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Certification of a Statistical Hybrid Predictive Emission Monitoring System in the U.S.A. and Development of a Small Gas Turbine Class Model

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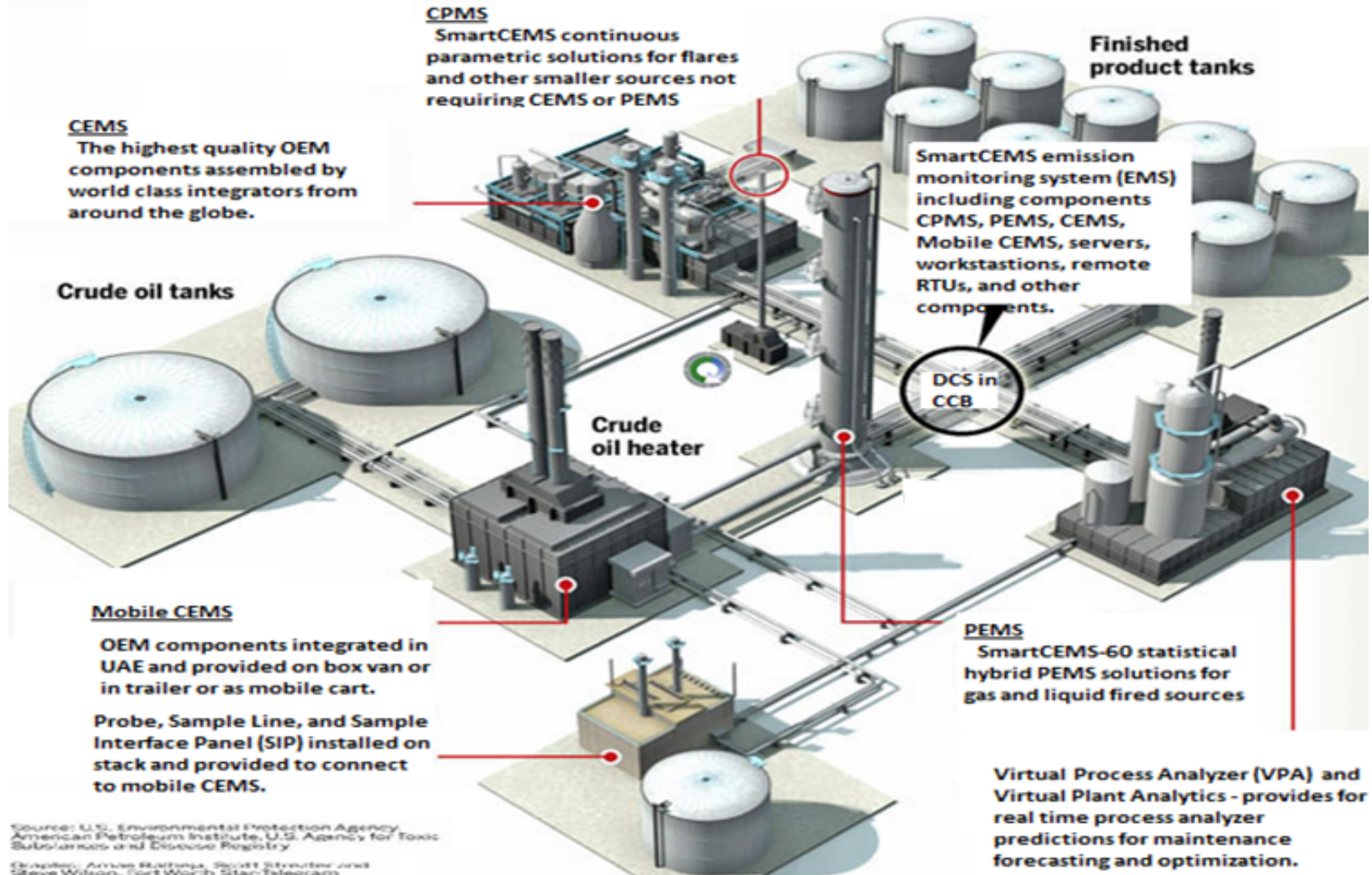
Objectives

- Summarize the methods used to certify a Predictive Emission Monitoring System (PEMS) using U.S. EPA 40 CFR Part 60
- Outline Class Model development process using the example of a small gas turbine
- Discuss applicability of PEMS as a multi-pollutant and process monitoring solution

Why consider PEMS?

- Adaptable, Flexible, and Configurable
- Has Met U.S. EPA Regulations
- Superior to a parametric method with accuracy levels as good as CEMS
- Minimal maintenance & operational costs
- Consistently achieves very high data availability

