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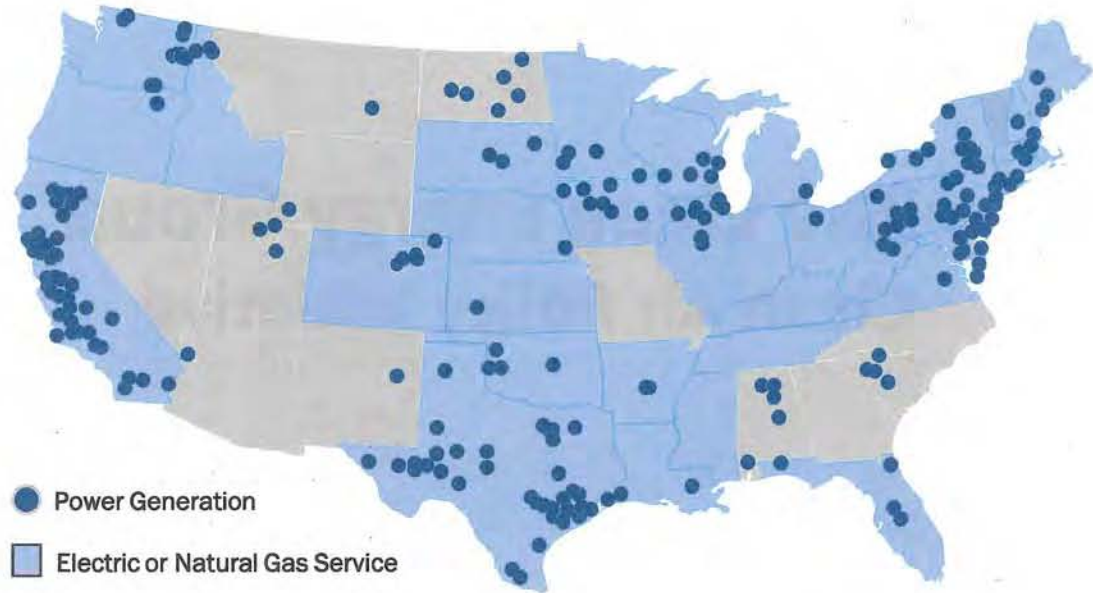
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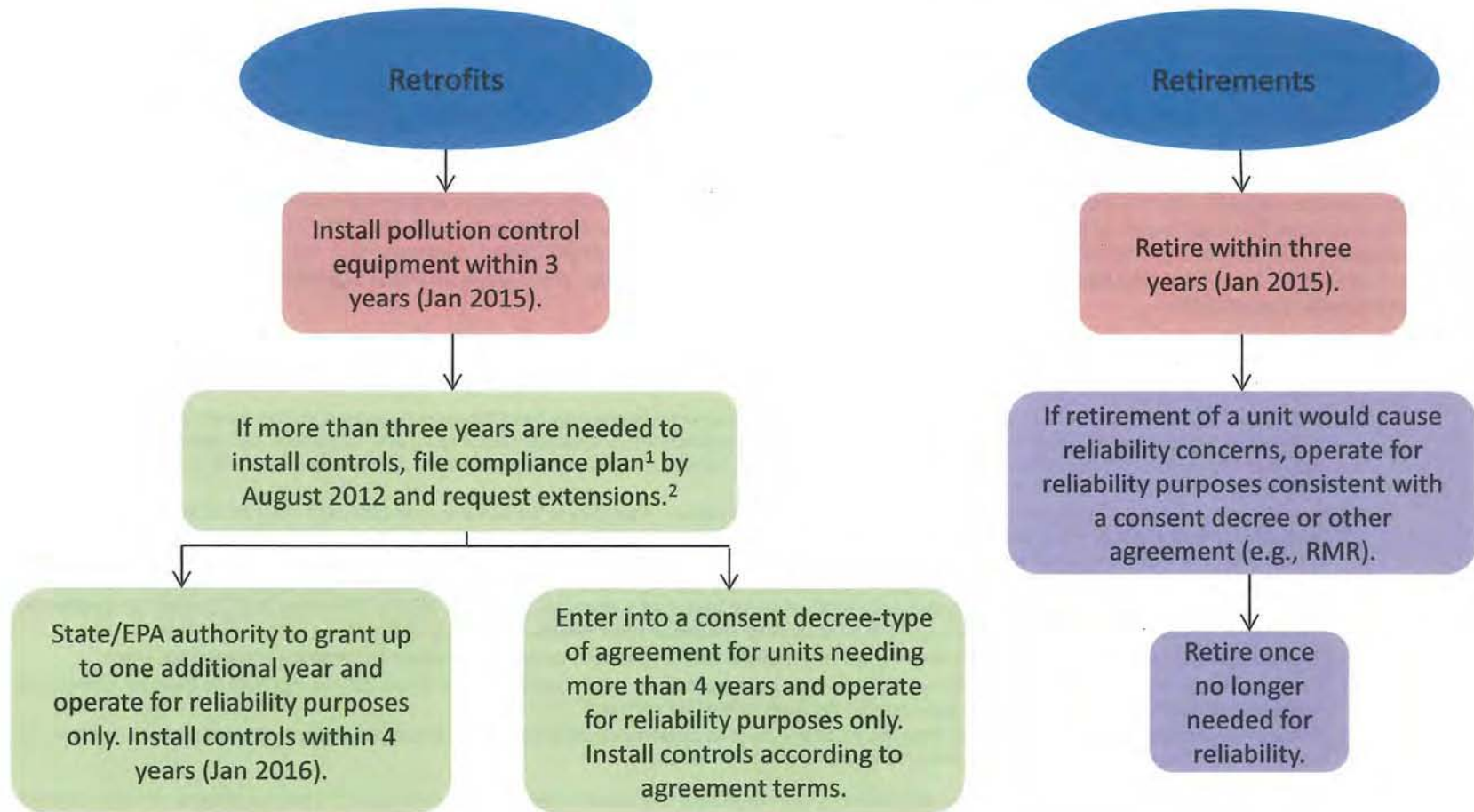
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# Compliance Options for Utility Toxics Rule and Existing Authority for Extensions



