Achieving lower Particle Matter (PM) emissions and Hazardous Air Pollution (HAP) standards in a one-step Filtration Process

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Who is Clear Edge?

A global market & technology leader in industrial process filtration

- Over a 100 years of history as a leading filtration player
- The Company designs, develops and manufactures a broad portfolio of filtration products for a wide variety of industries (e.g. mining and minerals, chemical processing, waste water treatment, food & beverage processing)
- Clear Edge has leading market positions across the globe (#1 in the US, Europe and Australia), particularly for woven filter belt, filter cloth & hot gas filtration products.
- Global footprint with 1000 employees, 11 production sites and 3 R&D/technical centers in 9 countries.
- Technology leader driven by unique R&D capabilities.
- Clear Edge employs many scientists and application engineers, owns 150 patents and spends 3% of sales on R&D/ year
- Part of the Filtration Group, a US private company with over $700MM in turnover
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- Benefits of high temp/hot gas filtration
- Cerafil™ – what is it, features, benefits, duty
- Catalytic filtration technology
- Filter plant configuration & lay out
- Application
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- Equipment train
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Benefits of high temperature/hot gas filtration

- Move away from temperature limitations of fabric bags
- Reduced requirement for dilution = smaller plant
- Avoid acid and water dew-points = minimise plant corrosion
- Effective acid gas scrubbing
- Maintain gas temperature for optimal DeNOx, SOx, Rox, Dioxin, VOC, (heavy) metals capture, etc.
- Potential for heat recovery from clean gas
- Increased stack buoyancy
**Cerafil™ - filters characteristics**

- Rigid candles which are employed like fabric bags in filter plants
- Capable of operating at elevated temperature
- Applied to “hot” processes where clean off gas is required
- On the market since the late 1980’s
- Over 250 references worldwide
Cerafil™ - filter properties

- Ceramic or mineral fibre composition
- Rigid
- Highly porous structure
- One piece construction
- Self supporting
Cerafil™ - filter benefits

- **High efficiency**
  - Less than 2 mg/m$^3$ emissions (0.001 grains/dscf)
  - Handles sub-micron particles

- **High temperature capability**
  - Temperature resistant up to 900°C (1,650°F)

- **Corrosion resistant**
  - Almost chemically inert

- **Works well in conjunction with a dry scrubbing agent**

- **Range of products and sizes**
  - Alumina-silicate, mineral fibre and catalytic products
  - Up to 3m (10ft) long by 150mm (6”) diameter

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Cerafil™ - filter duties

- Air pollution control (APC)
- Product recovery
- Product collection

Driven by:

- Tighten Environmental legislation
  - PM and HAPs

Where can it be used:

- A new filter plant installation
- A bag filter retrofit
- A ElectroStatic Precipitator (ESP) retrofit
Cerafil™ products available

- **Cerafil XS** – developed in the 1990s
  - Market leading ceramic element
  - 200+ successful references spanning 15 years

- **Cerafil GR (Green)** – developed in early 2000s
  - Manufactured from bio-soluble fibres
  - Excellent strength + performance

- **Cerafil TopKat (TK)** - developed mid 2000s
  - Combined particulate, dioxin and NOx control
  - The new solution for stringent emissions legislation
Filtration mechanism

- High filtration efficiency
- Negligible depth penetration
- Can handle variable conditions
- Potential for long life

### Efficiency testing to VDI 3926

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Catalytic filter technology
Cerafil TopKat™

Cerafil XS

SCR

CERAFLIL TopKat
Combination of two well established and effective technologies
Catalyst distribution

Nano sized catalyst particles promote access to active surfaces

Catalyst distributed throughout element wall

Residence time and efficiency maximised
Catalytic element performance

Mixed pollutants to treat:
- Dust
- HCl
- SOx
- NOx
- dioxin

- < 2mg/m³ dust
- c. 95% HCl removal
- c. 80% SO₂ removal
- up to 90% NOx removal
- > 99% dioxin removal

Injection of NaHCO₃ + NH₃ + support air
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Filter plant configuration

Manifold

Elements

Gas inlet

Plenum

Gas outlet

Jet tubes

Dust outlet /valve
Filter plant - tube sheet layout
Element clamping & cleaning

Tube sheet, seals and filter elements

Top views of reverse pulse system
Applications, such as

- Cement production
- Chemicals manufacture
- Diesel Engines
- Gasification processes
- Glass furnaces
- Metal smelting
- Mineral processing
- Sewage sludge incineration
- Waste incineration
- Power plants & Boilers