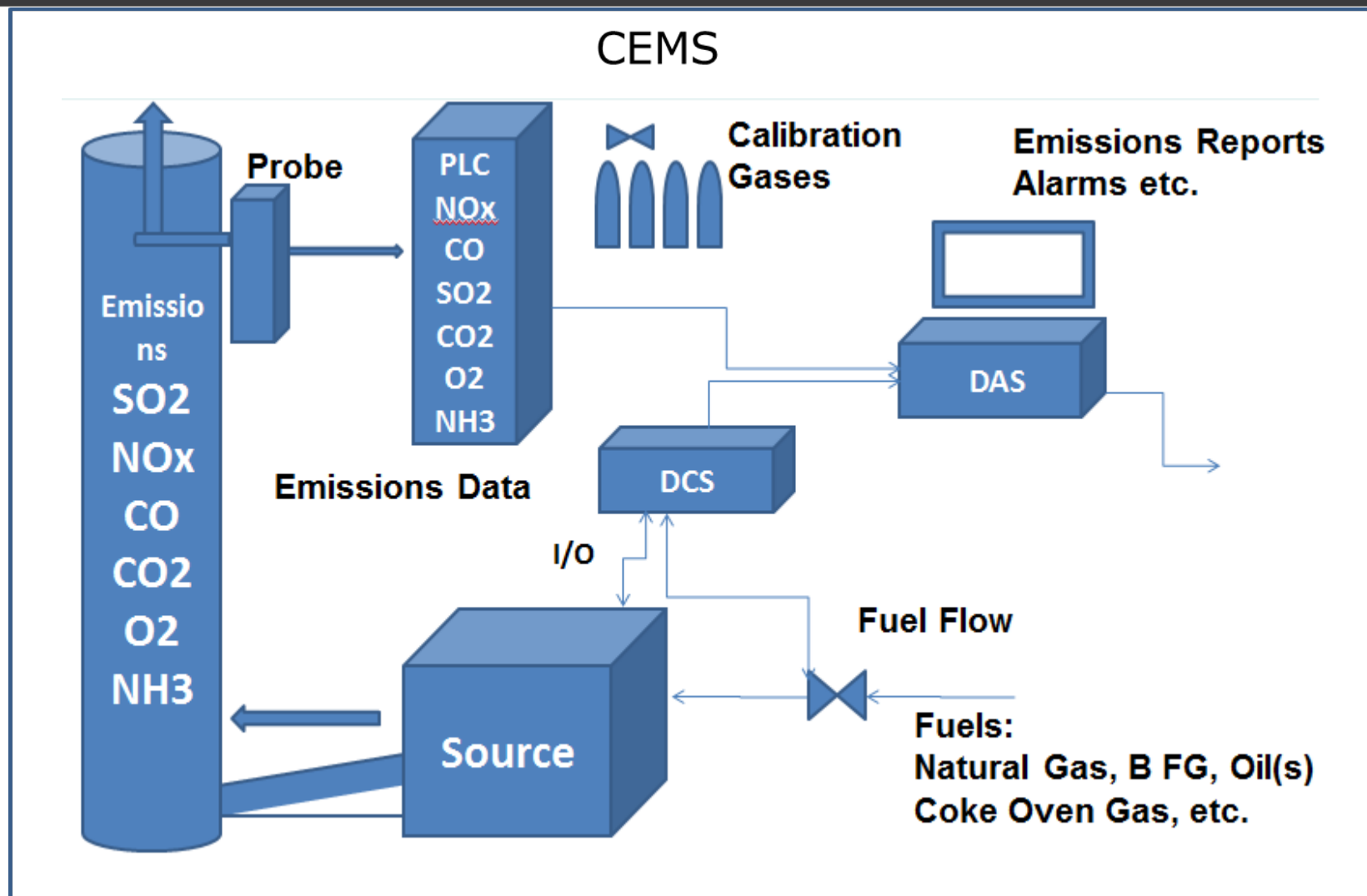
EMS Components



U.S. Regulatory Selection Criteria

Monitoring Primary Pollutants (NO_x, SO₂, CO)

- PEMS may be used as an alternative to CEMS for all gas or oil-fired boilers, for gas-fired heaters and simple or combined cycle turbines
- Parametric, PEMS, or CEMS approaches can be used for all smaller units (< 50 Tonnes/year)
- CEMS must be used on some units that fire solid fuels such as MWCs (> 50 Tonnes/year)
- Local agencies may require monitoring of specific pollutants in non-attainment (CO or HC)

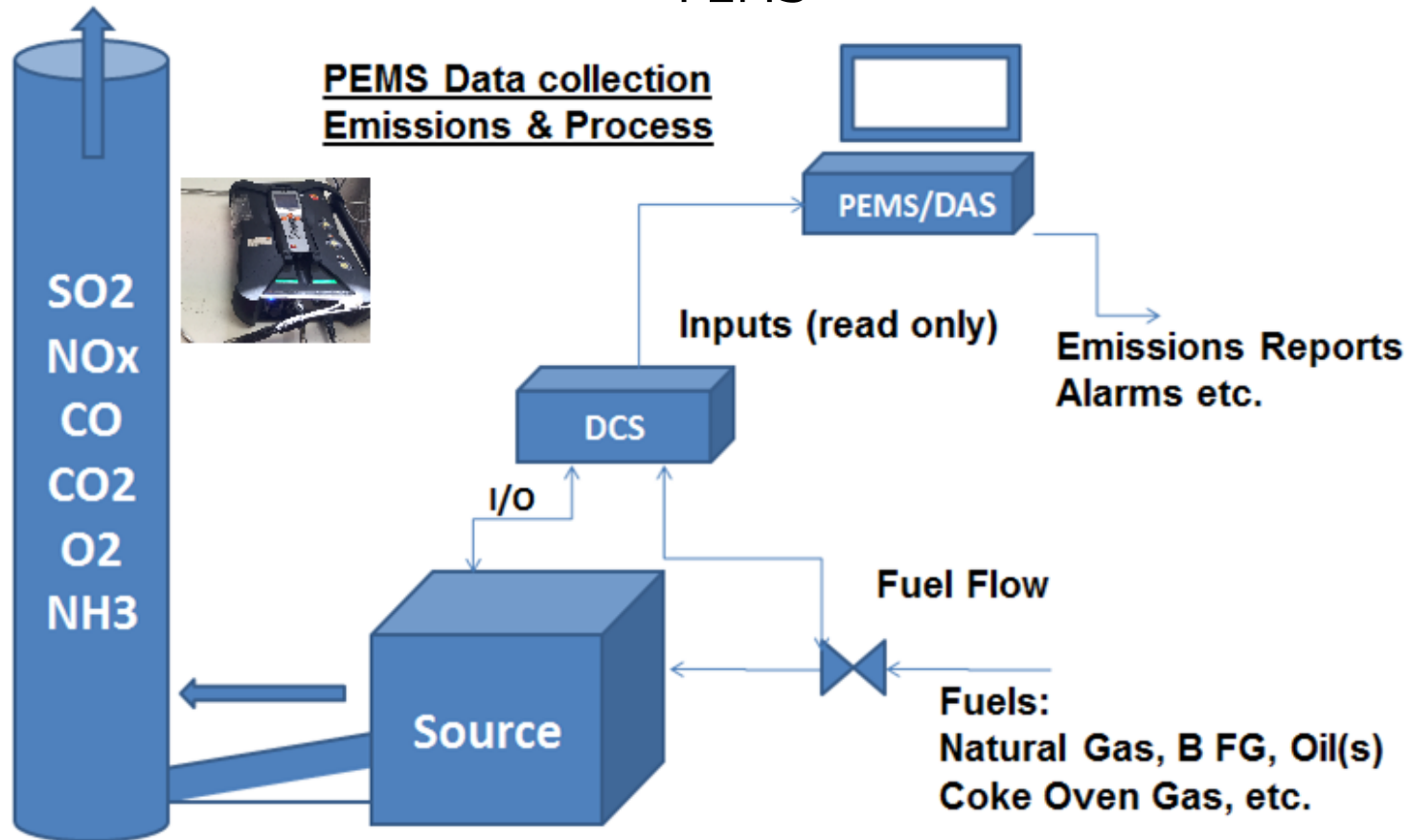


PEMS System Overview

- An advanced software model using existing instrumentation to predict emission rate
- Predicts accurately across the full load range of the unit including transitional states such as startup and shutdown
- Accepted by 40 CFR Part 60 or Part 75 where continuous monitoring is required

