

## STATEMENT OF BASIS

*for the issuance of Draft Air Permit # 0573-AOP-R2*

**1. PERMITTING AUTHORITY:**

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality  
8001 National Drive  
Post Office Box 8913  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72219-8913

**2. APPLICANT:**

El Dorado Chemical Company  
4500 North West Avenue  
El Dorado, Arkansas 71730

**3. PERMIT WRITER:**

Paul Osmon

**4. PROCESS DESCRIPTION AND SIC CODE:**

SIC Description: Nitrogenous Fertilizers; Industrial Organic Chemicals  
SIC Code: 2873; 2819

**5. SUBMITTALS:** 9/26/00

**6. REVIEWER'S NOTES:**

This permit modification is issued to change the quantitative opacity observations for SN-27 and SN-28 from EPA Method 9 to EPA Method 22 (because both sources are non-point source). The permittee has also requested that the testing of the liquid in the peroxide scrubber in Specific Condition No. 24 be changed from a pH test to a hydrogen peroxide concentration test. ADEQ will also modify the permit during this modification to clarify the reporting requirements and identify records that must be included in the semi-annual report specified in General Provision No. 7. The emission limits of the permit will not be changed in this modification.

**7. COMPLIANCE STATUS:** The following summarizes the current compliance status of the facility including active/pending enforcement actions and recent compliance activities and issues.

There are no known active/pending enforcement actions related to this permittee.

**8. APPLICABLE REGULATIONS:**

**A. Applicability**

Did the facility undergo PSD review in this permit (i.e., BACT, Modeling, et cetera) (Y/N) N  
 Has this facility underwent PSD review in the past (Y/N) N Permit # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is this facility categorized as a major source for PSD? (Y/N) Y  
 \$ 100 tpy and on the list of 28 (100 tpy)? (Y/N) Y  
 \$ 250 tpy all other (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_

**B. PSD Netting**

Was netting performed to avoid PSD review in this permit? (Y/N) N  
 If so, indicate increases and decreases used in netting for PSD purposes only.

NETTING TABLE							
Emission Source	Pollutant Emission Rate (TPY)						
	PM	PM <sub>10</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>	VOC	CO	NO <sub>x</sub>	Pb
Totals							
Significant Emission Rate	25	15	40	40	100	40	0.6
Subject to PSD?							

**C. Source and Pollutant Specific Regulatory Applicability**

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Source	Pollutant	Regulation [NSPS, NESHAP (Part 61 & Part 63), or PSD only]
SN-16	NO <sub>x</sub>	NSPS Subpart G

**9. EMISSION CHANGES:**

The following table summarizes plantwide emission changes associated with this permitting action.

Plantwide Permitted Emissions (ton/yr)			
Pollutant	Air Permit 0573-AOP-R1	Air Permit 0573-AOP-R2	Change
PM/PM <sub>10</sub>	297.0	297.0	0
SO <sub>2</sub>	2520.4	2520.4	0
VOC	2.7	2.7	0
CO	25.4	25.4	0
NO <sub>x</sub>	3002.2	3002.2	0
H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	66.6	66.6	0
NH <sub>3</sub>	404.1	404.1	0
HNO <sub>3</sub>	242.0	242.0	0

**10. MODELING:**

**A. Criteria Pollutants**

Pollutant	Emission Rate (lb/hr)	NAAQS Standard (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Averaging Time	Highest Concentration (µg/m <sup>3</sup> )	% of NAAQS
PM <sub>10</sub>	175.9	50	Annual	9.32	19%
		150	24-hour	85.61	57%*

Pollutant	Emission Rate (lb/hr)	NAAQS Standard ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	Averaging Time	Highest Concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	% of NAAQS
SO <sub>2</sub>	600.1	80	Annual	11.25	14%
		1,300	3-hour	468.1	36%
		365	24-hour	123.8	34%
NO <sub>x</sub>	790.1	100	Annual	18.65	19%
VOC	0.7	0.12	1-hour (ppm)	NA	0%
CO	25.4	10,000	8-hour	NA	0%
		40,000	1-hour	NA	0%

\* - Background ( $47 \text{ F g}/\text{m}^3$ ) plus modeled ( $85.6 \text{ F g}/\text{m}^3$ ) equals  $132.6 \text{ F g}/\text{m}^3$  which does not exceed the NAAQS ( $150 \text{ F g}/\text{m}^3$ ).

