



ANNEX F

INVESTIGATION REPORT

Investigation Report of CEMS Exceedances	
Date	1 – 31 December 2024
Time	Continuous Monitoring throughout December 2024
Monitoring Location	Continuous Environmental Monitoring Systems (CEMS)
Parameter	Various emission parameters of the Centralised Air Pollution Control Unit (CAPCS), Cogeneration Units (CHPs), and Ammonia Stripping Plant (ASP).
Exceedance Description	<p>Continuous monitoring was carried out at the CAPCS, CHPs, and ASP throughout the reporting period using the CEMS. According to the EM&A Manual, an exceedance is considered if the emission concentration of the concerned pollutants is higher than the emission limits stated in Tables 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, and 2.5 of the EM&A Manual (Version F) for the CAPCS, CHPs, Standby Flare, and ASP respectively. The concentrations of the concerned air pollutants were monitored on-line by the CEMS. Exceedances of various emission parameters were recorded on the CEMS including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dust and Total Odour from CAPCS; • NO_x and SO₂ from CHP1; • NO_x from CHP2; • NO_x and HCl from CHP3; and • NO_x, SO₂, NH₃ from the ASP. <p>The Contractor has investigated the cause of the exceedances and identified that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The exceedances of Dust and Total Odour from CAPCS occurred due to system instability (e.g. low efficiency). • The exceedances of NO_x and SO₂ from CHP1 were caused by system instability, the Contractor has identified that the exceedances may be attributed to the frequent stopping/ starting of the system. • The exceedances of NO_x and from CHP2 were caused by system instability, the Contractor has identified that the exceedances may be attributed to the frequent stopping/ starting of the system. • The exceedances of NO_x and HCl from CHP3 were caused by system instability, the Contractor has identified that the exceedances may be attributed to the frequent stopping/ starting of the system. • Regarding the SO₂ exceedances from the CHPs in previous monthly EM&A reports, SO₂ sampling and testing was completed by a third-party laboratory that showed lower SO₂ values than those reported by the CEMS. The lower values measured by the laboratory was attributed to methane gas interference. Based on this study, it was proposed to implement a correction factor in the CEMS to adjust for the methane gas interference. After review by MT and IEC, the correction factor was implemented on 17 May 2024.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The various exceedances from the ASP can be attributed to the frequent starting and stopping of the system which has been causing unstable process conditions during operation.
Action Taken / Action to be Taken	The Contractor investigated the reason for the exceedances and arranged Remedial Works and Follow-up Actions (see below).
Remedial Works and Follow-up Actions	The Remedial Works and Follow-up Actions to be implemented by the Contractor to address the above exceedances (as well as updates on any exceedances from recent months) are detailed in the following table below.