PEMS

PEMS Data collection Emissions & Process

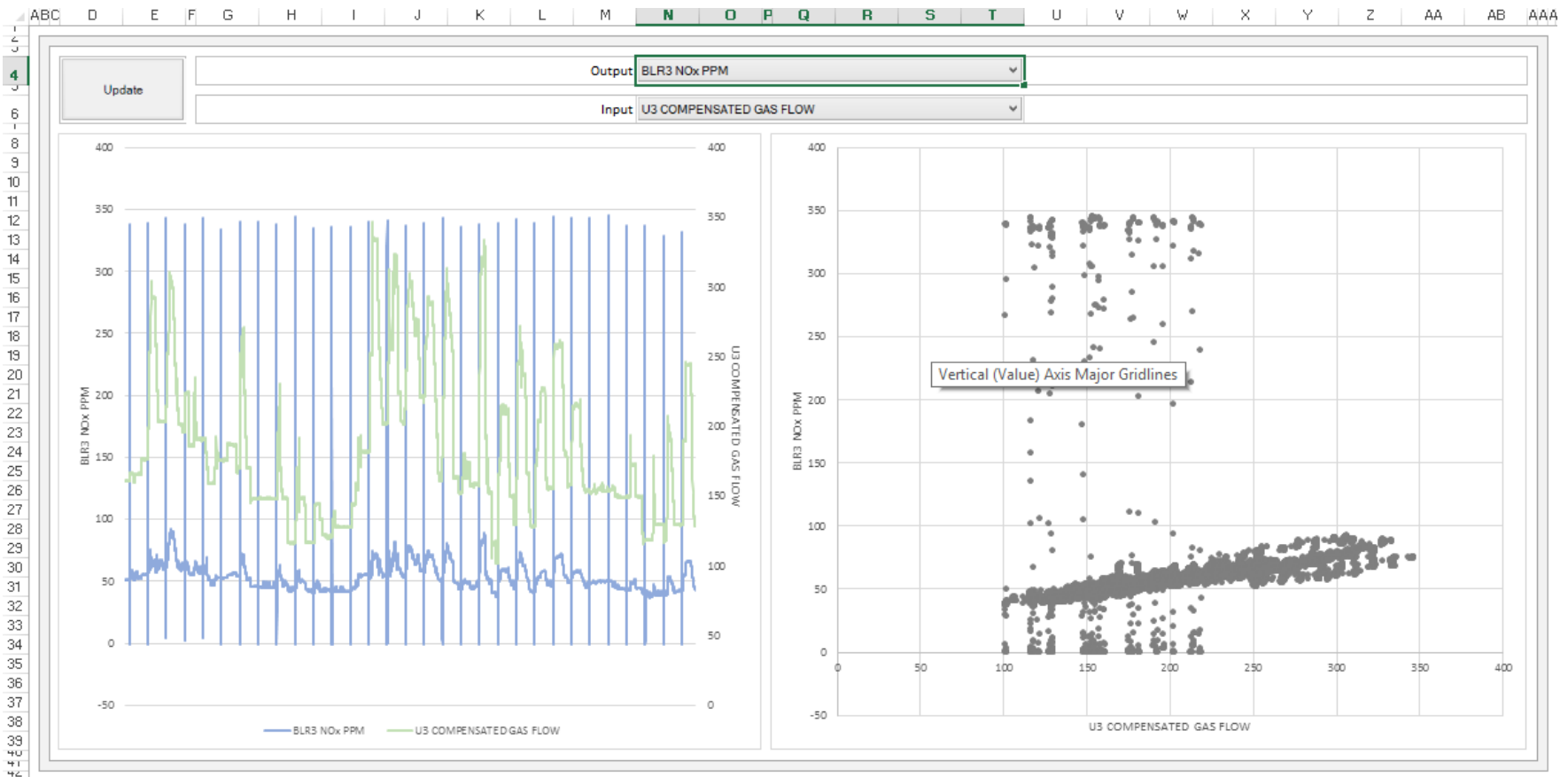


| Technology and Type | No. of Subpart E | Cost | Advantages | Disadvantages | Accuracy | Reliability |
|--|------------------|--------|--|---|------------------|--|
| First Principle PEMS - Theoretical PEMS | 0 | Medium | Accurate Measurement as long as process operations within the developed formula – not used extensively for compliance | High cost of maintenance, not resilient to input failure, proprietary, not flexible or adjustable | Fair, 10% to 20% | Good, 90 to 95%, but 0% if critical inputs fail |
| Neural Network PEMS - Empirical PEMS | 1 | High | Accurate Measurement across the full load range | High cost of model development, proprietary, needs expert onsite, high cost of maintenance | Good, < 10% | Very Good, near 100%, resilient to input failure |
| Statistical Hybrid PEMS - Empirical PEMS | 27 | Medium | Accurate Measurement across the full load range, can be retrained any time without expert onsite, flexible and adaptable | Model limited to load range established can be extrapolated and interpolated as required | Good, < 10% | Very Good, near 100%, resilient to input failure |

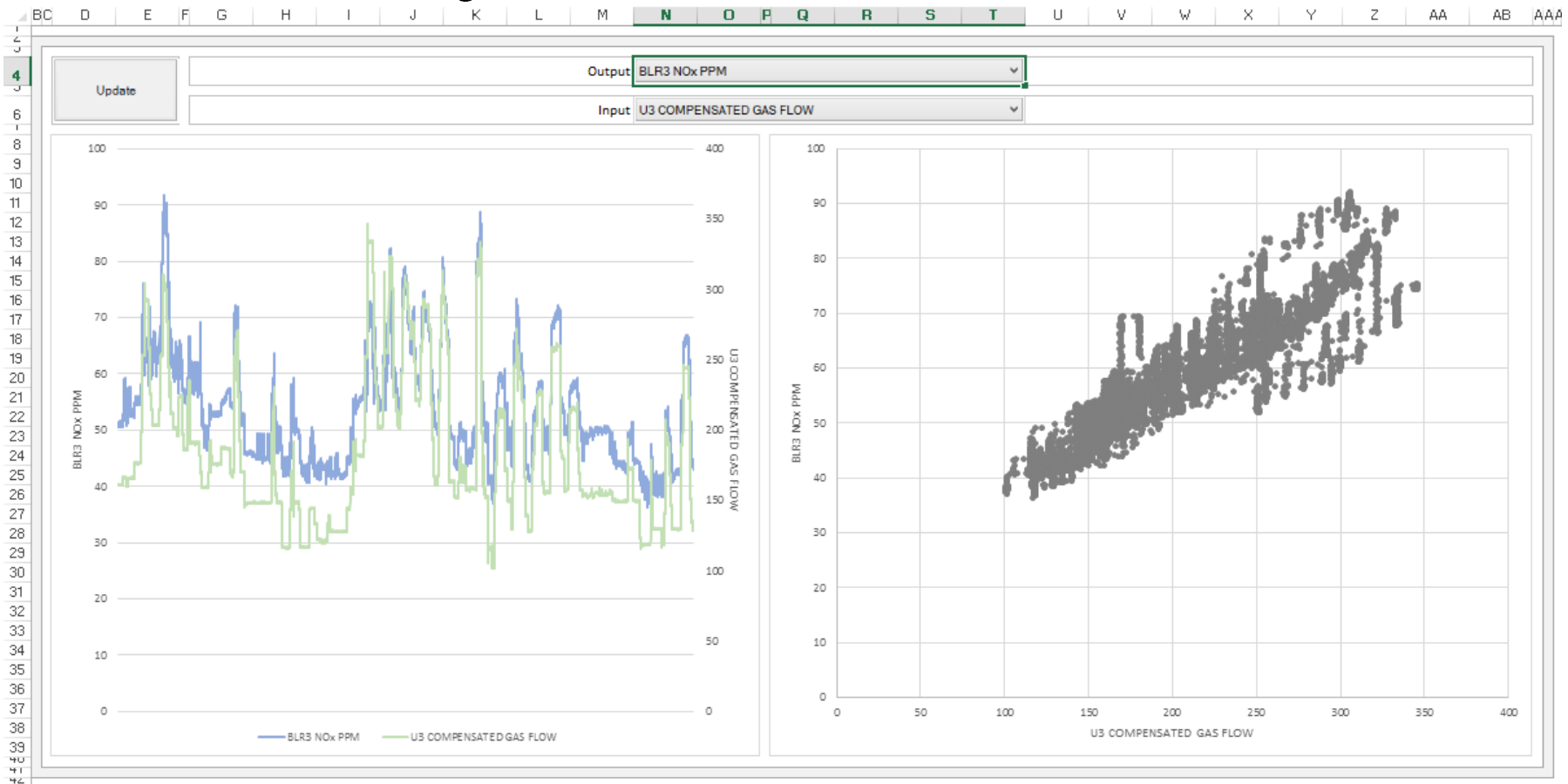
Empirical System Design

- Many inputs with correlation to emissions
- Collect Historical Training Dataset
 - Paired process and emission data for a period under normal operating conditions
 - Need to quality assure the model data
- Certification and Performance Testing
 - Periodic (annual or quarterly) testing to validate the emission levels at each load

