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(Rulemaking-Air))
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1 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Good
2 morning, ladies and gentlemen. This is
3 day four. And we are continuing with the
4 testimony of Mr. Cichanowicz. And I
5 believe we are on question No. 62. Does
6 anybody have any preliminary matters
7 before we start?

8 MR. ZABEL: No.

9 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: I do want
10 to remind everyone we have a board meeting
11 here in Chicago today. So we will go
12 until 10:30. And at 10:30 we will break
13 and we will come back at 1:00. And if it
14 is okay with everybody, we are going to
15 come back at
16 1:00 o'clock. If we can do a break around
17 quarter to 3:00 or so, then we might go
18 until 5:30 tonight depending upon where a
19 natural break might occur. But to give
20 you a heads up, 5:30 may be where we go.

21 MR. ZABEL: I am worried about the
22 travel schedules of some of our witnesses.
23 If we go an extra half hour, that might
24 help.

1 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: With that
2 in mind question, No. 62. And I remind
3 you you are still under oath.

4 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Question 62, you
5 state on page 34 of your testimony that
6 public pronouncements by suppliers of
7 bromine that 100 percent price increases
8 in bromine are possible further suggest
9 that prices may not be stable. It should
10 be noted there is only one source of
11 bromine in U.S., saline aquifers in
12 Arkansas, so transportation and supply
13 conditions could be constrained. What is
14 the basis for this statement that
15 transportation could be constrained?

16 The availability of any bulk
17 material at a single source can lead to
18 bottlenecks in supply unless a wide
19 variety of transportation options are
20 available. Given the coal transportation
21 bottlenecks experienced in the U.S. in
22 2005 and 2006, particularly with small
23 generators that are captive to a single or
24 limited number of transportation sources,

1 it is important to ensure that multiple
2 transportation options are open to bromine
3 suppliers.

4 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Will we
5 have follow-up, Mr. Ayers?

6 MR. AYERS: Yes. Mr. Cichanowicz,
7 are you an expert in the area of bromine
8 manufacture and the transportation?

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No.

10 MR. AYERS: So what is the basis for
11 your statement that prices will increase
12 by a hundred percent.

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: There was a couple
14 of quotes or statements that I basically
15 pulled off the Internet with some
16 representatives of some companies
17 basically stating that the price
18 escalation could be on the way.

19 MR. AYERS: Are you sure it was for
20 bulk purified bromine rather than bromine
21 derived chemicals such as fire retardants,
22 which have seen substantial increases?

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: My understanding
24 was it was for bulk bromine.

1 MR. AYERS: Thank you.

2 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Mr. Nelson?

3 MR. NELSON: Sid Nelson. Are you
4 aware that Dow Chemical produces bromine
5 in Michigan.

6 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No.

7 MR. NELSON: How many major bromine
8 suppliers are there in the U.S.?

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I don't know how
10 many there are. The basis of my statement
11 is on -- with my knowledge or information
12 that the sources -- the majors sources of
13 bromine are in two adjacent counties in
14 Arkansas. And that's the basis of it.

15 MR. NELSON: There are multiple
16 suppliers that get bromine from that
17 deposit; is that correct? It is not just
18 one producer?

19 MR. ZABEL: I am objecting. He is
20 testifying.

21 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Mr. Zabel,
22 if he is that correct we -- and Ms. Bassi
23 has been guilty of that as well.

24 MS. BASSI: Sorry.

1 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: In
2 fairness --

3 MR. ZABEL: I will object to her
4 next time.

5 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: In
6 fairness.

7 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes, I believe
8 there are multiple suppliers of bromine.

9 MR. NELSON: Thank you.

10 MR. AYERS: I have a further
11 follow-up.

12 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Mr. Ayers?

13 MR. AYERS: We have an exhibit that
14 we would like to introduce, which would be
15 106.

16 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: I have
17 before me a document titled "Bromine Data
18 in Thousand Metric Tons of Content Unless
19 Otherwise Noted" prepared by Phyllis A.
20 Lyday.

21 MR. AYERS: Yes.

22 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: No other
23 information on who --

24 MR. AYERS: Madam Chairwoman, this

1 is from the U.S. Geological Survey. It
2 says USGS.gov. And on the other side at
3 the bottom you see the citation "U.S.
4 Geological Survey, Mineral Commodity
5 Summaries 2006."

6 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: I have the
7 two-sided bromine and then the second.

8 MR. AYERS: Yes.

9 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: The first
10 one is pages 40 and 41.

11 MR. AYERS: Of the U.S. Geological
12 Survey, Mineral Commodity Summaries,
13 January 2006.

14 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: If there
15 is no objection, we will mark this as
16 Exhibit 106. Seeing none, it is
17 Exhibit 106.

18 MR. AYERS: According to the page
19 that says bromine at the top -- well, the
20 one that says Phyllis Lyday at the bottom,
21 page 40, what happened the price trend
22 since 2001 for bromine?

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: It has gone up
24 from 67 to 81.

1 MR. AYERS: And it has gone up all
2 years.

3 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

4 MR. AYERS: And wasn't the 2002
5 price higher than the price in 2005?

6 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

7 MR. AYERS: According to this
8 report, bromine is available in the U.S.
9 from Michigan as well as Arkansas and
10 abroad from Israel and other countries; is
11 that correct?

12 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I haven't read it,
13 but it looks like the first paragraph says
14 that.

15 MR. AYERS: Thank you. Would you be
16 concerned that we are running out of
17 bromine if you looked at this chart?

18 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No. I'm not
19 concerned we are running out of bromine
20 and the annual production is on this
21 chart. Yes, that's in excess of 200,000
22 tons per year. And when you look at the
23 amounts, it is basically not very much.
24 If you take the amount of activated carbon

1 -- halogenated carbon and put it into the
2 precipitators in Illinois at the TTBS
3 level, you get a plus one percent of the
4 annual production.

5 So in terms of magnitude, it's not.
6 But my concern was on transportation. And
7 I say that because, you know, the power
8 industry always seems to be the guy at the
9 end of the transport sector that gets the
10 fuzzy angle all the time. The coal
11 deliveries are always made because of
12 limited transportation. Tromine is a
13 compound in Wyoming that some people are
14 using sparingly and perhaps may evolve
15 into FGD control. And the transport
16 distances are great.

17 And it is not so much price, but it
18 is bottlenecks in supply. And it was the
19 only purpose for pointing this out. If
20 there are alternative sources in Michigan,
21 that's great.

22 MR. AYERS: We have a second item
23 that we -- I think it was handed out --
24 which says "Mineral Information Institute"

1 at the top.

2 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Yes. And
3 this we will mark as Exhibit 107 if there
4 is no objection. Seeing none, it is
5 Exhibit 107.

6 MR. AYERS: The first sentence after
7 the sources, I take it you agree with the
8 sentence that bromine sources are --

9 MR. ZABEL: I am sorry, Mr. Ayers, I
10 cannot hear you.

11 MR. AYERS: This is not usually a
12 problem. Under the word sources --

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Sources or world
14 resources?

15 MR. AYERS: No, just sources, you
16 may have already answered this question.
17 I just wanted you to look at the first
18 sentence there and read that and let us
19 know whether you agree with it. But I
20 think you said you agree with it, that the
21 resources are basically unlimited.

22 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I accept the first
23 statement on that paragraph.

24 MR. AYERS: That's all my questions.

1 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Mr. Nelson?