<sup>1</sup>In order to facilitate market responses and ensure reliability, companies requesting additional time beyond 3 years should be required to submit a fleet-wide compliance plan that identifies which units will retire and which units will be retrofitted, explains the need for any additional time beyond 3 years to install controls, and that includes appropriate milestones for compliance.

<sup>2</sup>In the preamble for the final rule, EPA should clearly define the process and criteria for units to obtain any additional time.

# Dry Sorbent Injection (DSI)

- Dry Sorbent Injection (DSI) reduces SO<sub>2</sub> and other acid gases through the injection of a chemical reagent and with a downstream PM control device to capture the reaction products.
- Reagents used in DSI systems include sodium bicarbonate, hydrated lime, and a natural occurring mixture of sodium carbonate and sodium bicarbonate called *Trona*.
- Relative to a scrubber, DSI is a low capital cost alternative for controlling SO<sub>2</sub> and acid gas emissions, and can generally be installed within 12 months. DSI costs have been estimated at \$55/kW.<sup>2</sup> Midwest Generation estimates that it can retrofit its entire coal fleet with DSI and fabric filters within 12 to 24 months (of decision) at a cost of \$232/kW.<sup>3</sup> By contrast, a scrubber alone can cost over \$400/kW.<sup>4</sup> Generally, DSI will be considered for coal units burning low sulfur PRB coal. Other factors that will drive the deployment of DSI include unit size, percentage reduction of emissions required, plant economics, and site specific characteristics.
- DSI has been deployed in a range of applications for acid gas control, including the electric generating sector. Additionally, companies have announced plans to install DSI technology after detailed research and testing.
  - In 2010, NRG's Dunkirk and Huntley power plants installed DSI systems that simultaneously inject Trona and powder-activated carbon (PAC). Performance tests indicate that emissions of SO<sub>2</sub> have been reduced by over 55 percent, mercury levels have been reduced by over 90 percent, and particulate levels have been reduced to less than 0.010 lbs/MMBtu. The company considers these installations sufficient and expects no additional environmental capex requirements to comply with the Toxics and Transport rule.<sup>5</sup>
  - Duke Energy installed DSI systems in 2010 at its Gallagher generating station. According to the company, the estimated total cost of the DSI system, to be installed at Units 2 and 4, is \$11.6 million or about \$41/kW. The system will reduce SO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 50 percent and achieve an emission rate no greater than 0.800 lb/MMBtu. Duke Energy expects the DSI system to help the company comply with the requirements of the Toxics and Transport Rule.<sup>6</sup>
  - Midwest Generation is another company that is seeking to retrofit its coal fleet (12 coal-fired units in the Midwest with total capacity of about 5 GW) with DSI technology and upgrading their particulate systems at a total estimated cost of \$1.2 billion.<sup>7</sup> In November 2010 and February 2011, Midwest Generation obtained construction permits from the Illinois EPA to install DSI systems at its Waukegan and Powerton generating stations.<sup>8</sup>
  - Southern Company's E C Gaston and PPL's Ghent generating stations have also chosen to install and operate DSI systems in the last few years.
  - Conectiv Energy installed a Trona based DSI system at its Edge Moor plant (Units 3 and 4) and operated it from 2009 to mid-2010 on bituminous coal. The plant has since been converted to run on natural gas obviating the need for the DSI system.<sup>4</sup>
  - Portland General Electric is in the process of installing a DSI system at its Boardman plant in Oregon. The company expects the system to be online in July 2014 to comply with Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's BART standards.
- The basic reagent injection technology underlying DSI systems is mature and has been in service for more than 20 years at dozens of other coal-fired power plants.<sup>9,10</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Institute of Clean Air Companies, *Letter to Senator Thomas Carper, U.S. Senate*, November 2010

<sup>2</sup>U.S. EPA, *Documentation Supplement for EPA Base Case v4.10\_PTox- Updates for Proposed Toxics Rule*, March 2011

<sup>3</sup>Bernstein Research, *U.S. Utilities: The EPA's Mercury and Air Toxics Standards Are Tougher Than They Appear*, March 2011

<sup>4</sup>James E. Staudt, *Control Technologies to Reduce Conventional and Hazardous Air Pollutants from Coal-fired Power Plants*, March, 2011

<sup>5</sup>NRG Energy, *Q1 2011 Earnings Conference Call*, May 5, 2011

<sup>6</sup>Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission, *Petition of Duke Energy Indiana, Inc., for Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for use of Clean Coal Technology for a project, Dry Sorbent Injection, at Petitioner's Gallagher Generating Station*, Sep 8, 2010.

<sup>7</sup>Edison International, *Q2 2010 Earnings Call Transcript* (<http://www.morningstar.com/earnings/16355020-edison-international-eix-q2-2010.aspx>). Accessed May 4, 2011.

<sup>8</sup>Midwest Generation LLC, *Form 10-K*, Feb, 2011.

<sup>9</sup>Babcock and Wilcox, *Dry Sorbent Injection Systems for Acid Gas Control*.

<sup>10</sup>EPA NEEDS v 4.10

Based on emission rates reported by companies to EPA, many existing U.S. coal-fired units are already compliant with all of EPA's proposed limits for coal-fired electric generating units.

