

**DRAFT Statement of Basis - Narrative**  
**NSR Permit**

**Company:** El Paso Electric Company  
**Facility:** Rio Grande Generating Station  
**Permit No(s):** 1554M1  
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**1.0 Plant Process Description:**

This facility is an electric power generating station located in Sunland Park, Doña Ana County, NM. El Paso Electric (EPE) currently uses three dry bottom, wall fired natural gas steam boilers, 6, 7, and 8, to run three turbine generators driven by high pressure, superheated steam. Total electric power production from the boilers is 288 MW gross, and 245 MW annual average. A natural gas fueled simple cycle GE Energy turbine proposed in this application would be used to generate 95.3 MW for a total annual average of 340.3 MW from the entire facility.

**Note Regarding PM Regulation Change:** Effective January 1, 2011 the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) implemented a regulation change that caused this application to be subject to further review for Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) for TSP and PM2.5 and Nonattainment permitting for PM10.

EPA's regulation change required that the condensable fraction of particulate matter (PM) emissions be included to determine if a PSD or Nonattainment permit is required. In general for this facility, a PSD major modification would occur if there was a net emissions increase that met or exceeded the following significance levels: 100 tpy CO, 40 tpy NOx, 40 tpy VOCs, 25 tpy TSP, and 10 tpy PM2.5. The modification would be subject to Nonattainment permitting if the net emissions increase met or exceeded 15 tpy for PM10.

**Update Regarding PM Emissions:** On February 11, 2011, EPE submitted revised TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 emissions estimates for Turbine GT-9 and a netting analysis to net out of PM2.5. This revision resulted in TSP and PM10 project emission rates below significance levels (25 tpy for TSP and 15 tpy for PM10) and a PM2.5 net emissions increase that is below its significance level of 10 tpy. The Air Quality Bureau approved this submittal. An updated draft permit, after consideration of EPE's comments, is available for review on AQB's website <http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/aqb/permit/ApplicationsPermitswithPublicInterest.htm>. Also, on February 16, 2011, copies of the revised emissions estimates, the netting analysis, and updated application tables were sent to the 4 locations where AQB had previously sent copies of the EPE application and include La Casita, the Sunland Park Library, the San Martin de Porres Catholic Church, and the NMED Las Cruces District office.

**NSR Applicability to Boilers 6, 7, and 8 and their Cooling Towers:** These units were constructed before promulgation of the NSR regulations (20.2.72, 20.2.74. and 20.2.79 NMAC) in 1972 and so are not subject to NSR except for certain specific conditions that apply to Boilers 6 and 8 necessary to comply with this NSR permit. Specifically, Boiler 8 requires limits on the pound per hour NOx emissions to comply with NM and National NO<sub>2</sub> Ambient Air Quality Standards (AAQS). Boiler 6 requires a limit on actual PM2.5 tpy emissions so that the modification to add a turbine is not subject to PM2.5 PSD (20.2.74 NMAC) permitting. The regulatory requirements and emissions limits for Boilers 6, 7, 8 and their cooling towers, other than certain specific conditions and emissions limits required for this NSR permitting action, are enforced through their existing Title V permit No. P127-R1M1 (20.2.70 NMAC).

## 2.0 Description of Modifications and Revisions:

The permittee wants to construct a 95.3 MW natural gas fired simple cycle turbine used to generate electricity. The turbine would increase the annual average electric power production from 245 MW to a total annual average of 340.3 MW. This facility was constructed before 1972, before promulgation of the NSR regulation, and according to the permittee has not been modified until this project (addition of Turbine GT-9 and Cooling Tower CT-9). Therefore, this is the first NSR permit for this facility.

### **Project Modifications and Revisions Include:**

- Construction of Unit GT-9, a 95.3 MW/142,576 hp natural gas fire simple cycle turbine, model GE LMS 100PA
- Installation of a selective catalytic reduction (SCR) system with associated ammonia system, ammonia tank, and fugitive ammonia emissions from the control device piping. The SCR would reduce turbine NOx emissions.
- Installation of an oxidation catalyst to reduce turbine CO and, at low loads, reduce VOC emissions
- Installation of Unit CT-9, a cooling tower for the new turbine
- Permit additional VOC fugitive emissions from fuel piping for the turbine, Unit FUG 9
- Boiler 8 – A NOx pph emission limit of 460.5 lb/hr for up to but no more than 7 hours per 24-hr period and a maximum 415.00 lb/hr for the rest of each 24 hour period (17 hrs per 24-hr period). These NOx pph limits were necessary to show compliance with ambient air quality standards.
- Boiler 6 – An actual reduction in annual PM2.5 emissions and federally enforceable limit on annual PM2.5 emissions of 2.0 tpy.

