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Vale / Mammoth Diesel Particulate Filter Evaluation Project: Preliminary Findings

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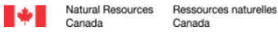
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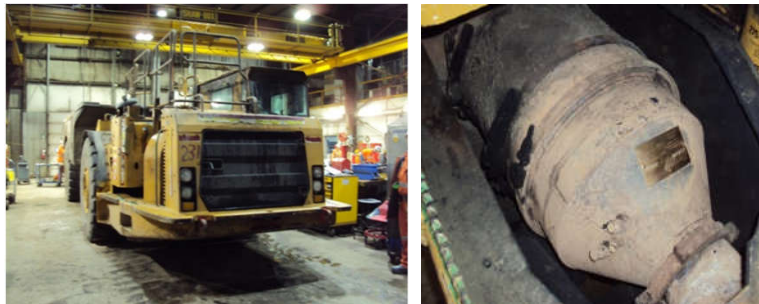
Introduction

- Vale is trialling a passive regeneration-type diesel particulate filter (DPF) manufactured by Mammoth equipment on a Caterpillar AD30 haulage truck #231.
- CanmetMINING was contracted to provide an independent assessment of the in-use performance of the DPF.
 - Surface workshop test – ECOM gas analyzer and smoke dot test.
 - Underground in-use test – SEMTECH PEMS gas analyzer.



Vehicle and DPF System

- Test vehicle: Caterpillar AD30 Unit #231
- DPF: Mammoth DPF System #78183



Workshop Steady-State Tests

- CanmetMINING performed a series of steady-state emissions tests using an ECOM EN portable gas analyzer.
- These tests are similar to Vale's internal test program.



TEST	DATE	TIME	TEST #	TEST #	CO		NOx		PM		HC		O2	
					ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm
TEST 1	18-Apr	12:00			884	793	197	27	511	529	16	21	527	550
TEST 2	18-Apr	12:00			879	763	188	18	535	570	18	13	528	559
TEST 3	17-Apr	12:00	54		815	799	223	61	540	596	14	5	558	517
TEST 4	20-May	12:00	142		854	950	209	28	464	496	13	8	477	504
TEST 5	20-May	12:41	205		787	690	258	22	408	440	29	7	437	453
TEST 6	18-Apr	12:48	208		849	798	198	24	517	513	11	11	558	525
TEST 7	18-Apr	12:51	307		838	790	285	30	509	527	9	5	538	512
TEST 8 - PANDA #1000000	6-Jul	12:00	419		808	655	283	20	380	407	14	18	397	407
TEST 9	6-Jul	12:00	488.2		832	700	409	35	457	503	22	3	480	500
TEST 10	18-Jul	12:00	485		826	745	367	33	560	595	4	5	564	595
TEST 11	18-Aug	12:11	545		878	815	358	41	532	495	10	6	542	411
TEST 12	19-Oct	12:03	607		832	672	275	24	482	504	29	11	511	511
TEST 13	7-Nov	12:15	805.2		927	722	335	24	487	470	20	7	487	483
AVERAGE					854.87	712.44	232.48	46.26	487.00	517.94	18.48	6.12	483.00	501.94

Steady-State Test Results

- Gases and Smoke

ECOM Emissions Test Data						
	Stall		Low Idle		High Idle	
Gas	Before DPF	After DPF	Before DPF	After DPF	Before DPF	After DPF
CO	235	27	65	38	243	96
NO	471	476	272	310	401	434
NO ₂	21	27	37	10	61	19
NO _x	492	503	309	320	462	453
Smoke	9	3				

Pre-DPF (engine out) and post-DPF (tailpipe) smoke, CO, NO, and NO₂ concentrations are very close to the average values measured by Vale's program. There is a discrepancy in the post-DPF NO₂ concentrations. NO₂ is very sensitive to water so it is suggested that the Vale ECOM be checked for adequate water removal.

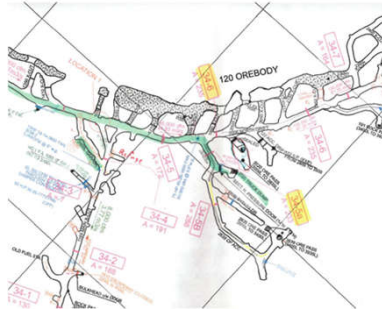
Underground In-Use Tests

- Installed the SEMTECH on-board emissions analyzer on the truck deck. Connected to the engine ECU datalink.
- Emissions measured pre- and post-DPF during normal haul operations. Gases and particulate mass (DPM) emissions.

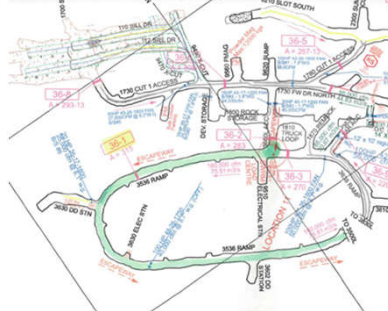


Haul Cycle

- The truck was side-loaded by LHD on 3650 level and then hauled up to the 2020 ore pass on 3400 level.
- Our station was in 3400 shop where we checked filters and sample probes.