Raw Historical Data



Quality Assurance of Data



Unit Description

- Combined Cycle
- 8 MW Solar Taurus 70 turbine
- Natural gas fired HRSG rated at 130 mmBTU/hr (137 GJ/hr)
- SCR for NO_x

TAURUS 70 PG - GENERATOR SET

ISO Performance/Specifications

| | | |
|---------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Power | 7965 | kWe |
| Heat Rate | 10 505 | kJ/kW-hr |
| Exhaust Flow | 96 775 | kg/hr |
| Exhaust Temperature | 505 | °C |
| Steam Production | 16.5 - 72.3 | tonnes/hr |
| Axial Exhaust | Yes | |
| SoLoNO _x | Yes | |



Figure 1: Gas Turbine Specifications



Figure 2:
Turbine HRSG
Arrangement

US EPA PEMS Performance Specifications

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40 CFR Parts 60 and 63

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RIN 2060-AG21

Performance Specification 16 for Predictive Emissions Monitoring Systems and Amendments to Testing and Monitoring Provisions

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is taking final action to promulgate Performance Specification (PS) 16 for predictive emissions monitoring systems (PEMS). Performance Specification 16 provides testing requirements for assessing the acceptability of PEMS when they are initially installed. Currently, there are no Federal rules requiring the use of PEMS; however, some sources have obtained Administrator approval to use PEMS as alternatives to continuous emissions monitoring systems (CEMS). Other sources may desire to use PEMS in cases where initial and operational costs are less than CEMS and process optimization for emissions control may be desirable. Performance Specification 16 will apply to any PEMS required in future rules in 40 CFR Parts 60, 61, or 63, and in cases where a source petitions the Administrator and receives approval to use a PEMS in lieu of another emissions monitoring system required under the regulation. We are also finalizing minor technical amendments.

DATES: This final rule is effective on April 24, 2009.

Certification Requirements

40 CFR Part 60

- Obtain data from a certified temporary CEMS for comparison with the PEMS data
- Pass an initial RATA and corresponding statistical analysis, including relative accuracy (RA), correlation, and F-test
- Must continue ongoing QA/QC program

Certification Procedure

PS-16

- Collect data at these operating levels:
 - low (minimum to 50% of maximum load)
 - mid (between low and high load)
 - high (80% to maximum load)
- Perform a minimum of nine runs at each level and choose a total of twenty-seven runs for certification

Testing Results – Low Load

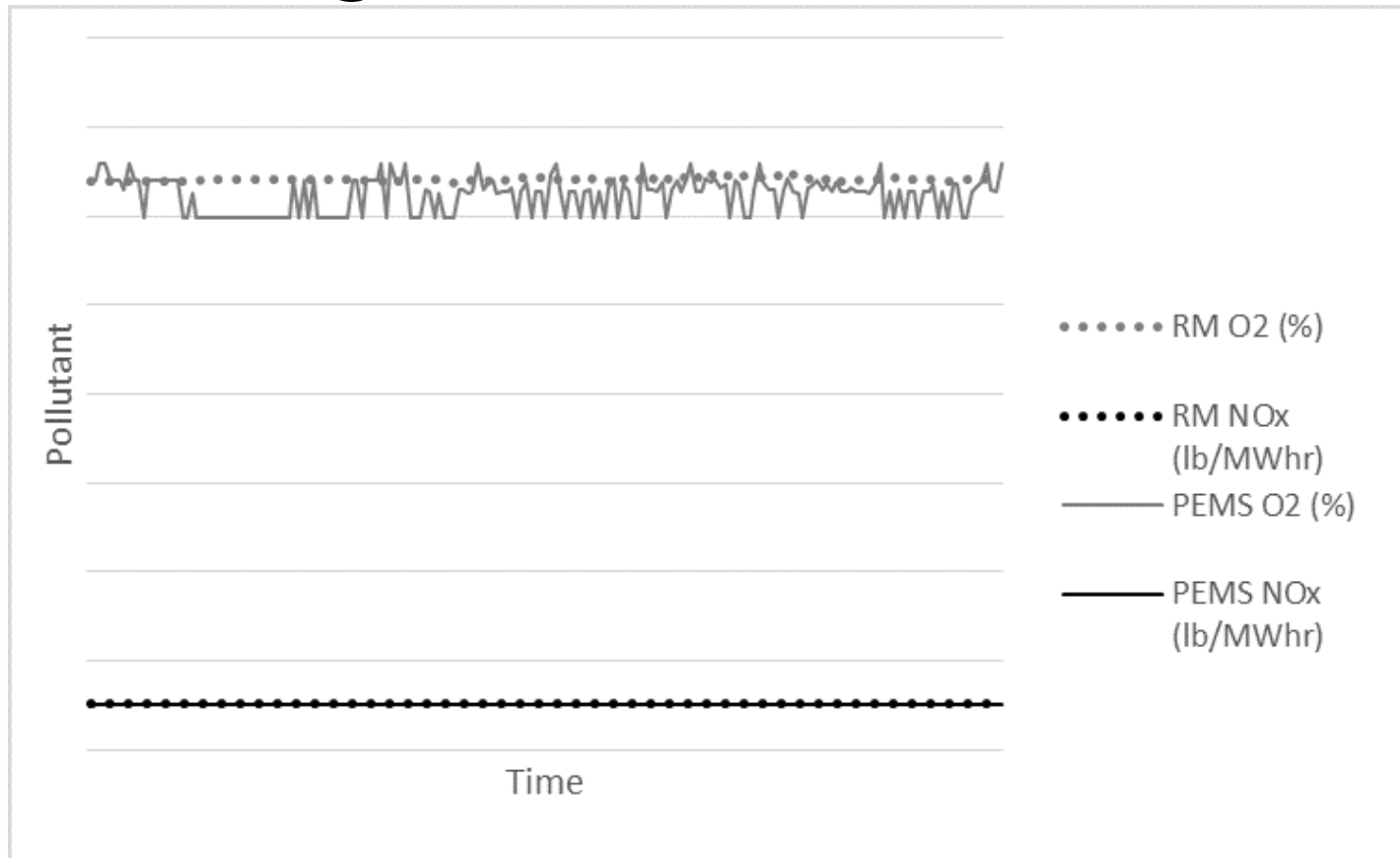


Figure 2: Certification RATAEMS Readings (Low Load)