2 MR. NELSON: Just one quick
3 question. Is there a need for the power
4 plant to actually get bromine or would the
5 bromine go to the carbon producer, which
6 would brominate the carbon and the
7 distribution would simply be bulk trucks
8 to the various utilities.

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I am worried about
10 the fact that, yes, the producers are the
11 ones who are having a problem. But you
12 know it -- it always ends up in the lap of
13 the guy who is trying to make it.

14 MR. NELSON: Is it quite possible to
15 actually put the brominate production
16 facilities in Arkansas or Michigan?

17 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I imagine so.

18 MR. ZABEL: I believe he answered 63
19 in response to Mr. Ayres.

20 MR. AYERS: Yes, I think that's
21 right.

22 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Question
23 64.

24 MR. CICHANOWICZ: If it is only a

1 few percent, won't any cost impact from
2 the price changes you predict for bromine
3 be fairly muted?

4 Yes, the cost may be muted. But
5 again my concern was for the limited
6 physical source in transportation
7 constraints. And with multiple suppliers
8 and sources, that is mitigated as well.

9 MR. AYERS: I think question 65 has
10 been asked and answered.

11 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Okay.
12 Question 66.

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: On page 36 of your
14 testimony, you state that "the role of
15 coal blending on mercury removal
16 performance of ACI with an ESP can be
17 inferred by comparing data from Ameren's
18 Meramac and Detroit Edison's Monroe
19 Station. Both of the tested units
20 featured ESPs of similar SCA but fired
21 different fuels. Meramac exclusively
22 fires PRB, while Monroe fires PRB with a
23 40 percent blend of bituminous coal. Does
24 this demonstrate that fuel characteristics

1 play a very significant role in
2 performance?

3 Yes, these results show that fuel
4 type is important.

5 MR. AYERS: I think Nos. 67 and 68
6 have been responded to by the tables and
7 exhibits that have been provided
8 yesterday.

9 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Which were
10 85, 86 and 87 I believe?

11 MR. AYERS: Yes, that's right. But
12 we do have some questions that go to that.

13 Mr. Cichanowicz, yesterday you
14 testified that larger ESPs were associated
15 with longer lengths of ductwork, did you
16 not?

17 MR. CICHANOWICZ: My statements in
18 the satellite images suggest that large
19 ESPs tend to have longer inlet ductwork.

20 MR. AYERS: That's why you speculate
21 that while ESP size does not seem to
22 significantly impact the mercury removal
23 in the ESP, the longer duct runs
24 associated with ESP may; is that right?

1 MR. CICHANOWICZ: The longer duct
2 runs associated with larger ESPs may,
3 that's correct.

4 MR. AYERS: And you testified that
5 you had no specific data from Illinois or
6 elsewhere to support this speculation,
7 correct?

8 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That's correct. I
9 do not have quantitative data defining
10 ductwork runs and dimensions.

11 MR. AYERS: Are you aware of the
12 review of plant layouts conducted by the
13 Illinois EPA for this proceeding?

14 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I did not review
15 it.

16 MR. AYERS: Are you aware that
17 Waukegan 17 has an ESP with an SCA of
18 about 131, a small SCA?

19 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I believe that was
20 one of the images from yesterday.

21 MR. AYERS: Do you know what the
22 approximate length of the duct between the
23 air preheater and the ESP at Waukegan 17
24 was found to be by Illinois EPA?

1 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No, I do not.

2 MR. AYERS: Would a hundred feet
3 seem possible?

4 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That would sound
5 like a longer number than I would expect.
6 But I did not go to the plant.

7 MR. AYERS: Do you know what the SCA
8 is for Will County No. 4 for that ESP?

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No.

10 MR. AYERS: Or what the approximate
11 length of the duct is between the air
12 preheater and the ESP in Will County 4?

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No, I do not.

14 MR. AYERS: Would 80 feet seem
15 possible?

16 MR. CICHANOWICZ: It would seem
17 longer than I would expect from my
18 experience. But I have not been to the
19 site.

20 MR. AYERS: Is the Will County 4
21 than a larger boiler than Waukegan 17?

22 MR. CICHANOWICZ: From memory I
23 can't reflect that.

24 MR. AYERS: Is it a newer ESP than

1 Waukegan?

2 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I don't know.

3 MR. AYERS: Did you know that
4 Hennipen 2 with ESP with SCA of 125 has
5 about 100 feet of ductwork between the air
6 preheater and the ESP?

7 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No.

8 MR. AYERS: So isn't it really true
9 that the length of the ductwork is
10 determined entirely by site specific
11 characteristics and can't be related to
12 ESP size?

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I would have to
14 review the results of the Illinois study
15 before I can come to a conclusion like
16 that.

17 MR. AYERS: But the results as we
18 have discussed them, they would be
19 inconsistent with the hypothesis that you
20 advanced in your testimony, though,
21 correct?

22 MR. CICHANOWICZ: If those results
23 held up and I were to review them, they
24 would be somewhat inconsistent.

1 to the Board and it is being held
2 confidential in our clerk's office.

3 MR. KIM: That's correct.

4 MR. GIRARD: So the information is
5 on a plant-by-plant basis rather than
6 being on some spreadsheet where you have
7 pulled it all together?

8 MR. KIM: That's correct. The
9 manner in which that was compiled, my
10 understanding is -- I think we testified
11 to this at the first hearing -- was that
12 copies I believe had already been provided
13 to the utilities shortly after the
14 Illinois EPA inspectors compiled the
15 information. It was just the complete
16 report itself was not provided to the
17 board until the post-hearing comment
18 period.

19 MR. GIRARD: Thank you.

20 MR. AYERS: We would like to turn to
21 figure 5-2 if we might.

22 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: And,
23 Mr. Ayers, you are going to be specific --

24 MR. AYERS: Yes, 5-2. I'm sorry I

1 think one of the views used was
2 Exhibit 87.

3 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Which is
4 figure 5-2 in additional data, Exhibit 87?

5 MR. AYERS: Yes. Mr. Cichanowicz,
6 would it be fair to say that the data in
7 this figure provides the basis for your
8 hypothesis that ESP size could be related
9 to mercury removal?

10 MR. CICHANOWICZ: The data in this
11 figure plus again my observations of the
12 inlet ductwork for some of the modified
13 ESPs and looking at other demonstrations,
14 again that is the basis.

15 MR. AYERS: So could we go through
16 in some -- question 69 and some of the
17 additional questions that we would like to
18 ask all address the data represented in
19 this table. We would like to go through
20 that in some detail. I think a way to
21 start is just for you to answer question
22 69 and then we will go from there.

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: 69, you state on
24 page 38 of your testimony that "in

1 summary, although figure 5-2 mixes
2 variables on one chart, sorbent type,
3 duration of test, mass injection rate and
4 ESP design, the resultant trend suggests
5 that major ESP upgrades are required to
6 derive 90 percent mercury removal." Does
7 that statement take into consideration
8 these and other critical factors such as
9 fuel type?

10 No. The plot represented in
11 figure 5-2 represents a global overview of
12 the results achieved in a large number of
13 demonstrations, displayed according to one
14 ESP design feature.

15 Question A, do you agree that sulfur
16 and coal type have significant effects on
17 mercury capture?

18 Yes, coal type and sulfur content
19 are important in determining mercury
20 capture.

21 Question B, does this figure in any
22 way distinguish those effects from others?

23 No.

24 Question C, do not bituminous coals

1 tend to have higher sulfur levels than PRB
2 coals? Yes.