### **Revisions to the Existing Units (Boilers 6, 7, 8) Not Subject to NSR permit 1554M1:**

**NOTE:** The TV renewal application No. P127R2 was submitted before this NSR application and includes the following revisions. The TV renewal permit may or may not be issued before the final decision is made on NSR permit 1554M1. Therefore, a summary of the changes reported in the TV renewal application are listed here for information. Based on the information provided by the applicant, these changes are not modifications as defined by 20.2.72.7.P NMAC.

- Removing 2nd and 3rd operating scenarios that allow the use of diesel fuel with sulfur of 0.05% and 0.26% respectively for Boilers 6, 7, and 8. The applicant is removing the option to use diesel fuel in the boilers which is currently allowed in the existing TV permit for a limited number of hours each year. Diesel has a higher total sulfur content than natural gas, so this reduces the allowable SOx emission rates from the boilers
- Boiler 8 - Adding a flue gas recirculation (FGR) control device to control NOx emissions from Boiler 8 to meet the 20.2.33 NMAC emission limit of 0.30 lb/MMbtu.
- Boiler 8 - Increasing the NOx pound per hour emission limit from 403.4 to 460.5 pph. The increase in pph emissions from 403.5 to 460.5 pph is not a modification since, according to the applicant, there is no increase in capacity and since the original emission limit was erroneously set at 403.4 pph rather than 460.5 pph. If NSR permit 1554M1 is issued, the NOx emissions from Boiler 8 will be limited to 415.0 pounds per hour (pph) for no less than 17 hrs/day and to 460.5 pph for no more than 7 hrs/day. EPE must meet these NOx limits to show compliance with NOx ambient air quality standards.
- Boilers 6, 7, & 8 - Increasing the 1-hr average pph CO emission limit (except unit 6) and removing the 3-hr average CO emission limit; and decreasing the CO ton per year (tpy) emission limit. Limiting short term emissions per hour, rather than over 3 hrs, is more appropriate to demonstrate compliance with Ambient Air Quality Standards. According to the applicant, the increase in 1-hr CO emissions are due to the type of Continuous Emissions Monitoring (CEMs), which is a dilution-extractive CO CEMs that dilutes stack emissions with ambient air and not due to a modification. According to the applicant, during winter months, the ambient CO increases due to the geography and weather patterns pulling in higher concentrations from increased open burning in Juarez and winter inversions keep the ambient CO from dispersing.
- Boiler 8 – Increasing the VOC tpy and PM10 pph and tpy emission limits. According to the applicant, limits are changing only due to a change in the method of estimating these emissions.

**Incorporating requirements of Consent Decree D-101-CV-2008-02777 Filed 7-31-09**

**From Section V.21. of Consent Decree (decree applies only to Boilers 6, 7, & 8):**

- a. Annual tuning of the 3 boilers (6, 7, & 8) at the Rio Grande Generating Station as required by paragraph 1 (See specific tuning requirements in paragraph 1. Paragraph 1 also requires reporting average NOx (0.30 lb/MMbtu, hourly 3-hr rolling ave) and CO (pph, ave of CEMs data per hr) emissions before and after tuning;
- b. Operation and maintenance of the Flue Gas Recirculation (FGR) system at the Unit 8 boiler, provided the FGR system is installed on unit 8 in accordance with paragraph 11 (FGR was approved and operating on July 8, 2010);
- c. An averaging time [rolling ave.] of 3 hours for the 0.3 pound per million BTU maximum emission rate for NO2 set forth in Condition 3.1 of the existing operating Permit as provided in Paragraph 19; and
- d. A precision of 2 significant figures for the 0.3 (0.30) pound per million BTU maximum emission rate for NO2 set forth in Condition 3.1 of the existing operating permit.