Plant Name	State	Unit	Owner	MW	Coal Rank	PM Control	NOx	SO <sub>2</sub>	Hg	Compliance Status		
										Mercury	HCl	PM
G G Allen	NC	3	Duke	282	bituminous	ESP	SNCR	Wet		✓	✓	✓
G G Allen	NC	4	Duke	297	bituminous	ESP	SNCR	Wet		✓	✓	✓
East Bend Station	KY	2	Duke (69%), DPL (31%)	651	bituminous	ESP	SCR	Wet		✓	✓	✓
Hammond	GA	1	Southern	115	bituminous	ESP		Wet		✓	✓	✓
Hammond	GA	2	Southern	115	bituminous	ESP		Wet		✓	✓	✓
Hammond	GA	3	Southern	115	bituminous	ESP		Wet		✓	✓	✓
Hammond	GA	4	Southern	520	bituminous	ESP	SCR	Wet		✓	✓	✓
Hayden	CO	2	Xcel (53%), SRP (30%), MidAmerican (17%)	285	bituminous	FF		Dry		✓	✓	✓
Hayden	CO	1	Xcel (53%), SRP (30%), MidAmerican (17%)	202	bituminous	FF		Dry		✓	✓	✓
Bridgeport Station	CT	2	PSEG	403	subbituminous	ESP + FF			ACI	✓	✓	✓
San Juan	NM	1	PNM Resources (47%), UniSource (20%)	370	subbituminous	FF		Wet	ACI	✓	✓	✓
San Juan	NM	2	PNM Resources (47%), UniSource (20%)	370	subbituminous	FF		Wet	ACI	✓	✓	✓
San Juan	NM	3	PNM Resources (47%), UniSource (20%)	544	subbituminous	FF		Wet	ACI	✓	✓	✓
San Juan	NM	4	PNM Resources (47%), UniSource (20%)	544	subbituminous	FF		Wet	ACI	✓	✓	✓
Clover	VA	2	Dominion	434	bituminous	FF	SNCR	Wet		✓	✓	✓
Chambers Cogeneration LP	NJ	2	Atlantic Power Corporation	285	bituminous	FF	SCR	Dry		✓	✓	✓
Chambers Cogeneration LP	NJ	1	Atlantic Power Corporation	285	bituminous	FF	SCR	Dry		✓	✓	✓
Birchwood Power Facility	VA	1	J-Power	222	bituminous	FF	SCR	Dry		✓	✓	✓
Spruance Genco, LLC	VA	4	Cogentrix	57	bituminous	FF		Dry		✓	✓	✓
Spruance Genco, LLC	VA	2	Cogentrix	57	bituminous	FF		Dry		✓	✓	✓
INDIANTOWN COGENERATION L.P.	FL	1	Indiantown Cogeneration LP	361	bituminous	FF	SCR	Dry		✓	✓	✓
Logan Generating Plant	NJ	1	Keystone Urban Renewal LP	242	bituminous	FF	SCR	Dry		✓	✓	✓
Oak Grove	TX	1	Energy Future Holdings	817	lignite	ESP + FF	SCR	Wet	ACI	✓	✓	✓
Erama Power Plant	PA	1	GenOn	100	bituminous	ESP + FF	SNCR	Wet		✓	✓	✓
Erama Power Plant	PA	2	GenOn	100	bituminous	ESP + FF	SNCR	Wet		✓	✓	✓
Erama Power Plant	PA	3	GenOn	125	bituminous	ESP + FF	SNCR	Wet		✓	✓	✓
Erama Power Plant	PA	4	GenOn	185	bituminous	ESP + FF	SNCR	Wet		✓	✓	✓
Colstrip	MT	3	PPL (30%), Puget (25%), PGE(20%), Avista (15%), MidAmerican (10%)	805	subbituminous	Venturi		Wet	ACI	✓	✓	✓
PSEG Mercer Generating Station*	NJ	2	PSEG	343	bituminous	ESP + FF	SCR	Dry	ACI	✓	✓	✓
PSEG Mercer Generating Station*	NJ	1	PSEG	343	bituminous	ESP + FF	SCR	Dry	ACI	✓	✓	✓
Brandon Shores*	MD	1	Constellation	643	bituminous	ESP + FF	SCR	Wet	ACI	✓	✓	✓
Brandon Shores*	MD	2	Constellation	643	bituminous	ESP + FF	SCR	Wet	ACI	✓	✓	✓
PSEG Hudson Generating Station*	NJ	2	PSEG	608	bituminous	FF	SCR	Dry	ACI	✓	✓	✓

