

SMAQMD BACT CLEARINGHOUSE

ACTIVE

CATEGORY Type:

PRINTING PROCESS

BACT Category: MINOR SOURCE BACT

BACT Determination Number: 325	BACT Determination Date: 3/9/2023
Equipment Information	
Permit Number: N/A -- Generic BACT Determination	
Equipment Description: LITHOGRAPHIC OFFSET HEATSET	
Unit Size/Rating/Capacity: ALL	
Equipment Location:	
BACT Determination Information	
District Contact: Joe Carle Phone No.: (279) 207-1121 email: jcarle@airquality.org	
ROCs	Standard: APC device with 98% efficiency
	Technology Description: Dryer waste gas vented to a VOC control device with 98% control efficiency or an outlet VOC concentration of 10 ppmv and compliance with material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 & 302
	Basis: Achieved in Practice
NOx	Standard: 20 ppmv @ 3% O2 or 0.036 lb/MMBtu
	Technology Description: Dryer combustion emissions ≤ 20 ppmv @ 3% O2 or ≤ 0.036 lb/MMBtu
	Basis: Achieved in Practice
SOx	Standard: No standard
	Technology Description:
	Basis:
PM10	Standard: Vent to VOC control device
	Technology Description: Vent dryer waste gas to a VOC control device
	Basis: Achieved in Practice
PM2.5	Standard: No standard
	Technology Description:
	Basis:
CO	Standard: 1000 ppmv @ 3% O2
	Technology Description: Dryer combustion emissions ≤ 1000 ppmv @ 3% O2
	Basis: Achieved in Practice
LEAD	Standard: No standard
	Technology Description:
	Basis:
Comments: T-BACT: Capture and vent to VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction/recovery device efficiency	

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Equipment Information

Permit Number: N/A -- Generic BACT Determination
Equipment Description: LITHOGRAPHIC OFFSET NON-HEATSET
Unit Size/Rating/Capacity: ALL
Equipment Location:

BACT Determination Information

District Contact: Joe Carle Phone No.: (279) 207-1121 email: jcarle@airquality.org

ROCs	Standard:	Low VOC materials (APC device if emissions ≥ 7806 lb/yr)
	Technology Description:	Compliance with the material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 & 302. If the total uncontrolled VOC emissions from the unit are ≥ 7806 lbs/yr, a VOC control system must be installed with at least 98.5% overall system efficiency (capture and destruction).
	Basis:	Achieved in Practice
NOx	Standard:	No standard
	Technology Description:	
	Basis:	
SOx	Standard:	No standard
	Technology Description:	
	Basis:	
PM10	Standard:	No standard
	Technology Description:	
	Basis:	
PM2.5	Standard:	No standard
	Technology Description:	
	Basis:	
CO	Standard:	No standard
	Technology Description:	
	Basis:	
LEAD	Standard:	No standard
	Technology Description:	
	Basis:	

Comments: T-BACT: Capture and vent to a VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction/recovery device efficiency.



BEST AVAILABLE CONTROL TECHNOLOGY DETERMINATION

DETERMINATION NOS.: 325 & 326
DATE: 03/08/23
ENGINEER: Joe Carle

Category/General Equip Description: Printing Process
Equipment Specific Description: Lithographic Offset Printing Presses: Heatset and Non-Heatset
Equipment Size/Rating: All
Previous BACT Det. No.: 250 – Lithographic Offset Heatset
 251 – Lithographic Offset Non-Heatset

These determinations focus on lithographic offset printing presses. Offset lithography operates on the repulsion of oil and water. The image is put on thin metal plates which are dampened by a water solution (fountain solution) and ink by rollers on the press. The oil-based inks adhere to the image area and the water solution to the non-image area. The inked area is transferred to a rubber cylinder or “blanket” and then onto paper as it passes around the blanket.

Determination 325 will be for presses that use a heatset process in which the inks on the paper are dried by evaporation in a dryer after the printing unit. Typically, heatset presses are used for very high detail images, for example what one might see in a high quality, glossy finish magazine.

Determination 326 will be for presses that use a non-heatset process. There are two main categories of non-heatset lithographic offset presses. The first category, often called a coldset process, uses standard oil-based inks where the ink will cure through absorption into the underlying material. In this process the VOCs from the ink have a 95% retention on the print material, whereas VOCs from heatset inks have only a 20% retention factor. The second category makes use of specially blended water-based inks that cure through the use of energy like LED light, ultraviolet light (UV), or electron beams (EB). This process uses specialized presses that have the energy curing technology built into the press.

This determination will also include Best Available Control Technology for Toxics (T-BACT) for the hazardous air pollutants (HAP) that could potentially be ingredients in the inks, coatings, solutions, or solvents used in the printing process.

BACT/T-BACT ANALYSIS

A. ACHIEVED IN PRACTICE (Rule 202, §205.1a):

The following control technologies are currently employed as BACT for lithographic offset printing presses by the following agencies and air pollution control districts:

US EPA

BACT:

[Source: EPA RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse](#) (See Attachment A)

Below shows the most stringent VOC content standards and the VOC control standards for both heatset and non-heatset lithographic offset printing presses that were found.

RBLC# IN-0193 (11/13/13)

Press Type:	Heatset Web Offset Lithography
Control Device Efficiency:	98% VOC destruction or 10 ppmv outlet concentration
Material VOC Content Limits:	As recommended by EPA CTG for Offset Lithographic Printing and Letterpress Printing

All applicable BACT determinations for heatset lithographic offset presses found in the EPA Clearinghouse were from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management. Most determinations required a control device with 98% VOC destruction efficiency and then required limits equivalent to that which is recommended by the EPA's Control Techniques Guidelines for Offset Lithographic Printing and Letterpress Printing.

RBLC# LA-0336 (11/15/18)

Press Type:	Non-Heatset Offset Lithography
Material VOC Content Limits:	Use of water-based UV/EB inks Fountain solution ≤ 5% VOC by weight Washes ≤ 10 mm Hg at 20°C or total VOC ≤ 70% by weight

The BACT determination above was the only determination found for a lithographic offset non-heatset press. The standards mimic the EPA CTG for Offset Lithographic Printing and Letterpress Printing for a press that uses UV or EB cured inks.

RULE REQUIREMENTS:

Although there are no EPA regulations that apply to this source category the EPA has Control Technique Guidelines (CTG) for lithographic printing and the recommended control options will be summarized below.

[Control Techniques Guidelines for Offset Lithographic Printing and Letterpress Printing](#)
(September 2006)

For heatset web lithographic presses EPA recommends a VOC control device with 95% control efficiency. The CTG does not recommend a control device when inlet emissions are less than 25 tons per year of VOC or for presses that are sheet fed or coldset. The CTG does not include VOC content limits for the inks themselves but does for other materials such as fountain solutions and cleaning solvents as shown below.

VOC Content for Fountain Solution Materials		
Material Type		VOC Content Limits % by weight
Heatset Web Offset Lithography		
Fountain Solutions Containing Alcohol	Chilled Using Refrigerated Chiller	3
	Non-Chilled	1.6
Fountain Solutions Containing No Alcohol		5
Coldset Web Offset Lithography		
Fountain Solutions Containing Alcohol		Not allowed
Fountain Solutions Containing No Alcohol		5
Sheet-fed Offset Lithography with Maximum Sheet Size > 11 x 17 Inches or Total Solution Reservoir > 1 Gallon		
Fountain Solutions Containing Alcohol	Chilled using Refrigerated Chiller	8.5
	Non-Chilled	5
Fountain Solutions Containing No Alcohol		5

The CTG recommends use of solvents for blanket washing, roller washing, metering roller cleaners, and other cleaners used for cleaning a press, press parts, or to remove dried ink from areas around the press with a VOC composite vapor pressure less than 10 mm Hg at 20 °C or containing less than 70% VOC by weight.

California Air Resource Board (CARB)

BACT:

The CARB BACT Guidelines tool did not list any BACT Guidelines that are not already covered by the five Districts listed below.

