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DETAILED DESIGN OF AN ELECTROSTATIC SEPARATOR

FOR ULTRAFINE GRIND LIGNITE

1 .0 SUMMARY

Most low-rank coals in the Northern Great Plains and Powder River basin contain less than 10\$ ash on an as-received basis. Lignites from the Gulf Coast may contain up to 30\$ ash. That ash in these coals occurs as organically bound inorganics and as finely divided minerals which are dispersed throughout the coal structure has been well documented. Consequently burning some of these coals in conventional power plants results in slagging of furnace wall and added cost of pollution abatement equipment.

Advanced utilization applications such as turbines, diesels, or retrofit to replace oil or gas require a coal containing less than .2\$ extraneous ash. All coals will require some form of wet or dry fine cleaning in order to meet these specifications. Also, savings may result in conventional systems if the coal is cleaned prior to burning.

Coal cleaning by dry methods have special appeal where coal is utilized as dry solids since moisture removal after treatment and water pollution control is not required. Utilizing the differences in electrostatic properties of coal and minerals is not commercially available but is one potential dry method. This method depends on the deflection of small particles by an electrical field with the positively charged particles moving in the direction of the field while the negatively charged particles move in the opposite direction.

A key factor in this process is applying a charge to the particles by methods such as triboelectrification. The principle of this phenomenon is that when two particles of dissimilar composition or structure are in physical contact, electrical charge is transferred. If one of the particles is a semiconductor or an insulator, upon separation, one particle will remain positively charged and the other negatively charged.

A procedure which utilizes triboelectrification for separation of minerals from coal reported in the literature is the electrostatic tower. The principle of the electrostatic tower is that charged coal particles fall between charged plates, with the result that different components of the coal deflected from free fall based their on electrostatic properties. The coal is separated into ash rich and ash lean fractions.

A different design for the electrostatic separation process for triboelectrified particles of differential changes is proposed for this project. The basic process is to provide a stable flow condition of a clean inert gas into which the differentially charged particles will be discharged. This centrally loaded slurry will then pass through a high gradient electrostatic field with the differentially charged particles being carried in opposite directions from the center by the resultant electrostatic forces.

The ash rich and the coal rich fractions will then be passed through a solids separator in order to strip out the solids, while allowing the inert gas to be recirculated. A laboratory scale experimental apparatus has been designed to evaluate this concept.

The resulting ultrafine product from a cleaning process can be used in the powder form or can be slurried for use in oil or natural gas boilers. Slurry properties and characteristics were also investigated in this project.

2 .0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1. Review of Research on Low Rank Coal Processes

Lignite has been mined and utilized as a boiler fuel on a regional basis for several years, primarily in North Dakota and Texas. The major U. S. lignite deposits occur in the Fort Union Region (North Dakota and Montana) and the Gulf Region (Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, and Alabama) [1,2]. The Gulf Coast lignite resources have been estimated at thirty-five billion tons with the majority of this in Texas and Mississippi [3].

Related work on ultrafine pulverized coal й,5] has shown that micropulverized coal (100% less than ДД microns) will cause less slagging than conventional pulverized coal when used in an oil or gas boiler. Figure 1, similar to the illustration presented by Marguiles, et.al. [4], illustrates the basic concept favoring ultrafine grinding. Other work on slag reduction of Canadian lignites has been reported [6]. The tubes in oil and gas boilers are generally spaced closer than those in conventional coal-fired boilers. Because of this increased tube surface to flow area ratio, the larger ash particles in conventional pulverized coal will impact the tubes and cause slagging. However, the very fine ash particles in the micropulverized coal or

MICRO-PULVERIZED LIGNITE ASH BOILER TUBE

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Figure 1.

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COMPARISON OF GAS STREAMLINES AND ASH TRAJECTORIES WHEN FIRING CONVENTIONAL VS. MICROPULVERIZED LIGNITE

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lignite tend to follow the flow streams around the tubes resulting in less slagging and erosion. These small particles can then be collected by a scrubber, a baghouse, or a precipitator.

An oil or water slurry is one of the primary methods being considered for transport and end use of pulverized coal. With regular pulverized coal slurries, either the boiler must be modified to minimize fouling or the coal must be beneficiated to reduce the ash content. The coal slurry technology is progressing at a rapid rate and preliminary commercialization efforts are underway [7,8,9].