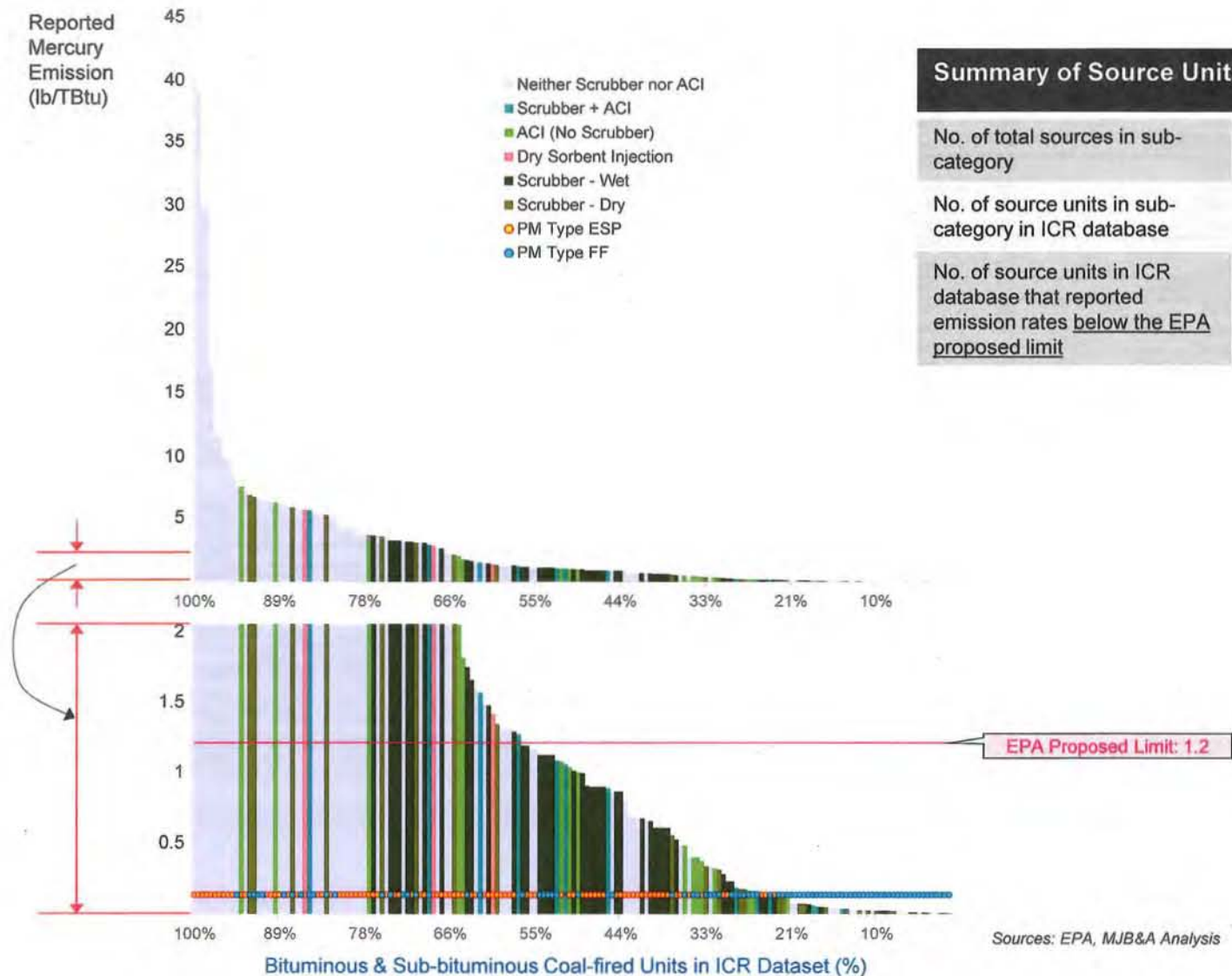
Sources: EPA, Plant Owners, MJB&A Analysis

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\*these units are not present in the ICR database. Information from their owners, however, indicate that they would be able to comply with the proposed standards without the need for any additional controls.