RULE REQUIREMENTS:

None

Sacramento Metropolitan AQMD

BACT:

Source: [BACT Determination #250 – Lithographic Offset Heatset Printing Press](#)

Date: 3/24/2020

Lithographic Offset, Heatset	
Pollutant	Standard
VOC	Dryer waste gas vented to a control device with 98% control efficiency or an outlet VOC concentration of 10 ppmv and compliance with the material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 and 302.

Lithographic Offset, Heatset	
Pollutant	Standard
NOx	Dryer combustion emissions no more than 30 ppmvd @ 3% O ₂
SOx	No standard
PM10	Vent dryer waste gas to a VOC control device
PM2.5	No standard
CO	Natural gas fuel used in drying oven
Organic HAP/VHAP (T-BACT)	Capture and vent VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction / recovery device efficiency

Source: [BACT Determination #251 – Lithographic Offset Non-heatset Printing Press](#)
 Date: 3/24/2020

Lithographic Offset, Non-Heatset	
Pollutant	Standard
VOC	Compliance with the material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 and 302. If the total uncontrolled VOC emissions from the unit are \geq 6,480 lbs per year, then a VOC control system must be installed with at least 98.5% overall system efficiency (capture and destruction). (A)
NOx	No standard
SOx	No standard
PM10	No standard
PM2.5	No standard
CO	No standard
Organic HAP/VHAP (T-BACT)	Capture and vent VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction / recovery device efficiency

(A) The SMAQMD has not permitted a lithographic offset non-heatset press with emissions 6,480 lbs of VOC per year or greater and has not required a VOC control system on a non-heatset press due to BACT. Therefore, the portion of this standard requiring a VOC control system if emissions are 6,480 lbs of VOC per year or greater has not been achieved in practice and should be considered only technologically feasible.

T-BACT:

Source: [BACT Determination #250 & 251 – Lithographic Offset Printing Presses](#)
 Date: 3/24/2020

Capture and vent emissions to a VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction/recovery device efficiency. This standard applies to both heatset and non-heatset presses.

RULE REQUIREMENTS:

[Rule 450 – Graphic Arts Operations](#) (Adopted 10/23/08)
 This rule applies to any graphic arts operation.

Standards:

General Printing Materials	
Material Type	VOC Content g/l (lb/gal) Less water and exempt compounds
Printing Ink	300 (2.5)
Adhesive	150 (1.25)
Coating	300 (2.5)

VOC Content for Fountain Solution Materials		
Material Type		VOC Content Limits % by weight
Heatset Web Offset Lithography		
Fountain Solutions Containing Alcohol	Chilled Using Refrigerated Chiller	3
	Non-Chilled	1.6
Fountain Solutions Containing No Alcohol		5
Coldset Web Offset Lithography		
Fountain Solutions Containing Alcohol		Not allowed
Fountain Solutions Containing No Alcohol		5
Sheet-fed Offset Lithography with Maximum Sheet Size > 11 x 17 Inches or Total Solution Reservoir > 1 Gallon		
Fountain Solutions Containing Alcohol	Chilled using Refrigerated Chiller	8.5
	Non-Chilled	5
Fountain Solutions Containing No Alcohol		5
All Other Presses		
Fountain Solutions Chilled Using Refrigerated Chiller		10
Fountain Solutions Non-Chilled		8

Solvent Cleaning Materials		
Material Type		VOC Content g/l (lb/gal) Including water and exempt compounds
General Cleaning		25 (0.21)
Application Equipment Cleaning	On-Press Components	100 (0.83)
	Removable Press Components	25 (0.21)

Solvent Cleaning Materials	
Material Type	VOC Content g/l (lb/gal) Including water and exempt compounds
Ultraviolet/Electron Beam Inks	100 (0.83)

Heatset web offset lithographic printing presses that have the potential to emit from the drying oven, prior to emissions control equipment, greater than or equal to 25 tons/year of VOC must install air pollution control equipment with an overall system efficiency of 95%.

South Coast AQMD

BACT:

Source: [SCAQMD BACT Guidelines for Non-Major Polluting Facilities \(Part D\)](#) (9/2/22)

Lithographic or Offset, Heatset		
Pollutant	Standard	Updated
VOC	Low VOC Fountain Solution ($\leq 8\%$ by vol. VOC) Low VOC (≤ 100 g/l) Blanket and Roller Washes Oil-Based or UV-Curable Inks Compliance with SCAQMD Rules 1130 and 1171	2/2/18
	Oven vented to a thermal oxidizer (≥ 0.3 sec. Retention Time at $\geq 1,400$ °F; 95% Overall Efficiency)	10/20/00
NOx	Compliance with BACT requirements for Thermal Oxidizer Compliance with BACT requirements for Other Dryers and Ovens	9/2/22
SOx	No standard	N/A
PM10	Venting to a thermal oxidizer (≥ 0.3 sec. Retention Time at $\geq 1,400$ °F)	2/1/19
PM2.5	No standard	N/A
CO	Compliance with BACT requirements for Thermal Oxidizer	N/A

Lithographic or Offset, Non-Heatset		
Pollutant	Standard	Updated
VOC	Low VOC Fountain Solution ($\leq 8\%$ by vol. VOC) Low VOC (≤ 100 g/L) Blanket and Roller Washes Oil-Based or UV-Curable Inks Compliance with SCAQMD Rules 1130 and 1171	2/1/19
NOx	No standard	N/A
SOx	No standard	N/A

Lithographic or Offset, Non-Heatset		
Pollutant	Standard	Updated
PM10	No standard	N/A
PM2.5	No standard	N/A
CO	No standard	N/A

Other Dryers and Ovens – Direct and Indirect Fired (Excluding digester or landfill gas fired units)		
Pollutant	Standard	Updated
VOC	Afterburner (≥ 0.3 sec. Retention Time at $\geq 1,400$ °F)	1988
NOx	30 ppmvd @ 3% O ₂	4/10/98
SOx	Natural Gas	10/20/00
PM10	Natural Gas	10/20/00
PM2.5	No standard	N/A
CO	No standard	N/A

T-BACT:

There are no T-BACT standards published in the clearinghouse for this category.

RULE REQUIREMENTS:

[Reg XI, Rule 1130 – Graphic Arts](#) (5/2/14)

This rule is applicable any graphic arts operation.

Standards:

Inks, Adhesive, and Coatings	
Graphic Arts Material	VOC Content (g/L)
Adhesive	150
Coating	300
Offset Lithographic Ink	300

VOC Content for Fountain Solution Materials		
Material Type		VOC Content Limits (g/L)
Heatset Web-Fed		
Using Alcohol	Without Refrigerated Chiller	16
	With Refrigerated Chiller	30

VOC Content for Fountain Solution Materials		
Material Type		VOC Content Limits (g/L)
Using Alcohol Substitute		50
Sheet-Fed		
Using Alcohol	Without Refrigerated Chiller	50
	With Refrigerated Chiller	85
Using Alcohol Substitute		50
Non-Heatset Web-Fed		
Using Alcohol		Prohibited
Using Alcohol Substitute		50

An owner or operator may install a control device which reduces VOC by 95% by weight from an emission collection system that collects at least 90% of the VOC emissions generated by the source instead of complying with the VOC content limits in the tables above.

[Reg XI, Rule 1171 – Solvent Cleaning Operations](#) (5/1/09)

This rule applies to any operation where solvent cleaning is conducted as part of a business.

Solvent Cleaning of Ink Application Equipment		
Type		VOC Content Limit g/l (lb/gal)
General		25 (0.21)
Lithographic (Offset)	Roller Wash, Blanket Wash, & On-Press Components	100 (0.83)
	Removable Press Components	25 (0.21)
Ultraviolet Ink/ Electron Beam Ink Application Equipment		100 (0.83)

[Reg XI, Rule 1147 – NOx Reductions from Miscellaneous Sources](#) (5/6/22)

This rule applies to manufacturers, distributors, retailers, installers, owners, and operators of gaseous and/or liquid fuel fired combustion equipment with NOx emissions that require that require a South Coast AQMD permit and when other South Coast AQMD Regulation XI rules are not applicable to the Unit.