3 D, if so, do bituminous coals not
4 achieve as much removal at the same
5 sorbent rate?

6 The relationship between coal type,
7 sorbent type and mercury removal is
8 application specific. It is generally
9 true that as sulfur content of coals
10 increases, as it does with bituminous
11 coals, with all factors being equal, the
12 higher SO3 generated by combustion will
13 restrict Hg removal compared to a
14 subbituminous, particularly a PRB, coal.

15 E, do you agree that sulfur and coal
16 type have significant effects on the
17 sizing of an ESP? All factors being
18 equal, yes.

19 F, does this figure in any way
20 distinguish those effects from others?
21 No, it does not.

22 G, are not the ESP --

23 MR. AYERS: I would like to
24 interject at this point with a question.

1 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Pardon?

2 MR. AYERS: I am sorry, may I
3 interject a question at this point? Would
4 the fuel type term determine whether or
5 not halogenated or other sorbents were the
6 best ones to use? I should say would the
7 fuel type?

8 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes, they would.

9 MR. AYERS: Okay. Thank you.

10 MR. CICHANOWICZ: G, are not the
11 ESPs designed for bituminous coals
12 generally smaller than those for PRB
13 coals? All factors being equal, yes.

14 MR. AYERS: Now, could I ask a few
15 questions to follow up on that? This
16 focuses on the data points in the table.
17 First, are data points 4, 8 and 12, which
18 are in the bottom middle, if you will of
19 the chart, close together, are they the
20 results of tests with untreated carbon on
21 western coals?

22 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Test 4 is Leland
23 Olds.

24 MR. AYERS: Leland Olds is 4.

1 Pleasant Prairie is 8. And Coal Creek is
2 12.

3 MR. CICHANOWICZ: If you don't mind,
4 I would like to read through just to make
5 sure.

6 MR. AYERS: Sure, of course.

7 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Four is Leland
8 Olds lignite fired and that is not a
9 halogenated sorbent test. Eight is
10 Pleasant Prairie, PRB coal. That is not
11 halogenated sorbent. Twelve is Coal
12 Creek. It's a TOXECON, which is a little
13 bit different than a conventional ESP and
14 North Dakota lignite that is not a
15 halogenated sorbent.

16 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Does that
17 mean it is not treated -- it is not a
18 treated carbon sorbent?

19 MR. CICHANOWICZ: My answer is it is
20 not treated. Correct.

21 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Then I
22 have a question before we go any further.
23 Yesterday I asked you if the legend that
24 was on Exhibit 86 carried to 87 and you

1 indicated that was correct. It looks to
2 me that a pink box is indicated as a
3 treated carbon sorbent.

4 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Okay. That's my
5 mistake. That's my mistake. What I had
6 meant was the descriptors and the numbers
7 were the same. I incorrectly answered
8 your question yesterday, Madam Chairwoman.

9 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: So the
10 little box with pink in it does not mean
11 the same thing on Exhibit 87 that it means
12 on Exhibit 86?

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I regret to inform
14 you that's true. I can -- I can fix that
15 legend and make it clear.

16 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Okay.
17 That would be helpful.

18 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Because otherwise
19 you are lost.

20 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: As I was,
21 obviously, by my questions.

22 MR. ZABEL: We can file a corrected
23 version of Exhibit 87.

24 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Great,

1 thank you.

2 MR. AYERS: If halogenated carbon
3 had been used on these units so that they
4 were correctly taken, would you have
5 expected a higher removal than what you
6 see here?

7 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes, I would have
8 expected a higher removal.

9 MR. AYERS: Don't points 4, 4-B and
10 4-C, which are all for the same Leland
11 Olds plant, do you see them there, I think
12 4 is probably incorrectly pink. But then
13 4-B and 4-C go up a straight line because
14 the straight line is the indicator of the
15 SCA -- the size of the SCA of the ESP.

16 But you see the first four at about
17 67 percent, second one a little under 80
18 and the last one at 93?

19 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

20 MR. AYERS: So do those demonstrate
21 the point about sorbent injection --
22 halogenated sorbent injection pretty
23 clearly?

24 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, 4-B -- again

1 I need to see it and read it. Leland
2 Olds, that uses a treated sorbent. And
3 4-C I believe is the Alstom Mer-Cure. And
4 that is a treated sorbent.

5 MR. AYERS: So looking at that and
6 the points that we were looking at before,
7 you can conclude that the points No. 4, 8
8 and 12 would be considerably higher up if
9 there -- they were treated rather than
10 untreated sorbents.

11 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Treated sorbents
12 will increase mercury removal, yes.

13 MR. AYERS: Okay. Now let's look at
14 Nos. 12 and 17. Twelve is Coal Creek and
15 17 is Independence. Do you have those?

16 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes, I do.

17 MR. AYERS: Those are TOXECON II
18 units, are they not?

19 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes, they are.

20 MR. AYERS: So we know that's still
21 under development unlike -- unlike the
22 sorbent injection upstream of the ESP?
23 They have a different type of injection
24 system, do they not?

1 MR. CICHANOWICZ: It is a different
2 injection system and the technology is
3 still developing.

4 MR. AYERS: Now, points 5 and 16,
5 Lausche and Conesville --

6 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

7 MR. AYERS: -- those are high sulfur
8 coals, are they not?

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Those are high
10 sulfur coals.

11 MR. AYERS: And we know the
12 condition of high sulfur is difficult and
13 that probably explains the low mercury
14 reduction, correct?

15 MR. CICHANOWICZ: It would be a
16 contributing factor, yes.

17 MR. AYERS: Now looking at Nos. 2,
18 14, 6 and 15, that's Monroe, Lee, Allen
19 and Yates 6 --

20 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Repeat those
21 please, two?

22 MR. AYERS: Yes. Number 2, Monroe;
23 No. 14, Lee; No. 6, Allen; and No. 15
24 Yates 6 --

1 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

2 MR. AYERS: -- these are all
3 bituminous units, correct?

4 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

5 MR. AYERS: And we know that
6 bituminous units are harder to control
7 than western coals due to the sulfur,
8 correct?

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That is true, yes.

10 MR. AYERS: So the fact that those
11 four plants, Nos. 2, 14, 6 and 15, are a
12 little lower in removal than the western
13 coal units with halogenated sorbents, but
14 still get 85 percent or better, is related
15 to the fuel and not the ESP size, correct?

16 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, actually
17 Monroe is a blend of PRB. It is
18 60 percent PRB and 40 percent bituminous
19 coal. So I would be a little careful in
20 generalizing in saying it is a bituminous
21 coal. But it does have a fair amount of
22 bituminous in it.

23 MR. AYERS: Do you know what the SO₂
24 level is in that blended coal?

1 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No, I do not.

2 MR. AYERS: Would it be a surprise
3 if it were over 1.25 pounds per million
4 BTU?

5 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, it is
6 combined. So it should be low.

7 MR. AYERS: But you do agree in
8 general that of these four units they are
9 higher sulfur units and that the higher
10 sulfur increases the difficulty of
11 achieving mercury reduction?

12 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That is correct,
13 yes.

14 MR. AYERS: If there were a
15 relationship between ESP size and mercury
16 removal, you would expect Monroe 2 to have
17 lower than Allen 6, wouldn't you? I am
18 sorry, Monroe point No. 2 to have lower
19 than Allen point No. 6? Do you see that
20 points No. 2 and 6 on the figure are both
21 at 85 percent removal even though the SCA
22 of point No. 2 is under 300 and that of
23 point No. 6 is well over 400, perhaps 500?