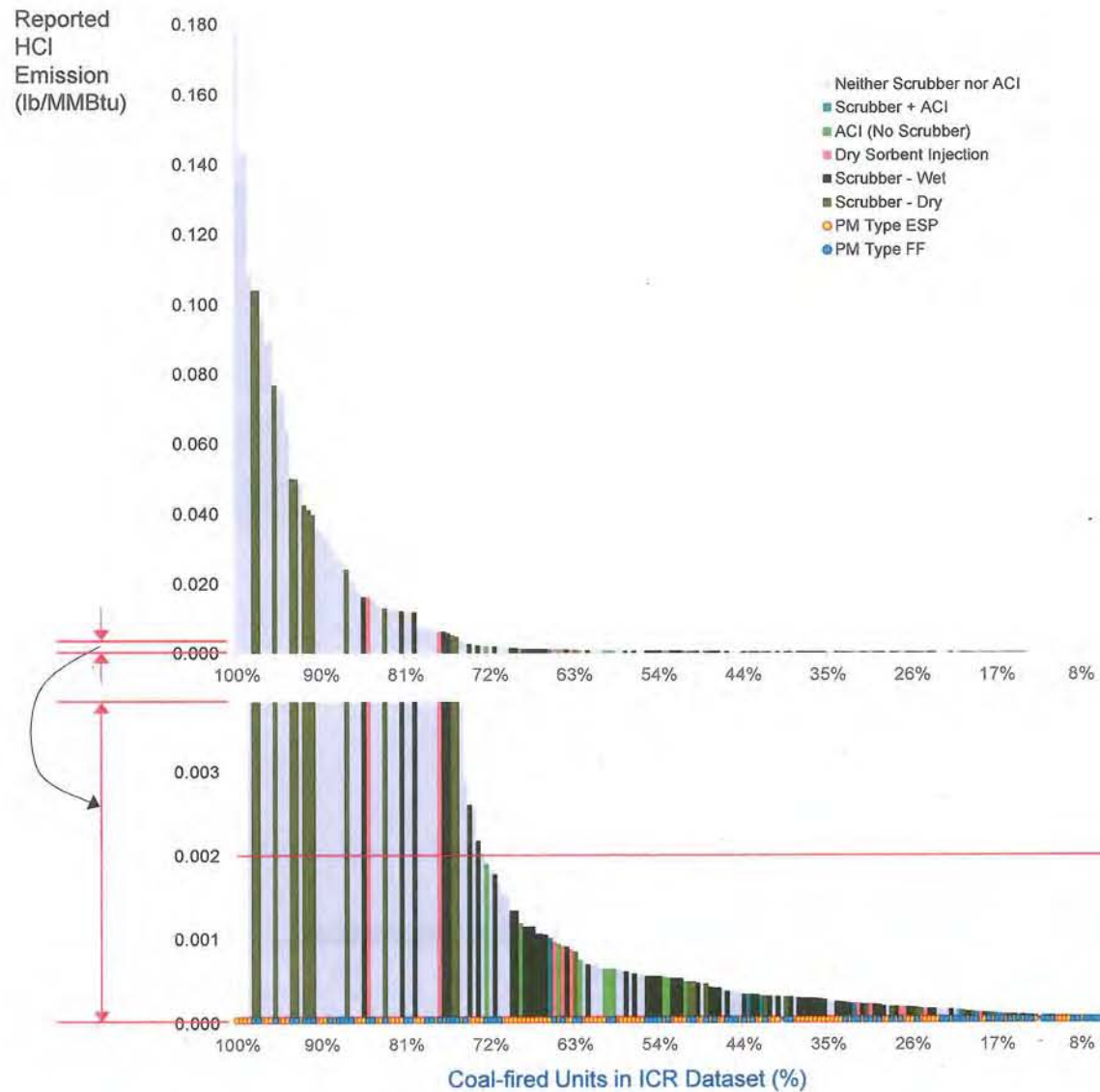
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\*Information Collection Request



# Among coal-fired units that submitted emission data under EPA's most recent ICR\*, 73% of units are compliant with EPA's proposed limit for HCl