Equipment Category	Process Temperature	Emission Limit (ppmv corrected to 3% O ₂ , dry unless otherwise specified)	
		NOx	CO
Gaseous Fuel-Fired Afterburner, Degassing Unit, Thermal Oxidizer, Catalytic Oxidizer or Vapor Incinerator	All	20 ppmv or 0.024 lb/MMBtu	1,000 ppmv

Equipment Category	Process Temperature	Emission Limit (ppmv corrected to 3% O ₂ , dry unless otherwise specified)	
		NOx	CO
Gaseous Fuel-Fired Oven, Dehydrator, Dryer, Heater, Kiln, Calciner, Cooker, Roaster, Furnace, or Heated Storage Tank	< 1,200 °F	20 ppmv or 0.024 lb/MMBtu	1,000 ppmv
	≥ 1,200 °F	30 ppmv or 0.036 lb/MMBtu	1,000 ppmv
All liquid fuel-fired Units	< 1,200 °F	40 ppmv or 0.053 lb/MMBtu	1,000 ppmv
	≥ 1,200 °F	60 ppmv or 0.073 lb/MMBtu	1,000 ppmv

San Joaquin Valley APCD

BACT:

Source: [SJVAPCD BACT Guideline 4.7.1](#) (5/11/22)

This determination has been rescinded as of May 11, 2022.

Source: [SJVAPCD BACT Guideline 4.7.2](#) (10/15/10)

Offset Lithographic Printing – Non-heat Set Press		
Pollutant	Standard	
	Achieved in Practice	Technologically Feasible
VOC	Using materials with the following VOC contents: Inks: less than 5% VOC by weight (less water and exempt compounds) or less than 30% VOC by weight (less water and exempt compounds) for high end graphics. Fountain Solutions: less than 5% by volume for coldset web offset lithographic, less than 5% by volume for sheet-fed offset lithographic with maximum sheet size greater than 11x17 inches, and less than 8% by volume for high end graphics	VOC capture and incineration; or VOC capture and carbon adsorption and using materials with the following VOC contents: Inks: less than 5% VOC by weight (less water and exempt compounds) or less than 30% VOC by weight (less water and exempt compounds) for high end graphics. Fountain Solutions: less than 5% by volume for coldset web offset lithographic, less than 5% by volume for sheet-fed offset lithographic with maximum sheet size greater than 11x17 inches, and less than 8% by volume for high end graphics
NOx	N/A	N/A
SOx	N/A	N/A
PM10	N/A	N/A
PM2.5	N/A	N/A

Offset Lithographic Printing – Non-heat Set Press		
Pollutant	Standard	
	Achieved in Practice	Technologically Feasible
CO	N/A	N/A

T-BACT:

There are no T-BACT standards published in the clearinghouse for this category.

RULE REQUIREMENTS:

[Rule 4607 – Graphic Arts and Paper, Film, Foil and Fabric Coatings](#) (12/18/08)

The VOC material standards are applicable to any graphic arts printing operation that emits 200 pounds or more VOC per 12 rolling consecutive calendar months.

VOC Content Limits for Inks, Coatings, and Adhesives	
Material	Grams of VOC per liter (lb/gal), less water and exempt compounds, as applied
Inks	300 (2.5)
Coatings	300 (2.5)
Adhesives	150 (1.25)

VOC Content Limits for Fountain Solution	
Material	Percent VOC by Volume
Heatset Web Offset Lithographic	1.6
Coldset Web Offset Lithographic	5.0
Sheet-fed Offset Lithographic with maximum sheet size greater than 11 x 17 inches	5.0
All Other Presses	8.0

VOC Content Limits for Solvent Cleaning	
Type of Solvent Cleaning Operation	Grams of VOC per liter (lb/gal)
Surface Preparation for Coating, Ink, or Adhesive Application	25 (0.21)
Repair and Maintenance Cleaning	25 (0.21)
Cleaning of Coating or Adhesive Application Equipment	25 (0.21)

VOC Content Limits for Solvent Cleaning	
Type of Solvent Cleaning Operation	Grams of VOC per liter (lb/gal)
Lithographic (Offset) Roller Wash, Blanket Wash, and On-Press Components	100 (0.83)
Lithographic (Offset) Removable Press Components	25 (0.21)
Ultraviolet Ink / Electron Beam Ink Application Equipment	100 (0.83)

In lieu of complying with the material limits in this rule a VOC emission control system may be used that has an overall VOC capture and control efficiency of 75% for lithographic offset printing presses.

San Diego County APCD

BACT:

Source: [NSR Requirements for BACT \(June 2011\), \(pg 3-14\)](#)

Graphics Arts Operations (< 5 tons/year)		
Pollutant	Standard	
	Achieved in Practice	Technologically Feasible
VOC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Use of low VOC fountain solution (< 6% VOC by volume), 2. Capture & recycle blanket and roller tray wash, 3. Use of cleanup solvent which has either less than 200 grams VOC per liter or vapor pressure of less than 5 mm Hg at 20 °C, 4. Use of metering roll cleanup solvent which has less than 100 grams VOC per liter or vapor pressure of less than 10 mm Hg at 20 °C, and 5. Use of inks which have a VOC content of less than 300 grams per liter (2.5 lb/gal). 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Use of low VOC fountain solution (< 5% VOC by volume), 2. Capture & recycle blanket and roller tray wash, 3. Use of cleanup solvent which has either less than 100 grams VOC per liter or vapor pressure of less than 5 mm Hg at 20 °C, 4. Use of metering roll cleanup solvent which has less than 100 grams VOC per liter or vapor pressure of less than 5 mm Hg at 20 °C, and 5. Use of inks which have a VOC content of less than 225 grams per liter (1.9 lb/gal).
NOx	N/A	N/A
SOx	N/A	N/A
PM10	N/A	N/A
PM2.5	N/A	N/A

Graphics Arts Operations (< 5 tons/year)		
Pollutant	Standard	
	Achieved in Practice	Technologically Feasible
CO	N/A	N/A

T-BACT:

There are no T-BACT standards published in the clearinghouse for this category.

RULE REQUIREMENTS:

[Rule 67.16 – Graphic Arts Operations](#) (11/9/11)

This rule applies to all continuous web or single sheet fed graphic arts printing, processing, laminating or drying operations and digital printing operations.

The material standards of this rule do not apply to stationary sources which emit less than an average of 15 lbs of VOC from all graphic arts operations per day of operation, excluding digital printing operations, for each calendar month.

Graphic arts materials (except adhesives): < 300 grams of VOC per liter (2.5 lb/gal) as applied, less water and exempt compounds.

Adhesives: ≤ 150 grams of VOC per liter (1.25 lb/gal), as applied, less water and exempt compounds.

Fountain solutions: ≤ 5% VOC by volume or ≤ 8.5% VOC by volume refrigerated to a temperature below 60°F.

Cleaning material: < 100 grams VOC per liter or the total VOC vapor pressure is 5 mm of Hg at 20 °C or less.

In lieu of complying with the material standards, install and operate a VOC emission capture and control device with efficiency of at least 85% by weight.

