VOC Emissions from Rotary Dryer Systems

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Flight Design

- Flight Design has dramatic impact on drying efficiency
- Different styles yielded very different efficiency and emissions data
- Proper flights allowed for correct drying gradient







Temperature Gradient



Finished Material & Steam Out

As the hot air and material move past 1/3 of the drum distance, the heating drops off dramatically allowing the fine materials to exit without overheating & wet materials to finish drying in a more gentle manner



Test Case

- 100% Southern Yellow Pine
- Shavings, Sawdust, Chips
- Replace 3 dryers & dust furnace
- New green fuel combustion system
- New single pass process technology
- Currently running 30,000 OD PPH
- No VOC Control, tested <100TPY
- No formal PM Control



Test Case #2

- Mixed Eastern White Pine, Spruce and Fir
- Shavings, Sawdust, Chips
- Replace 2 dryers & dust furnace
- New green fuel combustion system
- New single pass process technology
- Currently running 35,000 OD PPH
- No VOC Control, tested <100TPY
- No formal PM Control







VOC Emissions All Wood Species Combined



VOC Emissions Pine Only

VOC Results Pine Only





CO Emissions

- Output Description Unexpected Benefit of process redesign
- Stability in furnace and efficiency of combustion
- Lower CO emissions by over 50%
- Less sparking
- Better drying control



CO Emissions





Moisture Control

- Moisture stabilized in this new process
- +/- 1% variation in 24 hours
- Stability in process also reduced swings over time created by operator adjustments





Questions

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