**Paragraph I of the Consent Decree also requires:**

**I.B.3.** Proper and efficient calibration of CEMs including installation of software so that the calibration periods are clearly indicated in data recorded by the system.

**I.C.4.** Using actual sulfur content data [in fuel], in accordance with 40 CFR 75, Appendix D, to calculate SO<sub>2</sub> emissions for each unit (boiler).

**3.0 Emissions Estimates and Compliance**

**Note** Boilers 6, 7, and 8 and their cooling towers were constructed before promulgation of the NSR regulations (20.2.72, 20.2.74, and 20.2.79 NMAC) in 1972 and so are not subject to NSR except for certain specific conditions that apply to Boilers 6 and 8 necessary to comply with NSR permit 1554M1.

**Boiler NO<sub>x</sub>** pound per hour (pph) and ton per year (tpy) emission limits were determined by converting the limit of 0.30 lb/MMBtu (20.2.33 NMAC limit) using their respective heat rate capacities (MMBtu/hr). Boiler 8 pph emissions used 0.30 lb/MMBtu x 1535 MMBtu/hr and ton per year (tpy) NO<sub>x</sub> emissions used 0.257 lb/MMBtu x 1345 annual average MMBtu/hr. The TV permit will require the permittee keep Boiler 8 heat rate capacity to 1535 MMBtu/hr maximum and 1345 MMBtu/hr annual average.

**Boiler CO** pph emission limits were determined using historical continuous emissions monitoring system (CEMS) data and tpy CO emissions were determined with EPA's AP42 1.4-1.

**Boiler CO and NO<sub>x</sub> Compliance:** The TV permit will require the permittee use CEMS to monitor NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, and CO<sub>2</sub> from the boilers. 40 CFR 75 requires CEMs for NO<sub>x</sub> & CO<sub>2</sub>. Permittee must demonstrate compliance with both the lb/hr and tpy NO<sub>x</sub> and CO limits using the CEMS hourly emission data and actual number of hours operated over 12 months. NO<sub>x</sub> and CO start up and shut down emissions have historically been included in the facility emission limits.

**Boiler PM and VOC Emission Limits & Compliance:** Emissions were determined with EPA's current AP42 1.4-2. Applicant used Total PM emission factor (EF) from AP42 1.4-2 and set TSP = PM<sub>10</sub> = PM<sub>2.5</sub>.

**Boiler 6 PM Update:** EPE chose to take a reduction in annual PM<sub>2.5</sub> tpy emissions from Boiler 6 to net out of PSD permitting. This reduction was necessary to offset the increase in PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions from the addition of Turbine GT-9 and its cooling tower (CT-9). Actual PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions from Boiler 6 shall be measured using EPA method stack testing and Boiler 6's annual heat rate shall be measured with CEMS. The PM<sub>2.5</sub> emission factor and heat rate will be used to calculate tpy PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions (MMBtu/yr x lb/MMBtu x 1/2000 lbs = tpy).

**Boiler SO<sub>2</sub> Emission Limits & Compliance:** SO<sub>2</sub> emissions for Boilers were determined using the gas analysis sulfur detection limit of 0.03 gr/100 scf plus a safety factor of 1.5 for pph emissions and 1.25 for tpy emissions. Natural gas analyses show non-detectible sulfur, so a safety factor was added to account for possible fluctuation. In the TV permit, the permittee will show compliance with SO<sub>2</sub> emission limits for the Boilers by limiting total sulfur content in the fuel to 0.045 gr/100 scf of gas annually.

**Boiler HAPs** emissions were determined using California's AB2588 emission factors except for Hexane which used data from the Houston and Lighting Power Test report dated May 27, 1994. This test report is available at the EPA web address [nepis.epa.gov/Exe/ZyPURL.cgi?Dockkey=9100EWMJ.txt](http://nepis.epa.gov/Exe/ZyPURL.cgi?Dockkey=9100EWMJ.txt) or can be found by searching EPA's National Service Center for Environmental Publications (NSCEP) website <http://www.epa.gov/nscep/index.html>. Boilers are not major for any HAPs and therefore, no maximum achievable control technologies (MACTS) that may be required by 40 CFR 63 apply.

