

# VOCs Emissions and Reduction Potential in Solvent Utilization

- A Case Study -

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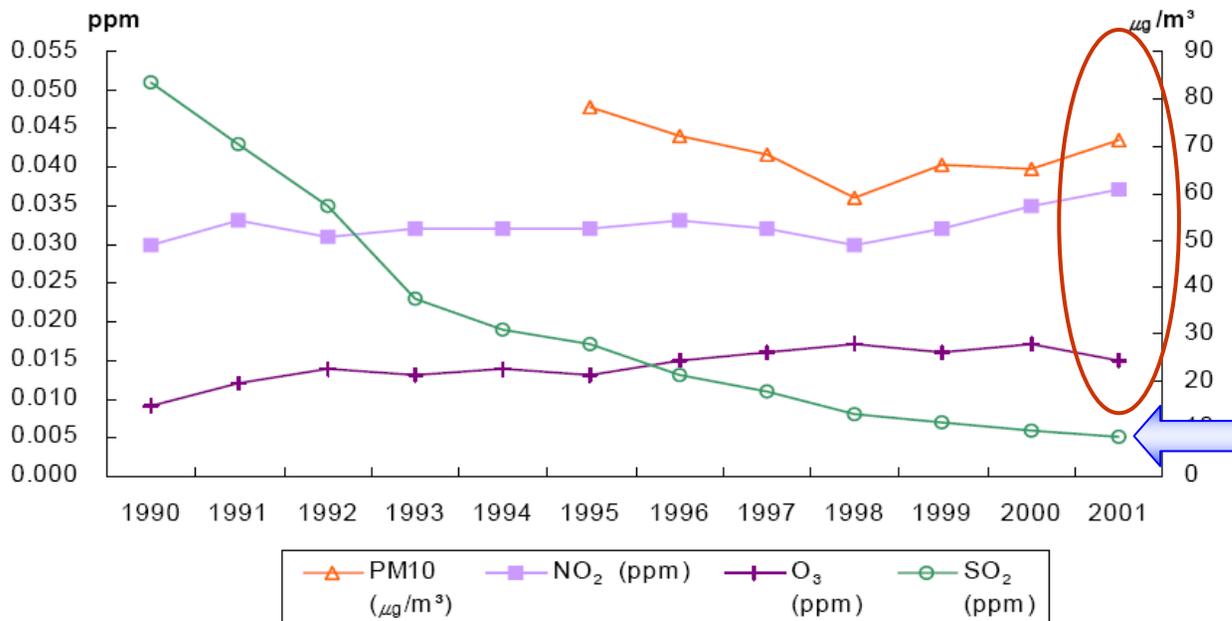
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## Introduction - Background 1

# Trend of air quality in Seoul



- Rapid decrease and achievement of air quality standard for SO<sub>2</sub>
- In spite of various efforts, PM<sub>10</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, and O<sub>3</sub> conc. on steady increase

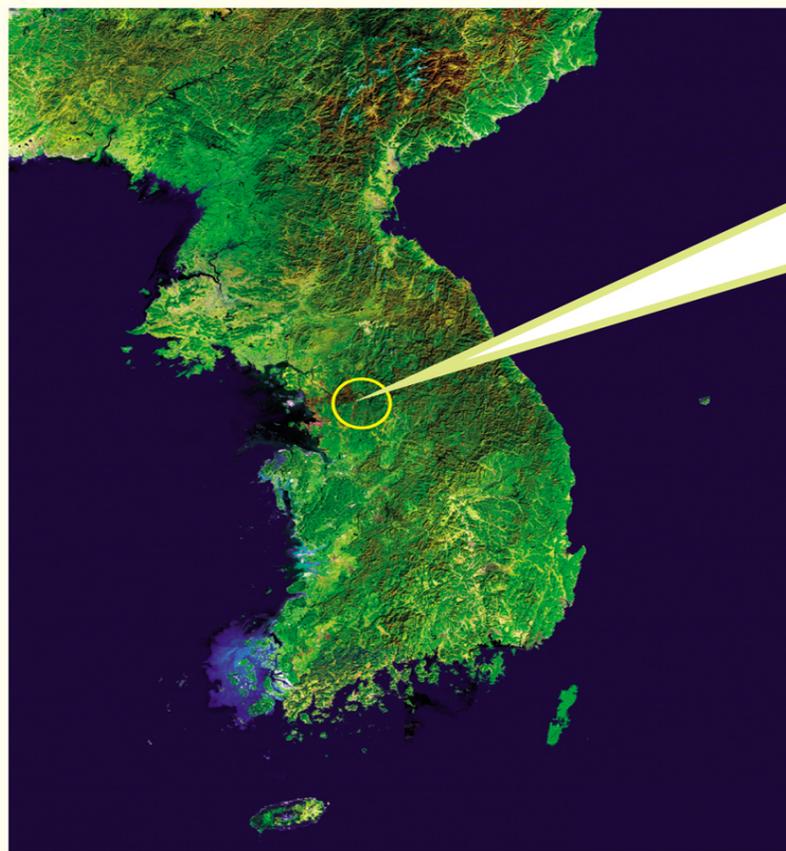
**O<sub>3</sub> is especially serious in SMA**