Monitoring Location	Measures/ Actions to Address any Exceedances	Implementation Timeline & Status
Centralised Air Pollution Unit (CAPCS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To address the exceedances for Total Odour (ou/Nm³) recorded in January 2024 – February 2024, the Contractor ordered a new H₂S / ORP sensor to replace the faulty one which was installed on 23 May 2024. The cleaning of the ventilation pumps was conducted in April 2024. The Contractor further identified that the ongoing exceedances for Dust, Total Odour, and VOCs from August 2024 – December 2024 were caused by chemical pipeline leakage, sensor issues, and the inefficiency of the chemical scrubber. Fine-tuning measures and adjustment in the operation of the system were implemented in October 2024. An enclosure has been set up to protect the VOC and H₂S sensors, and an ozone deodorization unit has been installed as of November 2024. An air sample was also taken to compare the sensor data. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Contractor will repair the leakage in the chemical pipeline and clean the chemical scrubber in January 2025.
Cogeneration Unit 1 (CHP 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To address the ongoing NO_x exceedances recorded from October 2023 – December 2024, the Contractor ordered 3 new cylinder heads from the supplier to replace the old ones and improve performance which were installed in May 2024. To address the SO₂ exceedances recorded from October 2023 – June 2024, August 2024, and November – December 2024, SO₂ sampling and testing was completed by a third-party laboratory that showed lower SO₂ values than those reported by the CEMS. The lower values measured by the laboratory was attributed to methane gas interference. Based on this study, it was proposed to implement a correction factor in the CEMS to adjust for the methane gas interference. After review by MT and IEC, the correction factor was implemented in May 2024. The Contractor received additional training for operation of the CHPs during December 2024. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contractor ordered spare parts for the CHPs which arrived in December 2024 and installation schedule is pending from the Contractor. The Contractor will complete the cleaning of silicon deposits on the cylinder heads and the exhaust heat exchanger replacement works by Q1 2025.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The fine-tuning measures were implemented during May 2024, and a further tuning was carried out on 12 August 2024. To address the HCl exceedances recorded from October 2023 – April 2024, July 2024, and September – October 2024, the Contractor implemented in May 2024 fine tuning measures such as reviewing the ignition temperature curve, spark plug condition check and adjusting the intake & exhaust valves on the cylinder to reduce the fluctuations in HCl emissions and keep within the permissible limit. A CHP expert from Europe visited the ORRC1 facility in August 2024 to review the performance of the CHPs and recommended various spare parts be replaced. The Contractor will receive additional advanced training from the manufacturer for the operation and maintenance of the equipment. The Contractor identified that a buildup of silicon deposits on the cylinder heads of the CHPs is preventing the engines from reaching full loading and will require cleaning to resolve. 	
<p>Cogeneration Unit 2 (CHP 2)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To address the ongoing NO_x exceedances recorded from October 2023 – October 2024 and December 2024, fine tuning of CHP 2 such as reviewing the ignition temperature curve, spark plug condition check and adjusting the intake & exhaust valves on the cylinder was conducted in May 2024 to reduce the fluctuations in NO_x emissions and to keep within the permissible limit. To address the SO₂ exceedances recorded from October 2023 – April 2024, SO₂ sampling and testing was completed by a third-party laboratory that showed lower SO₂ values than those reported by the CEMS. The lower values measured by the laboratory was attributed to methane gas interference. Based on this study, it was proposed to implement a correction factor in the CEMS to adjust for the methane gas interference. After review by MT and IEC, the correction factor was implemented in May 2024. To address the HCl exceedances recorded from November 2023 and April 2024, the Contractor implemented fine tuning measures such as reviewing the ignition temperature curve, spark plug condition check and adjusting the intake & exhaust valves on the cylinder to reduce the fluctuations in HCl emissions and keep within the permissible limit. A CHP expert from Europe visited the ORRC1 facility in August 2024 to review the performance of the CHPs and recommended various spare parts be replaced. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contractor ordered spare parts for the CHPs which arrived in December 2024 and installation schedule is pending from the Contractor. The Contractor will complete the cleaning of silicon deposits on the cylinder heads and the exhaust heat exchanger replacement works by Q1 2025.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A further tuning was carried out for the CHP on 12 August 2024. The Contractor will receive additional advanced training from the manufacturer for the operation and maintenance of the equipment. The Contractor identified that a buildup of silicon deposits on the cylinder heads of the CHPs is preventing the engines from reaching full loading and will require cleaning to resolve. The Contractor received additional training for operation of the CHPs during December 2024. 	
Cogeneration Unit 3 (CHP 3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To address the ongoing NO_x exceedances, fine tuning measures of CHP 3 were implemented in May 2024 such as reviewing the ignition temperature curve, spark plug condition check and adjusting the intake & exhaust valves on the cylinder to reduce the fluctuations in NO_x emissions and to keep within the permissible limit. To address the SO₂ exceedances recorded from October 2023 – April 2024, SO₂ sampling and testing was completed by a third-party laboratory that showed lower SO₂ values than those reported by the CEMS. The lower values measured by the laboratory was attributed to methane gas interference. Based on this study, it was proposed to implement a correction factor in the CEMS to adjust for the methane gas interference. After review by MT and IEC, the correction factor was implemented in May 2024. A further tuning was carried out on 12 August 2024. A CHP expert from Europe visited the ORRC1 facility in August 2024 to review the performance of the CHPs and recommended various spare parts be replaced. The Contractor will receive additional advanced training from the manufacturer for the operation and maintenance of the equipment. The Contractor identified that a buildup of silicon deposits on the cylinder heads of the CHPs is preventing the engines from reaching full loading and will require cleaning to resolve. The Contractor received additional training for operation of the CHPs during December 2024. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contractor ordered spare parts for the CHPs which arrived in December 2024 and installation schedule is pending from the Contractor. The Contractor will complete the cleaning of silicon deposits on the cylinder heads and the exhaust heat exchanger replacement works by Q1 2025.
Ammonia Stripping Plant (ASP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To address the ongoing NO_x exceedances recorded from October 2023 – December 2024, the Contractor conducted an overhaul of the ASP and arranged for a visit by the supplier to improve the reliability and performance of the system. The overhaul was completed 6 May 2024. To address the ongoing SO₂ exceedances recorded from October 2023 – December 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A visit from the supplier to inspect the ASP has been delayed from December 2024 to Q1 2025. The Contractor is working on implementing further fine-tuning measures for