Testing Results – Mid Load

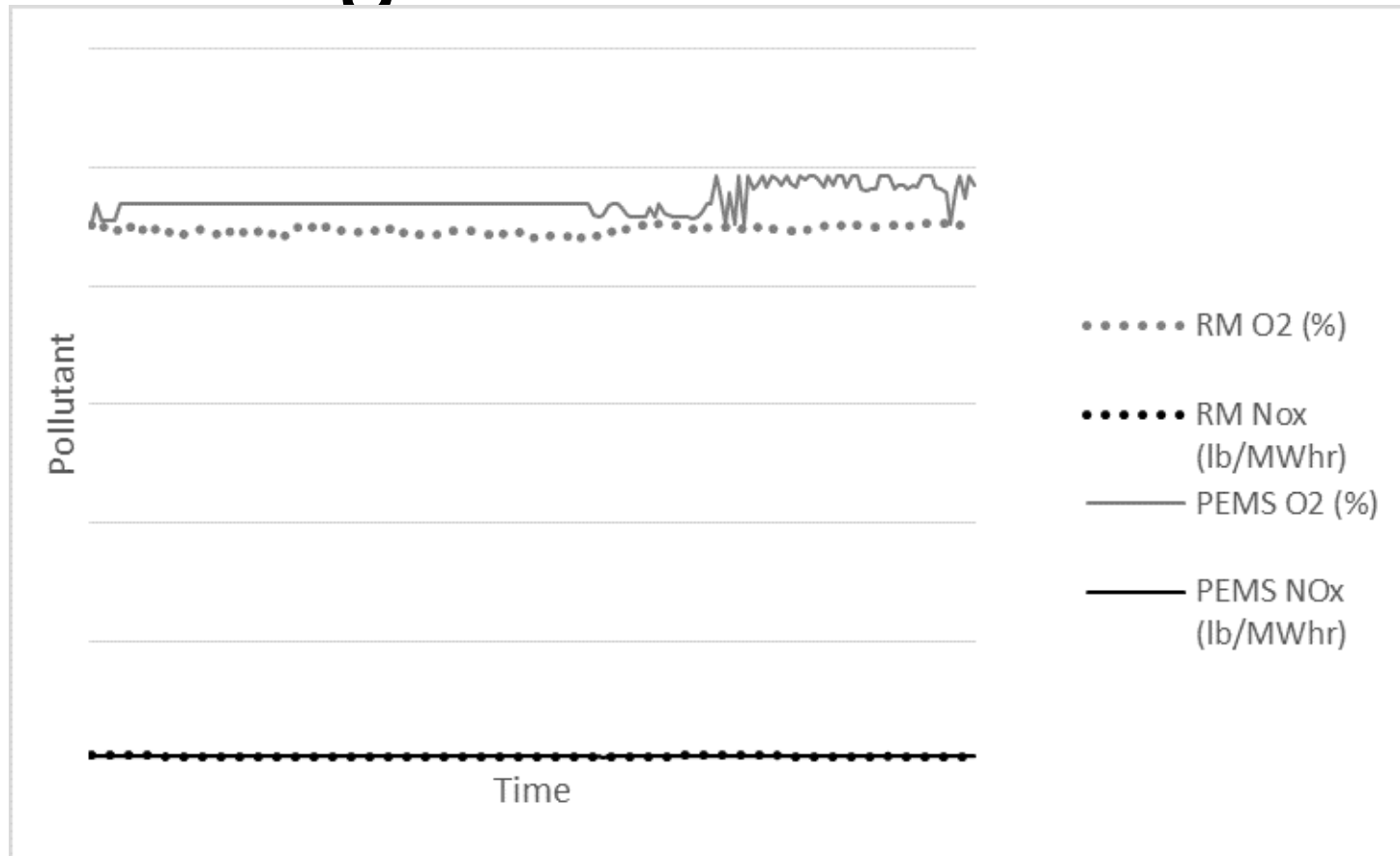


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Testing Results – High Load

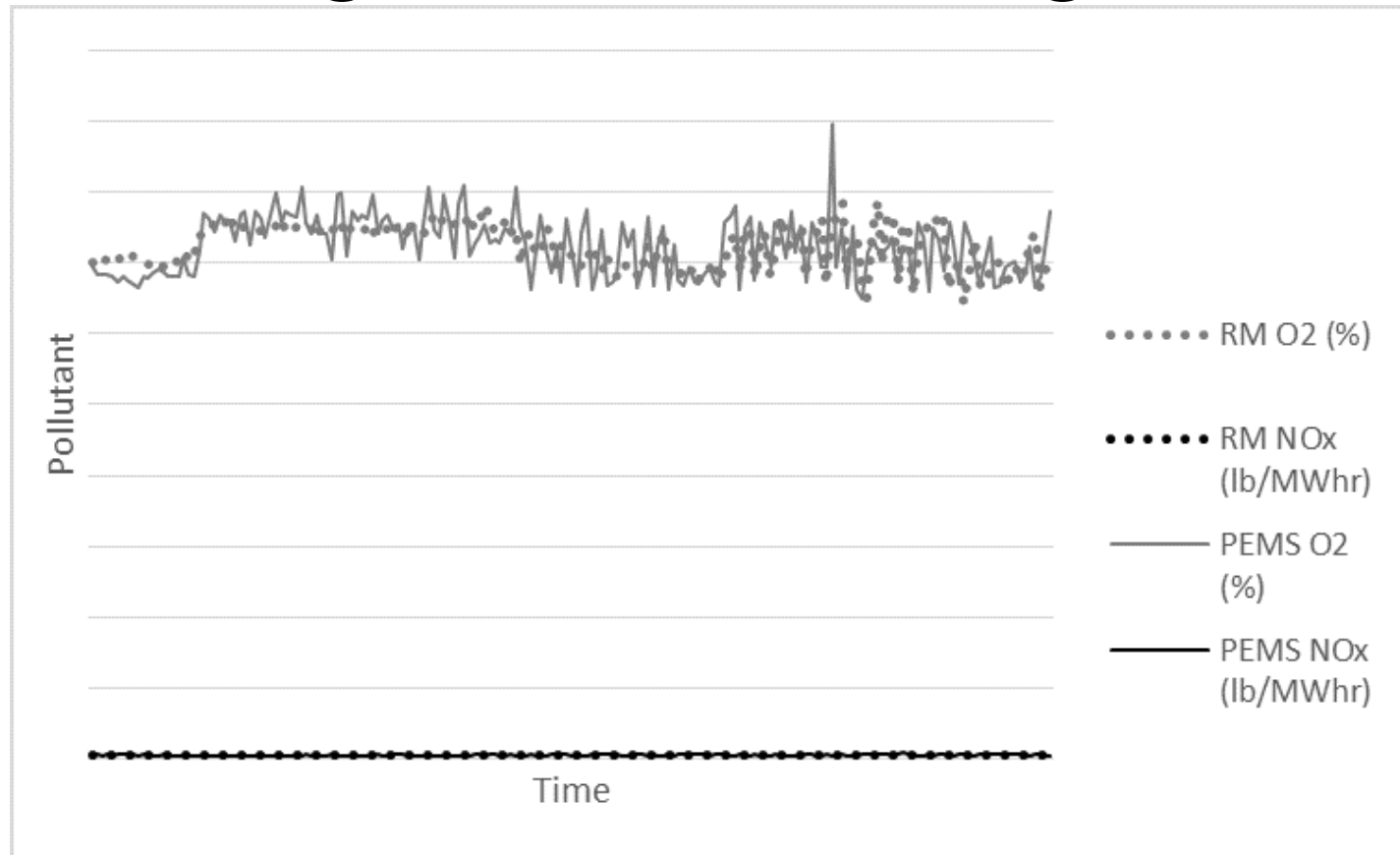


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Mass Emission Rate RATA

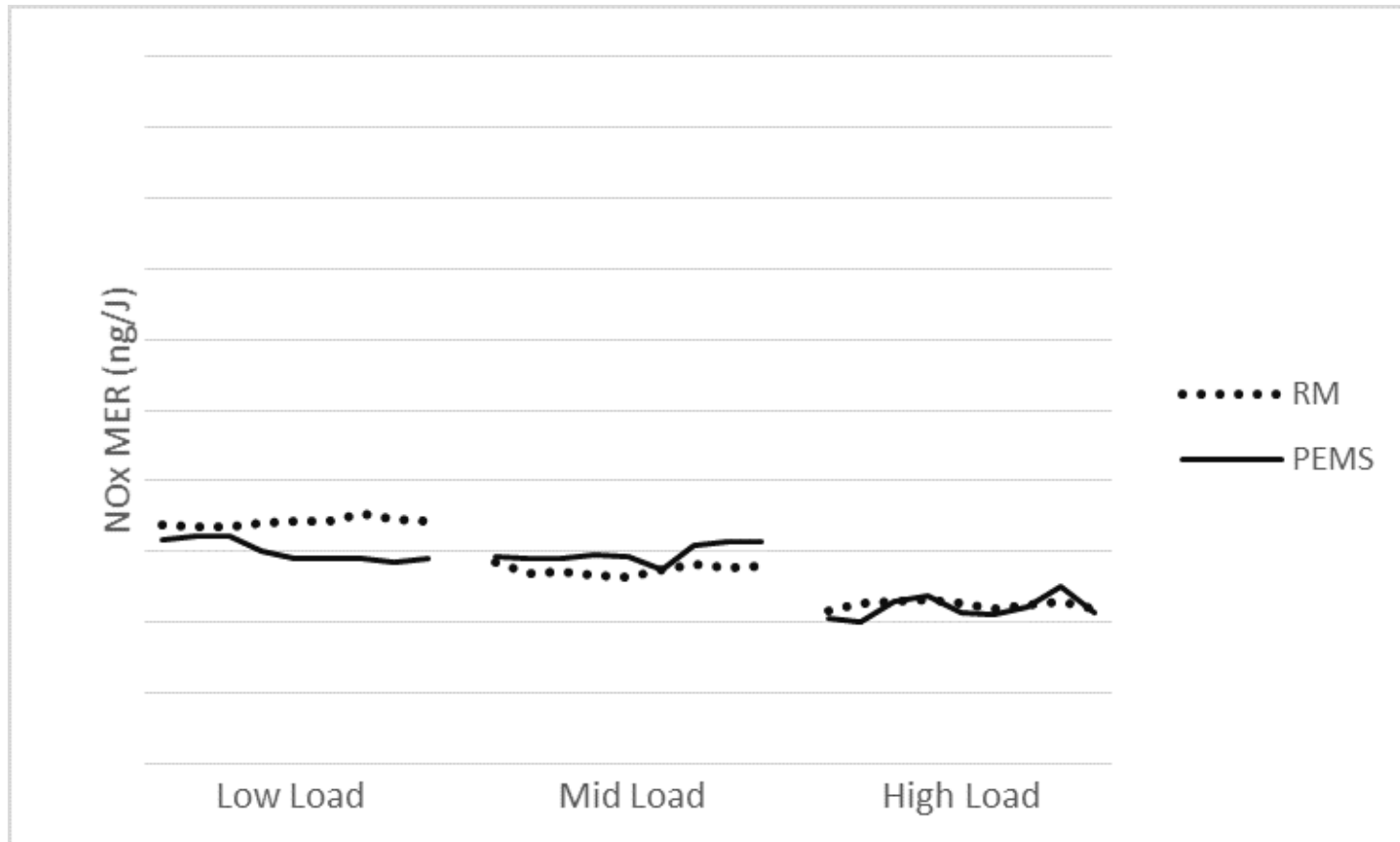


Figure 5: Certification RATA Mass Emission Rates

Relative Accuracy

- Per U.S. EPA Performance Specifications 16 (PS-16), the allowable RA is 10% when over 100 ppmv and 20% when under
- The maximum RA values were 6% and 12% for O₂ and NO_x, respectively, which are within the allowable limits

F-test

- The maximum F-value was 1.973
- The maximum F-value is less than the critical F-value of 3.438 given by PS-16

Correlation Analysis

- Correlation of CEMS and PEMS values were 0.961 in ppmvd (lbs/MW_{hr}), and 0.970 in lb/hr (kg/hr), greater than the required 0.8 correlation

Performance Analysis

- Data availability from the PEMS was greater than the temporary CEMS and exceeded the minimum requirements
- PEMS provides compliance reports to meet the monitoring requirements and online emission data to the operators
- Details and tables of the data are in the paper along with detailed references

Quality Assurance (QA)

- A QA program is developed for the site
 - PS-16 minimum requirements
 - Air permit requirements
 - PEMS provider requirements
- Sensor input validation along with daily zero and span calibrations are automatically performed by the system

Quality Assurance (QA)

- Instruments critical to PEMS model accuracy are checked annually
- Periodic quality control activities are scheduled as required by PS-16
- The PEMS model is updated to respond to process or operational changes



PEMS Periodic Quality Control

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| • Zero and Span checks: | Daily |
