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Establishment of Cost Basis

Cost data for the SDA FGD systems was more limited than that for the wet FGD systems. A similar trend with generating capacity is generally seen between the wet and SDA system. The same generating capacity relationship was used for the wet and SDA cost estimation.

A least squares curve fit of proprietary in-house cost data was defined as a "typical" SDA FGD retrofit for removal of 95% of the inlet sulfur. It should be noted that the lowest available SO₂ emission guarantees, from the original equipment manufactures of SDA FGD systems, are 0.06 lb/MMBtu. The typical SDA FGD retrofit was based on:

- Retrofit Difficulty = 1 (Average retrofit difficulty);
- Gross Heat Rate = 9800 Btu/kWh;
- SO₂ Rate = 2.0 lb/MMBtu;
- Type of Coal = PRB; and
- Project Execution = Multiple lump sum contracts; and
- Recommended SO₂ emission floor = 0.08 lb/MMBtu.

Units below 50 MW will typically not install an SDA FGD system. Sulfur reductions for the small units would be accomplished by; treating smaller units at a single site with one SDA FGD system, switching to a lower sulfur coal, repowering with natural gas, dry sorbent injection, and/or a reduction in operating hours. Capital costs of approximately \$800/kW may be used for units below 50 MW under the premise that these will be combined.

Based on the typical SDA FGD performance, the technology should not be applied to fuels with more than 3 lb SO₂/MMBtu and the cost estimator should be limited to fuels with less than 3 lb SO₂/MMBtu.

An alternate dry technology, circulating dry scrubber (CDS), can meet removals of 98% or greater over a large range of inlet sulfur concentrations. It should be noted that the lowest SO₂ emission guarantees for a CDS FGD system are 0.04 lb/MMBtu.

Methodology

Inputs

Several input variables are required in order to predict future retrofit costs. The gross unit size in MW (equivalent acfm) and sulfur content of the fuel are the major variables for the capital estimation. A retrofit factor that equates to difficulty in construction of the system must be defined. The costs herein could increase significantly for congested sites. The unit gross heat rate will factor into the amount of flue gas generated and ultimately the size of the absorber, reagent preparation, waste handling, and balance of plant costs. The SO₂ rate will have the greatest influence on the reagent handling and waste handling facilities. The type of fuel (Bituminous, PRB, or Lignite) will influence the flue gas quantities as a result of the different typical heating values.

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Outputs

Total Project Costs (TPC)

First the base installed costs are calculated for each required module (BM_i). The base installed costs include:

- All equipment;
- Installation;
- Buildings;
- Foundations;
- Electrical; and
- Average retrofit difficulty.

The modules are:

BMR = Base absorber island cost

BMF = Base reagent preparation and waste recycle/handling cost

BMB = Base balance of plan costs including: ID or booster fans, piping, ductwork, electrical, etc.

BM = BMR + BMF + BMB

The total base installed cost (BM) is then increased by:

- Engineering and construction management costs at 10% of the BM cost;
- Labor adjustment for 6 x 10 hour shift premium, per diem, etc., at 10% of the BM cost; and
- Contractor profit and fees at 10% of the BM cost.

A capital, engineering, and construction cost subtotal (CECC) is established as the sum of the BM and the additional engineering and construction fees.

Additional costs and financing expenditures for the project are computed based on the CECC. Financing and additional project costs include:

- Owner's home office costs (owner's engineering, management, and procurement) at 5% of the CECC; and
- Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC) at 10% of the CECC and owner's costs. The AFUDC is based on a three-year engineering and construction cycle.



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The total project cost is based on a multiple lump sum contract approach. Should a turnkey engineering procurement construction (EPC) contract be executed, the total project cost could be 10 to 15% higher than what is currently estimated.

Escalation is not included in the estimate. The total project cost (TPC) is the sum of the CECC and the additional costs and financing expenditures. Table 1 contains an example capital cost estimation.