Work has been performed in Australia on the use of ultrafine grind brown coal to make a coal-oil mixture to replace diesel fuel for engines [10]. Also ultrafine grind coal-oil mixtures made by Ergon, Inc. have been successfully burned with no significant ash deposits forming in the boiler [11].

The primary result of the pulverization tests conducted previously was that lignite with its high moisture content could be ultrafine ground. The fluid-energy mill used for ultrafine grinding is described by Taylor [12]. Basically, a ring of inward facing jets directed slightly off-center causes a vortex flow to be established and the particles grind or impact against each other to generate a pulverized product with a mean diameter of 15 to 25 microns based on volume.

When superheated steam is used as the grinding fluid, there is a permanent drying effect on the lignite. Work on steam and hot water drying processes that accomplish a permanent drying of lignite are described in detail [13,1^] for North Dakota lignites. The results of these studies show that if the lignite is heated to a temperature of about 310°C for 15 minutes, the inherent moisture reabsorbed will be

only about 10 percent as compared with the 35 percent for the original lignite used in the studies. it was also found that temperatures greater than 310°C have only a small additional drying effect.

Comparison of the ash characteristics of various lignites was presented by White [15]. The Gulf Coast lignites generally have a much higher silicate content and a significantly lower sodium content than the North Dakota lignites. This suggests that a mechanical or physical separation process may be more important than a chemical or ion-exchange for the Gulf Coast lignites.

Previous work in gravimetric methods applied to ultrafine grind coals indicated that hydrocyclones may be effective for ash removal. The results are highly dependent upon the washability—or the ash distribution with specific gravity. Recent work by Keller and Simmons [16] indicates that for coals with good washability characteristics, that good cleaning of -325 mesh coal in a true heavy liquid medium of Freon-113 can be accomplished in a 2 inch cyclone with an 85 psi pressure drop. Washability studies [17] indicate that some Gulf region lignites do have reasonably good washability characteristics while some exhibit almost no ash content variation with specific gravity.

In an effort to reduce the sodium content of North Dakota lignites Paulson, et.al. [18] have done extensive work in ion-exchange processes which result in a reduction in the sodium content of the ash—apparently the predominant ash component contributing to tube fouling problems in boilers.

2.2. Review of Research on Ultrafine Grinding

2.2,1 Introduction

Ultrafine grind coal or lignite is typically defined as a pulverized product with a particle size distribution which is ninety-eight percent less than 325 mesh. Such products can be produced with either mechanical or fluid-energy pulverizers. Depending on the operating parameters of the pulverizer, the pulverized coal can have a mean particle size based on population ranging from 2 to 10 microns.

There has been limited work done on ultrafine grind lignites. Bouchillon and Steele have conducted limited research on the ultrafine grinding of Mississippi lignite in a fluid-energy mill [19 and 20]. The initial results have shown that lignite, even with its high moisture content, can be ultrafine ground to a mean diameter based on volume of 15 to 25 microns. In-the-mill drying tests have also been conducted with preliminary results showing that some permanent drying of the lignite can be accomplished.

Ultrafine grinding of coal or lignite can be accomplished with either mechanical or fluid-energy mills. Mechanical units of the ball type or the ball-and-race type can be downrated to produce an ultrafine grind product. The problem with this type of grinder is the excessive wear which results from the friction between the grinding surface and the the lignite. The largest commercial mechanical units available are reportedly capable of about eight tons per hour when grinding coals to an ultrafine size.

Fluid-energy mills are available in either the impact type or the vortex-shear type. These mills have the advantage of minimum mechanical wear. Units of the vortex-shear type are available with capacities up to 20 tons per hour.

2.2.2 Methods to Produce Ultrafine Coal

As noted above, fluid-energy mills are available in either the direct impact or vortex-shear types. The impact version uses two opposing jets of coal/lignite and steam or inert gas in the impact zone. The particles impact and break into finer particles. This product is then circulated through the plant classifier which removes the particles that are less than 325 mesh and sends the larger particles back to the impact zone.

Two major manufacturers of the impact mills are Farrier, Inc. and Donaldson Co., Inc. The Farrier mill, called a COJA mill, has an advertised capacity of 7.5 tons per hour with the scale-up to a 20 ton per hour mill considered feasible. The Donaldson mill, called a Majac Pulverizer, is very similar to the COJA mill in design and operation. Typical capacities given for bituminous coal for the Majac mill are 8,000 lbs/hr coal with 3000 SCFM of air at 100 psig and 70° F.