Bay Area AQMD

BACT:

Source: [BAAQMD BACT Guideline 110.1.1](#) (8/24/98)

Lithographic or Offset Printing - Heatset		
Pollutant	Standard	
	Achieved in Practice	Technologically Feasible
VOC	Low VOC fountain solution ($\leq 8\%$ by vol.); and minimum possible VOC blanket wash & roller & tray washes; and cleanup solvents w/ ≤ 7.5 lb VOC/gal and VOC vapor pressure ≤ 25 mm Hg or $\leq 30\%$ by vol. VOC; and kerosene-like oil based inks	Low VOC fountain solution ($\leq 6\%$ by vol.); an automatic blanket & roller wash w/ solvent capture & recycle; and cleanup solvents w/ ≤ 2.5 lb VOC/gal or VOC vapor pressure ≤ 5 mm Hg; and kerosene-like oil-based inks. If cost-effective, capture and vent VOC to afterburner or carbon adsorption system w/ $\geq 98.5\%$ destruction / recovery device efficiency or VOC outlet ≤ 10 ppmv
NOx	N/A	N/A
SOx	N/A	N/A
PM10	Compliance with Reg. 6, Visible Emissions.	Oven venting to an afterburner (≥ 0.3 sec. retention time at $\geq 1,400$ °F) w/ overall capture/destruction efficiency $\geq 90\%$
PM2.5	N/A	N/A
CO	N/A	N/A

Source: [BAAQMD BACT Guideline 110.2.1](#) (8/24/98)

Offset Lithographic Printing – Non-heat Set Press		
Pollutant	Standard	
	Achieved in Practice	Technologically Feasible
VOC	Low VOC fountain solution ($\leq 8\%$ by vol.); and minimum possible VOC blanket wash & roller & tray washes; and cleanup solvents w/ ≤ 7.5 lb VOC/gal and VOC vapor pressure ≤ 25 mm Hg or $\leq 30\%$ by vol. VOC; and kerosene-like oil based inks	Low VOC fountain solution ($\leq 6\%$ by vol.); an automatic blanket & roller wash w/ solvent capture & recycle; and cleanup solvents w/ ≤ 2.5 lb VOC/gal or VOC vapor pressure ≤ 5 mm Hg; and kerosene-like oil-based inks. If cost-effective, capture and vent VOC to afterburner or carbon adsorption system w/ $\geq 98.5\%$ destruction / recovery device efficiency or VOC outlet ≤ 10 ppmv
NOx	N/A	N/A
SOx	N/A	N/A
PM10	N/A	N/A
PM2.5	N/A	N/A
CO	N/A	N/A

T-BACT:

T-BACT standard is referenced as the VOC standard for both heatset and non-heatset lithographic offset printing presses.

RULE REQUIREMENTS:

[Regulation 8, Rule 20 – Graphic Arts Printing and Coating Operations](#) (11/19/08)

This rule applies to all graphic arts operations.

Product Limits	
Material	grams VOC per liter of product as applied, less water and exempt solvent (lbs/gal)
Ink	300 (2.5)
Coating	300 (2.5)
Adhesive	150 (1.25)
Web Splicing Adhesive	300 (2.5)

Fountain Solution is limited to 8% VOC by volume.

Cleaning Product Limits	
Equipment	VOC g/l (lb/gal) including water
Specialty Lithographic Press	100 (0.83)
Lithographic Press, by Manual Washing	100 (0.83)
Lithographic Press, by Automatic Washing	100 (0.83)
Adhesive Application Equipment	25 (0.21)
Ultraviolet Ink Removal	100 (0.83)
Other Press Parts ¹	25 (0.21)

¹ Press parts that do not come into contact with inks, adhesives, or coatings. Other press parts include, but are not limited to, pressure rollers, motors, and belts.

In lieu of compliance with the above material limits a VOC emission control system is installed that has an overall efficiency of at least 75% on a mass basis.

Summary of Achieved in Practice Control Technologies

The following control technologies have been identified and are ranked based on stringency:

Heatset Printing Presses – VOC

Controls for limiting VOC emissions rely on either reducing the VOC content of the materials used in the printing operation and/or use of a VOC emission control device. In a heatset

printing process the waste gas from the dryer would be vented to a VOC control device if required, which would control most VOC emissions from the process. In terms of stringency a control device would reduce VOC emissions more than using low VOC printing material and, therefore, will be ranked as such.

Achieved in Practice VOC Standards for Lithographic Offset Heatset Printing					
Rank	Standard	Technology Description	Source	Year	Comments
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dryer waste gas vented to a control device with 98% control efficiency or an outlet VOC concentration of 10 ppmv, and • Compliance with the material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 and 302. 	VOC control device and low VOC materials	SMAQMD BACT	2020	
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VOC control device with 98% destruction or 10 ppmv outlet, and • Use of fountain solutions and cleaning solvents as recommended in the CTG 	VOC control device and Low VOC Materials	EPA BACT	2015	
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low VOC Fountain Solution (\leq 8% by vol. VOC), • Low VOC (\leq 100 g/l) Blanket and Roller Washes, • Oil-Based or UV-Curable Inks, • Compliance with SCAQMD Rules 1130 and 1171, and • Oven Vented to a thermal oxidizer (\geq 0.3 sec. Retention Time at \geq 1,400 °F; 95% Overall Efficiency) 	Thermal Oxidizer and Low VOC Materials	SCAQMD BACT	2022	

Achieved in Practice VOC Standards for Lithographic Offset Heatset Printing					
Rank	Standard	Technology Description	Source	Year	Comments
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inks & coatings ≤ 300 g/l Adhesive ≤ 150 g/l Web-feed fountain solution ≤ 1.6% by volume Sheet-fed with a maximum size of 11x17" fountain solution ≤ 5% by volume Other fountain solution ≤ 8% by volume Solvent cleaning for blanket, rollers and on press components ≤ 100 g/l All other solvent cleaning ≤ 25 g/l 	Low VOC Materials	SJVAPCD Rule	2008	
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fountain Solution < 6% VOC by volume; Capture & recycle blanket and roller tray wash; Cleanup solvent with < 200 g/l VOC or with a vapor pressure of < 5 mm Hg at 20 °C; Metering roll wash < 100 g/l VOC or vapor pressure of < 10 mm Hg at 20 °C; Inks < 300 g/l VOC or Compliance with Graphic Arts Rule 67.16 	Low VOC Materials	SDCAPCD BACT/Rule	2011/2012	<p>Parts of the Graphic Arts rule are more stringent than the BACT and vice versa. Therefore, facilities would need to comply with the most stringent standard between the two</p> <p>This BACT determination is not specific to heatset printers and is only required for operations</p>
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inks, coatings, web splicing adhesive ≤ 300 g/l General adhesive ≤ 150 g/l Fountain solution ≤ 8% by volume Solvent cleaning for specialty presses, manual washing, and automatic washing ≤ 100 g/l General solvent cleaning and for adhesive application equipment ≤ 25 g/l 	Low VOC Materials	BAAQMD Rule	2008	

Heatset Printing Presses – NOx

NOx emissions in heatset printing come from fuel combustion for the dryer. EPA AP-42 Section 4.9.1 for Graphic Arts states that typical temperatures for lithographic dryers range from 400 to 500 °F. Although, SCAMQD has a less stringent NOx standard for dryers with a process temperature of at least 1,200 °F, it will not be listed because process temperatures at this level are unrealistic for this type of application.

Achieved in Practice NOx Standards for Lithographic Offset Heatset Printing			
Rank	Standard	Source	Year
1	20 ppmv @ 3% O ₂ or 0.036 lb/MMBtu	SCAQMD Rule	2022
2	30 ppmvd @ 3% O ₂	SMAQMD BACT	2020
3	No standard	EPA, SJVUAPCD, SDCAPCD, BAAQMD	N/A

Heatset Printing Presses – CO

Emissions for CO in heatset printing come from fuel combustion for the dryer.

Achieved in Practice CO Standards for Lithographic Offset Heatset Printing			
Rank	Standard	Source	Year
1	1,000 ppmv @ 3% O ₂	SCAQMD Rule	2022
2	Use of natural gas fired dryer	SMAQMD BACT	2020
3	No standard	EPA, SJVUAPCD, SDCAPCD, BAAQMD	N/A

Heatset Printing Presses – PM10

Heatset inks typically will contain a petroleum-based oil and during the heating process the oils will condense and form PM10 droplets. The BAAQMD specifically lists in their BACT determination that PM10 emissions must comply with the visible emissions regulations. Although, this requirement is not listed for other air districts (because it is not specifically outlined in a BACT determination) typically any equipment regardless of BACT standard being set is required to comply with visible emission requirements.