| • Direct gas measurement: | Quarterly |
| • Relative Accuracy Test Audit: | Annually |
| • Input failure detection system: | Before RATA |
| • Bias Check: | After RATA |
| • Statistical Analysis: | After RATA |
| • Input failure alarms: | After RATA |

Quality Audits (RAA)

- Portable Analyzer
- Quality control between RATA
- Quarterly first year and annually after



Annual Audits (RATA)

- RATA by third party using reference methods

Instrument QA

| Input | Description | Interval | QC Activity |
|-------|---|----------|-------------------|
| 25 | B-3 (HRSG) Duct Burner Natural Gas | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 35 | Gas Turbine Natural Gas (Retransmitted by GT | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 82 | B-3 (HRSG) Turbine Exhaust Temperature Entering HR | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 30 | B-3 (HRSG) Steam Flow | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 63 | Boiler Feedwater Header Pressure A | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 64 | Boiler Feedwater Header Pressure B | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 22 | APCU Ammonia Flow | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 4 | B-3 (HRSG) Stack O ₂ | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 51 | Deaerator Steam PRV Outlet Pressure | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 62 | Generic Analog Input | Annual | Calibration Check |
| 48 | Steam Main Pressure Transmitter A | Annual | Calibration Check |

Class Model

- A statistical hybrid PEMS model can be applied to similar units and certified for compliance using PS-16 in the U.S.
- A separate PEMS is deployed for each unit to allow for adjustments and fine tuning over time
- Each unit undergoes certification testing and periodic audits