In 2004, 48% of short-term O<sub>3</sub> air quality standard exceedances and 64% of O<sub>3</sub> alarms in all of Korea occurred in SMA

## Introduction - Background 2

# Special Measures for Metropolitan Air Quality Improvement

### Seoul Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD)



# Special Act for Seoul Metropolitan Air Quality Improvement

- **“Framework for Special Act” developed by Korean government in 2005**
  - **Includes general reduction program and reduction rates of VOCs emissions for O<sub>3</sub>**
    - Reduction programs
      - Installation of VOCs recycling system for Stage II at gas station
      - Increase usage of ECO paint (low VOCs content and VOC-free paint)
      - Suppression of cutback asphalt usage for asphalt paving
      - etc.
  - Reduction rate : 38.7 % of VOCs emissions in 2001

## Introduction

# Purpose of this study

For the success of the “Special” Act and VOCs emission reductions

⇒ Emissions estimating methods for specific sources must be developed

Air pollutant emission inventory has already been developed by the Clean Air Policy Support System (CAPSS)

⇒ Source-specific emission reduction programs must be developed

So, in this study

Development of VOCs emission factor and estimation of emissions at certain sources

• Dry cleaning, metal degreasing, and printing facilities

Research of source-specific reduction programs and estimation of reduction potential

# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions Dry Cleaning Facilities



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## Dry Cleaning Facilities

### VOCs emissions estimation method : mass balance

VOCs emissions (kg VOCs/yr)

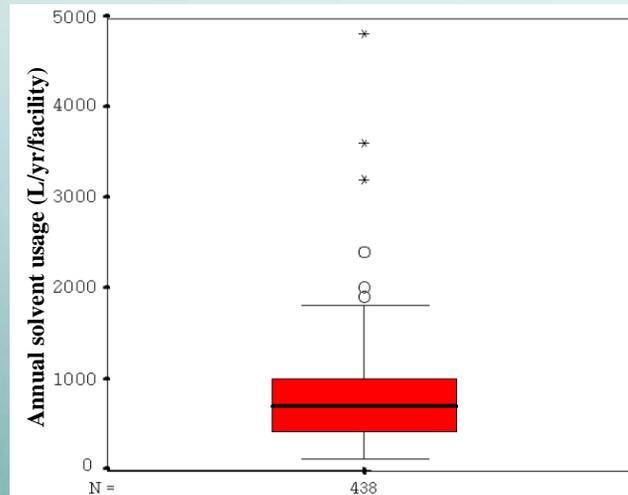
= annual net solvent usage per facility × number of facilities

### Estimation of annual solvent usage

Obtained via on-site questionnaire survey



A total of 891 facilities were visited and number of “valid” results was 438



Annual solvent usage per facility :  
792.7 L/facility/yr (610.4kg/yr/facility)

# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions

## Dry Cleaning Facilities

### Estimation of annual disposed solvent

- Obtained through laboratory evaporation simulation experiment of waste filter

Amount of annual disposed solvent : 0.82 kg/yr/facility

Ignore emissions from used waste filters

VOCs emission factor for dry cleaning facility : 610.4 kg/yr/facility)

VOCs emissions from dry cleaning facilities in 2001

| Region                  | VOCs emissions (ton/yr) |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Seoul                   | 4,878                   |
| Incheon                 | 1,137                   |
| Gyeonggi province       | 3,832                   |
| Seoul Metropolitan Area | 9,856                   |

# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions

## Metal Degreasing Facilities



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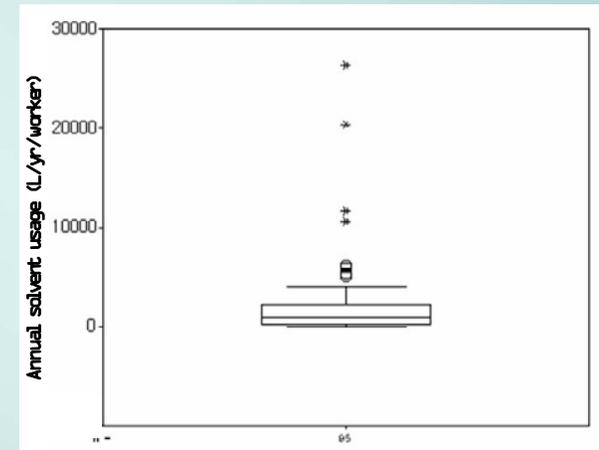
VOCs emissions (kg VOCs/yr)  
 = annual solvent usage per worker × number of workers