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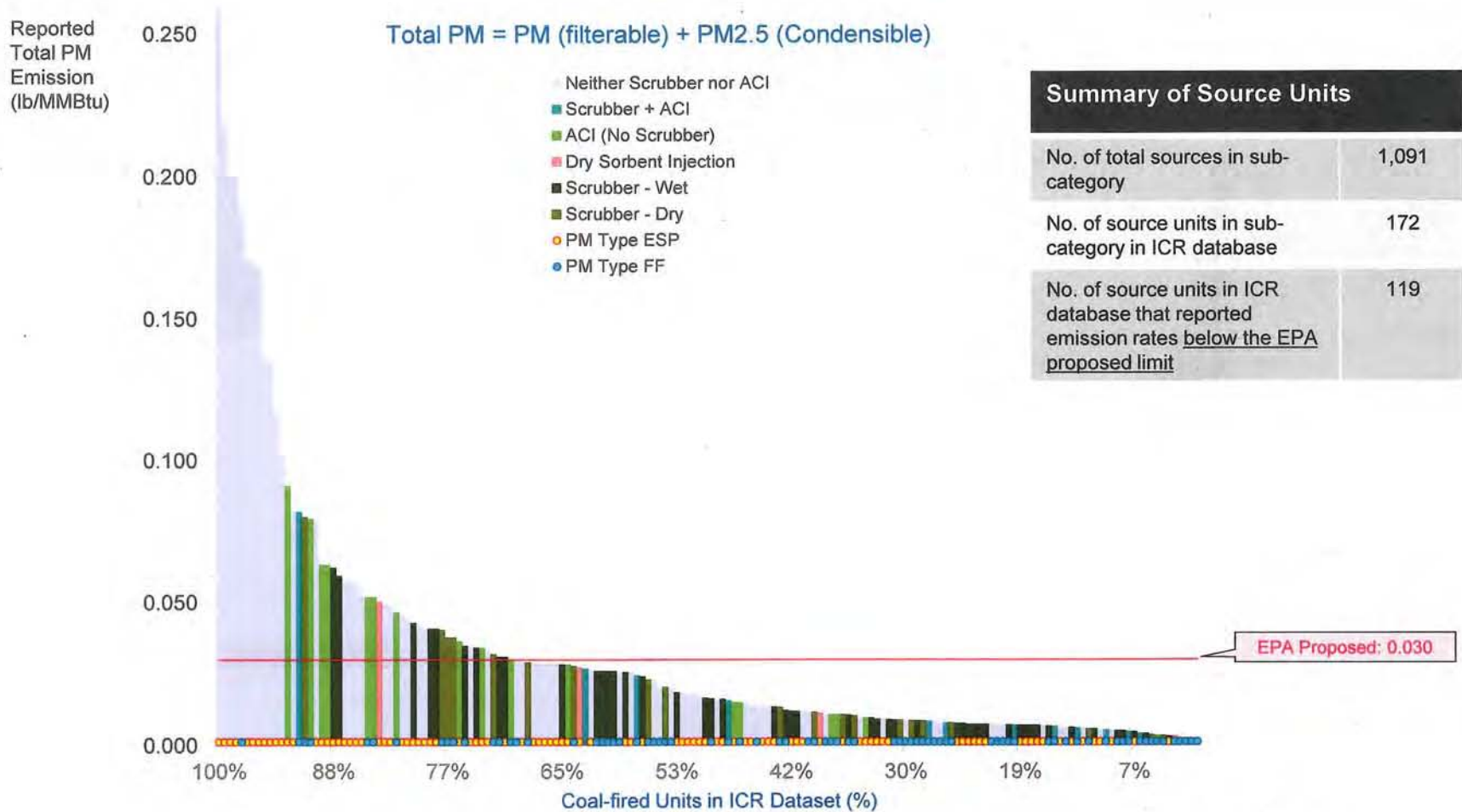


Summary of Source Units	
No. of total sources in sub-category	1,091
No. of source units in sub-category in ICR database	217
No. of source units in ICR database that reported emission rates <u>below the EPA proposed limit</u>	158

Sources: EPA, MJB&A Analysis

## Among coal-fired units that submitted emission data under EPA's most recent ICR\*, almost 70% of units are compliant with EPA's proposed limit for PM

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