission calculations for applicable storage tanks**
  - Accuracy
  - Parameters/inputs to be collected
  - “Compliance margin” (if any)
  - Evaluate control measures if PTE  $\geq$  6 TPY
  - Group 1 storage tanks in first annual report
  - Install Group 2 storage tank controls by April 15, 2014 and Group 1 storage tank controls by April 15, 2015

# PTE Summary from EPA



- **Condensate Storage Vessels**

| <b>Throughput Cutoff (BOPD)</b> | <b>Equivalent Emissions Cutoff (tons/year) <sup>a</sup></b> | <b>Emission Reduction (tons/year) <sup>b</sup></b> |  |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 0.5                             | 3.0   | 2.89   |  |
| 1                               | 6.1   | 5.77   |  |
| 2                               | 12.2  | 11.55  |  |
| 5                               | 30.4  | 28.87  |  |

a. Tables from EPA's Oil and Natural Gas Sector: Standards of Performance for Crude Oil and Natural Gas Production, Transmission, and Distribution (EPA-453/R-11-002 dated July 2011) and emissions based on the Texas Environmental Research Consortium revised 4/2/2009.

b. Calculated using 95 percent reduction.

# PTE Summary from EPA



- **Crude Oil Storage Vessels**

| <b>Throughput Cutoff (BOPD)</b> | <b>Equivalent Emissions Cutoff (tons/year) <sup>a</sup></b> | <b>Emission Reduction (tons/year) <sup>b</sup></b> |  |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 1                               | 0.3   | 0.28   |  |
| 5                               | 1.5   | 1.4  |  |
| 20                              | 5.8   | 5.55   |  |
| 50                              | 14.6  | 13.87  |  |

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b. Calculated using 95 percent reduction.

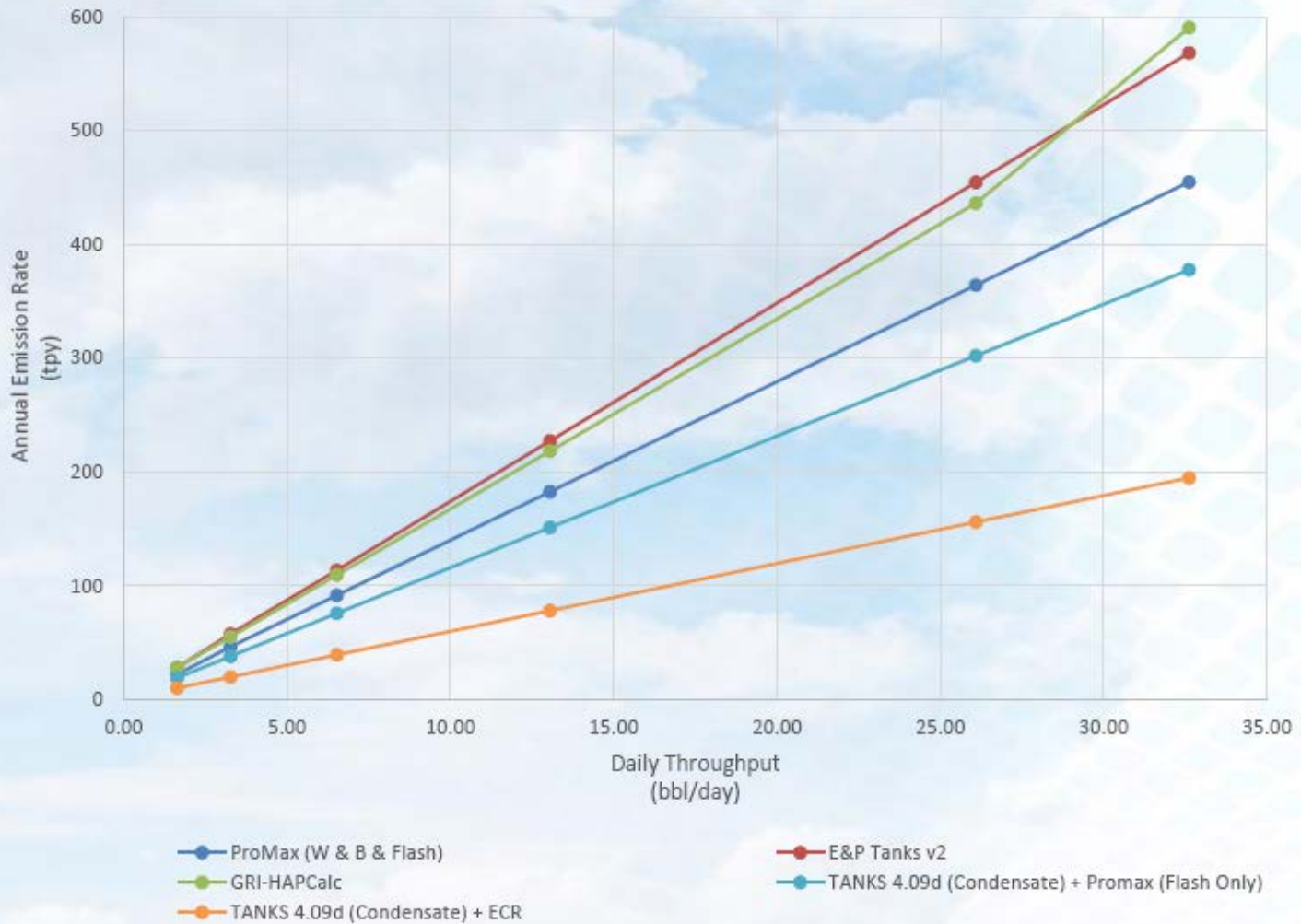
- **$\geq 20$  BOPD generally accepted threshold for 6 tpy VOC.**
- **Please note that the threshold could be  $< 20$  BOPD.**