## 11. Non-Criteria Pollutants

### 1st Tier Screening (PAER)

Estimated hourly emissions from the following sources were compared to the Presumptively Acceptable Emission Rate (PAER) for each compound. The PAER was deemed by the Department to be the product, in lb/hr, of 0.11 and the Threshold Limit Value ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ ), as listed by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH).

Pollutant	TLV ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^3$ )	PAER (lb/hr) = $0.11 \cdot \text{TLV}$	Proposed lb/hr	Pass?
H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	1	0.11	16.6	N
NH <sub>3</sub>	17	1.87	104.9	N
HNO <sub>3</sub>	5.2	0.572	60.8	N

### 2nd Tier Screening (PAIL)

SCREEN3 air dispersion modeling was not performed on the estimated hourly emissions from the following sources.

ISCST3 air dispersion modeling was performed on the estimated hourly emissions from the following sources, in order to predict ambient concentrations beyond the property boundary. The Presumptively Acceptable Impact Level (PAIL) for each compound was deemed by the Department to be one-hundredth of the Threshold Limit Value, as listed by the ACGIH.

Pollutant	(PAIL, $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) = 1/100 of Threshold Limit Value	Modeled Concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	Pass?
H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	10	4.9	Yes
NH <sub>3</sub>	170	158.3	Yes
HNO <sub>3</sub>	52	49.7	Yes

**12. CALCULATIONS:**

SN	Emission Factor Source (AP-42, Testing, etc)	Emission Factor and units (lbs/ton, lbs/hr, etc)	Control Equipment Type (if any)	Control Equipment Efficiency	Comments (Emission factor controlled/uncontrolled, etc)
SN-01A	Testing	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> - 0.7759 lb/ton	Brinks Mist Eliminator	50%	-
SN-01A	Testing	NO <sub>x</sub> - 5.17 lb/ton	None	-	Uncontrolled
SN-01A	Testing	HNO <sub>3</sub> - 3.45 lb/ton	None	-	-
SN-01B	Testing	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> - 0.7759 lb/ton	Brinks Mist Eliminator	50%	-
SN-01B	Testing	NO <sub>x</sub> - 5.17 lb/ton	None	-	Uncontrolled
SN-01B	Testing	HNO <sub>3</sub> - 13.79 lb/ton	None	-	-
SN-05	Testing	PM <sub>10</sub> - 40.0 lb/hr	Brinks Scrubber	-	-

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SN-05	Testing	NH <sub>3</sub> - 13.0 lb/hr	Brinks Scrubber	-	-
SN-06	Testing	PM <sub>10</sub> - 67.0 lb/hr	-	-	Uncontrolled
SN-07	Testing	SO <sub>2</sub> - 600 lb/hr	Brinks Mist Eliminator	-	-
SN-07	Testing	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> - 7.5 lb/hr	Brinks Mist Eliminator	-	-
SN-08	Testing	NO <sub>x</sub> - 200 lb/hr	Refrigeration SCR	- 75%	Controlled
SN-09	Testing	NO <sub>x</sub> - 200 lb/hr	Refrigeration SCR	- 75%	Controlled
SN-10	AP-42	NO <sub>x</sub> - 10.0 lb/ton	best operation	-	-
SN-10	Process Knowledge	HNO <sub>3</sub> - 20.0 lb/hr	-	-	yearly testing required
SN-11	Testing	PM <sub>10</sub> - 15.0 lb/hr	-	-	-
SN-11	Testing	NH <sub>3</sub> - 10.0 lb/hr	-	-	-
SN-12	Process Knowledge	PM <sub>10</sub> - 2.0 lb/hr	baghouse	-	-
SN-13	NSPS	3.0 lb/ton of acid	refrigerated absorption	-	-
SN-14	Testing	PM <sub>10</sub> - 30.0lb/hr	none	-	-
SN-15	Testing	PM <sub>10</sub> - 17.0 lb/hr	none	-	-

