



CASE STUDY NR 8 • FRANCE

ENHANCED AND SELECTIVE REMOVAL OF SO, BY MEANS OF UHT SORBACAL® SPS INJECTION

THE CHALLENGE

A waste recovery organization in France has two incineration lines processing five metric tons/hour. These were equipped for semi-dry processes with a Sorbacal® SP feed.

Due to the evolution and diversification of waste the site saw a significant increase in sulfur dioxide (SO₂) emissions, and consequently a rise in sorbent consumption. To address this, the Sorbacal® SP was replaced by Sorbacal® SPS, a highporosity hydrated lime designed for enhanced uptake of SO₂.

However, an increase in the volume of ordinary industrial waste (OIW) made the removal of SO₂ more challenging.

THE LHOIST SOLUTION

In consultation with the customer, Lhoist proposed introducing upstream of the boiler an additional ultra-high temperature (UHT) injection of Sorbacal® SPS, also called furnace sorbent injection (FSI). This process had been proven effective at selectively enhancing the reduction of sulfur oxides in incineration applications of both household and hazardous industrial waste.

- > First, an on-site audit defined the ideal processing, temperature and injection point conditions. This was supported by a computational fluid dynamic simulation.
- > Next, a feasibility test was conducted. We supplied a storage facility, a Big Bag Injecto-Matic® and a portable SO₂ concentration analyzer to take measurements up- and downstream of the proposed treatment.
- > We monitored the testing, data interpretation and impact of the injection on the behavior of the factory boiler.

THE BENEFITS

Once the trial was successfully completed the solution was fully implemented. The additional injection of Sorbacal® SPS did not interfere with the operation of the energy recovery boiler. It helped control SO₂ emissions while limiting consumption of sorbent upstream of the baghouse. As well as this direct economic benefit, the customer could easily accommodate more than 35% of OIW.

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