# PTE Calculations - Methods



- **Some Methods used to determine PTE:**
  - Direct Measurement (working, breathing, flash)
  - Process Simulator Software (HYSIM, HYSIS, VMG, WinSIM Designed II and PROMAX) (flash losses only)
  - E&P Tanks Software designed by American Petroleum Institute (API) (working, breathing, flash)
    - ✦ Use option that requires sampling
    - ✦ Use geographical database option
  - Vasquez-Beggs Equation (VBE) (flash losses only)
  - EPA Tanks Program Version 4.0.9d developed by API (working and breathing losses) from AP-42.

# Method Comparison





# PTE Calculations - Methods



- To save time and perform an initial estimate of PTE we recommend using the following methods:
  - Vasquez-Beggs Equation (VBE) for **flash losses**
  - EPA Tanks Program Version 4.0.9d for **working and breathing losses**
- Please note that we are still anticipating some guidance from Kentucky DAQ on their approved calculation methods.

# PTE Calculations - Methods



- Vasquez-Beggs Equation (VBE) Required Input Data for Flashing Losses:
  - ✦ Stock Tank API Gravity (Default 78)
  - ✦ **Separator Pressure (psig), if any, or inlet pressure**
  - ✦ Separator Temperature (°F) (Default 60°F)
  - ✦ Separator Gas Gravity at Initial Condition (Default 0.90)
  - ✦ **Stock Tank Barrels of Oil per day (BOPD)**
  - ✦ Stock Tank Gas Molecular Weight (Default 49)
  - ✦ Fraction VOC (C3+) of Stock Tank Gas (Default 0.8)
  - ✦ Atmospheric Pressure (psia) (Default 14.7)

# PTE Calculations - Methods



- **EPA Tanks Program Version 4.0.9d Required Input Data for Working and Breathing Losses (annual):**
  - ✦ **Tank Location (City and State)**
  - ✦ **Type of Tank (vertical/horizontal, fixed roof/floating roof, etc.)**
  - ✦ **Tank Dimensions**
    - Shell Height
    - Diameter
    - Liquid Height
    - Average Liquid Height
    - Net Annual Throughput
    - Is tank heated?
  - ✦ **Paint Characteristics:**
    - Shell Color/Shade and Shell Condition
    - Roof Color/Shade and Roof Condition
  - ✦ **Roof Characteristics (if vertical tank):**
    - Type (Cone or Dome)
    - Height
    - Slope (cone roof)
  - ✦ **Breather Vent Settings**
    - Vacuum Settings (psig)
    - Pressure Settings (psig)
  - ✦ **Tanks Contents (Organic Liquids, Petroleum Distillates, Crude Oil) including speciation and any available information on vapor pressure, liquid molecular weight, vapor molecular weight**

# Example PTE Calculations – Flashing Losses



- Vasquez-Beggs Equation (VBE) Required Input Data:
  - ✦ Stock Tank API Gravity: 29.99°API
  - ✦ **Separator Pressure (psig): 285.3 psig**
  - ✦ Separator Temperature (°F): 200°F)
  - ✦ Separator Gas Gravity at Initial Condition: 0.75
  - ✦ **Stock Tank Barrels of Oil per day (BOPD): 20 BOPD**
  - ✦ Stock Tank Gas Molecular Weight: 50 lb/lb-mole
  - ✦ Fraction VOC (C3+) of Stock Tank Gas: 0.9
  - ✦ Atmospheric Pressure (psia): Default 14.7 psia
- Results: PTE (Flash Emissions) = **21.9 tpy VOC**