24 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, to the

1 extent that you can make a single point
2 comparison, you know, perhaps. But, you
3 know, again it is two points. And as I
4 have always said, there is things that
5 could be associated with other factors
6 other than SCA. And I don't know enough
7 about Allen and Monroe itself to be able
8 to line up all those factors.

9 MR. AYERS: But other things being
10 equal, you would expect that trend to show
11 if the hypothesis were correct, right?

12 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

13 MR. AYERS: The fact that 2-D,
14 Monroe with the SCR is a little lower than
15 2, Monroe with the SCR bypass is no
16 surprise, right?

17 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, 2-D is
18 different in a -- that's a 30-day test.
19 It was the only 30-day test left under
20 Monroe. So what was the question again?

21 MR. AYERS: The question was since
22 2-D was Monroe with the SCR operating and
23 2 was Monroe with the SCR bypass, it's no
24 surprise that 2 shows higher removal than

1 2-D, isn't that right, due to the
2 oxidation of SO₂, SO₃ in an SCR unit?

3 MR. CICHANOWICZ: But with what we
4 are -- perhaps. But also 2-D was a 30-day
5 test that was run at the end of a
6 parametric test and 2 was the results of a
7 series of parametric tests.

8 MR. AYERS: Is there any reason why
9 you expect that to be different, though?
10 Any reason that would be commensurate with
11 the known effects of having the SCR unit
12 on and the oxidizing effect of the SCR
13 unit?

14 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I want to explain
15 that there is -- we are changing two
16 things at once, 30-day test at 2-D versus
17 short-term performance tests at 2 and the
18 role of SCR. And the 30-day test and the
19 short-term tests, the results -- you know,
20 the results were different because they
21 are different test medians.

22 So we are changing two things at
23 once. But I will say that with the role
24 of SCR, basically, I would expect to have

1 an impact, yes.

2 MR. AYERS: So you would expect that
3 to be a factor.

4 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

5 MR. AYERS: Brayton Point and Salem
6 Harbor, and I don't have -- are they on
7 this table or figure? I think they are
8 not.

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Brayton is point 7
10 and it is on the table.

11 MR. AYERS: And Salem Harbor?

12 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That is 9.

13 MR. AYERS: Okay. They are also
14 bituminous and had 90 percent removal.
15 This was with the benefit of the high
16 carbon fly ash, correct?

17 MR. CICHANOWICZ: The benefit of
18 high carbon fly ash?

19 MR. AYERS: For mercury removal.

20 MR. CICHANOWICZ: The issue is the
21 high carbon fly ash.

22 MR. AYERS: Take out all the
23 modifiers. But the carbon, no doubt,
24 played a role in this?

1 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I believe it did,
2 yes.

3 MR. AYERS: So with the exception of
4 Yates 1 -- Yates, which is point No. 1, we
5 can pretty much explain the relationship
6 between all these points with factors
7 other than ESP size; isn't that correct?

8 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I wouldn't say you
9 can explain away all the differences. I
10 have just said that I believe all the
11 things that have been stated are true, and
12 they are certainly factors. Okay. But I
13 don't know that that explains away all of
14 the differences. It might, but I don't
15 know that that's the case.

16 MR. AYERS: But you have agreed that
17 each of these factors would alter the way
18 these points show on this stable?

19 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I completely
20 agree, yes.

21 MR. AYERS: And if altered in that
22 way, they would -- this figure would tend
23 to show very little, if any, relationship,
24 isn't that correct, between the mercury

1 removal and SCA?

2 MR. CICHANOWICZ: It depends on the
3 extent that those factors play out. If
4 they played out 100 percent, as you
5 described them to be, the answer would be,
6 yes, there would be no relationship. But
7 we don't know that. And that's the
8 purpose of the additional demonstrations.

9 MR. AYERS: Well, we do know from
10 looking at 4, 4-B and 4-C, you can see in
11 that the clear impact of halogenated
12 sorbents. And 4-C lines up with 11, even
13 though the SCA is far less and probably
14 maybe a third as big. I am trying to read
15 the log scale here.

16 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Treated sorbents
17 make a difference in Leland Olds, correct.

18 MR. AYERS: Okay. Thank you.

19 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Are you
20 ready then for question 70?

21 MR. AYERS: No, I am sorry, we
22 aren't.

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That's okay. I
24 thought when you said thank you that you

1 were done.

2 MR. AYERS: We would like to show
3 you exhibit -- an exhibit presented at the
4 2003 EPA, EPRI, DOE combined power plant
5 air pollution symposium. It was the mega
6 symposium as we discussed yesterday.

7 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: I have
8 been handed a document entitled "Results
9 of Activated Carbon Injection Upstream of
10 Electrostatic Precipitators for Mercury
11 Control" by Starns, Bustard, Durham,
12 Martin, Schlager, Sharon Sjostrom, Charles
13 Lindsey and Brian Donnelly. If there is
14 no objection, I will mark this as
15 Exhibit 108. Seeing none, it is
16 Exhibit 108.

17 MR. AYERS: Mr. Cichanowicz, on
18 page 34 of your testimony, you describe
19 modifications to Brayton Point unit 1, is
20 that correct?

21 MR. BONEBRAKE: Madam Hearing
22 Officer, just as a point of clarification,
23 I don't see a date on this exhibit. Is
24 there one, Counsel? Or do we know

1 otherwise what the date of this is?

2 MR. AYERS: We do know what the date
3 is.

4 MR. STAUDT: It is 2003.

5 MR. AYERS: 2003. It is the 2003
6 conference.

7 MR. STAUDT: We have the disk right
8 here.

9 MR. BONEBRAKE: We wanted to know
10 what the date was.

11 MR. AYERS: We can get it for you if
12 you would like.

13 MR. BONEBRAKE: 2003 is fine. I
14 wanted clarification on the date.

15 MR. ZABEL: What page did you want
16 him to reference?

17 MR. AYERS: 34.

18 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I'm sorry, is it
19 table 5-2?

20 MR. AYERS: No. What we are looking
21 at is a description of modifications to
22 Brayton Point unit 1.

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: On page 34?

24 MR. AYERS: I'm sorry, I think we

1 have the wrong article.

2 MR. STAUDT: It is 37 -- no. Yeah,
3 37.

4 MR. AYERS: It is page 37. And this
5 is a table about ESP modifications and
6 upgrades, demonstration units.

7 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

8 MR. AYERS: You state in your
9 testimony that the first ESP at Brayton
10 Point has an SCA of 156. And the second
11 -- and that's newer ESP -- has an SCA of
12 403, didn't you?

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

14 MR. AYERS: And these ESPs are
15 connected in series with the gas passing
16 through the smaller ESP and then passing
17 through the larger ESP; is that correct?

18 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That is correct.

19 MR. AYERS: We have -- if you will
20 look now at figure 2 on page 5 of
21 Exhibit 16?

22 MR. ZABEL: Which exhibit?

23 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: 108,
24 Exhibit 108.

1 MR. AYERS: Figure 2 on page 5 of
2 Exhibit 108, which is an isometric view of
3 the ESP arrangement at Brayton Point
4 No. 1?

5 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

6 MR. AYERS: Do you see the various
7 locations for mercury CEMS that are
8 identified on that?

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

10 MR. AYERS: Do you agree that this
11 arrangement permits measurement of mercury
12 removal across either ESP or both ESPs?

