



NMOCC Hearing to Amend Order R-12546
DCP Midstream LP Linam AGI #1
Case No. 13589

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Summary of Original Order Requirements for MAOP and Injection Rate

- MAOP of 2644 psi with $SG_{TAG} = 0.8$
- Calculated using NMOCD's equations:
 $PG = 0.2 + 0.433(1.04 - SG_{TAG})$ and
 $IP_{max} = PG * Depth$
- No injection rate limitation

Revision of Order R-12546 to Include New Pressure and Rate Limitation

- Resulted from need to operate before resolving need to have OCD approved GW discharge plan for AGI facility
- NMOCD has determined Discharge Plan is not needed for this facility
- DCP is therefore requesting a return to the operating conditions specified in the original order (MAOP 2644psi and no rate limitation)

Summary History of Linam AGI Operation

- Began injecting acid gas in December 2009 under revised order with MAOP of 1800 psi and rate limited to 4 MMCFD of TAG
- Average Injection Temperature 95°F
- Median Injection Temperature 104°F
- Average and Median Injection Pressure 1149 psi
- Injection rate variable depending on inlet gas concentrations of CO₂ (1.5-2.5 mole %)
- H₂S concentrations stable at 0.57 mole %

Assumptions in Calculating ROE for H₂S Contingency Plan

- Assumed worst case of 225 MMCFD throughput with 0.57 mole % H₂S in inlet gas
- Assumed 1.5% CO₂ in inlet gas
- Results in 4.6 MMCFD of TAG with 72% CO₂ and 18% H₂S
- Results in 500ppm ROE of 4057 ft and 100ppm ROE of 8877 ft at plant
- Results in 500ppm ROE of 4073 ft and 100ppm ROE of 8914 ft at AGI site

ROE Map from H₂S Contingency Plan



Effect of Rising CO₂ Concentrations in Inlet Gas

- Additional CO₂ in inlet gas (1.5% vs 2.5%) results in higher volumes of TAG to be injected
- Since H₂S concentration has not changed, the ROE for the worst case release based on maximum throughput does not change with more TAG
- TAG density decreases due to relatively higher percentage of CO₂ vs H₂S (72:28 vs 82:18)
- Higher injection rate required to dispose of additional TAG

Pressure and Volume Injection Conditions under Original Assumptions

Table 1 Pressure and Volume Calculations for TAG, Linam under Previous CO₂ Inlet Concentrations at Maximum Plant Capacity of 225 MMCFD

PROPOSED INJECTION STREAM CHARACTERISTICS					
TAG	H ₂ S	CO ₂	H ₂ S	CO ₂	TAG
Gas vol	conc	conc	inject rate	inject rate	inject rate
MMSCFD	mol %	mol %	lb/day	lb/day	lb/day
4.6	28	72	122260	405973	528233

CONDITIONS AT WELL HEAD									
Well Head Conditions		TAG							
Temp	Pressure	Gas vol	Comp	Inject Rate	Density ¹	SG ²	density	volume	volume
F	psi	MMSCFD	CO ₂ H ₂ S	lb/day	kg/m ³		lb/gal	ft ³	bbbl
100	1150	4.6	72 28	528233	543.46	0.54	4.54	15562	2772

CONDITIONS AT BOTTOM OF WELL									
Injection Zone Conditions					TAG				
Temp	Pressure ³	Depth _{top}	Depth _{bottom}	Thickness ⁴	Density ¹	SG ²	density	volume	volume
F	psi	ft	ft	ft	kg/m ³		lb/gal	ft ³	bbbl
100	3376	8710	9100	280.00	879.04	0.88	7.34	9621	1714

CONDITIONS IN RESERVOIR AT EQUILIBRIUM									
Injection Reservoir Conditions					TAG				
Temp ⁵	Pressure ³	Ave Porosity ⁶	Swr	Porosity	Density ¹	SG ²	density	volume	volume
F	psi	%		ft	kg/m ³		lb/gal	ft ³	bbbl
124	3376	6.0	0.45	9.2	809.02	0.81	6.76	10454	1862

CONSTANTS			
	SCF/mol		
Molar volume at STD	0.7915		
	g/mol	lb/mol	
Molar weight of H ₂ S	34.0809	0.0751	
Molar weight of CO ₂	44.0096	0.0970	
Molar weight of H ₂ O	18.015	0.0397	

CALCULATION OF MAXIMUM INJECTION PRESSURE LIMITATION		
SG _{TAG}		0.71
PG = 0.2 + 0.433 (1.04 - SG _{TAG})		0.342 psi/ft
IP _{max} = PG * Depth		2982 psi

