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## Commonwealth of Virginia

Registration No: 60979 AFS Plant ID: 700-00071  
Plant Name: Kinder Morgan Energy Partners - Classification: Synthetic minor  
Pier IX  
Region: TRO  
Location Address: 21st and Terminal Avenue

**AIR INSPECTION REPORT**

Inspection Date: 08/13/01 Contact Name: Robert Coffey  
Level: 2 Contact Phone No: (757) 928-1520  
Inspector: Daniel B Gaidos Air Program Subpart  
Inspection Result: In Compliance SIP  
Reason:  
Conduct CMS Inspection ( $\geq$  level 2)

**\*\*Additional Information is Attached\*\*****Inspector Comments:**

Kinder Morgan Pier IX terminal has a November 1987 permit to operate a coal storage and export facility, and an August 1995 permit to operate a cement unloading, storage, and truck and railcar load out facility. Coal at this facility is received by railcar and is removed within an enclosed rotary railcar dumper. Numerous nozzles located on a single header that runs the length of the dumping area supply water to the coal as it is being dumped to control fugitive dust emissions. A small amount of surfactant is sometimes added per tandem dump to increase the effectiveness of the wet suppression system. A computer controls the coal transport system, but can be manually overridden if needed. The source indicated that 135 gallons of water is used for each railcar that is unloaded. During the inspection, the rail car dumper was in operation and no fugitive emissions were detected. After removal from the railcar, the coal is transported by a shielded conveyor belt, at a maximum rate of 1000 ft/min, up to the gantry and is dispersed into the storage piles by a retractable chute. This system can stack the coal into piles at a rate of 4800 tons per hour. The piles are compacted and truncated to reduce fugitive emissions by the use of a bulldozer. The coal is transported from the piles to cargo ships on shielded conveyor belts. Underneath the coal piles are hoppers covered by hatches that open, allowing the coal to drop onto a conveyor belt. From there, the coal travels to the ship. Portions of the unshielded conveyor belt are equipped with a sprinkler system, which is manually activated when necessary to reduce fugitive coal dust.

The source uses an automated wet suppression system that is based on the K-Factor system. The system takes into consideration weather conditions, such as temperature, relative humidity, wind speed, and wind direction. Based on the hourly readings of these parameters, the computer determines how often the rain birds must cycle. The yard is divided into four quadrants. During a wetting cycle, water is applied to each quadrant for six minutes at a rate of 1000 gallons per minute. The source estimates that approximately 24,000 gallons of water actually reaches the coal piles, which satisfies the permit condition. In addition, there are 22 rain birds located around the perimeter of the coal piles that are manually turned on when necessary and a water truck to supply water to areas where the rain birds cannot adequately reach. A printout of the K-Factor report for the last week was provided by the source as well as the results displayed on the computer. DEQ staff observed a cycle during the inspection and did not detect a problem with the system.

The source also receives cement from ships. The cement travels on a covered conveyor belt to a bucket elevator which deposits it into three storage silos. Silos 1 and 3 have a rated capacity of 11,800 tons and Silo 2 has a rated capacity of 12,500 tons. All the silos appeared to be structurally sound. From the silos the cement is gravity fed into trucks or is pumped underground to the railcar load out and loaded into railcars. The cement load out area was not in operation during the inspection. Fugitive emissions from the entire cement operation are controlled by a total of eight baghouses; five for the silo filling and offloading, one for the truck load out, and two for the railcar load out. During the

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08-08-95	3	The annual throughput of cement shall not exceed 500,000 tons, calculated as the sum of each consecutive 12 month period.	The source reported a throughput of 307,816 tons of cement for the past 12 months.	In
01-07-88	4	The yearly throughput of coal shall not exceed $30 \times 10^6$ tons.	Records from the source indicated the throughput of coal for the past 12 months was 5,441,955 tons.	In
01-07-88	5	The maximum quantity of coal in storage at any time shall not exceed $1.0 \times 10^6$ tons.	The source reported the maximum quantity of coal in storage at one time to be 405,000 tons.	In
08-08-95	6	Fugitive particulate emissions from each truck loadout system shall be controlled by automatically maintaining negative pressure in the retractable chute for not less than 15 seconds after truck loading is complete.	The truck load out system was not in operation during the inspection.	In
01-07-88	6	Fugitive coal dust emissions from the storage piles shall be controlled by a permanent wet suppression system capable of wetting the entire coal storage area.	The source maintains a rainbird system which uses wet suppression to control fugitive emissions from the storage piles.	In
08-08-95	7	Fugitive particulate emissions from truck traffic shall be controlled by industrial vacuum cleaners or by wet suppression.	Fugitive dust emissions on the truck traffic roads was minimal.	In
01-07-88	7	Coal dust emissions from the rotary dumper and transfer points shall be controlled by wet suppression which shall include the use of a surfactant.	The emissions from the rotary dumper and transfer points are controlled by wet suppression combined with a surfactant.	In
08-08-95	9	Visible emissions from any baghouse exhaust or vent filter shall not exceed five percent opacity as determined by EPA Method 9.	No visible emissions were detected from the baghouses from the cement operation during the inspection.	In
01-07-88	9	Opacity at all emission points shall be limited to less than 5 percent.	No visible emissions were detected during the inspection.	In





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01-07-88	11	Each spray cycle shall attain 100 percent coverage of the coal storage area and shall consist of at least 20,000 gallons of water, except for assurance cycles.	The source indicated that each spray cycle uses 24,000 gallons of water.	In
01-07-88	12	Whenever Pier IX Terminal Company is using a particular piece of coal handling equipment (e.g., a dumper, a conveyor, etc.), it shall utilize the wet suppression controls for that piece of equipment unless the use of the equipment would cause a safety hazard or damage to the equipment from freezing.	No visible emissions were detected from the operation of coal handling equipment.	In



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01-07-88	16	All coal storage piles shall be truncated and compacted so as to minimize fugitive coal dust emissions.	The coal storage piles were truncated and no visible emissions were detected during the inspection.	In



Baghouse Location	Status / Differential Pressure	Opacity
Ship unloader to conveyor #1	6.1 “ of water	0%
Conveyor #1 to conveyor #2	3 “ of water	0%
Silos #1&2 and conveyor #2 to bucket elevator	2.4 “ of water	0%
Bucket elevator to aerated bottom distribution box	1 “ of water	0%
Distribution box to silos #1, 2&3 through air slides	3 “ of water	0%
Silo #1,2&3 (through airslide) to truck loading spout	5 “ of water	0%
Silo #3 to alleviator through air slide and pipeline	Not in operation	NA
Cement truck loadout #1	Not in operation	NA
Cement truck loadout #2	Not in operation	NA

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Baghouse Location Status / Differential Opacity

Pressure

Ship unloader to conveyor #1 6.1 " of water 0%

Conveyor #1 to conveyor #2 3 " of water 0%

Silos # 1 &2 and conveyor #2 to bucket 2.4 " of water 0%  
elevator

Bucket elevator to aerated bottom I " of water 0%

distn'bution box

Distribution box to silos #1, 2&3 through air 3 " of water 0%

slides

Silo #1,2&3 (through airslide) to truck 5 " of water 0%

loading spout

Silo #3 to alleviator through air slide and Not in operation NA

-pipeline

Cement truck loadout #1 Not in operation NA

Cement truck loadout #2 Not in operation NA