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

14 MR. AYERS: Please now look at
15 figure 3 on page 8 of the paper. Do you
16 agree that this figure shows the mercury
17 removal trends across the second ESP?

18 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

19 MR. AYERS: From this figure could
20 you state approximately the level of
21 mercury removal across the second ESP when
22 no sorbent is being injected? In other
23 words, the, quote, native removal?

24 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, with no

1 sorbent injected, it looks like it is
2 zero.

3 MR. AYERS: Would you agree then
4 that this establishes that no mercury
5 removal occurs across the second ESP when
6 there is no sorbent being injected? I
7 think you have answered that?

8 Now, if you would look at table 3,
9 which is, I believe, on the previous page,
10 page 7, do you agree that this table shows
11 the average native mercury removal across
12 both ESPs of more than 90 percent?

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, I am looking
14 to make sure it says both ESPs.

15 Location 1, location 4. Well,
16 figure 2 doesn't indicate numbers on the
17 locations. I'm looking at the column on
18 the left of table 3. And it is comparing
19 location 1 versus location 4. And those
20 are certainly, you know, 90 percent,
21 91 percent-type numbers. But it's
22 location 1 versus location 4.

23 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: I agree
24 with you it is not readily apparent that

1 this is both sources.

2 MR. ZABEL: I don't think he can
3 answer the question, Mr. Ayres, without
4 it. Maybe if he read the entire paper,
5 that will become clear.

6 MR. AYERS: We will try to locate
7 the locations of that.

8 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: It is not
9 clear.

10 MR. AYERS: I may come back to that.
11 But if we can take a moment to look?

12 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Let's go
13 forward for now.

14 MR. AYERS: Fine. That would move
15 us to question 70.

16 MR. HARLEY: Before we move on, may
17 I ask a question?

18 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Yes.

19 MR. HARLEY: Good morning,
20 Mr. Cichanowicz. A series of just two or
21 three questions, could you describe the
22 physical characteristics of ductwork at a
23 coal-fired electric generating unit?

24 MR. CICHANOWICZ: The physical

1 characteristics?

2 MR. HARLEY: Yes. We are all
3 talking about ductwork as if we know what
4 it is. But for purposes of the record, it
5 might be helpful to actually describe what
6 is ductwork at a coal-fired power plant.

7 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That is a very
8 good suggestion. Basically, the ductwork
9 allows the flue gas to transit from point
10 A to point B. But the particular flavor
11 of ductwork we are concerned with is from
12 the last heater exchanger in which you
13 have a chance to recover heat, known as
14 the air chamber, to the inlet of the ESP.

15 And the rule of thumb is you try to
16 keep those velocities at about 40 or
17 45 feet per second. Because if you go
18 less than that, then the ash particles
19 have a habit of dropping out and
20 collecting on the bottom of the ductwork.

21 So the ductwork is designed to -- at
22 that location to feature about 40 to
23 45 feet per second. And there is a whole
24 series of rules where making turns, like

1 everything else, you need to be careful of
2 something to reduce maldistribution of low
3 carbon. But that's basically what it is.

4 MR. HARLEY: What is a duct? Is it
5 a contained sheet metal unit? Is that
6 what we are talking about?

7 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yeah, it is
8 basically a pipe, so to speak, or a large
9 duct like you might see in an air
10 conditioning system but it is made out of
11 much heavier steel and depending on the
12 sulfur fuel can be built of materials to
13 resist corrosion from SO₃ that could can
14 contaminate.

15 MR. HARLEY: Generally speaking, is
16 it impossible to retrofit additional
17 ductwork on existing coal-fired power
18 plants?

19 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No. It is done
20 all the time. It is just a matter of
21 cost. Usually at that location it is
22 access. It is the reason why you couldn't
23 see the ductwork in the satellite images
24 yesterday is because most of it is buried

1 under the boiler house. And when people
2 do retrofits back there, you have to take
3 apart the boiler house.

4 MR. HARLEY: So for each operator
5 who might choose to have additional
6 ductwork, there would be site specific
7 factors that they would have to take into
8 account before adding this ductwork?

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

10 MR. HARLEY: Do you have an opinion
11 on the relative cost between installing
12 additional ductwork by contrast to
13 installing a larger ESP unit?

14 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No, I don't. It
15 is very site specific. And those kinds of
16 analyses are things I don't normally do.
17 So all I know it is very hard to
18 generalize because they are site specific.

19 MR. HARLEY: Thank you.

20 MR. AYERS: Can we go back to the
21 Brayton Point that we were just
22 discussing.

23 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: You know
24 what, when you tilt your head down, we

1 can't hear you at all.

2 MR. AYERS: I'm sorry. It is hard
3 to consult your notes and look up at the
4 same time.

5 Let's go back to table 3 --

6 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Of
7 Exhibit 108?

8 MR. AYERS: -- of Exhibit 108 on
9 page 7. The column that's marked location
10 gives two -- there are two rows to show
11 outputs from measurements at those
12 locations. The first one is labeled
13 inlet, is it not, inlet location 1?

14 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

15 MR. AYERS: And the outlet -- the
16 second one is labeled outlet location 4?

17 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

18 MR. AYERS: If you could turn back
19 to the schematic on page 5 of this
20 exhibit, could you identify where the
21 inlet and outlet would be on that
22 schematic?

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, I would have
24 to know inlet to what, outlet to what.

1 MR. AYERS: But we are measuring
2 mercury. So presumably it is inlet to the
3 precipitators and outlet from the
4 precipitators, isn't it?

5 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, I
6 understand. If we are -- if the -- if I
7 take the statement to mean Brayton Point
8 Unit 1 meaning the whole unit, then -- I
9 still can't tell. I can guess and say it
10 is the -- it is -- the inlet would be the
11 Hg S-CEMS following the air heater and the
12 outlet would be the Hg S-CEMS at the exit
13 of the second ESP. I can guess and say
14 that.

15 MR. AYERS: Certainly you would
16 think that inlet and outlet would mean
17 outlet would be at the end of the
18 precipitator train and inlet would be at
19 the beginning of it, would you not?

20 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

21 MR. AYERS: And we talked earlier
22 about the lack of any removal of sulfur in
23 -- I'm sorry, mercury in the second
24 precipitator, didn't we? You testified to

1 --

2 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

3 MR. AYERS: -- that after looking at
4 the exhibit? So if table 3 shows that
5 90.8 percent of the mercury is being
6 removed, then it must be being removed in
7 the first precipitator, is that not
8 correct?

9 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I don't know.
10 Because I believe it -- is the fly ash
11 carbon content in this paper?

12 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: If I may,
13 Mr. Ayers, I am not sure what you are
14 trying to get to. But we are asking an
15 awful lot of questions about what this
16 paper says and asking him to review it on
17 the spot. I think the paper speaks for
18 itself.

19 If you have a specific point you are
20 trying to get to, that's fine.

21 MR. AYERS: I do.

22 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Like I
23 say, continuing to ask him to draw
24 conclusions from a paper he hasn't read I

1 think is a little unrealistic. The paper
2 does speak for itself. If you have a
3 specific point --

4 MR. AYERS: I do. Is it not true
5 that -- well, let me put it this way.
6 Does this example, this plant, not
7 indicate that the increased -- that
8 increasing the size of the precipitator in
9 this case by adding a whole new
10 precipitator at the end of the train does
11 not increase mercury removal?