Where: SG_{TAG} is specific gravity of TAG, PG is calculated pressure gradient, and IP_{max} is calculated maximum injection pressure

CALCULATION OF 30 YEAR AREA OF INJECTION		
Cubic Feet/day (5.6146 ft ³ /bbl)		10454 ft ³ /day
Cubic Feet/30 years		114548337 ft ³ /30 years
Area = V/Net Porosity (ft)		12435387 ft ² /30 years
Area = V/Net Porosity (ft) (43560 ft ² /ac)		285.5 acres/30 years
Radius =		1990 ft
Radius =		0.38 miles

¹ Density calculated using AQUAlibrium software
² Specific gravity calculated assuming a constant density for water
³ PP is taken from well tests of Linam AGI #1
⁴ Thickness is the net thickness of the perforated intervals
⁵ Reservoir temp is extrapolated from bottomhole temp measured in logs
⁶ Porosity is estimated using geophysical logs from nearby wells
H₂S concentration and ratio of H₂S and CO₂ in TAG as calculated in H2S Contingency Plan

Pressure and Volume Injection Conditions under Current Assumptions

Table 2: Pressure and Volume Calculations for TAG, Linam under Current Maximum Plant Capacity of 225 MMCFD and Measured Inlet Gas Concentrations

PROPOSED INJECTION STREAM CHARACTERISTICS					
TAG	H ₂ S	CO ₂	H ₂ S	CO ₂	TAG
Gas vol	conc	conc	inject rate	inject rate	inject rate
MMSCFD	mol %	mol %	lb/day	lb/day	lb/day
7	18.4	81.6	122260	700156	822416

CONDITIONS AT WELL HEAD									
Well Head Conditions		TAG							
Temp	Pressure	Gas vol	Comp	Inject Rate	Density ¹	SG ²	density	volume	volume
F	psi	MMSCFD	CO ₂ , H ₂ S	lb/day	kg/m ³		lb/gal	ft ³	bbf
104	1150	7	82:18	822416	339.96	0.34	2.84	38732	6898

CONDITIONS AT BOTTOM OF WELL									
Injection Zone Conditions					TAG				
Temp	Pressure ³	Depth _{top}	Depth _{bottom}	Thickness ⁴	Density ¹	SG ²	density	volume	volume
F	psi	ft	ft	ft	kg/m ³		lb/gal	ft ³	bbf
104	3376	8710	9100	280.00	879.04	0.88	7.34	14979	2668

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Injection Reservoir Conditions					TAG				
Temp ⁵	Pressure ³	Ave Porosity ⁶	Swr	Porosity	Density ¹	SG ²	density	volume	volume
F	psi	%		ft	kg/m ³		lb/gal	ft ³	bbf
124	3376	6.0	0.45	9.2	809.02	0.81	6.76	16276	2899

CONSTANTS			
	SCF/mol		
Molar volume at STD	0.7915		
	g/mol	lb/mol	
Molar weight of H ₂ S	34.0809	0.0751	
Molar weight of CO ₂	44.0096	0.0970	
Molar weight of H ₂ O	18.015	0.0397	

CALCULATION OF MAXIMUM INJECTION PRESSURE LIMITATION		
SG _{TAG}		0.61
PG = 0.2 + 0.433 (1.04-SG _{TAG})		0.386 psi/ft
IP _{max} = PG * Depth		3366 psi

Where SG_{TAG} is specific gravity of TAG; PG is calculated pressure gradient; and IP_{max} is calculated maximum injection pressure