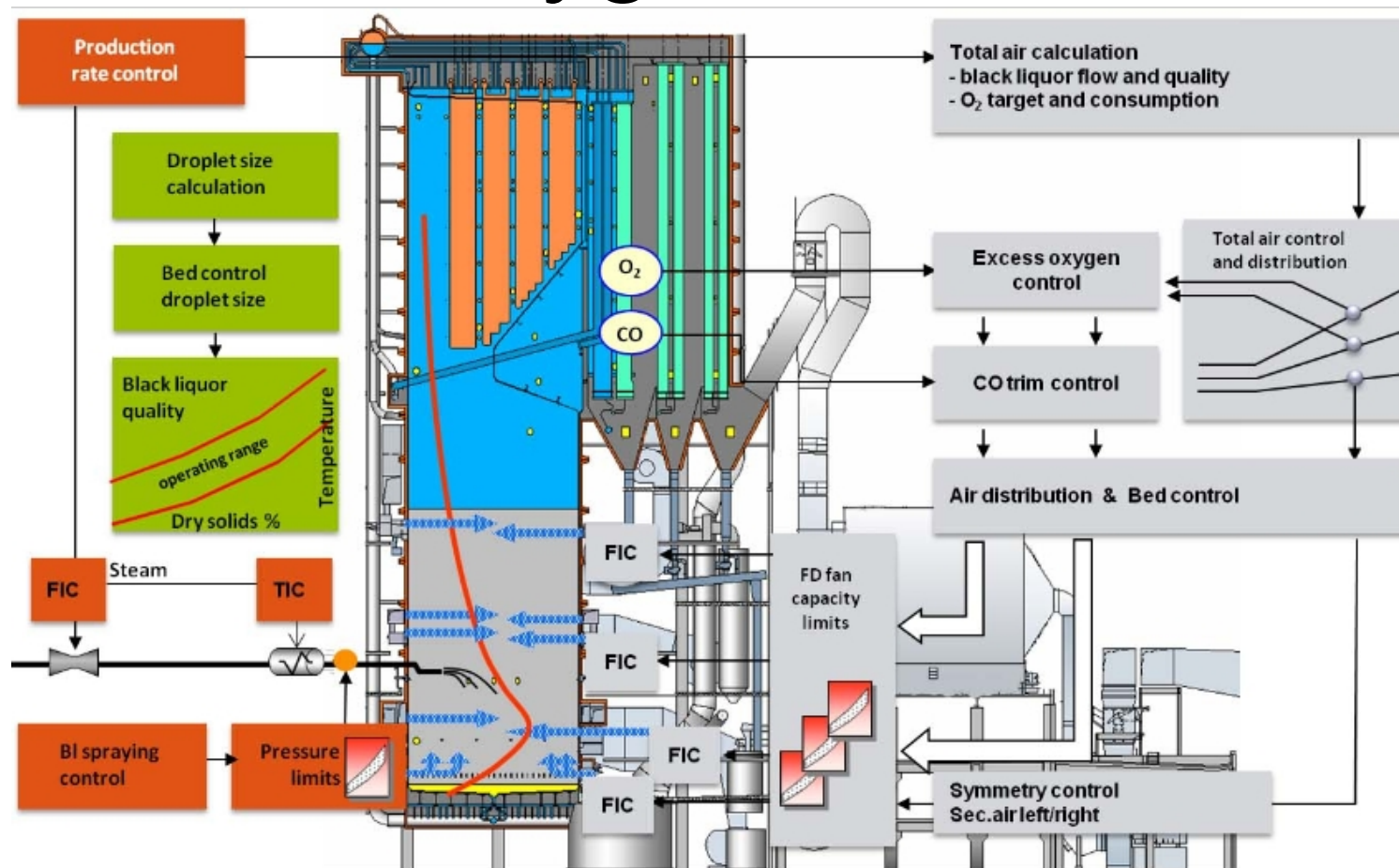
Process Optimization

- SCR injection tuning
- **Secondary air control and oxygen trim**
- Temperature control and calibration
- Predictive Maintenance
- Petroleum Refineries – process analysis
- Difficult to sample applications such as H₂S and SO₂ from NG production units

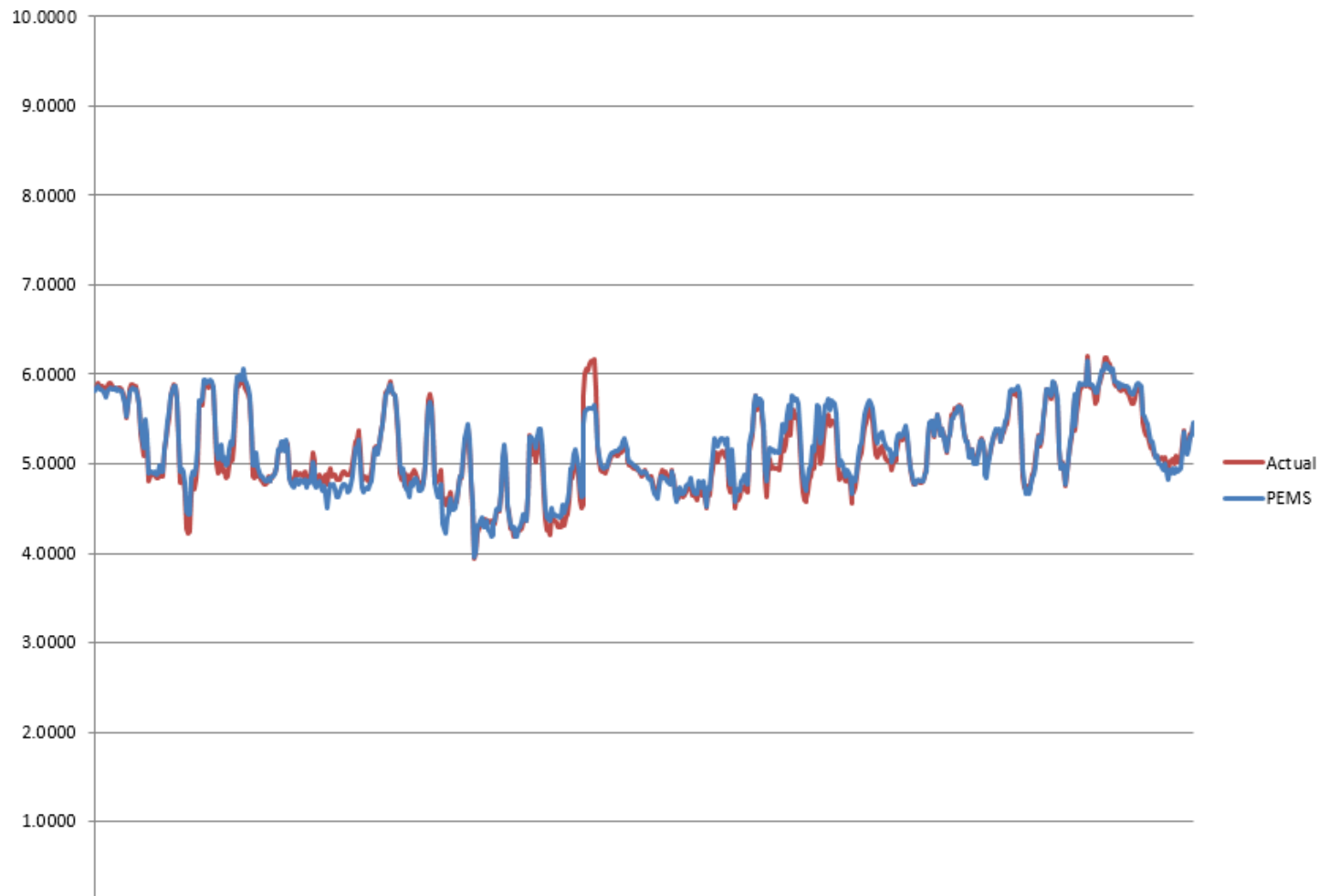
Other Process Applications

- Process Instrument replacement
- Process Instrument backup
- Preventive and Predictive Maintenance
- Process Optimization using class model
- Process Efficiency – unit by unit online
- Process Control tuning and validation
- Backup on Safety Devices