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SN-15	Testing	NH <sub>3</sub> - 18.0 lb/hr	none	-	-
SN-16A	AP-42	PM <sub>10</sub> - 5.0 lb/MMSCF SO <sub>2</sub> - 0.6 lb/MMSCF VOC - 1.7 lb/MMSCF CO - lb/MMSCF NO <sub>x</sub> - 550.0 lb/MMSCF	none	-	-
SN-16B	AP-42	PM <sub>10</sub> - 5.0 lb/MMSCF SO <sub>2</sub> - 0.6 lb/MMSCF VOC - 1.7 lb/MMSCF CO - lb/MMSCF NO <sub>x</sub> - 550.0 lb/MMSCF	none	-	-
SN-17	Testing	PM <sub>10</sub> - 20.0 lb/hr	Pease-Anthony Scrubber	-	-
SN-17	Testing	NH <sub>3</sub> - 5.0 lb/hr	Pease-Anthony Scrubber	-	-
SN-18	Process Knowledge	PM <sub>10</sub> - 0.033 lb/ton	baghouse	-	-
SN-19	Process Knowledge	PM <sub>10</sub> - 0.0185 lb/ton	none	-	-
SN-21	Testing	PM <sub>10</sub> - 0.1 lb/ton	Brinks Scrubber	-	-
SN-21	Testing	NH <sub>3</sub> - 1.0 lb/ton	Brinks Scrubber	-	-

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SN-22	CEM	NO <sub>x</sub> - 3.0 lb/ton	cryogenic absorption	-	-
SN-22	Process Knowledge	HNO <sub>3</sub> - 10.0 lb/hr	cryogenic absorption	-	-
SN-25	TANKS3	VOC	none	-	-
SN-26	TANKS3	NH <sub>3</sub>	none	-	-
SN-27	AP-42	PM <sub>10</sub> - 0.02 lb/ton	none	-	-
SN-28	AP-42	PM <sub>10</sub> - 0.02 lb/ton	none	-	-
SN-29	AP-42	HNO <sub>3</sub> - 0.53 lb/1000 gallons	none	-	-
SN-30	AP-42	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> - 0.0334 lb/1000 gallons	none	-	-
SN-31	SOCMI	NH <sub>3</sub> - 0.5 lb/hr	none	-	-
SN-32	SOCMI	NH <sub>3</sub> - 1.3 lb/hr	none	-	-
SN-33	Process Knowledge	NO <sub>x</sub> - 1.8 lb/hr	none	-	-
SN-33	Process Knowledge	HNO <sub>3</sub> - 1.8 lb/hr	none	-	-
SN-34	Process Knowledge	PM <sub>10</sub> - 1.6 lb/hr	none	-	-



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<b>SN</b>	<b>Emission Factor Source (AP-42, Testing, etc)</b>	<b>Emission Factor and units (lbs/ton, lbs/hr, etc)</b>	<b>Control Equipment Type (if any)</b>	<b>Control Equipment Efficiency</b>	<b>Comments (Emission factor controlled/uncontrolled, etc)</b>
SN-35	Process Knowledge	PM <sub>10</sub> - 2.0 lb/hr	baghouse	99%	-

**13. TESTING REQUIREMENTS:**

This permit requires stack testing of the following sources.

SN(s)	Pollutant	Test Method	Test Interval	Justification For Test Requirement
SN08 & SN-09	NO <sub>x</sub>	7E	Yearly	Necessary for efficiency check on SCR's
SN08 & SN-09	NO <sub>x</sub>	approved method	monthly	Necessary for efficiency check on SCR's
SN-10	NO <sub>x</sub>	7E	Yearly	Necessary for efficiency check on Venturi & Packed Tower Scrubber
SN-10	HNO <sub>3</sub>	approved method	Yearly	Necessary for efficiency check on Venturi & Packed Tower Scrubber
SN-01A & SN-01B	NO <sub>x</sub>	7E	Yearly	Necessary for efficiency check on operation of the sulfuric acid concentrators
SN-01A & SN-01B	HNO <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	approved method	Yearly if operated	Necessary for efficiency check on operation of the sulfuric acid concentrators
SN-07	SO <sub>2</sub>	6C	Yearly	Necessary for efficiency check on operation of the sulfuric acid plant
SN-07	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	8	Yearly	Necessary for efficiency check on operation of the sulfuric acid plant
SN-05, SN-06, SN-11, SN-14, SN-15, SN-17, & SN-21	PM <sub>10</sub>	5	Yearly	Necessary to prove that PSD has not been triggered
SN-05, SN-11, SN-15, & SN-22	NH <sub>3</sub>	approved method	Yearly	Necessary to prove adherence to the non-criteria pollutant strategy

**14. MONITORING OR CEMS**

The following are parameters that must be monitored with CEMs or other monitoring equipment (temperature, pressure differential, etc), frequency of recording and whether records are needed to be included in any annual, semiannual or other reports.