The vortex-shear type of pulverizers employ a more continuous grinding process than the impact grinders. The circulating product in the comminuting chamber grinds on itself with the larger particles staying in the grinder and the finer product escaping through the classifier.

The Sturtevant Micronizer is an example of a vortex-shear type unit. The grinding area is a circular chamber with a tangential feed input. The centrifugal force holds the oversized particles in the grinding area while the finer particles move toward the collection chamber in the center of the mill. The advertised capacity has an upper range of 2 tons per hour with 4 tons of steam per hour as the carrier fluid.

The mill used by Micro-Energy, an Ergon, Inc. company, is also of the vortex-shear type. This mill differs from the Sturtevant design in that the comminuting chamber has a larger volume which contains the vortex of air or steam and coal. A version of the Ergon pulverizer has been reportedly operated at 20 tons per hour of coal with an equal amount of steam or air as the driving fluid. This low ratio of fluid to coal along with the large capacity, makes the Ergon mill very attractive for commercial applications.

The patent for the Ergon mill was granted to David V/. Taylor [12]. Schematic diagrams from the patent which show the operation of the pulverizer are given in Figures 2-4. Figure 2 shows how the cyclone forms in the chamber with the light particles migrating to the center and the heavy particles falling back to the bottom of the chamber. The coal feed enters from the top, and the final product passes around the classifier and out the unit as shown in Figure 3- Figure 4 shows how the vortex motion is generated with the opposing steam or air jets oriented at various angles around the base of the chamber.

U.S. Patent < Aug. 26, 1980

Figure 2.

Figure $4.$ 2.3 Review of Research on Coal Cleaning

2.3.1 Wet Processes

In order to be able to burn coal in an existing plant without the addition of downstream exhaust gas treatment in the TVA Paradise Plant in Kentucky, TVA elected to build and operate a wet type coal cleaning plant for ash and sulfur removal prior to burning. This plant does reduce the sulfur and ash content of the coal stream, however, it is at considerable initial and operating expense. The water based coal cleaning system requires significant water treatment and the solids waste disposal is difficult because of the slimy nature of the rejects stream.

The proposed system would have a dry rejects product stream and consequently would not present the grave difficulty of water treatment experienced by the TVA plant. The proposed system would also be less expensive for the initial costs based on very preliminary estimates which have been made for the proposed project. The pumping costs involved with the cleaning plant at TVA are also very significant in that the water streams sometimes go vertically for a distance of approximately 8 floor levels, there by producing high static heads on the pumps. The proposed facility would be on a single level probably no more than thirty feet high.

Unfortunately, not enough information is known at this time about the proposed combined process to make an exact economic or operational comparison with the TVA facility. The fact that TVA has not built any additional coal cleaning facilities based on their design suggests that the problems and expenses outweigh the benefits gained from such a system.

Oil agglomeration, froth floatation, and micro-bubble floatation are other wet processes which have been used successfully to clean finely ground bituminous coals.

2.3.2 Electrostatic Separation of Micropulverized Coal

2.3.2.1 Introduction

Several techniques have been proposed for the electrostatic or magnetic separation of materials with different magnetic or electrostatic properties. Dry separation of pyrite from fine coal using a combination of centrifugal and electrostatic devices was reported by Abel, Zulkoski, and Gauntlett [21]. With stage grinding, nearly 90 percent of the available pyritic sulfur was removed from a Pittsburgh seam coal.

Carpco, Inc. has a line of electrostatic and high-intensity magnetic separators which may prove useful in some applications. High gradient magnetic separation for the removal of sulfur from coal has been discussed by Luborsky [22] and further work has been done by TVA and Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

A discussion of magnetic separation of the second kind: magnetogravimetric, magnetohydrostatic, and magnetohydrodynamic separations was presented by Khalafalia [23]. These methods usually are used to enhance the pressure gradient in a fluid which then causes better separation according to specific gravity.

Separation of non-magnetic metals from solid waste by dynamic application of permanent magnets was presented by Schlomann [23]. This method is based on the difference in electrical conductivity of the materials and may have some potential for coal cleaning because of the expected differences in the electrical conductivities of the coal and minerals.