Achieved in Practice PM10 Standards for Lithographic Offset Heatset Printing			
Rank	Standard	Source	Year
1	Vent dryer waste gas to a VOC control device	SMAQMD BACT	2020
1	Venting to an Afterburner (≥ 0.3 sec. Retention Time at ≥ 1,400 °F)	SCAQMD BACT	2019
2	Compliance with Reg. 6, Visible Emissions	BAAQMD BACT	1998

Achieved in Practice PM10 Standards for Lithographic Offset Heatset Printing			
Rank	Standard	Source	Year
1	Vent dryer waste gas to a VOC control device	SMAQMD BACT	2020
3	No standard	EPA, SMAQMD, SJVAPCD, SDCAPCD	N/A

Non-heatset Printing Presses – VOC

Emission limits for fountain solutions vary from rule to rule mostly based on how the emission limit is expressed. SCAQMD lists emission limits for fountain solutions in grams per liter while SMAQMD expresses the limit in percent VOC by mass, and SJVUAPCD expresses the limits in percent VOC by volume. It is difficult to compare these limits because percent by mass and volume can vary from solution to solution depending upon its physical properties.

The EPA Control Techniques Guidelines for Offset Lithographic Printing and Letter Press Printing (CTG) list recommends emission standards as percent mass. The SMAQMD Rule also lists these identical standards as a percent mass. SCAQMD updated their emission limits for fountain solutions in 2014. In their staff report for these amendments they state that their emission limits are equivalent to those of the CTG except they have converted the limits to grams per liter to remain consistent with the previous emission limits for fountain solutions. Additionally, in 2008, amendments were made to SJVUAPCD Rule 4607, according to the associated staff report, to align the emission standards to that of other districts and the CTG.

Even though the emission limits for fountain solutions differ in the way they are expressed between the SCAQMD, SMAQMD, and SJVUAPCD all districts claim to be equivalent to the recommendations in the CTG.

The previous SMAQMD BACT Determination required a VOC control device for units emitting at least 6,480 lbs of uncontrolled VOC per year. This emissions threshold was based on what was considered technologically feasible and cost effective at the time the determination was developed. This portion of the VOC standard has never been required for a lithographic offset non-heatset printing press. Therefore, the achieved in practice standard will only be considered compliance with their graphic arts rule standards.

Achieved in Practice VOC Standards for Lithographic Offset Non-heatset Printing				
Rank	VOC Standard	Source	Year	Comments
1	Compliance with the material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 and 302 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inks & Coatings: 300 g/l (2.5 lb/gal) • Adhesives: 150 g/l (1.25 lb/gal) • Fountain solutions equivalent to CTG • Cleaning solvents for on-press components or ultraviolet/electron beam inks: 100 g/l (0.83 lb/gal) • Solvents for general or removable press component cleaning: 25 g/l (0.21 lb/gal) 	SMAQMD BACT	2020	

Achieved in Practice VOC Standards for Lithographic Offset Non-heatset Printing				
Rank	VOC Standard	Source	Year	Comments
1	<p>Compliance with SCAQMD Rules 1130 and 1171</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inks & Coatings: 300 g/l (2.5 lb/gal) • Adhesives: 150 g/l (1.25 lb/gal) • Fountain solutions equivalent to CTG (at least 8% by volume) • Cleaning solvents for on-press components or ultraviolet/electron beam inks: 100 g/l (0.83 lb/gal) • Solvents for general or removable press component cleaning: 25 g/l (0.21 lb/gal) 	SCAQMD BACT	2019	SCAQMD BACT requires compliance with Graphic Arts Rule 1130 and Solvent Cleaning Operations Rule 1171
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inks: 5% by weight for low end graphics (A); 30% by weight for high end graphics (A) or 300 g/l (2.5 lb/gal) whichever is more stringent. • Coatings: 300 g/l (2.5 lb/gal) • Adhesives: 150 g/l (1.25 lb/gal) • Fountain solutions equivalent to CTG • Cleaning solvents for on-press components or ultraviolet/electron beam inks: 100 g/l (0.83 lb/gal) • Solvents for general or removable press component cleaning: 25 g/l (0.21 lb/gal) 	SJVUAPCD BACT/Rule	2010/2008	Rule limits were used for material standards not specified in the BACT determination
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inks & Coatings: 300 g/l (2.5 lb/gal) • Adhesives: 150 g/l (1.25 lb/gal) • Fountain solutions: 5% by volume or 8.5% by volume if refrigerated to a temperature below 60 °F • Capture and recycle blanket and roller tray wash • Cleaning solvents: 100 g/l (0.83 lb/gal) or a vapor pressure of 5 mm Hg at 20 °C. 	SDCAPCD Rule/BACT	2012/2011	Requirement to capture and recycle washes is from the BACT determination otherwise standards are from Rule
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inks & Coatings: 300 g/l (2.5 lb/gal) • Web Splicing Adhesive: 300 g/l (2.5 lb/gal) • All Other Adhesives: 150 g/l (1.25 lb/gal) • Fountain solutions: 8% by volume • Cleaning solvents for on-press components or ultraviolet/electron beam inks: 100 g/l (0.83 lb/gal) • Solvents for general or adhesive application equipment cleaning: 25 g/l (0.21 lb/gal) 	BAAQMD Rule	2008	
NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of water-based UV/EB inks • Fountain solution ≤ 5% VOC by weight • Washes ≤ 10 mm Hg at 20 °C or total VOC ≤ 70% by weight 	EPA BACT	2018	Determination not ranked because it is specific to a UV/EB printing press

(A) According to SJVAPCD permit language, high-end graphic print jobs are defined as any print job that has a glossy finish, multiple colors, highly refined graphic image, or very high letter-quality printing. Low-end graphic print jobs are defined as anything not high-end graphic.

Toxics:

Achieved in Practice Toxic Standards for Lithographic Offset Heatset & Non-Heatset Printing			
Rank	Organic HAP/VHAP Standard	Source	Year
1	Capture and vent VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction / recovery device efficiency	SMAQMD BACT	2020
2	Low VOC fountain solution ($\leq 8\%$ by vol.); and minimum possible VOC blanket wash & roller & tray washes; and cleanup solvents w/ ≤ 7.5 lb VOC/gal and VOC vapor pressure ≤ 25 mm Hg or $\leq 30\%$ by vol. VOC; and kerosene-like oil based inks	BAAQMD BACT	1989

Summary Table:

The following control technologies have been identified as the most stringent, achieved in practice control technologies. The SMAQMD Rule 450 material standards have been referenced for convenience, for enforcement purposes, when possible:

Best Control Technologies Achieved in Practice for Heatset Lithographic Offset Printing		
Pollutant	Standard	Source
VOC	Dryer waste gas vented to a control device with 98% control efficiency or an outlet VOC concentration of 10 ppmv, and Compliance with the material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 and 302.	SMAQMD BACT
NOx	20 ppmv @ 3% O ₂ or 0.036 lb/MMBtu	SCAQMD Rule
SOx	No standard	N/A
PM10	Vent dryer waste gas to a VOC control device	SMAQMD BACT
PM2.5	No standard	N/A
CO	1,000 ppmv @ 3% O ₂	SCAQMD Rule
Organic HAP/VHAP (T-BACT)	Capture and vent VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction / recovery device efficiency	SMAQMD BACT

Best Control Technologies Achieved in Practice for Non-Heatset Lithographic Offset Printing		
Pollutant	Standard	Source
VOC	Compliance with the material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 and 302.	SMAQMD BACT
NOx	No standard	N/A
SOx	No standard	N/A
PM10	No standard	N/A
PM2.5	No standard	N/A
CO	No standard	N/A
Organic HAP/VHAP (T-BACT)	Capture and vent VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction / recovery device efficiency	SMAQMD BACT

B. TECHNOLOGICALLY FEASIBLE AND COST EFFECTIVE (Rule 202, §205.1.b.):

Technologically Feasible Alternatives:

Any alternative basic equipment, fuel, process, emission control device or technique, singly or in combination, determined to be technologically feasible by the Air Pollution Control Officer.

The table below shows the technologically feasible alternatives identified as capable of reducing emissions beyond the levels determined to be “Achieved in Practice” as per Rule 202, §205.1.a.

