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RISK SCREENING WORKSHEET UPDATE

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OVERVIEW

- General Risk Screening Worksheet (RSW)
- Natural Gas Risk Combustion Risk Screening Worksheet (NG-RSW) Evaluation
- NG Combustion RSW for Engines

DRAFT GENERAL RSW

- Revised General RSW was issued for public comment on May 7, 2019
 - ☐ Comments due by June 10, 2019
 - ☐ Fact Sheet describes all proposed changes
 - □ https://www.state.nj.us/dep/aqpp/archived/rsworksheet.html
- Methodology for risk determination
 - ☐ Based on recently issued Technical Manuals 1002 and 1003
 - ☐ Updated air quality model (AERMOD)
 - Updated meteorological data
 - Updated toxicology factors

DRAFT GENERAL RSW

- Revisions made
 - ☐ Minimum stack height raised from 10 to 15 feet
 - □ Sulfuryl fluoride, carbonyl sulfide, and 1-bromopropane (n-propyl bromide) have been added to the Worksheet
- ☐ Draft RSW output is more protective of public health than current RSW
 - ☐ Two to four times higher risks
 - Resulting from updated meteorological data and AERMOD program
 - □ Updated toxicity values

RISK SCREENING WORKSHEET NATURAL GAS COMBUSTION

Development began

- 1) To address additional contaminants subject to risk assessments
 - Reporting thresholds lowered for HAPs which are emitted during natural gas combustion
 - ☐ Formaldehyde
 - □Prior RT 400 lb/yr
 - □Current RT 3.5 lb/yr
 - Acrolein
 - ☐ Prior RT 8 lb/yr
 - ☐ Current RT 1 lb/yr

RISK SCREENING WORKSHEET NATURAL GAS COMBUSTION

Development began

- 2) Proposed General RSW is more protective than existing General RSW (approximately two to four times higher risks)
- 3) Natural Gas units that would have passed risk with the prior reporting thresholds and existing RSW may now have to undergo a refined risk assessment

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR NATURAL GAS RSW

Reviewed all current data and permitting information on natural gas units

- Modeling studies and risk assessments
- ☐ General Permits/General Operating Permits (GP/GOP) developed and issued
- □Permit applications which had to conduct a refined modeling analysis
- □Determine what type(s) of combustion equipment (boilers, turbines, engines) to focus efforts on

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR NATURAL GAS RSW

- Evaluated Preconstruction Permits which had natural gas combustion (not including General Permits)
 - □ 550 Natural Gas Boilers
 - 10 Combustion Turbines
 - ☐ 40 Emergency Generators
 - ☐ 72 Stationary Reciprocating Engines (several have digester gas as primary fuel)
 - ☐ 16 Process heaters
 - □ 174 Other (ovens, food fryers, melters)

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR NATURAL GAS RSW - BOILERS

Air Quality Modeling was done for the proposed GP-009B and GOP-009, for Natural Gas Boilers

- ☐ Modeling showed negligible risks for natural gas combustion
 - □Up to 840 million BTU per year of natural gas combustion (Equivalent of two 50 MMBTU/hr boilers operating continuously)
 - □ For natural gas boilers with a capacity ranging 10 50 million BTU/hr
 - ☐ Minimum stack height 20 feet
- ☐ Concluded that majority of NG Boilers would qualify and RSW for NG Boilers not needed

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR NATURAL GAS RSW -TURBINES

- ■Only one GP/GOP CHP has been filed
 - ☐ Single or multiple units
 - ☐ Cumulative heat input rate <= 65 MMBTU/hr
- Currently three NG turbine applications undergoing refined modeling and risk assessment
 - ☐ Three 22.5 MW Simple Cycles Turbines and Two 22.5 MW Combined Cycle Turbines
 - ☐ 700 MW Combined Cycles Turbine
 - ☐ Two 386 MW Combined Cycle Turbines

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR NATURAL GAS RSW -TURBINES

- Decision made not to develop RWS for NG turbines
 - ☐ Minimal number of installations
 - ☐ Turbines tend to be installed at larger facilities which would be required to conduct refined modeling
 - □Concluded that very few NG turbines have capacities which could meet the limitations of a RSW

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR NATURAL GAS RSW - ENGINES

- ☐ RSW is being developed for NG Engines
 - Vary in sizes
 - Many installations
- RSW variables being evaluated for NG Engines
 - Stack heights
 - Distances to the property line
 - Discharge temperature
 - ☐ Stack flowrate/exit velocity

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR NATURAL GAS RSW SUMMARY

- □ NG Boilers No RSW Most can obtain GP/GOP
- NG Turbines No RSW Not many in number and are located at larger facilities
- □ NG Engines RSW

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