12 MR. ZABEL: I think I am going to
13 make the objection that actually you just
14 did. There are five locations on this
15 diagram for mercury monitors. They are
16 not identified. He has testified as to
17 what figure 3 shows. Unless we can really
18 read through this whole thing and identify
19 where those are and what the conditions of
20 data in table 3 was, was the FGD on, was
21 it off during the testing, the things he
22 asked him about on figure 3, I think it is
23 really unfair to ask him that question
24 without the opportunity to study the

1 table.

2 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: I will
3 give you an opportunity to respond to
4 that, Mr. Ayers.

5 MR. AYERS: I think we will pass on
6 this and come back to it if we have a
7 chance. We have had a chance to read it
8 and they have.

9 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: We will
10 end questioning for now.

11 MR. AYERS: Yes.

12 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Question
13 70.

14 MR. CICHANOWICZ: As far as you
15 know, is an even, parallel and somewhat
16 laminar flow important for good ESP
17 performance?

18 Well-behaved flow entering an ESP is
19 desired to improve particulate removal
20 performance.

21 A, if so, do you know why? A
22 quiescent, low turbulence flow does not
23 interfere with the migration velocity of a
24 charged particle in transit to the

1 collecting plate and also minimizes any
2 possible re-entrainment of the particles
3 into the flue gas stream.

4 Question 71, don't ESP suppliers --

5 MR. AYERS: I am sorry, I do have
6 one question.

7 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Okay.

8 MR. AYERS: Is grade entrainment a
9 reason why maximizing laminar flow is
10 considered important?

11 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, I don't know
12 that the flow is actually laminar. I
13 didn't calculate the number.

14 MR. AYERS: As a principal, though?

15 MR. CICHANOWICZ: As a principal,
16 what you don't want is turbulent
17 aggressive flow adjacent to the layer of
18 ash that is collected on the plate because
19 it will pull the ash back through the flue
20 gas stream.

21 71, don't ESP suppliers install
22 devices to attempt to achieve these flow
23 conditions?

24 Yes. Various baffle-plate or

1 perforated plates or turning vanes are
2 used to effect good flow distribution.

3 72, do you think that TOXECON II
4 possibly disturbs this flow field within
5 the ESP by blowing carbon right into the
6 middle of it?

7 The injection of carbon and the
8 carrier air may distort the flow profile
9 within the middle of an ESP.

10 73, in light of the fact that the
11 Monroe ESP was smaller than the effective
12 ESP, open parenthesis, what remained after
13 sorbent injection, close parenthesis, at
14 Coal Creek's TOXECON II site and no
15 problems were cited at Monroe, is it
16 likely that problems at Coal Creek's
17 TOXECON II test were a result of
18 challenges with the TOXECON II technology
19 and not an ESP limitation that would exist
20 if sorbent were injected upstream of the
21 ESP?

22 Yes, it is possible that that is
23 true.

24 74, on page 40 of your testimony you

1 state "carbon, like any other solid, can
2 accumulate within the ductwork or internal
3 surfaces of the ESP and influence the
4 electrical properties. Specifically,
5 erratic electrical behavior was witnessed
6 at Yates due to shortening of current over
7 insulators. And deposits on insulators at
8 Coal Creek may have contributed to the T/R
9 set failure. This problem, which perhaps
10 contributed to a compromise in ESP
11 performance at both sites, may not be a
12 fatal law. But additional tests to
13 evaluate new insulator designs or cleaning
14 equipment is required." Wasn't the Coal
15 Creek test a TOXECON II test where carbon
16 is injected into the middle of the ESP
17 rather than upstream of the ESP? Yes.

18 MR. AYERS: I am sorry, could I
19 follow up?

20 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Yes.

21 MR. AYERS: Your answer was yes?

22 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes, my answer was
23 yes.

24 MR. AYERS: So that's different from

1 injecting the sorbent into the ductwork at
2 a point upstream of the ESP hardware where
3 it has additional time to mix and flow
4 more smoothly through the ESP; is that
5 right?

6 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That's a different
7 application, yes.

8 MR. AYERS: But it is a different
9 situation?

10 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

11 MR. AYERS: Is the TOXECON II a
12 technology that's considered still under
13 development?

14 MR. CICHANOWICZ: In my opinion,
15 yes.

16 MR. AYERS: So let's focus for a
17 minute on the simpler technology, just
18 injecting sorbent upstream. Even without
19 sorbent injection for mercury control, is
20 there a lot of carbon in some fly ash?

21 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, as we
22 discussed with the good Mr. Nelson
23 yesterday, carbon can vary from --
24 generally people like to have it less than

1 five percent. And those cases are
2 successful in having it less than five
3 percent, in many cases less than two and
4 three percent.

5 MR. AYERS: If I'm not mistaken,
6 your testimony did not discuss any data
7 from any other plant besides Yates 1 that
8 had a small ESP where sorbent injection
9 upstream of the ESP allegedly showed
10 problems; is that correct?

11 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That is what the
12 -- yes, that is the only item in
13 testimony, absent the introduction of the
14 Conesville data yesterday with the
15 Exhibit 5-2.

16 MR. AYERS: Referring to the
17 paragraph -- I'm sorry, is that -- I am
18 sorry, that's your question.

19 MR. ZABEL: No, it is yours. It was
20 his to answer.

21 MR. AYERS: It was an earlier
22 question.

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: So what am I
24 doing?

1 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: 75.

2 MR. AYERS: Go ahead with 75.

3 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Referring to
4 paragraph on page 11 of the paper entitled
5 "Sorbent Injection for Mercury Control
6 Upstream of Small SCA ESPs" by Dombrowski
7 that is referenced in the TSD --

8 MR. AYERS: If it would be helpful,
9 since this is a document that was in the
10 TSD, you may not have it right in front of
11 you, we can distribute this document
12 again. Maybe you have had a chance to
13 consult with it already. I don't know. I
14 do want to ask some follow-up questions.
15 So you may want to --

16 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Then why don't you
17 distribute.

18 MR. AYERS: Thank you. It is No. 9.
19 TSD.

20 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Document
21 No. 9 in what part of the TSD, the
22 appendices?

23 MR. KIM: I think it is a reference
24 document.

1 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: It is in
2 the big box, then I don't have a copy of
3 it. That's okay.

4 MR. KIM: Big box document No. 9.

5 MR. AYERS: You can go ahead and if
6 you can answer questions A and B now,
7 Mr. Cichanowicz.

8 MR. CICHANOWICZ: As you can
9 imagine, I read this paragraph and I have
10 an answer for you. But I did want the
11 document to be in front of me.

12 Does this indicate any problem from
13 carbon injection during this test?

14 No. But the observation is based on
15 single-point measurements of particulate
16 matter emissions which do not present a
17 complete picture of particulate matter
18 emissions.

19 B, could you please read the fourth
20 bullet under conclusion on page 12? Does
21 this indicate any problem from carbon
22 injection during this test? I will read
23 that fourth bullet. The fourth bullet
24 states "carbon injection caused no

1 significant increase in ESP outlet
2 particulate concentration in unit 1 or 2
3 as measured by a single-point EPA Method
4 17."

5 I wish to note, again these results,
6 based on a single-point method acquired by
7 Method 17 are inadequate to characterize
8 any change in PM emissions. Specifically,
9 a single-point Method 17 measurement would
10 not comprise an adequate compliance test.
11 More meaningful results are shown in
12 figure 3-31 on page 3-52 of the quarterly
13 report from April to June of 2005, which
14 shows the variability in PM emissions on a
15 pounds per million BTU basis, the standard
16 to which the unit is held accountable to.
17 The upper right-hand corner of the figure
18 is entitled Method 17 traverse data, as
19 this data were obtained with a four-point
20 traverse and would comprise a compliance
21 test.