Technologically Feasible Alternatives			
Pollutant	Emission Source Category	Standard	Source of Standard
VOC	Heatset	No other technologically feasible option identified	N/A
	Non-Heatset	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carbon Adsorption System • Thermal Oxidizer 	SMAQMD & BAAQMD
NOx	All Presses	No other technologically feasible option identified	N/A
SOx	All Presses	No other technologically feasible option identified	N/A
PM10	All Presses	No other technologically feasible option identified	N/A
PM2.5	All Presses	No other technologically feasible option identified	N/A
CO	Heatset	No other technologically feasible option identified	N/A
	Non-Heatset	No other technologically feasible option identified	N/A

Technologically Feasible Alternatives			
Pollutant	Emission Source Category	Standard	Source of Standard
Organic HAP/VHAP (T-BACT)	Heatset	No other technologically feasible option identified	N/A
	Non-Heatset	No other technologically feasible option identified	N/A

Two common types of VOC control devices are carbon adsorption systems and thermal oxidizers. BACT Determinations from the SMAQMD and BAAQMD show a maximum overall VOC control effectiveness of 98.5%. As these kinds of devices have been used in other applications to control VOC it will be determined to be technologically feasible if cost effective.

Cost Effective Determination:

The use of low VOC materials could make emissions low enough where these devices are not cost effective. Therefore, the analysis below will calculate the threshold for annual VOC emissions where the control device would become cost effective. The cost effectiveness threshold for VOC is a maximum cost of \$17,500 per ton of VOC reduced. A summary of the cost effectiveness calculations using the 2018 EPA Air Pollution Cost Control Manual calculations and assumptions are show below.

Basic assumptions:

- 1) Single 4-color lithographic printing press operation.
- 2) Operation based on 8 hours per day, 5 days per week, 52 weeks per year.
- 3) Press room dimensions: 40'W x 60'L x 20'H (because the press room is relatively small, a hood is not necessary)
- 4) The press room is assumed to be the enclosure with an overall system efficiency of 98.5% and venting to the control device through a general ventilation system.
- 5) Overall design of the system specified was chosen because it yielded the lowest annual costs.
- 6) Electricity cost was set at \$0.1124 per kWh and natural gas cost was set at \$14.60 per 1,000 scf. Both were based on the most current local industrial rates.
- 7) Cost adjusted to 2022 dollars based on the CPI.
- 8) All other cost calculations and assumptions are based on the EPA Air Pollution Control Cost Manual (2018).

Carbon Adsorption System

System Type: Horizontal Stainless Steel (304) Fixed-Beds with Steam Regeneration

Waste Gas Flow Rate = 8,000 acfm (10 air changes per hour)

Equipment Life = 15 years (EPA recommended value)

Total Capital Investment = \$337,276

Direct Annual Cost = \$13,432 per year

Indirect Annual Cost = \$57,494 per year

VOC Recovery Credit = \$2,576 per year

Total Annual Cost = \$68,351 per year

VOC Removed = 3.90 tons per year

Cost of VOC Removal = \$17,512 per ton reduced

A detailed calculation of the cost effectiveness for VOC removal with a carbon absorber is shown in Attachment B. Uncontrolled VOC emissions of 7,806 lb/year or greater is the cost-effective threshold for control equipment using carbon absorption control technology.

Thermal Oxidizer:

System Type: Regenerative Thermal Oxidizer

Waste Gas Flow Rate = 20,000 scfm (EPA recommended value)

Equipment Life = 20 years (EPA recommended value)

Total Capital Investment = \$1,435,800

Direct Annual Cost = \$101,474 per year

Indirect Annual Cost = \$200,142 per year

Total Annual Cost = \$301,617 per year

VOC Removed = 17.20 tons per year

Cost of VOC Removal = \$17,535 per ton reduced

A detailed calculation of the cost effectiveness for VOC removal with a thermal oxidizer is shown in Attachment C. Uncontrolled VOC emissions of 34,924 lb/year or greater is the cost-effective threshold for control equipment using thermal oxidation control technology.

Conclusion: In this analysis, different emission operating levels are presented with the corresponding total cost per ton of VOC controlled using either a carbon adsorption control or a thermal oxidizer. Uncontrolled VOC emission level of 7,806 lb per year or greater must be reached in order for the carbon absorption control option to be cost effective. Uncontrolled VOC emission level of 34,924 lb per year or greater must be reached in order for a thermal oxidizer to be cost effective. The emissions levels for the cost effectiveness of controls are based on the District cost effective limit for VOC of \$17,500 per ton controlled. Therefore, using the 2018 EPA Air Pollution Cost Control Manual calculations and assumptions it is technologically feasible and cost effective to require a VOC control device if total uncontrolled VOC emissions are at least 7,806 lbs per year for a lithographic offset non-heatset printing press.

C. SELECTION OF BACT:

Based on the above analysis, BACT for VOC, NO_x, SO_x, PM₁₀, and CO will remain at what is currently achieved in practice.

BACT DETERMINATION #325 FOR HEATSET LITHOGRAPHIC OFFSET PRINTING		
Pollutant	Standard	Source
VOC	Dryer waste gas vented to a control device with 98% control efficiency or an outlet VOC concentration of 10 ppmv and compliance with the material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 and 302.	SMAQMD
NOx	Dryer combustion ≤ 20 ppmv @ 3% O ₂ or 0.036 lb/MMBtu	SCAQMD
SOx	No standard	N/A
PM10	Vent dryer waste gas to a VOC control device	SMAQMD
PM2.5	No standard	N/A
CO	1,000 ppmv @ 3% O ₂	SCAQMD
Organic HAP/VHAP (T-BACT)	Capture and vent VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction / recovery device efficiency	SMAQMD

BACT DETERMINATION #326 FOR NON-HEATSET LITHOGRAPHIC OFFSET PRINTING		
Pollutant	Standard	Source
VOC	Compliance with the material limits in SMAQMD Rule 450 Sections 301 and 302. If the total uncontrolled VOC emissions from the unit are ≥ 7,806 lbs per year, a VOC control system must be installed with at least 98.5% overall system efficiency (capture and destruction).	SMAQMD achieved in practice and tech. feasible analysis
NOx	No standard	N/A
SOx	No standard	N/A
PM10	No standard	N/A
PM2.5	No standard	N/A
CO	No standard	N/A
Organic HAP/VHAP (T-BACT)	Capture and vent VOC control device with at least 98.5% destruction / recovery device efficiency	SMAQMD

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Attachment A

Review of BACT Determinations published by EPA

List of BACT determinations published in EPA's RACT/BACT/LAER Clearinghouse (RBLC) for Lithographic Offset Printing Presses:

Surface Coating/Printing/Graphic Arts (Process 41.000) – Lithographic Offset Printing Presses							
RBLC#	Process Number	Permit Date ^(A)	Drying	Pollutant	Standard	Control Technology	Case-By-Case Basis
IN-0193	41.021	11/13/2013	Heatset	VOC	98% destruction or 10 ppmv; Fountain solution ≤ 3% VOC; Washes ≤ 10 mm Hg at 20°C	Thermal oxidizer; Low VOC materials; good work practices	Other
IN-0277	41.022	3/31/2018	Heatset	VOC	98% destruction or 50 ppmv; Fountain solution ≤ 3% VOC; Washes ≤ 10 mm Hg at 20°C or VOC ≤ 2.5 lb/gal	Thermal oxidizer; Low VOC materials; Good work practices	Other
IN-0211	41.022	6/12/2015	Heatset	VOC	98% destruction; Fountain solution ≤ 15% VOC; Washes ≤ 10 mm Hg at 20°C or VOC ≤ 7.0 lb/gal	Thermal oxidizer; Low VOC materials	Other
IN-0207	41.022	11/26/2014	Heatset	VOC	98% destruction or 50 ppmv; Fountain solution ≤ 3% VOC; Washes ≤ 10 mm Hg at 20°C or VOC ≤ 2.5 lb/gal	Thermal oxidizer; Low VOC materials; Good work practices	Other
IN-0164	41.023	6/28/2013	Heatset	VOC	98% destruction or 10 ppmv; Fountain solution ≤ 15% VOC; Washes ≤ 10 mm Hg at 20°C or VOC ≤ 7.0 lb/gal	Thermal oxidizer; Low VOC materials	Other
LA-0336	41.022	11/15/2018	Non-heatset	VOC	Use of water-based electron beam (EB) or ultraviolet (UV) inks and coatings; Fountain solution ≤ 5% VOC by weight; Washes ≤ 10 mm Hg at 20°C or total VOC ≤ 70% by weight	Low VOC materials; Good work practices	BACT-PSD

(A) Due to the large number of entries only determinations made (based on Permit Date) entered since 01/01/2012 are included in the above table.