It has been discovered that it may be possible to utilize the process of triboelectrification—the differential charging of particles due to frictional or impact effects—for the purpose of separation of ash rich particles from pulverized or micropulverized coal. Preliminary laboratory scale work has been accomplished on this process by Inculet [2Д], et.al. in Ontario Canada on Hat Creek coal in the fluidized state. In their work, the experimental apparatus was a continuous loop which had a divergent section serving as a diffuser approaching the test section. An attempt was made to provide for laminar flow in the test section. The particles were distributed throughout the incoming fluid stream into the diffuser section, and consequently were distributed across the total test section.

A different physical configuration is proposed for electrostatic separation of a stream of micropulverized low rank coal being discharged from the Ergon, Inc. fluid energy ultrafine grinding system. This is described in detail below.

2.3.2.2 Description of the Proposed Process

The proposed process of electrostatic separation of an ash rich fraction from the stream of ultrafine grind coal coming from the fluid energy mill would consist of the following apparatus configuration. A sketch of a cross section of the proposed apparatus is presented as Figure 5. The operation would be as follows.

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Figure 5. Concept Sketch for Electrostatic Separator

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The material from the fluid energy mill would be admitted into a centrally located feed system equipped with turning vanes so as to direct the material downward into the test section. Turbulent flow conditions would be maintained in this section in order to maintain particle separation. The triboelectrification process which is expected to occur in the fluid energy mill would provide for a differential charge on the particles as they exit the mill. If these particles remain in turbulent flow conditions, then they should remain separated in spite of the resultant attractive electrosatic force which would exist between the particles.

In order to minimize the turbulence level in the test section of the electrostatic separator, the test or working section would consist of a convergent channel with charged plates on each wall. The convergent flow would be admitted through the plenum chamber shown at the top of Figure 5 and smoothed through the porous plate. The main body flow would then pass through the convergent test section and would be a very stable flow condition which would represent laminar type flow at Reynolds numbers higher than for a straight or divergent section. Also, the convergent walls would provide for electrostatic field forces on the differentially charged particles. The minor flow with the feed stream would be turbulent but would be absorbed and smoothed out in the main flow of the convergent test section.

The differentially charged particles would then experience a difference in electrostatic forces and have resultant different trajectories. These particles would approach the walls, however, it is expected that there would be sufficient boundary effects to prevent attachment to the walls. It may be appropriate to consider slightly

roughened walls or porous walls with inwardly directed flows through them in order to prevent particle buildup on the walls. A wetted wall electrostatic precipitator has been used successfully in the removal of particulates from a recovery boiler in a paper mill. This concept may prove advantageous if the total process is to make a cleaned low rank coal/water slurry. This process was not considered for laboratory work proposed in this project, however, it may be of significant interest for a follow-on effort to design a Continuous Process Development Unit (CPDU) scale system. This system would provide for continuous flow "separation" and not "precipitation" as is the case for electrostatic fly ash precipitators.

A flow splitter is provided at the bottom of the convergent test section to allow different stream splits to be made in order to evaluate the separation effects of the electrostatic field on the particle stream.

Following the stream splitter, in the continuous process case, there would probably be air cyclone collectors installed in order to collect the particulates from the system. A blower could then be connected to the cleaned stream for recirculation of an inert gas such as nitrogen if required. For early experimentation, it is appropriate to simply use a filter bag to simulate a baghouse. It may also be appropriate to consider a baghouse particulate removal system such as are being used on some ultrafine grind coal fired power plants for the ash collection system with the cleaned coal stream going directly to the burner.

2.3.2.3 Description of the Laboratory Scale Proposed Test Apparatus

The proposed test apparatus for Phase I is presented as Figure 6 in sketch form. A blower has been added to complete the nitrogen loop. A supply of nitrogen is also used to provide jets in a mixing chamber to provide for triboelectrification of the particles. The test section is sized so that after laboratory tests are completed, the test section could be placed on the laboratory scale fluid energy mill at Ergon, Inc. at Vicksburg, MS.

2.3.2. ^1 Analytical Studies Proposed

Analytical studies which should be performed include:

- 1. The flow in the plenum chamber, the test section, and the feed system. This will assure stability in the main flow and turbulence in the feed flow.
- 2. The electric field associated with the test section both with and without the presence of the moving charged particles in the flow field.
- 3. The resultant particle trajectories for the triboelectrified particles as they pass through the separation zone.
- Д. The projected flow split with the appropriate particle division.
- 5. The boundary layer adjacent to the charged plates of the separator section which will assure continued particle movement in the vicinity of the walls.
- 6. The effects of a liquid film on the charged walls of the separator.

