EPA's Continued Development and Application of Optical Remote Sensing (ORS) for Emission Monitoring

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Recent Activities -- ORS Method Development

Radial scanning to locate emission sources

- Small-scale field test using simulated source to test capability
- Small field study on actual source site
- Diesel exhaust plume sampling







Radial Scanning

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Radial Geometry: A Simplified Practical Approach



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16-Beam Classical CT and Radial CT Configurations



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Validation Study Experimental Setup



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Diesel Exhaust Plume Measurements







The ORS Measurement Setup

OP-FTIR – Monostatic, Coaxial, Single-Telescope Design
Beam Path – 7 Meters (One Way)
Diesel Exhaust from a Stationary Class-8 Tractor Directed Through Infrared Beam





The Diesel Emissions Measurement Setup







Diesel Emissions Time Plot



Time Plots of Measured NO and NO₂ Concentrations



Recent ORS Activities -- Emissions Monitoring

Agricultural ammonia sources

- Waste lagoon control via porous biocover
- High-rise layer house
- Solid waste landfill







Agricultural Ammonia Sources







ORS Plane-integrated Interception and Measurement of Plume









OP-FTIR Measurement Paths









Seasonal Emission Rates

3 SE	Ammonia grams/min	Methane grams/min
7/11/2000 uncovered	20	40
8/16/2000 covered	4.7	66
2/28/2001 covered	0.84	62
8/15/2001 covered	1.2	Not Available

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OP-FTIR at Layer House









250,000-Hen Layer House









MSW Landfill Measurements







Scanner On Retrofit Unit







Four-Beam Reconstructions of Methane and Ammonia in a Landfill



Future Activities

- Method improvement and application validation
 -- DOD's ESTCP Program supported project
- Agricultural ammonia sources -- broilers, hogs, and cattle
- Landfills -- MSW bioreactors and brownfields
- Diesel emissions -- weigh station and cross road studies
- Incorporate Tunable Diode Laser (TDL) system into program





Summary

- Radial scanning has demonstrated the ability to locate point sources within the field of measurement
- Initial deployment of radial scanning on a large landfill is scheduled in September
- Plane-integrated (PI) OP-FTIR has been used to evaluate the effectiveness of a lagoon biocover to control ammonia emissions
- Single path and PI OP-FTIR measurements have been made on a large high-rise layer house - data analysis is not finished