**Turbine NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, VOC, emissions** are based upon manufacturer data. The manufacturer provided data for 20 operating conditions that varied ambient temperatures and load. For pound per hour (pph) emissions, the operating condition that created the worst case short term emissions was used which consisted of the lowest ambient operating temperature at 100% load. For ton per year (tpy) emissions, the operating condition using 100% load and the average ambient temperature was used.

#### **Turbine Emissions Controls:**

- NO<sub>x</sub> emissions are to be reduced using a selective catalytic reduction (SCR) system. The SCR will use a homogenous vanadia-titania base metal catalyst plus an ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) reductant (19% aqueous NH<sub>3</sub>) to convert NO<sub>x</sub> into nitrogen gas (N<sub>2</sub>) and water with about an 88.8% average control efficiency. The SCR system will emit NH<sub>3</sub>, called ammonia slip.
- CO emissions and VOC emissions at low loads are to be reduced with catalytic oxidization (called COR system by GE) made of precious metals with about a 77.5% control efficiency. Per GE, excess O<sub>2</sub> in the flue gas and the catalyst are used to convert VOCs and CO to CO<sub>2</sub> and water.
- Control of the SCR/COR systems will be by a programmable logic control (PLC) system.
- GE warrants the SCR and COR catalysts for up to 3 years of operation based on 8760 hrs/yr, 26,280 total hours, or 3.25 years after catalyst delivery which ever comes first.

#### **Turbine Start up and Shut Down NO<sub>x</sub> & CO:**

From start up, until emissions compliance occurs takes no longer than 30 minutes. From time zero minutes (T<sub>0</sub>) to time ten minutes (T<sub>10</sub>) there is zero NO<sub>x</sub> control and from T<sub>10</sub> to T<sub>29</sub> there is an aggregate 50% NO<sub>x</sub> control. The selective catalytic reduction (SCR) system catalyst must be heated to 500-540 deg F before achieving permissive to inject ammonia into vaporizer, ammonia piping and AIG must be packed, then ammonia flow trimmed. This all takes 20 to 25 minutes. From T<sub>0</sub> to T<sub>10</sub> there is zero CO control and full CO control from 10 minutes on. CO catalytic oxidizer begins operating at ~500 deg F and is in full operation above 700 deg F. Manufacturer data showed VOC start up and shut down emissions equivalent to steady state VOC emissions. The CO and NO<sub>x</sub> pph emission limits reported in Table 2-E of the application include emissions during start up and shut down.

#### **NO<sub>x</sub> Start Up Emissions determined as follows:**

- 3.01 pounds NO<sub>x</sub> 7 minutes, per manufacturer start up data
- 15.03 pounds NO<sub>x</sub> 20 minutes rest of start up cycle. Used manufacturer worst case uncontrolled NO<sub>x</sub> w/ 44% control (81.07pph x (1-0.44) x (20 min/60 min))
- 4.9 pounds NO<sub>x</sub> 27 minutes steady state. Used manufacturer worst case controlled NO<sub>x</sub> emissions for 33 minutes (8.92 pph x 33min/60min).
- Total start up NO<sub>x</sub> for 1 hour: 3.01 + 15.03 + 4.9 = **22.9 pph NO<sub>x</sub>**

#### **NO<sub>x</sub> Shut Down emissions:**

- 0.44 pounds NO<sub>x</sub> 10 minutes. 3.97 pph manufacturer shut down data (3.97 pph x (100-88.8% control)).

**CO Start up Emissions determined as follows:**

- 10.21 pounds CO for 7 minutes, per manufacturer start up data
- 7.56 pounds CO for 20 minutes remaining start up cycle. Used manufacturer worst case controlled CO emissions (22.69 pph x 20min/60min)
- 12.5 pounds CO for 33 minutes steady state. Used manufacturer worst case controlled CO emissions for rest of hour (22.68pph x 33 min/60 min)
- Total start up CO for 1 hour: 10.21 + 7.56 + 12.5 = **30.2 pph CO**

**CO Shut Down emissions:**

2.97 pounds CO 10 minutes. 13.21 pph x (100-77.5% control)

**Annual NO<sub>x</sub> and CO Start up and Shut down Fraction:**

Applicant requested one start up/shut down per day plus one additional per week for a total of 417 start up/shut downs per year. Actual operations may not require this many start ups.