22 So, basically, it's a single-point
23 test. And if single-point tests were
24 adequate for compliance, it wouldn't be a

1 requirement for traversing the data. The
2 data in this paper was the result of a
3 screening study conducted early. After
4 the screening study, the owner operated a
5 longer term test where they were able to
6 have the time to conduct a multi-point
7 traverse data. And that data I think does
8 indicate there are particulate problems.

9 MR. STAUDT: Could you read back the
10 cite citation ?

11 MR. CICHANOWICZ: It is the
12 quarterly report from April to June 2005.

13 MR. STAUDT: Page and figure,
14 please?

15 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Page 3-52,
16 figure 3-31.

17 MR. AYERS: Which unit has the
18 smaller ESP, Yates unit 1 or unit 2?

19 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I don't have the
20 SCAs in front of me. I don't know. It is
21 in the report. I don't know them offhand.

22 MR. AYERS: I think it is in the
23 paper. I believe you will find it on
24 table 1, page 4 of the exhibit we

1 introduced.

2 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yates 2 has the
3 smaller ESP.

4 MR. AYERS: And no problems are
5 reported in this paper in the unit 2 ESP,
6 even though this is smaller than unit 1;
7 is that correct?

8 MR. ZABEL: Again we are back to
9 asking questions about what's in a report
10 that the witness hasn't read, at least not
11 recently.

12 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: He was
13 specifically asked questions on his
14 report. We are looking at the Dombrowski
15 paper. He was specifically asked
16 questions on it, so I would expect him to
17 be familiar with it.

18 MR. ZABEL: Right. But he is asking
19 what it says in general and he hasn't read
20 it today. To recall that -- I am happy to
21 let the witness answer if he recalls. But
22 I want the record to recognize he isn't
23 reading it today.

24 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Yes,

1 absolutely. Agreed. And, Mr. Ayers, it
2 would be helpful if you could point him to
3 the information that you are asking him
4 about. If you are asking him about
5 something that's in the report, you can
6 tell him where you are looking. That
7 would be helpful. You are going to have
8 to be a little more specific because we
9 are taking a lot of time looking for
10 references that you guys are asking about.
11 So you should be able to find it easily.

12 MR. ZABEL: The prepared question
13 asked him to look at one paragraph. He
14 had 99 questions to answer. If he would
15 have read every reference in the 99
16 questions, we wouldn't have had him on the
17 stand until Christmas.

18 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: I
19 understand.

20 MR. AYERS: No reported -- the
21 question I was asking is whether there
22 were no reported problems on either unit 1
23 or unit 2. And that goes back to the
24 conclusion which you read earlier I

1 believe.

2 MR. ZABEL: I think that question
3 was asked and answered.

4 MR. AYERS: Asked and answered.

5 Let's discuss the issue related to
6 long-term tests at Yates. Is it your
7 testimony that the injection of activated
8 carbon is responsible for several problems
9 in the operation of the ESP?

10 MR. CICHANOWICZ: My testimony is
11 that sorbent injection can induce higher
12 particulate matter through break-through
13 of sorbent.

14 MR. AYERS: And you, specifically
15 speaking, include Yates?

16 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

17 MR. AYERS: Would you begin then to
18 discuss this issue starting with question
19 76?

20 MR. CICHANOWICZ: 76, according to
21 the report titled "Sorbent Injection for
22 Small Esp Mercury Control in Low Sulfur
23 Eastern Bituminous Coal Flue Gas,
24 Quarterly Technical Progress Report,

1 April 1 to June 30, 2005," the Yates ESP
2 has a design basis flow rate of 490,000
3 ACFM at a treatment rate of 17 pounds per
4 million ACF, roughly the highest injection
5 rate experienced at Yates 1. How much
6 carbon is being introduced to the gas
7 stream per hour? Approximately
8 500 pounds.

9 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: I have a
10 point of clarification. I'm sorry. The
11 paper referenced in this question is this
12 a quote from Mr. Cichanowicz' testimony or
13 is this another paper that is found
14 elsewhere in the record?

15 MR. AYERS: This is from the
16 paper --

17 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: The
18 Dombrowski paper?

19 MR. CICHANOWICZ: No.

20 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: The title
21 is different?

22 MR. AYERS: Yes, not Dombrowski. It
23 is Exhibit 71 from the first hearing.

24 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: And then

1 we are on 76 A.

2 MR. CICHANOWICZ: A, how much at
3 around six pounds per million ACF,
4 approximately 176 pounds.

5 Question 77, according to 2004
6 EIA Form 767 data submitted by the plant
7 owner, the average heating value of the
8 fuel was about 12,400 BTUs per pound and
9 the average ash was about 11.4 percent.
10 Using this or other information you may
11 have from the owner, please make a rough
12 estimate of how much fly ash enters the
13 Yates ESP each hour at full load. If you
14 relied on other information from the plant
15 owner, please describe the information.

16 Ash loading entering the ESP is
17 estimated to be 7,355 pounds per hour,
18 assuming a plant generating capacity of
19 100 megawatts, heat rate of 10,000 BTUs
20 per kilowatt hour at 100 percent capacity
21 factor.

22 78 --

23 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Excuse me,
24 I am going have to ask, when we have

1 something referenced in the question, this
2 is a part of the record, is it not?

3 MR. AYERS: Exhibit 71?

4 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: According
5 to the 2004 EIA Form 767?

6 MR. ZABEL: For the record that is
7 the Energy Information Agency, which is a
8 division of the Department of Energy. It
9 is a published and publicly available
10 document.

11 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Thank you.

12 MR. AYERS: Could you turn your
13 attention to the report "Sorbent Injection
14 for Small Esp Mercury Control and Low
15 Sulfur Bituminous Coal Flue Gas Quarterly
16 Technical Progress Report, April 1 to
17 June 30, 2005"?

18 MS. BASSI: Is that Exhibit 71?

19 MR. AYERS: I believe that's
20 Exhibit 71, yes. Would you turn to
21 page 3-9 of that document?

22 MR. BONEBRAKE: What page did you
23 say?

24 MR. AYERS: 3-9. And if you would

1 read the last paragraph on that page.

2 MR. CICHANOWICZ: "There was no
3 apparent increase in the carbon content of
4 the ESP ash as measured by percent LOI for
5 the activated carbon injection tests
6 compared to baseline tests. As shown in
7 figure 3-10, the mercury content of both
8 the bottom ash and the ESP fly ash samples
9 were directly related to LOI percent of
10 the ash."

11 MR. AYERS: Is it possible in that
12 statement it would be likely that there
13 was no apparent increase in property
14 content of the ESP fly ash because the
15 carbon already in the fly ash so far
16 exceeded the amount of carbon being added?

17 MR. BONEBRAKE: I'm sorry, was the
18 question is it possible or is it likely?
19 I couldn't tell which of the questions --

20 MR. AYERS: I will settle for
21 likely. Is it likely? I used both.

22 MR. CICHANOWICZ: It is possible. I
23 would have to calculate -- do a mass
24 calculation to say it is likely. But it

1 is certainly possible.