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Clinical waste incineration, UK

Key facts

- Installed 2006
- 270 TK 1000 filter elements
- Average Temp 340°F (170°C)
- Dioxin removal efficiency 99.2%
- Dust removal efficiency 99.9%

Pilot plant trial and scaled up after one year
Case study - Platinum smelting, South Africa

Key facts

- Installed 1998
- 10,368 GR 1250 filter elements
- Average Temp 482°F (250°C)
- Filter Area 25,683ft² (2,385m²)
- Pressure Drop 8.8” (225mm) WG

Still in operation and working successfully
Case Study – Waste Incinerator - Japan

Key facts

- Installed 2002
- 324 XS 3000 filter elements
- Mixed feed waste - burns plastic, wood, plasterboard, paper
- Average Temp 374°F (190°C)
- Gas Flow 19,122acfm (32,410 Am³/h)
- Pressure Drop 8.8” (225mm) WG
- PM <2.5mg/Nm³

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Case Study – Waste Incinerator - Japan

Key facts

- Installed 2002
- 524 XS 3000 filter elements
- Average Temp 446°F (230°C)
- 2007 started clinical waste incineration
- 2008 – introduced 524 TK -3000
- Dioxin emissions <0.026ng-TEG/g achieved

*Replaced elements - during switch over to TopKat in 2008*
Case Study – Alumina – Australia

Key facts

- Installed 2005
- 2520 GR 3000 filter elements
- Duty – product & process recovery
- Average Temp 410°F (210°C)
- Filter area 37,975ft² (3,525m²)
- PM < 2 mg/Nm³
- Gas Flow 79,650 acfm (135,000 Am³/h)

Average life of filter elements 5-6 yrs.
Case study - Asphalt reclamation, The Netherlands

Key facts

- Installed 2006
- 2640 XS 3000 filter elements
- Average Temp 572°F (300°C)
- Filter Area 39,784ft² (3696m²)
- Gas Flow 174,640 acfm (296,000 Am³/h)
- Face velocity 0.022m/s

First replacement of filter elements
2013/14
Case study - Glass Furnace, Spain

Key facts

- Installed 2009
- 1900TK 3000 elements
- Average Temp 662°F (350°C)
- Gas Flow 77,290 acfm (131,000 Am³/h)
- Face velocity 0.014m/s

After 3.5 yrs. of operation PM, HAP control still performing at 95% level

No replacement of elements to date
Case Study - Waste to Energy (WtE), Power Plant 2010

- 4,000 XS x 2,250mm long
- Newly developed advanced Waste to Energy (WtE) technology at the Lahti Energia, Kymijärvi II plant in Finland.
- First in the world to be fueled by clean gas produced from Solid Recovered Fuel (SRF).
- SRF fuel is fed into the gasification reactor where it is surrounded by a hot sand fluidised bed at circa 900°C. The bed material and unreacted fuel is recycled back to the gasifier via a recycling cyclone.
- The gas is then cooled to approximately 450°C where the impurities in the fuel turn into solid state ash suspended in the gas stream.
- SRF feed rate - 360 cm³/h (250,000 t/pa)
- Boiler steam temp - 540° C & pressure - 121 bars
Case study - Ceramics Kilns & Glass Furnaces, USA

Key facts

- Installations 2011 & 2012
- 2500 TK 3000 elements (+/-500 depending on plant size)
- Average Temp 685°F (363°C)
- Gas Flow 150,000 - 200,000 acfm
- PM < 5 mg/Nm3 at outlet
- SO2, up to 90% removal (if project requires)
- NOx, up to 90% destruction (if project requires)
Equipment train options for particulate, SOx & NOx

ESP Based

SO\textsubscript{2} treatment with CaOH\textsubscript{2} → 2 or 3 field ESP → SCR

Sorbent injection

NH\textsubscript{3} injection

TopKat Based

→ TK filter

Sorbent injection

NH\textsubscript{3} injection

Fabric Filter Based

→ Fabric filter → Gas reheat → SCR

Sorbent injection

NH\textsubscript{3} injection

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NH\textsubscript{3} injection
Conclusions

- Lower PM, HAPs control in a one-step process
- Reduced total costs of ownership
- Lower Capex, Opex & Energy cost
- Future proof technology
  - Compliance with legislation limits
- Scalable technology to suit your process needs
Thank you

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Further reading – Filtration News article – August 2013