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Table 1. Example Capital Cost Estimate for the SDA FGD System (Costs are all based on 2009 dollars)

Variable	Designation	Units	Value	Calculation
Unit Size (Gross)	A	(MW)	300	<--- User Input (Greater than 50 MW)
Retrofit Factor	B		1	<--- User Input (An "average" retrofit has a factor = 1.0)
Gross Heat Rate	C	(Btu/kWh)	9800	<--- User Input
SO2 Rate	D	(lb/MMBtu)	2	<--- User Input (SDA FGD Estimation only valid up to 3 lb/MMBtu SO2 Rate)
Type of Coal	E		PRB	<--- User Input
Coal Factor	F		1.05	Bit=1, PRB=1.05, Lig=1.07
Heat Rate Factor	G		0.98	C/10000
Heat Input	H	(Btu/hr)	2.94E+09	A*C*1000

Capital Cost Calculation

Includes - Equipment, installation, buildings, foundations, electrical, and retrofit difficulty

BMR (\$) = $\text{if}(A>600 \text{ then } (A*92000) \text{ else } 566000*(A^0.716))*B*(F*G)^0.6*(D/4)^0.01$

BMF (\$) = $\text{if}(A>600 \text{ then } (A*48700) \text{ else } 300000*(A^0.716))*B*(D*G)^0.2$

BMB (\$) = $\text{if}(A>600 \text{ then } (A*129900) \text{ else } 799000*(A^0.716))*B*(F*G)^0.4$

BM (\$) = BMR + BMF + BMW + BMB

BM (\$/KW) =

Total Project Cost

A1 = 10% of BM

A2 = 10% of BM

A3 = 10% of BM

CECC (\$) - Excludes Owner's Costs = BM+A1+A2+A3

CECC (\$/kW) - Excludes Owner's Costs =

B1 = 5% of CECC

TPC' (\$) - Includes Owner's Costs = CECC + B1

TPC' (\$/kW) - Includes Owner's Costs =

B2 = 10% of (CECC + B1)

TPC (\$) - Includes Owner's Costs and AFUDC = CECC + B1 + B2

TPC (\$/kW) - Includes Owner's Costs and AFUDC =

Example

Comments

\$	33,953,000	Base module absorber island cost
\$	20,379,000	Base module reagent preparation and waste recycle/handling cost
\$	47,988,000	Base module balance of plan costs including: ID or booster fans, piping, ductwork, electrical, etc...
\$	102,320,000	Total Base module cost including retrofit factor
	341	Base module cost per kW
\$	10,232,000	Engineering and Construction Management costs
\$	10,232,000	Labor adjustment for 6 x 10 hour shift premium, per diem, etc...
\$	10,232,000	Contractor profit and fees
\$	133,016,000	Capital, engineering and construction cost subtotal
	443	Capital, engineering and construction cost subtotal per kW
\$	6,651,000	Owners costs including all "home office" costs (owners engineering, management, and procurement activities)
\$	139,667,000	Total project cost without AFUDC
	466	Total project cost per kW without AFUDC
\$	13,967,000	AFUDC (Based on a 3 year engineering and construction cycle)
\$	153,634,000	Total project cost
	512	Total project cost per kW

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Fixed O&M (FOM)

The fixed operating and maintenance (O&M) cost is a function of the additional operations staff (FOMO), maintenance labor and materials (FOMM), and administrative labor (FOMA) associated with the SDA FGD installation. The FOM is the sum of the FOMO, FOMM, and FOMA.

The following factors and assumptions underlie calculations of the FOM:

- All of the FOM costs were tabulated on a per kilowatt-year (kW yr) basis.
- In general, 8 additional operators are required for a SDA FGD system. The FOMO was based on the number of additional operations staff required.
- The fixed maintenance materials and labor is a direct function of the process capital cost (BM).
- The administrative labor is a function of the FOMO and FOMM.

Variable O&M (VOM)

Variable O&M is a function of:

- Reagent use and unit costs;
- Waste production and unit disposal costs;
- Additional power required and unit power cost; and
- Makeup water required and unit water cost.