FIGURE 6. CONCEPT SKETCH FOR ELECTROSTATIC SEPARATION LABORATORY SCALE **APPARATUS**

A first approximation to the electric field may be made by neglecting the presence of the particles and using a polar coordinate system.

This is then available to use in conjunction with a particle trajectory prediction which may be used. The particle trajectory analysis may be predicted through solution on a high speed digital computer similar to the approaches used by Bouchillon [25J and Boysan, et al, [26]. Nester [27] developed this analysis as a design project for a Master of Mechanical Engineering degree at MSU.

3 .0 OBJECTIVE

The major objective of this research project was to develop a detailed design of laboratory scale apparatus for separating ultrafine grind minerals from low-rank coals utilizing differences in the electrostatic properties of the organic/inorganic components. The laboratory scale apparatus will allow definition of a process and identify readily measurable characteristics of low-rank coals which could be cleaned successfully by this method.

4 .0 DETAILED DESIGN OF THE APPARATUS

The detailed design for a laboratory scale apparatus has been completed. A high voltage power supply, a high pressure blower, and an oxygen level meter have been selected for use in the apparatus. Copies of specification sheets for each of these items are presented as an Appendix.

Details for construsction of the apparatus are presented as a sketch in Figure 7. The use of plexiglas as the fabricating material will allow flow visualization studies to be made as well as providing for insulation for the high voltage plates.

A sketch of the complete assembly is presented as Figure 8. The oxygen level meter will be installed in the test section plenum so as to provide warning if the oxygen level should rise above about 5 percent. This should prevent any explosions in the apparatus due to arcing of the changed plates. The breakdown voltage gradient is approximately 19 kvdc per inch in air. The closest that the changed plates come together is 4 inches.

It is expected that the apparatus will be fabricated and tested during the 1986-87 academic year.

5 .0 PROPERTIES OF ULTRAFINE GRIND LIGNITE/WATER SLURRIES

After the lignite has been ground and cleaned, the next problem is the conversion of the lignite to a form useful for combustion applications. The use of coal in a slurry form with water or oil is currently a topic of extensive research. Major advancements in this area are reported annually at the Inaternational Symposium on Coal Slurry Combustion. However, only limited work is being done on lignite slurries.

One project dealing with low-rank coal slurries is reported by Sears, et al. [28j. In this report several lignites and subbituminous coals were hot-water dried, and the resulting properties of the

Figure 8. Sketch of Electrostatic Separator System

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slurries obtained were investigated. The solids loadings for these slurries ranged between 50 and 60^ and the viscosities varied from 200 to 1800 cps.

As part of the MMRI project reported here, slurries were prepared from the ultrafinely ground lignite products. This work was done in conjunction with Ergon, Inc. The results are given in Table. 1

(See Burnett [29]) Table 1. Properties of Lignite Water Slurries

* Air Ground

** Steam Ground

These results show an increasing solids loading with grinding temperature and a decrease in resulting slurry viscosity with grinding temperature.

Additional tests were conducted on hot-water dried slurries. However, the maximum solids loading obtained in these tests was 45£. The difference between these tests and those reported in Table 1 was the addition of surfactants, dispersents, and stabilizers to the slurries given in Table 1.

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APPENDIX

Information on Equipment to be Used on the Electrostatic Separator

EJ KUTH ASSOC $705 - 979 - 0880$ Model Nos. 25, 210, 220, 230, 250, 260, 275 $PAV/LOIVDF.$ 1505 \mathcal{B}

HV/DC Insulation Testers

m Maximum Personnel Safety:

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- π Zero Start Interlock-Compels Operator to Raise Voltage from Zero.
- и Shielded Output Cable or Bushing.
- Output Shorting Relay with Discharge Resistor, Gravity Operated.
- External Interlock Provision for Test Cage Door or "Dead Man" Switch.
- к HV on Indicator.
- □ Equipment Safely Features:
	- в Surge Limiting Resistor in H.V. Output.
	- ° Three-Wire AC Cord and Plug.
	- и Instantaneous Overload Circuit Breaker in Primary of H.V. Transformer.
	- Instantaneous Adjustable Overload Relay in Ground Return.

Convenient Operation:

- 20 Milliseconds Response Time.
- и Continuously Adjustable Output Control.
- H Surge and transient protection on all meters, switches, relay, etc. . . .
- я Hermetically-Sealed, Oil-Filled H.V. Section.
- Solid State Rectifiers. .
- Triple-Range Output Connected K.V. Meter with Recalibration Facility.
- -Triple-Range Current Meter in Grounded Return.
- □ For Testing to UL, CSA, MIL, ASTM, AEIC and IPCEA Specifications.