- NO<sub>x</sub> Annual SU/SD: (18.04 lbs SU + 0.44 lbs SD) x 1ton/2000lb x 417 times/yr = 3.85 tons/yr
- CO Annual SU/SD: (17.77 lbs SU + 2.97 lb SD) x 1ton/2000lb x 417 times/yr = 4.33 tons/yr

**Turbine NO<sub>x</sub> & CO compliance** with both steady state and start up and shut down emissions will be shown using continuous emissions monitoring system (CEMS), initial EPA Method compliance tests, and periodic Relative Accuracy Test Audit (RATA) tests required by Acid Rain regulations (40 CFR 75).

**Turbine VOC compliance** will be shown by demonstrating compliance with NO<sub>x</sub> and CO limits.

**Turbine NH<sub>3</sub> emissions (ammonia slip) & compliance:** Ammonia emissions from the turbine's SCR are based upon manufacturer emissions guarantee. Excess ammonia slip can occur when catalyst temperatures are not optimum for chemical reaction and/or too much ammonia is injected. Therefore, compliance with NH<sub>3</sub> pph and tpy emission limits will be met by operating the SCR system with optimal temperatures and ammonia injection according to manufacturer recommendations and monitored & recorded using the SCR/COR programmable logic control system (PLC).

**TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Revised Turbine Emissions:** Turbine GT-9 manufacturer is GE Energy. Originally El Paso Electric used the GE Energy guarantee for total PM<sub>10</sub> emissions at 5.9 lb/hr (5.5 pph from turbine + 0.4 pph from SCR & Cat Oxidizer) to set their TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emission limits for Turbine GT-9.

To reduce TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> to below PSD and Nonattainment significance levels, EPE reported revised Turbine PM emission rates which are described further below. For additional details see EPE's 2-10-11 letter, Attachment A, and Attachment B. Copies of these documents were sent to La Casita, the Sunland Park Library, the San Martin de Porres Catholic Church, and the NMED Las Cruces District office.

GE's PM emissions guarantee was based on statistical analysis using the upper confidence level of 8 PM test results, rather than the average test results. To establish a lower PM emission rate, EPE's 2-10-11 submittal reviewed test results from 20 in-stack PM tests (including the GE's 8 tests) for similar

units (simple cycle, aeroderivative-class turbines) and proposed lower PM emission limits for Turbine GT-9.

As a result, Turbine GT-9 TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 emission rates will be limited to 3.6 lb/hr and 14.48 tpy each. Actual PM emissions from the Turbine will be measured with EPA method stack testing and Turbine GT-9's annual heat rate shall be measured with CEMS.

**Turbine SO2 emissions & compliance:** SO2 emissions were determined using the gas analysis fuel sulfur detection limit plus a safety factor of 1.5 for pph emissions and 1.25 for tpy emissions. Natural gas analyses typically show non-detectible sulfur, therefore, the safety factor was added to account for possible fluctuations. However, GE Energy guaranteed total PM10 emissions of 5.9 lb/hr (5.5 pph from turbine + 0.4 pph from SCR & Cat Oxidizer) based on a sulfur content of no more than 0.25 gr/100 scf in fuel. Therefore, fuel sulfur must be limited to the lower rate of 0.25 gr/100 scf rather than 0.45 gr/100 scf annual average.

**Turbine HAPs emissions** were determined using EPA's AP42 3.1-3. No individual HAP or the sum of HAPs are major, therefore, no MACTs from 40 CFR 63 are required.

**All cooling tower Particulate Matter (PM) emissions** were determined using EPA's AP42 13.4 for TSP and the Frisbee Paper for PM10 and PM2.5. Chlorine is added as a biocide to the cooling towers and results in a HAP byproduct, hydrochloric acid (HCl). HCl emissions from the boiler & turbine cooling towers are insignificant and are not subject to 40 CFR 63. Permit 1554M1 will include operating conditions for the turbine's cooling tower to include monitoring water circulation rate (gpm) and water TDS (ppmw) to ensure that PM emission limits are met.

#### **4.0 Source Determination:**

1. The emission sources evaluated by the applicant are the sources listed in regulated equipment Table 2-A and exempt equipment Table 2-B.