The following factors and assumptions underlie calculations of the VOM:

- All of the VOM costs were tabulated on a per megawatt-hour (MWh) basis.
- The reagent usage is a function of gross unit size, SO₂ feed rate, and removal efficiency. The estimated reagent usage was based on a sulfur removal efficiency of 95% with a flue gas temperature into the SDA FGD of 300°F and an adiabatic approach to saturation of 30°F. The calcium-to-sulfur stoichiometric ratio varies based on inlet sulfur. The variation in stoichiometric ratio was accounted for in the estimation. The economic estimation is only valid up to 3 lb SO₂/MMBtu inlet. The basis for the lime purity was 90% CaO with the balance being inert material.

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- The waste generation rate is a function of inlet sulfur and calcium to sulfur stoichiometry. Both variables are accounted for in the waste generation estimation. The waste disposal rate is based on 10% moisture in the by-product.
- The additional power required includes increased fan power to account for the added SDA FGD pressure drop. This requirement is a function of gross unit size (actual gas flow rate) and sulfur rate.
- The makeup water rate is a function of gross unit size (actual gas flow rate) and sulfur feed rate.

Input options are provided for the user to adjust the variable O&M costs per unit. Average default values are included in the base estimate. The variable O&M costs per unit options are:

- Limestone cost in \$/ton;
- Waste disposal costs in \$/ton;
- Auxiliary power cost in \$/kWh;
- Makeup water costs in \$/1000 gallon; and
- Operating labor rate (including all benefits) in \$/hr.

The variables that contribute to the overall VOM are:

- VOMR = Variable O&M costs for lime reagent
- VOMW = Variable O&M costs for waste disposal
- VOMP = Variable O&M costs for additional auxiliary power
- VOMM = Variable O&M costs for makeup water

The total VOM is the sum of VOMR, VOMW, VOMP, and VOMM. Table 2 contains an example O&M cost estimate, while Table 3 is a complete capital and O&M cost estimate worksheet.



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Table 2. Example O&M Cost Estimate for the SDA FGD System (Costs are all based on 2009 dollars)

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Type of Coal	E		PRB	<--- User Input
Coal Factor	F		1.05	Bit=1 PRB=1.05, Lig=1.07
Heat Rate Factor	G		0.98	C/10000
Heat Input	H	(Btu/hr)	2.94E+09	A*C*1000
Lime Rate	K	(ton/hr)	4	(0.6702*(D^2)+13.42*D)*A*G/2000 (Based on 95% SO2 removal)
Waste Rate	L	(ton/hr)	10	(0.8016*(D^2)+31.1917*D)*A*G/2000
Aux Power	M	(%)	1.35	(0.000547*D^2+0.00649*D+1.3)*F*G Should be used for model input.
Makeup Water Rate	N	(1000 gph)	17	(0.04898*(D^2)+0.5925*D+55.11)*A*F*G/1000
Lime Cost	P	(\$/ton)	95	
Waste Disposal Cost	Q	(\$/ton)	30	
Aux Power Cost	R	(\$/kWh)	0.06	
Makeup Water Cost	S	(\$/1000)	1	
Operating Labor Rate	T	(\$/hr)	60	Labor cost including all benefits

Fixed O&M Cost

FOMO (\$/kW yr) = (8 additional operators)*2080*T/(A*1000)	\$	3.33	Fixed O&M additional operating labor costs
FOMM (\$/kW yr) = BM*0.015/(B*A*1000)	\$	5.12	Fixed O&M additional maintenance material and labor costs
FOMA (\$/kW yr) = 0.03*(FOMO+0.4*FOMM)	\$	0.16	Fixed O&M additional administrative labor costs
FOM (\$/kW yr) = FOMO + FOMM + FOMA	\$	8.61	Total Fixed O&M costs

Variable O&M Cost

VOMR (\$/MWh) = K*P/A	\$	1.37	Variable O&M costs for lime reagent
VOMW (\$/MWh) = L*Q/A	\$	0.96	Variable O&M costs for waste disposal
VOMP (\$/MWh) = M*R*10	\$	-	Variable O&M costs for additional auxiliary power required including additional fan power (Refer to Aux Power % above)
VOMM (\$/MWh) = N*S/A	\$	0.06	Variable O&M costs for makeup water
VOM (\$/MWh) = VOMR + VOMW + VOMP + VOMM	\$	2.40	



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