SN	Parameter or Pollutant to be Monitored	Method of Monitoring (CEM, Pressure Gauge, etc)	Frequency*	Report (Y/N)**
SN-13, SN- 22	NOx emission rate	CEM	Continuously	Y
SN-07***	SO <sub>2</sub> emission rate	CEM	Continuously	Y
SN-10	chemical condensate solution hydrogen peroxide concentration		Daily	N

\* Indicate frequency of recording required for the parameter (Continuously, hourly, daily, etc.)

\*\* Indicates whether the parameter needs to be included in reports.

\*\*\* Applicable if the plant is operated at a rate greater than 300 tpd

**15. RECORD KEEPING REQUIREMENTS**

The following are items (such as throughput, fuel usage, VOC content of coating, etc) that must be tracked and recorded, frequency of recording and whether records are needed to be included in any annual, semiannual or other reports.

SN	Recorded Item	Limit (as established in permit)	Frequency *	Report (Y/N)**
SN-08 SN-09	weak nitric acid production	292,320 tons/12 months	monthly	Y
SN-13	weak nitric acid production	140,000 tons/12 months	monthly	Y

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SN	Recorded Item	Limit (as established in permit)	Frequency *	Report (Y/N)**
SN-22 SN-10 facility	concentrated nitric acid production	SN-22 - 118,260 tons/12 months; SN-10 - 62,900 tons/12months; facility - 126,056 tons/12 months	monthly	Y
SN-22	start-up and shutdown emissions of NOx lb/hr and opacity over limits	see S.C. 41 & 42	daily	Y
SN-29	nitric acid shipped	200,000 tons/12 months	monthly	Y
SN-07	daily production	300 TPD w/o CEM 360 TPD w/ CEM	daily	Y
SN-30	sulfuric acid shipped	126,000 tons/12 months	monthly	Y
All E2 Plant	production	453,000 tons/12 months	monthly	Y
All KT Plant	production	252,000 tons/12 months	monthly	Y
SN-25	usage of gasoline	40,000 gallons/12 months	monthly	Y

\* Indicate frequency of recording required for the item (Continuously, hourly, daily, etc.)

\*\* Indicates whether the item needs to be included in reports

## 16. OPACITY

SN	Opacity %	Justification (NSPS limit, Dept. Guidance, etc)	Compliance Mechanism (daily observation, weekly, control equipment operation, etc)
SN-08 SN-09	10%	Compliance assurance for SCR operation	daily observation
SN-13	10%	NSPS limit	daily observation
SN-10	20%	Previous permit	daily observation
SN-01A SN-01B	10%	Previous permit	daily observation
SN-22	10%*	Previous permit	daily observation
SN-07	15%	Previous permit	daily observation
SN-12 SN-18	5%	Department Guidance	daily observation
SN-21	10%	Previous permit	daily observation
SN-14 SN-17 SN-19	15%	Previous permit	daily observation
SN-05 SN-11 SN-15	20%	Previous permit	daily observation
SN-06 SN-27 SN-28	25%	Previous permit	daily observation

\* - except for startup and shutdown situations covered by S.C. 41 & 42

**17. DELETED CONDITIONS:**

The following Specific Conditions were included in the previous permit, but deleted for the current permitting action.

<b>Former SC</b>	<b>Justification for removal</b>
	None

**18. VOIDED, SUPERSEDED OR SUBSUMED PERMITS**

List all active permits for this facility which are voided/superseded/subsumed by issuance of this permit.

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**19. CONCURRENCE BY:**

The following supervisor concurs with the permitting decision:

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*Thomas Rheaume, P.E.*