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	<p>2024, SO₂ sampling and testing was completed by a third-party laboratory that showed lower SO₂ values than those reported by the CEMS. The lower values measured by the laboratory was attributed to methane gas interference. Based on this study, it was proposed to implement a correction factor in the CEMS to adjust for the methane gas interference. After review by MT and IEC, the correction factor was implemented in May 2024.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To address the ongoing NH₃ exceedances recorded from October 2023 – December 2024, the Contractor conducted an overhaul of the ASP and arranged for a visit by the supplier. • To address the HCl exceedances recorded from October 2023 – May 2024 and August 2024 – November 2024, the Contractor conducted an overhaul of the ASP and arranged for a visit by the supplier. • The automatic situation of the TCU louvres has been resolved as of October 2024. 	<p>the ASP since December 2024.</p>

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Investigation Report of Environmental Complaint (Odour Nuisance) – 9 October 2024

Project Ref. No.	ORRC-EC-008-20241009
Date	9 October 2024
Date of Notification	15 October 2024
Location	Site boundary along Sham Fung Road
Description	<p>At approximately 13:44 on 9 October 2024 (Wednesday), a complainant from outside of the ORRC1 site premises called the government hotline to lodge a complaint as quoted below:</p> <p><i>投訴O.PARK1 傳出很強烈廚餘氣味。(original version)</i></p> <p><i>The complaint is that O.PARK1 has a very strong odour of food waste.</i> (English translation)</p>
Action / Limit Levels	Since a documented odour complaint has been received the Action Level of Odour Nuisance was triggered (ref: Table 2.7 EM&A Manual Rev. F – July 2019, pg. 25).
Possible reason for Non-compliance	OSCAR has conducted an initial investigation immediately following the verbal notification of the complaint received on 9 October 2024. The source of the odour nuisance was likely related to the truck movement at the site entrance road, and joint inspection with the Contractor and EPD (Project Team) found that the road directly connected to the site was dirty.
Action Taken / Action to be Taken	The Contractor investigated the reason for the Environmental Complaint (odour nuisance) and arranged Remedial Works and Follow-up Actions (see below).
Remedial Works and Follow-up Actions	<p>Following verbal notification of the odour complaint from EPD, OSCAR immediately implemented various mitigation measures to address the odour in accordance with Table 2.8 – Event and Action Plan for Odour Monitoring of the EM&A Manual (Rev. F – July 2019):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cleaning of the road near the site entrance was arranged for the same day; • Use of masking agent/ deodorizer to mitigate the odour; and • Arrangement of ad-hoc independent odour patrols (details below). <p>An independent odour patrol was arranged on 16 October 2024, which identified four (4) additional Level 2 Odour Intensities recorded by ALS – one (1) during the first patrol at Location 3 (Biogas Tank Holder), and three (3) during the second patrol at Locations 3, 5 (Composting Hall), and 8 (Pretreatment Hall). According to the EM&A Manual, this also triggered the Action Level of Odour Nuisance.</p> <p>Accordingly, OSCAR arranged for a further independent odour patrol to confirm the findings on 30 October 2024, which identified a further five (5)</p>

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additional Level 2 Odour Intensities recorded by ALS – two (2) during the first patrol at Location 2 (Tipping Hall) and Location 5 (Composting Hall), and three (3) during the second patrol at Locations 2 Tipping Hall), Location 3 (Biogas Tank Valve Holder), and Location 4 (Tipping Hall). According to the EM&A Manual, this again triggered the Action Level of Odour Nuisance.

Accordingly, OSCAR arranged for a further independent odour patrol conducted by ALS to confirm the findings on 6 November 2024. At Location 3 (Biogas Tank Valve Holder), one panellist recorded a Level 1 Odour Intensity, while the other panellist recorded a Level 2 Odour Intensity. All other locations recorded Level 0 or Level 1 Odour Intensities. To confirm the inconsistent findings at Location 3, a follow-up independent odour patrol was arranged for the same day, which showed no Level 2 Odour Intensities at any location during the patrol.

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