

Chemours Update – Division of Air Quality North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality March 12, 2020



Air Related Information

- <u>https://deq.nc.gov/news/key-issues/genx-investigation</u>
 - Consent order
 - Links to Air Permit
 - Links to all air emissions testing performed



DAQ Required Air Emissions Testing

- <u>Air Emissions Testing or "Stack Testing"</u> Target compound C₃ Dimer Acid (GenX) Week of:
 - 1/8/18 PPA & Vinyl Ethers (VE) North
 - 1/22/18 PPA & VE North
 - 2/26/18 PPA & VE South
 - 3/19/18 VE North, Polymers, Semiworks
 - 4/3/18 VE South & VE North for HFPO
 - 4/23/18 VE North HFPO
 - 5/14/18 Polymers for E1
 - 6/11/18 PPA & VE North Carbon bed
 - 7/16/18 PPA scrubber efficiency
 - VE North carbon bed & Scrubber
 - 7/23/18 PPA scrubber & carbon bed efficiency
 - 8/20/18 VE South & VE North
 - 11/12/18 VE North
 - 12/3/18 VE North
 - 1/7/19 VE South, PPA & Semiworks
 - 1/14/19 Polymers, VE North & Semiworks
 - 1/21/19 Polymers
 - 1/28/19 Semiworks
 - 4/14/19 VEN & PPA Scubber, Stack, Carbon Bed
 - 4/30/19 PPA Scubber, Stack, Carbon Bed
 - 5/22/19 VES
 - 6/10/19 Inlet control device testing VEN, PPA,
 - July 2019 Carbon Bed Efficiency
 - September 2019 Carbon Bed Efficiency



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- **Control Technology Improvements:** All emissions from Vinyl Ethers North are routed through the Division Waste Gas Scrubber, then the Second Phase Scrubber, and then the Carbon adsorber.
 - Second Phase Scrubber on Division Waste Gas
 Scrubber completed November 7, 2018.
 - Vinyl Ethers North Carbon Adsorber Project completed December 26, 2018.
 - Test to demonstrate a Carbon Adsorber control efficiency of 93% for GenX



Control Technology Improvements: <u>Thermal Oxidizer</u>

- By December 31, 2019, control all PFAS in process streams routed to the TO at an efficiency of 99.99%. Chemours must test and submit a report within 90 days.
 - Thermal Oxidizer installed and operational on 12/27/19.
 - Testing for the 99.99% control efficiency occurred in February 2020.
 - Test report is due by 3/30/20.



 Division of Air Quality staff has been on site for every test performed - during the week, on weekends, at night and on holidays



- GenX Emissions Reduction Milestones:
- Between October 6, 2018 October 5, 2019, an 82% reduction of GenX air emissions. The final report demonstrating compliance shall be due on or before December 5, 2019.
 - Chemours submitted the report on 11/20/19. Chemours reported an annual reduction of 88% from the 2017 baseline. The DAQ continues to review the report and the underlying data.
- December 31, 2018 December 30, 2019 92% reduction of GenX air emissions. The final report demonstrating compliance shall be due on or before 2/28/20.
 - Chemours submitted the report on 1/21/20. Chemours reported an annual reduction of 92% from the 2017 baseline. The DAQ continues to review the report and the underlying data.



GenX Emissions Reduction Milestones:

- By December 31, 2019 and for each consecutive twelvemonth period following that date, Chemours shall reduce Facility-wide annual air emissions of GenX Compounds by at least 99% through testing and reporting.
 - DAQ will continue to require testing and reporting into the future.



Questions?

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