2 MR. AYERS: According to table 3-8
3 of the Yates report on page 3-12, would
4 you agree that the LOI of that plant is in
5 the range of ten percent or so, sometimes
6 more?

7 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

8 MR. AYERS: Isn't that significantly
9 higher than the amount of carbon from
10 activated carbon?

11 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes, it is.

12 MR. AYERS: So is it possible that
13 the carbon from fly ash caused any
14 problems that may have been experienced?

15 MR. CICHANOWICZ: It's possible that
16 the carbon in the ash is responsible for
17 some of the ESP data, yes.

18 MR. AYERS: Thank you. Question 78.

19 HEARING OFFICER TIPSORD: Okay,
20 question 78.

21 MR. CICHANOWICZ: You state on
22 page 40 of your testimony "first, the PM
23 emissions standards for Yates are well
24 below the Georgia limit of 0.2 pounds per

1 million BTU. The owner frequently
2 operates these units at less than 0.10
3 pounds per million BTU, which typifies PM
4 limits in other regions of their system,
5 open parenthesis, for example, Alabama
6 requires a PM limit of 0.10 pounds per
7 million BTU, close parenthesis. Data
8 presented in the quarterly report to the
9 DOE summarizing these results, Richardson,
10 2005, shows baseline PM emissions less
11 than 0.10 pounds per million BTU." Is
12 this report by Richardson the sole source
13 of your statement or there other sources?

14 My understanding of the PM emission
15 standards for Yates units 1 to 4 and how
16 the standards compare to other units in
17 the Southern Company System was conveyed
18 to me in a July 20th telephone
19 conversation with Mr. Mark Berry of
20 Southern Company, the staff engineer in
21 charge of ACI testing.

22 Question 79 --

23 MR. AYERS: I'm sorry, I have some
24 follow-up questions on this. There is a

1 scrubber after the ESP at this plant, is
2 there not?

3 MR. CICHANOWICZ: On unit 1 there
4 is.

5 MR. AYERS: And the emission limits
6 apply to stack emissions. And the PM
7 emissions of concern for compliance are at
8 stack and after the scrubber, isn't that
9 correct?

10 MR. ZABEL: That is a legal
11 question, but I will let the witness
12 answer, if he knows.

13 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Well, the PM
14 limits that were described to me were
15 basically as measured at the exit of the
16 ESP with Method 17 that's shown in the
17 figure.

18 MR. AYERS: Figure 3-31 of the
19 long-term test report on page 3-52 shows
20 Method 17 particulate measures at the ESP
21 outlet planted against carbon injection
22 rate. We are still looking at Exhibit 71.

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Okay. Thank you.

24 MR. AYERS: So that figure shows

1 particulate measures at the ESP outlet
2 plotted against carbon injection rate,
3 correct?

4 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That is correct.

5 MR. AYERS: Now, the baseline range
6 is where there is no sorbent being
7 injected and we compare the results of
8 testing of the sorbent with the baseline,
9 correct?

10 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Correct.

11 MR. AYERS: Could you state how many
12 sorbent test points lie above the baseline
13 range?

14 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I count six.

15 MR. AYERS: And how many sorbent
16 test points lie below the baseline range?

17 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I count six.

18 MR. AYERS: And how many sorbent
19 test points lie within the baseline range?

20 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I count seven or
21 eight.

22 MR. AYERS: Would you agree that the
23 test measurements show more scatter in the
24 baseline measurements both above and below

1 the baseline?

2 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I would state that
3 -- and this is what I was told my Mark
4 Berry, that they did not have exceedences
5 or they did not have PM emissions above
6 the 0.10 level until they injected
7 activated carbon. And certainly there is
8 a lot of variability in this.

9 Dr. Staudt testified to this in
10 Springfield, and it's still true. There
11 is much data above as below. But it
12 doesn't detract from the fact that until
13 activated carbon was used, this type of --
14 when they had done PM emissions, they had
15 not seen this type of variability. And
16 when you look at the baseline data,
17 granted there is three or four points, but
18 it is within the range they are used to
19 seeing.

20 MR. AYERS: This is commentary that
21 is based on a conversation with someone
22 outside the room? Yes?

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

24 MR. AYERS: Do you know when the

1 baseline measurements were taken relative
2 to the tests with sorbent?

3 MR. CICHANOWICZ: My understanding
4 was that the long-term tests, they -- the
5 data was taken basically at the -- at the
6 same time that they were conducting the
7 parametric variations. That is what
8 distinguished the tests in this report,
9 that's different from what's in the mega
10 symposium paper, is that these tests were
11 long term. They allowed time for the
12 system to come to equilibrium and they
13 took the time to do the traverse.

14 What Mark told me -- and again this
15 is based on a telephone conversation --
16 was that they rushed through the early
17 parametric test for the reason of getting
18 data for the paper that you handed out and
19 they didn't take the time to do full
20 traverse measurements. They were just
21 trying to get a sense for what the mercury
22 removal would be as a function of sorbent
23 because they had a deliverable.

24 But once that was done, the next

1 phase of testing was more relaxed and they
2 had the time to do the full traverse.

3 MR. AYERS: So it is your
4 understanding that baseline measurements
5 and the test measurements were taken at
6 the same time?

7 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

8 MR. AYERS: Could you turn to
9 page 334 of the same exhibit, 3-34. And
10 read bullet No. 8.

11 MR. ZABEL: Do you want him to read
12 it or read it into the record?

13 MR. AYERS: I think read it into the
14 record, if you would.

15 MR. CICHANOWICZ: "Method 17
16 traverses were conducted in the ESP outlet
17 duct to quantify ESP outlet particulate
18 emissions. A handful of the data
19 collected exceeded the baseline, open
20 parenthesis, no injection, close
21 parenthesis. ESP outlet emissions
22 measured in three method 5 traverses from
23 spring 2004. Furthermore, a few data
24 points exceeded the compliance limit for

1 Yates unit 1, open parenthesis,
2 0.24 pounds per million BTU, close
3 parenthesis. However, the unit itself was
4 in compliance because the downstream PBR
5 removed the broken-through particulate
6 matter, open parenthesis, see next section
7 for further discussion, close
8 parenthesis."

9 MR. AYERS: That's sufficient, I
10 think. Doesn't that say that the baseline
11 tests were taken in the spring of 2004
12 over six months earlier than the tests
13 with the sorbent in November 2004 or
14 January 2005?

15 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That is what that
16 says.

17 MR. AYERS: Now, could you turn to
18 page 2-16 of the same document? And read
19 the second to last paragraph. You don't
20 need to read it into the record.

21 MR. CICHANOWICZ: I'm sorry, you
22 want me to read it into the record or not?

23 MR. AYERS: You don't need to read
24 it into the record. But I just wanted to

1 ask you, does that say that the Method 17
2 traverses for the long-term test with the
3 sorbent were conducted during the week of
4 November 30th and December 7th of 2004?

5 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That is what that
6 says, yes.

7 MR. AYERS: So these tests that were
8 compared to the February baseline were
9 actually done in December, correct?

10 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That's what the
11 report says, yes.

12 MR. AYERS: Is there a possibility
13 then that the conditions are not quite the
14 same as the baseline conditions in
15 February of 2004 and the conditions under
16 the -- during the test in December of
17 2004?

18 MR. CICHANOWICZ: That's possible,
19 yes.

20 MR. AYERS: For example, there might
21 be differences in the fuel that would
22 affect the performance?

23 MR. CICHANOWICZ: Yes.

24 MR. AYERS: Thank you.

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