# Example PTE Calculations – Working/Breathing Losses



- **EPA Tanks Program Version 4.0.9d Required Input Data:**
  - ✦ Tank Location (City and State): **Louisville, KY**
  - ✦ Type of Tank (vertical/horizontal, fixed roof/floating roof, etc.): **Oil and Gas – Vertical Fixed Roof Storage Tank**
  - ✦ Tank Dimensions
    - Shell Height: **20 feet**
    - Diameter: **15.00 feet**
    - Liquid Height: **19 feet**
    - Average Liquid Height: **15 feet**
    - Net Annual Throughput: **306,600.00 gal/year (= 20 BOPD)**
    - Is tank heated? **No**
  - ✦ Paint Characteristics:
    - Shell Color/Shade: **Gray/Light** and Shell Condition: **Good**
    - Roof Color/Shade: **Gray/Light** and Roof Condition: **Good**
  - ✦ Roof Characteristics (if vertical tank):
    - Type (Cone or Dome): **Cone**
    - Height: **3 feet**
    - Slope (cone roof): **0.4 ft/ft**
  - ✦ Breather Vent Settings:
    - Vacuum Settings (psig): **-0.03 psig**
    - Pressure Settings (psig): **0.03 psig**
  - ✦ Contents: **Crude oil (RVP 5)**, multiple component liquid using vapor molecular weight of 50 lbs/lb-mole
  
- **Results:**
  - Working Losses: 832.91 lbs/year or 0.416 tons/year
  - Breathing Losses: 791.34 lbs/year or 0.395 tons/year
  - Total VOC PTE: **1,624.25 lbs/year or 0.81 tons/year**

# Example PTE Calculations



- Flash emissions = 21.9 tpy VOC
- Working/Breathing Loss Emissions = 0.81 tpy VOC
- Total PTE = 22.7 tpy VOC
- Therefore, if this was a condensate/oil tank that was equipped with a three phase separator upstream then the tank is applicable to NSPS Subpart OOOO.
- If this was only an atmospheric storage tank with no pressurized separator or other equipment upstream then you would only consider the Working and Breathing loss emissions and the tank would **not** be applicable to **NSPS Subpart OOOO** since you are < 6 tpy VOC.
- Flash emissions do not occur if temperature and pressure differences are 0.

# Group 1 Storage Vessel Initial Compliance



- **Determine VOC PTE by October 15, 2013**
- **Initial Notification** identifying location of each Group 1 vessel along with Initial report by **January 15, 2014**
- **Comply** (install capture and controls) by **April 15, 2015**

# Group 2 Storage Vessel Initial Compliance



- **Determine VOC PTE** by the later of April 15, 2014 or 30 days after start-up
- **Reduce VOC emissions by 95%** the later of by April 15, 2014 or within 60 days after start up
- **Comply** (install capture and controls) by the later of April 15, 2014 or 60 days after start-up



# Group 1 Storage Vessel Continuous Compliance



- Reduce VOC emissions by 95% by April 15, 2015 through the use of control device or floating roof
- or
- May remove control device\* and maintain uncontrolled VOC to  $< 4$  TPY after demonstrating that uncontrolled VOC emissions have been  $< 4$  TPY for 12 consecutive months
    - Uncontrolled VOC emissions determined on a monthly basis thereafter using average throughput for the month

# Group 2 Storage Vessel Continuous Compliance



- **May remove control device\* and maintain uncontrolled VOC to  $< 4$  TPY after demonstrating that uncontrolled VOC emissions have been  $< 4$  TPY for 12 consecutive months**
  - Uncontrolled VOC emissions determined on a monthly basis thereafter using average throughput for the month

# Continuous Compliance (Group 1 & 2)



- **\*Control device must be reinstalled if :**
  - Well feeding the storage vessel undergoes fracturing or re-fracturing:
    - Reduce VOC emissions by 95% as soon as liquids from the well are routed to the storage vessel
  - If VOC emissions increase to  $> 4$  TPY without fracturing or re-fracturing
    - Reduce VOC emissions by 95% within 30 days of the determination

# Continuous Compliance (Group 1 & 2)



- **If storage vessels have controls, they must**
  - Reduce emissions by 95%
  - Be covered, and have closed vent system
  - Meet prescriptive performance testing requirements
  - Meet prescriptive continuous monitoring requirements