3400 Level (2020 Ore Pass)



3650 Level Loading

Sampling

- The vehicle completed eight haul cycles over two days where emissions were monitored.
- Samples were taken for gases and DPM pre- and post-DPF simultaneously.

	Run Number	Elapsed Time (min)	Sampling Locations		
			Gas Probe	DPM Probe	DPM Filter
Day 2	1	48	Pre DPF	Post DPF	EC/OC1
	2	40	Post DPF	Pre DPF	VM-07
	3	35	Pre DPF	Post DPF	VM-08
Day 3	4	35	Post DPF	Pre DPF	EC/OC2
	5	41	Pre DPF	Post DPF	EC/OC3
	6	38	Post DPF	Pre DPF	VM-06
	7	34	Pre DPF	Post DPF	VM-04
	8	39	Post DPF	Pre DPF	EC/OC4

Underground Test Results

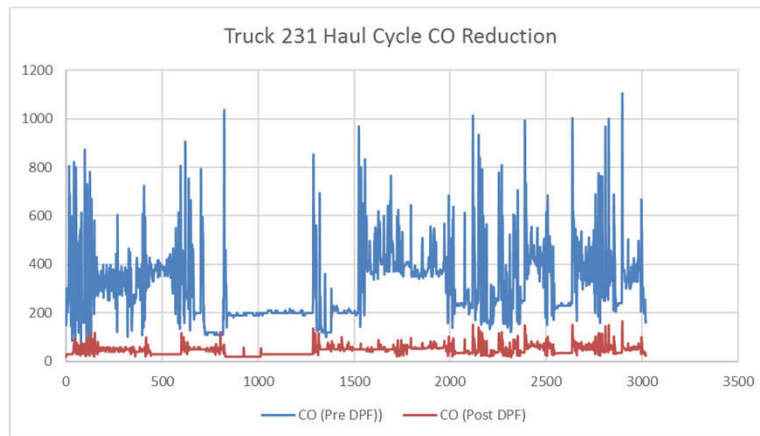
- Diesel Particulate Matter (DPM filtration)

Gravimetric DPM Samples (1.7 L/m sample flow)						
Filter	Location	Mass (mg)	Time (min)	Volume (m ³)	DPM (mg/m ³)	Reduction (%)
VM-07	Pre DPF	5.017	40	0.0680	73.8	N/A
VM-08	Post DPF	0.023	35	0.0595	0.4	99.5
VM-06	Pre DPF	4.064	38	0.0646	62.9	N/A
VM-04	Post DPF	0.052	34	0.0578	0.9	98.6

Filter	Location	Organic Carbon (mg/m ³)	Elemental Carbon (mg/m ³)	Total Carbon (mg/m ³)	Reduction (%)
EC/OC1	Post DPF	0.175	0.025	0.200	N/A
EC/OC2	Pre DPF	17.209	28.298	45.507	99.6
EC/OC3	Post DPF	0.085	0.098	0.183	N/A
EC/OC4	Pre DPF	14.560	25.396	39.955	99.3

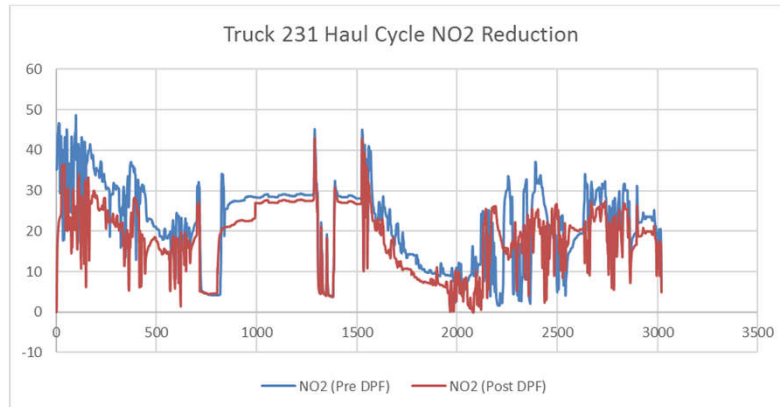
Underground Test Results

- Carbon Monoxide (catalyst performance)



Underground Test Results

- Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂ catalyst performance)



Conclusions

- The stationary workshop tests conducted by CANMET are consistent with Vale's own internal data.
- The Mammoth DPF can achieve its claimed performance in-service by reducing the mass of particulate emissions by 98-99% without an increase in NO₂ emissions.
- In fact NO₂ emissions were reduced by 17% and CO emissions were reduced by 85% over the haulage cycle.
- The DPF system performance is consistent with other advanced catalyst systems known to CANMET.

Recommendations

- This study was limited in scope and did not examine any effects on DPM particle size or unregulated emissions.
- The long-term durability of some advanced catalysts is unknown so it is recommended that Vale continue to monitor the emissions performance using their internal system.
- Some of the Vale internal NO₂ gas data was reading lower than CANMET's. Process and equipment calibration should be reviewed.

Questions?