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HV/DC insulation Testers

Model Nos. 25, 210, 220, 230 250, 260, 275

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ECENVALER RUNDER RECORAT

- Maximum ambient 104°F. (40°C.)
- 2875 RPM @ 50 Hz.; 3450 RPM @ 60 Hz.
- Solid line on graph indicates continuous duty performance
- Minimum flow pressure or suction for continuous operation, 0 CFM
	- Continuous operation can be maintained on solid line on graph

Blower Limitations for Continuous Duty:

50 Hz. max. pressure/vacuum 31/27 in. H₂O

60 Hz. max. pressure/vacuum 43/40 in. H₂O

50 Hz. max. pressure/vacuum 31/28 in. H₂O

60 Hz. max. pressure/vacuum 43/40 in. H₂O

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- UL recognized and CSA certified motors
	- Specifications subject to change without notice

50 Hz. max. flow 43 cim

60 Hz. max. flow 53 cfm

50 Hz. max. flow 44 cfm

60 Hz. max. flow 53 cfm

Net weight 29 lbs. (13.2 kg.)

R3105-1

R3305A-1

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Motor Specifications: R3105-1

Single Phase Nominal Voltages: 115/208-230 60 Hz.; 220 50 Hz. · FLA @ 60 Hz. 4.4Z2.2 · Y2 HP · TEFC · Class B Insulation Automatic Restart Thermal Protection

R3305A-1

Three Phase Nominal Voltages: 208-230/460 60 Hz; 220/380 50 Hz. FLA @ 670 Hz. 1.4/.7 · Yr HP · TEFC · **Class B Insulation**

PERFORMANCE CURVES

Note: On all drawings **Metric** U.S./Imperial

Pressure Vacuum -Intermittent *Recommended maximum duty

Oxygen 3100 Monitor

The Model 3100 Oxvgen Monitor uses a stable electrochemical sensor to measure $0₂$ concentrations in the range 0-100.0%. A loud audible alarm is activated when the $0₂$ level falls below a preset level. For special applications, like monitoring innerted environments, specify with an alami (£100H, with an activated by high $0₂$ concentrations.

Hydrogen Sulfide 3200 Monitor

The Model 3200 Hydrogen Sulfide
Monitor measures H_2S with a fast, accurate, and stable three electrode electrochemical sensor. Gas concentrations are displayed on a digital meter with a range of
0-199.9 parts per million (ppm). An audible alarm is activated when the H₂S level exceeds a user adjustable level.

SPECIFICATIONS

Measurement prin ci p i e- șalvari i c electrochemical fuel cell Range-0-100° o 0: Precision-0 1 °c 0; Readout-Digital liquid crystal display Built in or remote sensors available Temperature range-12-120 degrees \tilde{F}

Sensor life-IS Months average-12 month warranty Power-9 Volt alkaline battery Audible alarm-over 85 DB intensity. Factory set at 19.5%, user adjustable. Alarm for high 0? concentration available on special order. Dimensions-4%" x 3%" x 2' Weight $-$ (1 lb

SPECIFICATIONS

Measurement p ri n ciple—p ol a rogr ap h i c
three electrode el eet roch em i ca 1 c e) 1 Range-0-100.0 ppm Precision-0 1 ppm Readout-Digital liquid crystal display Built in or remote sensors available Temperature range- $-10-120$ degrees F

'Sensorlife — IS Months
average—12 month warranty Power-9 Volt alkaline bat tety Audible alarm-over 85 DB intensity. Factory set at 10.0 ppm, user
adjustable. Dimensions—4%" x
 3% " x 2" Weight-(1 lb

ACCESSORIES

You can fully utilize the versatility of the SERIES 3000 with the complete line of accessories. The **Biosystems Calibration Kit makes** it simple to check the accuracy of your instrument. Tlie vinyl case protects your instrument from impacts, moisture and dirt. Samples can be manually aspirated and air lines can be monitored for CO and $O₂$

SAMPLE DRAW KI 1

- **Expands Capabilities**
- Filters Dirty Environments
- Expands Specificity through L-e of Filtering Agents

CM IBRATIOX ACCESSORIES

- ***E** Easy to use
- Economical
- * Insures correct Readings