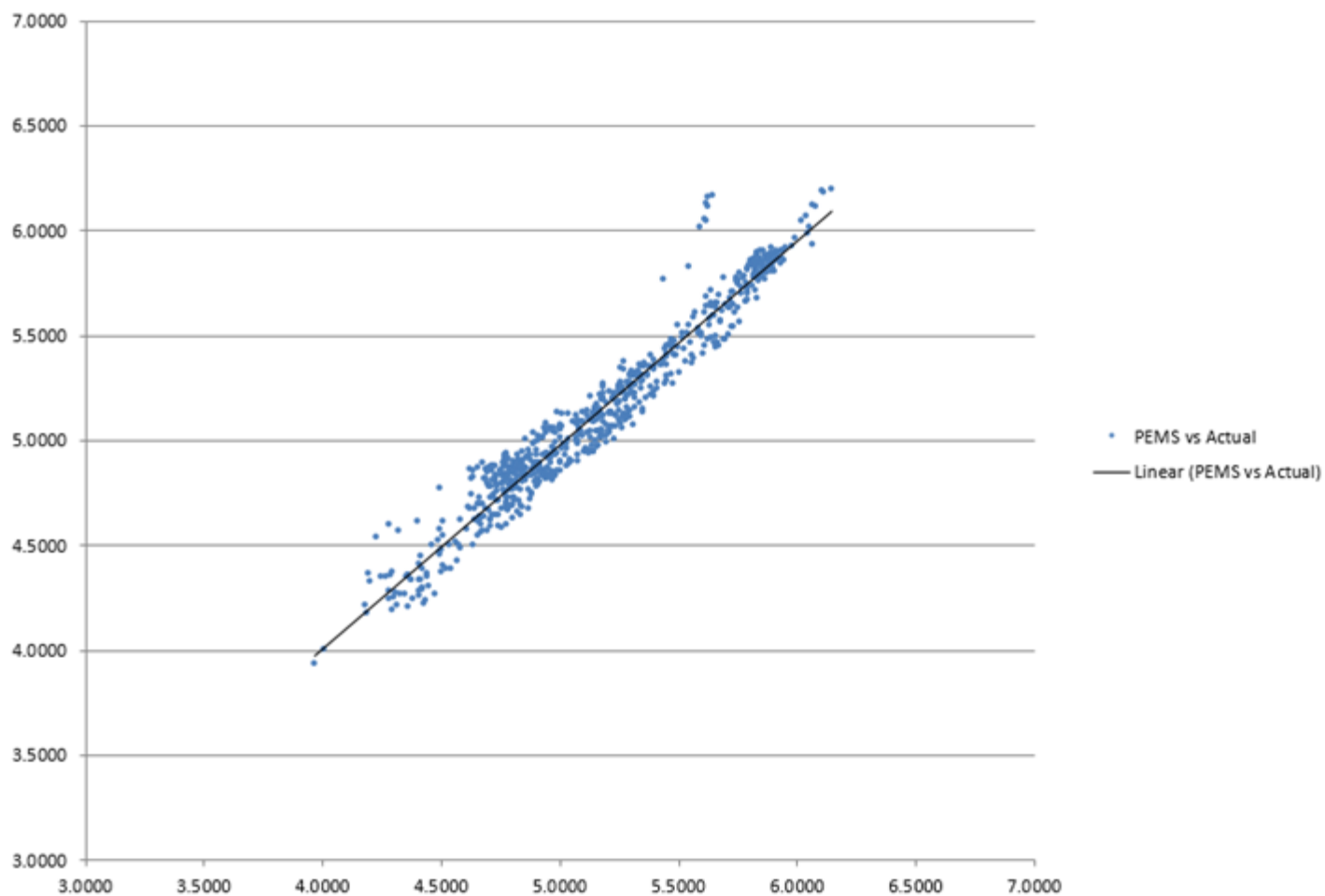
Oxygen Trim



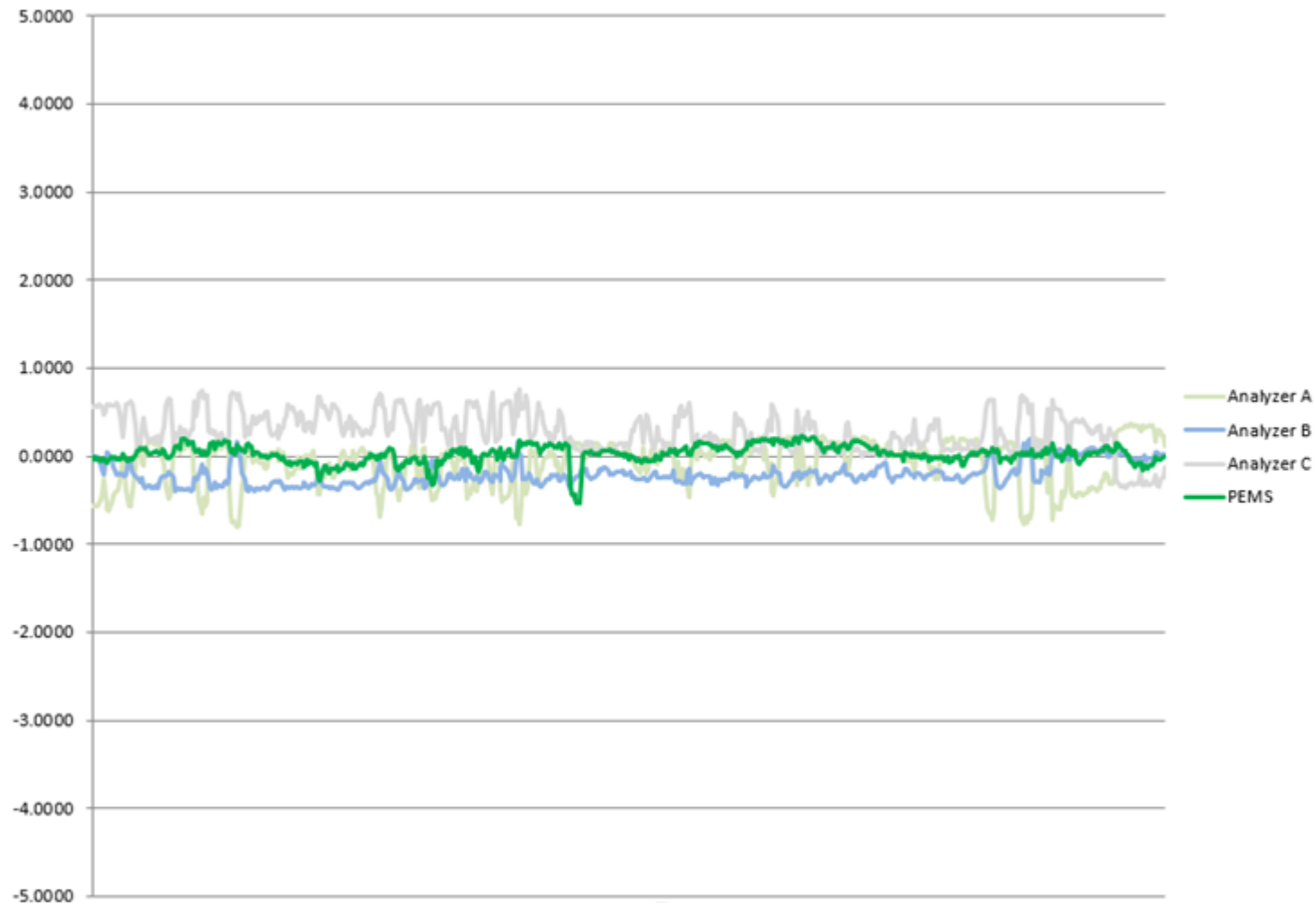
Boiler Oxygen trim and control



PEMS vs Actual



Boiler Oxygen trim and control



Concluding Remarks

- A PEMS model can achieve accuracy comparable to a CEMS unit
- A statistical hybrid PEMS can be used as an alternative to CEMS under 40 CFR Part 60, PS-16 for the small gas turbine combined cycle application
- A class model can be developed that can be used for predictive maintenance and optimization