### Estimation of annual solvent usage

Obtained via site visitation and mail questionnaire survey

➔ A total of 790 facilities were targeted and number of “valid” results was only 95

|                    | Annual solvent usage             |                                |                              |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                    | Per facility<br>(kg/facility/yr) | Per machine<br>(kg/machine/yr) | Per worker<br>(kg/yr/worker) |
| Average            | 4,011.5                          | 1,980.6                        | 223.1                        |
| Standard deviation | 8,112.4                          | 3,643.4                        | 314.6                        |



# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions

## Metal Degreasing Facilities

**VOCs emission factor for metal degreasing facility : 223.1kg/yr/worker)**

**cf. ) Emission factor used in CAPSS : 39.5 kg/yr/employee**

**Activity data :  
number of workers at metal plating and metal heat treatment industry**

**cf. ) CAPSS : entire 5 sub-categories related to metal industry**

**VOCs emissions from metal degreasing facilities in 2001**

| Region                  | VOCs emissions (ton/yr) |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Seoul                   | 126                     |
| Incheon                 | 913                     |
| Gyeonggi province       | 1,305                   |
| Seoul Metropolitan Area | 2,344                   |

# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions

## Printing facilities



# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions Printing Facilities

## VOCs emissions estimation method : mass balance

$$E_i = (I_i C_i + V_i \cdot D) \times A_i$$

- E = VOCs emissions from printing facilities ( kg VOCs/yr)
- I = annual ink usage per facility or worker (kg/yr/facility or worker)
- C = solvent content of ink (%)
- V = annual solvent usage per facility or worker (L/yr/facility or worker)
- D = density of solvent (kg/L)
- A = activity data (total number of facilities or workers)
- i = printing method.

## Estimation of annual ink and solvent usage

- Obtained through site visitation and mail questionnaire survey

➔ A total of 3,100 facilities were targeted and number of “valid” results was 137

# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions Printing Facilities

## Correlation between ink/solvent usage and number of workers

| Printing Method    |   | Annual ink usage | Annual solvent usage |
|--------------------|---|------------------|----------------------|
| Master Printing    | r | 0.179            | 0.18                 |
|                    | p | 0.18             | 0.17                 |
|                    | N | 59               | 59                   |
| Offset Lithography | r | 0.788            | 0.713                |
|                    | p | 1.07E-11         | 4.47E-08             |
|                    | N | 44               | 44                   |
| Screen Printing    | r | 0.226            | 0.281                |
|                    | p | 0.38             | 0.28                 |
|                    | N | 17               | 17                   |
| Rotogravure        | r | 0.854            | 0.889                |
|                    | p | 1.32E-05         | 1.80E-06             |
|                    | N | 17               | 17                   |



Total number of workers was adopted as activity data for offset and rotogravure



Total number of facilities was adopted as activity data for master and screen

# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions Printing Facilities

## Estimation of solvent content of printing ink

- Obtained through laboratory evaporation experiment and literature

### Typical parameter used in developing emission factor for printing facilities

| Printing method    | Solvent content of ink (%) | Annual ink usage (kg/yr) | Density of Solvent (kg/L) | Annual solvent usage (L/yr) |
|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Master printing    | 37                         | 287.9                    | 0.879                     | 130.6                       |
| Offset lithography | 24                         | 259.4                    | 0.879                     | 211.6                       |
| Screen printing    | 41                         | 1,450.8                  | 0.852                     | 1,290.5                     |
| Rotogravure        | 63                         | 3,266.7                  | 0.867                     | 2,751.8                     |

### VOCs emission factor for printing facilities w.r.t printing method

| Printing method    | Emission factors (This study) | Emission factor (CAPSS) |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Master printing    | 499.6 (kg/yr/facility)        | 0.4 (kg/yr/cap)         |
| Offset lithography | 248.3 (kg/yr/worker)          |                         |
| Screen printing    | 1,694.3 (kg/yr/facility)      |                         |
| Rotogravure        | 4,443.8 (kg/yr/worker)        |                         |

# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions

## Printing Facilities

### VOCs emissions from printing facilities w.r.t printing method for 2001

| Region                  | Master printing | Offset lithography | Screen printing | Rotogravure | Total  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------|
| Seoul                   | 1,651           | 2,826              | 888             | 1,898       | 7,236  |
| Incheon                 | 129             | 18                 | 105             | 324         | 576    |
| Gyunggi province        | 497             | 267                | 862             | 5,817       | 7,443  |
| Seoul Metropolitan Area | 2,277           | 3,110              | 1,855           | 8,039       | 15,282 |

# Topic 1 : Development of Emission Factors and Estimation of Emissions

## CAPSS vs. This Study

### Comparison of VOCs emissions (ton/yr, 2001)

| Sources          | CAPSS  | This study | Difference |  |
|------------------|--------|------------|------------|--|
| Dry cleaning     | 9,856  | 9,856      | 0          | Results of this study were already adopted in CAPSS      |
| Metal degreasing | 18,245 | 2,344      | -15,901    | Curtailment of activity data range and development of EF |
| Printing         | 45     | 15,282     | 15,237     | Correction of error in activity and development of EFs   |
| Total            | 28,146 | 27,482     | - 664      |  |

## Topic 2 : Estimation of Emissions Reduction Potential

# Estimation of VOCs emissions for 2014

### Dry cleaning facilities

- Using predicted activity data through linear regression analysis for 1995 ~ 2004

### Metal degreasing and printing facilities

$$E_{\text{future}, s} = E_{\text{base}, s} \times G_s \times R_s$$

$E_{\text{future}}$  = emissions in 2014 (ton/yr)

$E_{\text{base}}$  = emissions in base year (base year is 2001; ton/yr)

$G$  = growth factor (rate of energy demand increase)

$R$  = regulation factor

$s$  = source

### Rate of energy demand increase

|   | Annual average increasing rate (%) |           |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------|
|   | `02 ~ `10                          | `11 ~ `20 |
| Assembly metal industry (for metal degreasing facilities) | 3.9 ~ 4.7                          | 3.1 ~ 3.7 |
| Manufacturing industry (for printing facilities)          | 2.1 ~ 2.8                          | 1.1 ~ 1.7 |

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### VOCs emissions in 2001 and estimated VOCs emissions for 2014

|                  | VOCs emissions in 2001 | VOCs emissions for 2014 |
|------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Dry cleaning     | 9,856                  | 10,387                  |
| Metal degreasing | 2,344                  | 3,757 ~ 4,098           |
| Printing         | 15,282                 | 19,439 ~ 21,187         |

## Topic 2 : Estimation of Emissions Reduction Potential

# Source-Specific Emission Reduction Program and Its Effect

### Source-specific emissions reduction program

- Obtained through literature analysis

### Effect of source-specific emissions reduction program

- Estimated through modification of emission factors

### Most appropriate source-specific emission reduction program and its effect

| Source           | Emissions reduction program                    | VOCs emissions for 2014 in SMA (tons) |                 |
|------------------|--|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
|                  |  | Without program                       | With program    |
| Dry cleaning     | Installation of solvent recycling system       | 10,387                                | 748 ~ 2,347     |
| Metal degreasing | Replace solvent with water-soluble alternative | 3,757 ~ 4,098                         | 1,233 ~ 1,352   |
| Printing         | Reduction of VOC content in printing inks      | 19,439 ~ 21,187                       | 12,851 ~ 15,451 |

# Summary and Conclusion

- **VOCs emission factors were developed and its emissions were estimated for certain sources in the solvent utilization category**
  - VOCs emission factor is 610.4 kg/yr/facility for dry cleaning and 223.1 kg/yr/worker for metal degreasing
  - For printing facilities, emission factors developed w.r.t. printing method are 499.6 kg/yr/facility for master printing, 1,694.3 kg/yr/facility for screen printing, 248.3 kg/yr/worker for offset lithography and 4,443.8 kg/yr/worker for rotogravure
  - VOCs emissions were estimated to be 9,856 tons, 2,344 tons and 15,282 tons, respectively, for the above 3 categories in SMA for 2001
- **Source-specific reduction program for these sources and its effect were also studied**
  - VOCs emissions for 2014 are estimated to be 33,583 ~ 35,672 tons
  - The most appropriate reduction programs are deemed to be installation of solvent recycling system for dry cleaning, switching to water-soluble solvent for metal degreasing and reduction of VOCs content in printing ink for printing facilities
  - Reduction potential for these sources are estimated to be 16,522 ~ 18,751 tons

# Future Work

- **Development of VOCs emission factors and estimation of emissions from coating and consumer solvent categories**
- **Development of VOCs emission factors and estimation of emissions from manufacturing processes**
- **Finding duplicate and/or omitted sources**
- **Development of monthly allocation of VOCs emissions**
- **Speciation of source-specific VOCs emissions**

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**Thank you for your attention**