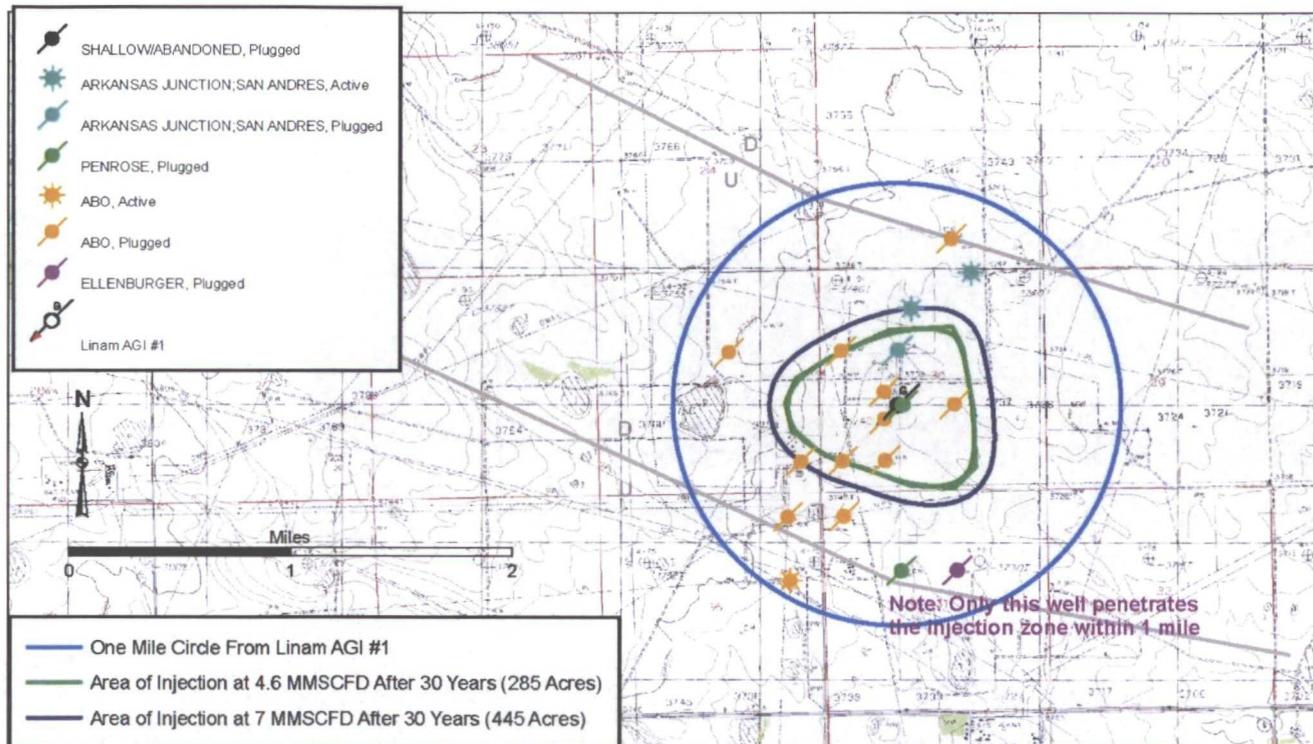
CALCULATION OF 30 YEAR AREA OF INJECTION		
Cubic Feet/day (5.6146 ft ³ /bbf)		16276 ft ³ /day
Cubic Feet/30 years		178342498 ft ³ /30 years
Area = V/Net Porosity (ft)		19360892 ft ² /30 years
Area = V/Net Porosity (ft) (43560 ft ² /acre)		444.5 acres/30 years
Radius =		2482 ft
Radius =		0.47 miles

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³ PP is taken from well tests of Linam AGI #1
⁴ Thickness is the net thickness of the perforated intervals
⁵ Reservoir temp is extrapolated from bottomhole temp measured in logs
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Note that total Mass of H₂S remains constant -- for this reason ROE in H₂S Contingency Plan Remains the Same

Comparison of Original Assumptions and Current Conditions of AGI Operation

SUMMARY OF COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL LINAMAGI #1 ASSUMPTIONS AND PROJECTED OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS												
MAXIMUM PLANT THROUGHPUT (MMCFD)	CONCENTRATION OF H ₂ S IN INLET GAS (MOL%)	CONCENTRATION OF CO ₂ IN INLET GAS (MOL%)	COMBINED TAG VOLUME (MMCFD)	H ₂ S TAG VOLUME (MMCFD)	CO ₂ TAG VOLUME (MMCFD)	CO ₂ : H ₂ S RATIO IN TAG	100 PPM ROE AT PLANT (FT)	500 PPM ROE AT PLANT (FT)	100 PPM ROE AT WELL AND PIPELINE (FT)	500 PPM ROE AT WELL AND PIPELINE (FT)	INJECTION ZONE AFFECTED AREA (ACRES)	
1. EXISTING ASSUMPTIONS IN APPROVED H ₂ S PLAN	2250	0.6	15	46	13	3.3	30	8877	4057	8914	4073	286.0
2. CURRENT ASSUMPTIONS BASED ON INLET GAS AND EXPANSION PROJECT	2250	0.6	25	70	13	5.7	34	8877	4057	8914	4073	445.0