 = Selected as the most stringent and most current BACT determinations achieved in practice.

Attachment B

Detailed Cost Calculation for Carbon Adsorption

Data Inputs

Select the type of carbon adsorber system:

Fixed-Bed Carbon Adsorber with Steam Regeneration ▼

For fixed-bed carbon adsorbers, provide the following information:

Select the type of operation:

Continuous Operation ▼

Select the type of material used to fabricate the carbon adsorber vessels:

Stainless Steel, 304 ▼

Select the orientation for the adsorber vessels:

Horizontal ▼

Enter the design data for the proposed Fixed-Bed Carbon Adsorber with Steam Regeneration

Number of operating hours per year (Θ_s)

2,080 hours/year

Waste Gas Flow Rate (Q)

8,000 acfm (at atmospheric pressure and 77°F)

VOC Emission Rate (m_{voc})

3.810 lbs/hour

Required VOC removal efficiency (E)

98.5 percent

Superficial Bed Velocity (v_b)

75.00 ft/min

Estimated equipment life of adsorber vessels and auxiliary Equipment (n)

15 Years*

* 15 years is a default equipment life. User should enter actual value, if known.

Estimated Carbon life (n)

5 Years

Total Number of carbon beds (N_{total})

3 Beds*

* 3 beds is the default. User should enter actual number of beds, if known.

Number of carbon beds adsorbing VOC when system is operating (N_A)

2 Beds*

* 2 beds is the default. User should enter actual number of beds, if known.

Total time for adsorption (Θ_A)

12 hours*

* 12 hours is a default value. User should enter actual value, if known.

Total time for desorption (Θ_D)

5 hours*

* 5 hours is a default value. User should enter actual value, if known.

Estimated Carbon Replacement Rate (CRR)

379 lbs/hour*

* 379 lbs./hour is a default value. User should enter actual value, if known.

Enter the Characteristics of the VOC/HAP:

Name of VOC/HAP	Toluene		
Partial Pressure of Toluene in waste gas stream	0.0104	psia	
Parameter "k" for Toluene	0.551	Note:	
Parameter "m" for Toluene	0.110	Typical values of "k" and "m" for some common VOCs are shown in Table A.	

Enter the cost data for the carbon adsorber:

Desired dollar-year	2022		
CPI for 2022	317.299	CPI value for Oct. 2022	168.9
Annual Interest Rate (i)	7	percent (Current bank prime rate)	1999

Electricity (P_{elec})	\$0.1124	per kWh	
Steam (P_s)	\$5.00	per 1,000 lbs*	* \$5.00/1,000 lbs is a default value. User should enter actual value, if known.
Cooling Water (P_{cw})	\$3.55	per 1,000 gallons of water*	* \$3.55/1,000 gallons is a default value. User should enter actual value, if known.
Operator Labor Rate	\$27.48	per hour*	* \$27.48/hour is a default value. User should enter actual value, if known.
Maintenance Labor Rate	\$30.23	per hour*	* \$30.23/hour is a default value. User should enter actual value, if known. If the rate is not kno
Carbon Cost (CC)	\$4.20	per lb	* \$4.20/lb is a default value based on 2018 market price. User should enter actual value, if kno
Re-Sale Value of Recovered VOC (P_{voc})	\$0.33	per lb*	* \$0.33/lb is a default value for recovered toluene based on 2018 data. User should enter actu
Disposal/Treatment Cost for Recovered VOC (D_{voc})	\$0.00	per lb*	* \$0/lb is a default value for disposal and/or treatment of recovered VOC/HAP. User should en
If known, enter any additional costs for site preparation and building construction/modification:			
Site Preparation (SP) =	\$0		* Default value. User should enter actual value, if known.
Buildings (Bldg) =	\$0		* Default value. User should enter actual value, if known.
Equipment Costs for auxiliary equipment (e.g., ductwork, dampers, and stack) (EC_{aux}) =	\$32,000		* Default value. User should enter actual value, if known.
Contingency Factor (CF)	10.0	percent*	* 10 percent is a default value. The contingency factor should be between 5 and 15 percent.

Cost Estimate

Capital Costs

Estimated capital costs for a Fixed-Bed Carbon Adsorber with Steam Regeneration with the following characteristics:

VOC Controlled/Recovered = Toluene
 Adsorber Vessel Orientation = Horizontal
 Operating Schedule = Continuous Operation

Total Capital Investment (TCI) (in 2022 dollars)

Parameter	Equation	Cost
Costs for Each Carbon Adsorber Vessel (C_v) =	$271 \times F_m \times S^{0.778} =$	\$27,375
Total Cost for All Carbon Adsorber Vessels and Carbon (EC_{Adsorb}) =	$5.82 \times Q^{-0.133} \times [C_c + (N_A + N_D) \times C_v] =$	\$147,685
Auxiliary Equipment (EC_{aux}) =	(Based on design costs or estimated using methods provided in Section 2)	\$32,000
Total Purchased Equipment Costs for Carbon Adsorber (A) =	$= EC_{Adsorb} + EC_{aux} =$	\$179,685
Instrumentation =	$0.10 \times A =$	Included in A
Sales taxes =	$0.03 \times A =$	\$5,391
Freight =	$0.05 \times A =$	\$8,984

Total Purchased Equipment Costs (B) = \$194,060

Direct Installation Costs (in 2022 dollars)

Parameter	Equation	Cost
Foundations and Supports =	$0.08 \times B =$	\$15,525
Handling and Erection =	$0.14 \times B =$	\$27,168
Electrical =	$0.04 \times B =$	\$7,762
Piping =	$0.02 \times B =$	\$3,881
Insulation =	$0.01 \times B =$	\$1,941
Painting =	$0.01 \times B =$	\$1,941
Site Preparation (SP) =		\$0
Buildings (Bldg) =		\$0

Total Direct Costs (DC) = $B + (0.3 \times B) + SP + Bldg =$ \$252,277

Total Indirect Installation Costs (in 2022 dollars)

Parameter	Equation	Cost
Engineering =	$0.10 \times B =$	\$19,406
Construction and field expenses =	$0.05 \times B =$	\$9,703
Contractor fees =	$0.10 \times B =$	\$19,406
Start-up =	$0.02 \times B =$	\$3,881
Performance test =	$0.01 \times B =$	\$1,941

Total Indirect Costs (IC) = \$54,337

Contingency Cost (C) = $CF(IC+DC) =$ \$30,661

Total Capital Investment (TCI) = $DC + IC + C = (1.28 \times B) + SP + Bldg. + C =$ **\$337,276** in 2022 dollars

Annual Costs

Direct Annual Costs

Parameter	Equation	Cost
Annual Electricity Cost =	$Q_{elec} \times P_{elec} =$	\$525
Annual Steam Cost (C_s) =	$3.50 \times m_{voc} \times \theta_s \times P_s =$	\$139
Annual Cooling Water Cost (C_{cw}) =	$3.43 \times C_c/P_s \times P_{wc} =$	\$338
Operating Labor Costs:	Operator = 0.5 hours/shift \times Labor Rate \times (Operating hours/8 hours/shift) Supervisor = 15% of Operator	\$3,572 \$536
Maintenance Costs:	Labor = 0.5 hours/shift \times Labor Rate \times (Operating Hours/8 hours/shift) Materials = 100% of maintenance labor	\$3,930 \$3,930
Carbon Replacement Costs:	Labor = $CRF_{carbon} \times (\text{Labor Rate} \times M_c)/CRR =$ Carbon = $CRF_{carbon} \times CC \times M_c \times 1.08 =$	\$8 \$455

Direct Annual Costs (DAC) = \$13,432 in 2022 dollars

Indirect Annual Costs

Parameter	Equation	Cost
Overhead	= 60% of sum of operator, supervisor, maintenance labor Plus maintenance materials	\$7,181
Administrative Charges	= 2% of TCI	\$6,746
Property Taxes	= 1% of TCI	\$3,373
Insurance	= 1% of TCI	\$3,373
Capital Recovery	= $CRF_{adsorbent} \times (TCI - [(1.08 \times CC \times M_c) + (LR \times M_c/CRR)]) =$	\$36,823

Indirect Annual Costs (IAC) = \$57,494 in 2022 dollars

Recovered Solvent Credit/Disposal Costs

Disposal Cost

Parameter	Equation	Cost
VOC Disposal/Treatment Costs ($Disposal_{cost}$)	$= m_{voc} \times \theta_s \times D_{voc} \times E =$	\$0

VOC Recovery Credit

Parameter	Equation	Cost
Annual Recovery Credit for Condensate (RC)	$= m_{voc} \times \theta_s \times P_{voc} \times E =$	\$2,576

Total Annual Cost (TAC) = DAC + IAC + C + Disposal_{cost} - RC = \$68,351 in 2022 dollars

Cost Effectiveness

Cost Effectiveness

Parameter	Equation	Cost	
Total Annual Cost =	TAC =	\$68,351	per year in 2022 dollars
Annual Quantity of VOC Removed/Recovered =	$W_{voc} = m_{voc} \times \theta_s \times E =$	3.90	tons/year
Cost Effectiveness =	Total Annual Cost (TAC) / Annual Quantity of VOC Removed/Recovered =	\$17,512.48	per ton of pollutants removed/recovered in 2022 dollars

Attachment C

Detailed Cost Calculation for Thermal Oxidizers

Data Inputs

Select the type of oxidizer

Regenerative Thermal Oxidizer ▼

Enter the following information for your emission source:

Composition of Inlet Gas Stream				
Pollutant Name	Concentration (ppmv)	Lower Explosive Limit (LEL) (ppmv)*	Heat of Combustion (Btu/scf)	Molecular Weight
Toluene	59	11,000	4,274	92.13

Note: The lower explosion limit (LEL), heat of combustion and molecular weight for some commonly used VOC/HAP are provided in the table below.

Enter the design data for the proposed oxidizer:

Number of operating hours/year

2,080 hours/year

Inlet volumetric flow rate (Q_{wi}) at 77°F and 1 atm.

20,000 scfm*

Inlet volumetric flow rate (Q_{wi}) (actual conditions)

20,900 acfm*

Pressure drop (ΔP)

19 inches of water

Motor/Fan Efficiency (ϵ)

60 percent*

Inlet Waste Gas Temperature (T_{wi})

77 °F

Operating Temperature (T_{fi})

1,900 °F

Destruction and Removal Efficiency (DRE)

98.5 percent

Estimated Equipment Life

20 Years*

Heat Loss (η)

1 percent*

Percent Energy Recovery (HR) =

70 percent ▼

* 20,000 scfm is a default volumetric flow rate. User should enter actual value, if known.

* 20,900 acfm is a default volumetric flow rate. User should enter actual value, if known.

* 23 inches of water is the default pressure drop for thermal oxidizers; 19 inches of water is the default pressure drop for catalytic oxidizers. Enter actual value, if known.

* 60% is a default fan efficiency. User should enter actual value, if known.

* Note: Default value for T_{fi} is 2000°F for thermal regenerative oxidizers. Use actual value if known. T_{fi} for regenerative oxidizers typically between 1800 and 2000°F.

* 20 years is the typical equipment life. User should enter actual value, if known.

* 1 percent is a default value for the heat loss. User should enter actual value, if known. Heat loss is typically between 0.2 and 1.5%.

Enter the cost data:

Desired dollar-year

2022

CPI for 2022

317.299 Enter the CPI value for Oct. 2022 247.705 2016 CPI

Annual Interest Rate (i)

7 Percent

Electricity ($Cost_{elect}$)

0.1124 \$/kWh

Natural Gas Fuel Cost ($Cost_{fuel}$)

0.0146 \$/scf

Operator Labor Rate

\$27.48 per hour

Maintenance Labor rate

\$30.23 per hour

Contingency Factor (CF)

10.0 Percent

* 10 percent is a default value for construction contingencies. User may enter values between 5 and 15 percent.

Cost Estimate

Direct Costs

Total Purchased equipment costs (in 2022 dollars)

Incinerator + auxiliary equipment ^a (A) =		
Equipment Costs (EC) for Regenerative Oxidizer	= $[2.664 \times 100,000 + (13.98 \times Q_{tot})] \times (2022 \text{ CEPI}/2016 \text{ CEPCI}) =$	\$700,103 in 2022 dollars
Instrumentation ^b =	$0.10 \times A =$	\$70,010
Sales taxes =	$0.03 \times A =$	\$21,003
Freight =	$0.05 \times A =$	\$35,005

Total Purchased equipment costs (B) = \$826,122 in 2022 dollars

Footnotes

a - Auxiliary equipment includes equipment (e.g., duct work) normally not included with unit furnished by incinerator vendor.

b - Includes the instrumentation and controls furnished by the incinerator vendor.

Direct Installation Costs (in 2022 dollars)

Foundations and Supports =	$0.08 \times B =$	\$66,090
Handlong and Errection =	$0.14 \times B =$	\$115,657
Electrical =	$0.04 \times B =$	\$33,045
Piping =	$0.02 \times B =$	\$16,522
Insulation for Ductwork =	$0.01 \times B =$	\$8,261
Painting =	$0.01 \times B =$	\$8,261
Site Preparation (SP) =		\$0
Buildings (Bldg) =		\$0
	Total Direct Installaton Costs =	\$247,837
Total Direct Costs (DC) =	Total Purchase Equipment Costs (B) + Total Direct Installation Costs =	\$1,073,958 in 2022 dollars

Total Indirect Installation Costs (in 2022 dollars)

Engineering =	$0.10 \times B =$	\$82,612
Construction and field expenses =	$0.05 \times B =$	\$41,306
Contractor fees =	$0.10 \times B =$	\$82,612
Start-up =	$0.02 \times B =$	\$16,522
Performance test =	$0.01 \times B =$	\$8,261

Total Indirect Costs (IC) = \$231,314

Continency Cost (C) =	$CF(IC+DC)=$	\$130,527
Total Capital Investment =	DC + IC + C =	\$1,435,800 in 2022 dollars

Direct Annual Costs

Annual Electricity Cost	= Fan Power Consumption × Operating Hours/year × Electricity Price =	\$18,104
Annual Fuel Costs for Natural Gas	= $Cost_{fuel} \times Fuel\ Usage\ Rate \times 60\ min/hr \times Operating\ hours/year$	\$71,403
Operating Labor	Operator = 0.5hours/shift × Labor Rate × (Operating hours/8 hours/shift) Supervisor = 15% of Operator	\$3,572 \$536
Maintenance Costs	Labor = 0.5 hours/shift × Labor Rate × (Operating Hours/8 hours/shift) Materials = 100% of maintenance labor	\$3,930 \$3,930

Direct Annual Costs (DC) = \$101,474 in 2022 dollars

Indirect Annual Costs

Overhead	= 60% of sum of operating, supervisor, maintenance labor and maintenance materials	\$7,181
Administrative Charges	= 2% of TCI	\$28,716
Property Taxes	= 1% of TCI	\$14,358
Insurance	= 1% of TCI	\$14,358
Capital Recovery	= $CRF[TCI - 1.08(\text{cat. Cost})]$	\$135,529

Indirect Annual Costs (IC) = \$200,142 in 2022 dollars

Total Annual Cost = DC + IC = \$301,617 in 2022 dollars

Cost Effectiveness

$$\text{Cost Effectiveness} = (\text{Total Annual Cost}) / (\text{Annual Quantity of VOC/HAP Pollutants Destroyed})$$

Total Annual Cost (TAC) =	\$301,617 per year in 2022 dollars
VOC/HAP Pollutants Destroyed =	17.200 tons/year
Cost Effectiveness =	\$17,535 per ton of pollutants removed in 2022 dollars