Effect of Additional TAG Injection on Injection Zone

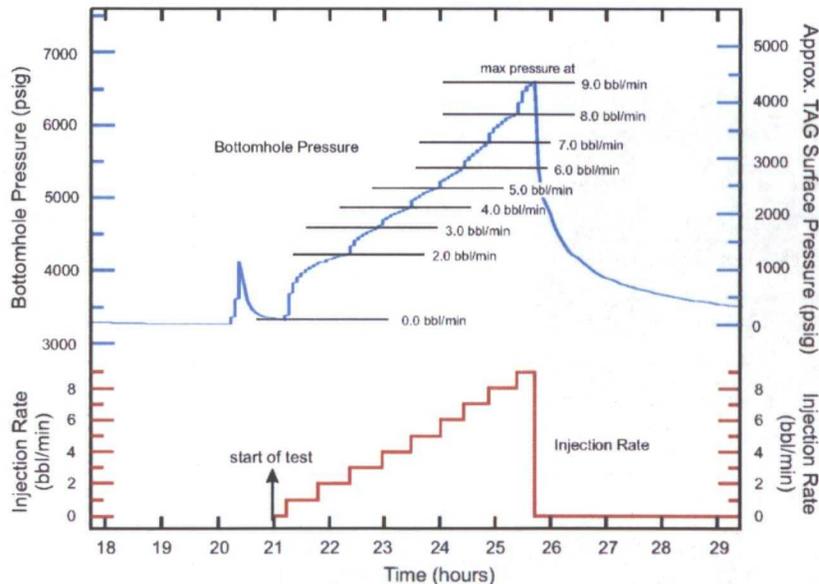


Original versus Planned Maximum Footprints of Injected TAG, Linam AGI #1

Step Rate Test Performed in January 2008

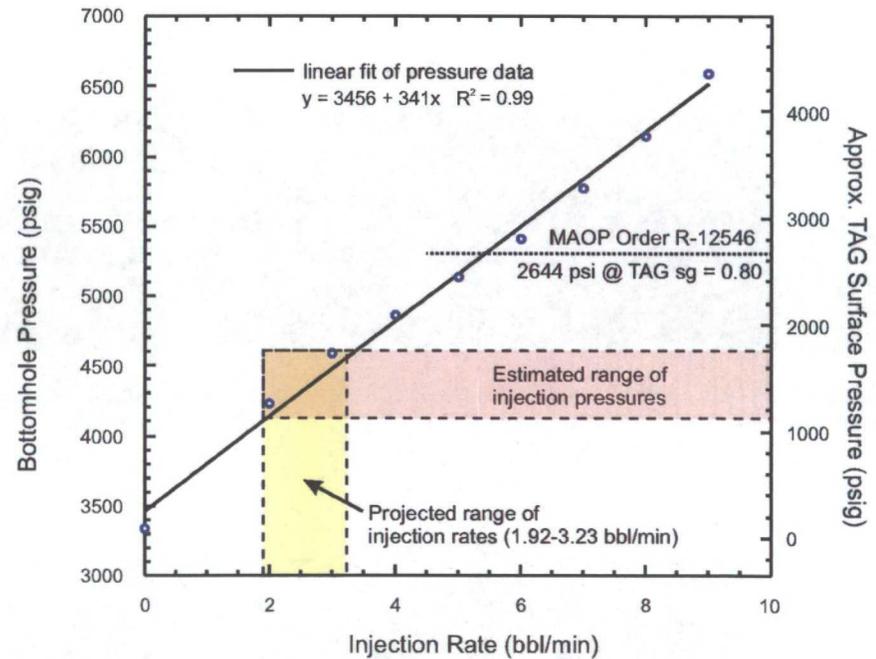
Clearly Demonstrates that Original MAOP and Unlimited Injection Rate is Appropriate

Results of Linam AGI #1 Step Rate Test January 3-4, 2008



Note: Approx. TAG Surface Pressure is calculated using the initial reservoir pressure (3262 psi) and the ave. specific gravity of TAG (0.69)

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Step Rate Test Results

- Step rate test conducted after completion of well in January 2008
- Step rate test supports safe injection pressures which are significantly higher than the 2644 MAOP in original order
- No breaks were detected in pressure curve at injection rates of up to TAG equivalents in excess of 20MMCFD

Summary

- Original order R-was based on detailed analysis by NMOCD and after a public hearing in front of the NMOCC
- MAOP of 2644 and unlimited injection rate of TAG is appropriate in this case
- Step rate test supports a significantly increased pressure without any negative effects on injection formation or caprock
- No revision of H2S contingency plan is needed due to no increase in H2S concentration in inlet gas
- Injection history demonstrates injection reservoir is excellent and has ample capacity to accommodate increased TAG volumes