2. Single Source Analysis: Do surrounding or associated sources belong to the same industrial grouping (i.e., same two-digit SIC code grouping, or support activity)? **No. EPE did not indicate that there are any surrounding or associated sources.**

Common Ownership or Control: Are the surrounding or associated facilities under common ownership or control? **No**

Contiguous or Adjacent: Are the surrounding or associated facilities located on one or more contiguous or adjacent properties? **No**

3. Is the source, as described in the application, the entire source for 20.2.70, 20.2.72, or 20.2.74 NMAC applicability purposes? **Yes**

#### **5.0 PSD and Nonattainment Applicability – Section Revised**

**A.** This is an existing PSD Major Source that has never undergone a PSD review. All pollutants in the area are in attainment, however PM10 emissions from the Source affects El Paso's PM10 Nonattainment area.

**B.** TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 emissions from Turbine GT-9 were re-evaluated and revised estimates submitted on 2-11-11 (see EPE document dated 2-10-11). Rather than using the manufacturer's guaranteed PM emission rate, EPE used a lower PM emission rate. This resulted in TSP and PM10

emissions being lower than PSD and Nonattainment significance levels, but with PM2.5 still above the PSD significance level.

<b>Project Emissions from Addition of Turbine and Cooling Tower</b>		
<b>Pollutant</b>	<b>Emission increase (tpy)</b>	<b>Significance Level (tpy)</b>
NOx	39.1	40.0
CO	94.1	100.0
VOC	9.2	40.0
SOx	0.36	40.0
TSP filterable + condensable <sup>1</sup>	15.88	25.0
PM10 filterable + condensable <sup>1</sup>	14.57	15.0
PM2.5 filterable + condensable <sup>1</sup>	14.48	10

C. Netting was required since the PM2.5 project emissions were significant (above 10 tpy). EPE chose to reduce Boiler 6 PM2.5 actual emissions to net out of PM2.5 PSD review. The net emissions increase is listed in the following table. The permittee “relied upon” the reduction in Boiler 6 PM2.5 emissions for this permitting action.

<b>Net PM Emissions From Reduction Taken on Boiler 6</b>		
<b>Pollutant</b>	<b>Emission increase (tpy)</b>	<b>Significance Level (tpy)</b>
TSP filterable + condensable <sup>1</sup>	11.19	25.0
PM10 filterable + condensable <sup>1</sup>	9.87	15.0
PM2.5 filterable + condensable <sup>1</sup>	9.80	10

1. From FR Vol. 73, NO. 96, May 16, 2008, page 28334 - Prevention of Significant Deterioration and NA NSR permits issued after the effective date of this NSR implementation rule but before the end of EPA’s transition period for the NSR program are not required to account for condensable emissions in PM2.5 or PM10 emissions limits. **After January 1, 2011** (or any earlier date established in the upcoming rulemaking codifying test methods) EPA will require that NSR permittees include limits of condensable emissions, as appropriate. EPA established the transition period to among other items, allow time to promulgate revised EPA test methods for condensable PM (Test 202) and fine particulate matter (PM2.5) (Test 201A). AQB has required permittees to include the condensable fraction (if estimation method is available) to be reported and included in air dispersion modeling to demonstrate compliance with ambient air quality standards, but followed EPA’s transition criteria to exclude condensables in PSD and Nonattainment applicability.

D. Neither BACT (PSD) nor LAER (Nonattainment) are required for this modification since the modification caused neither a significant nor a net significant emissions increase.

**E. Federally Enforceable Permit Limits to Comply with PSD & Nonattainment:**

<b>Unit No.</b>	<b>TPY TSP/PM10/PM2.5</b>	<b>TPY NOx</b>	<b>TPY CO</b>
<b>Boiler 6</b>	<sup>b</sup> 2.0	n/a	n/a
<b>Turbine GT-9</b>	<sup>a, b</sup> 14.48	<sup>c</sup> 39.1	<sup>c</sup> 94.1

- a. Limits proposed by EPE to avoid TSP and PM2.5 PSD and PM10 Nonattainment
- b. Limit proposed by EPE to avoid PM2.5 PSD. EPE first lowered project PM2.5 emissions from the turbine and then took an additional net PM2.5 decrease from Boiler 6.
- c. EPE installed NOx and CO emissions controls and took annual emission limits to avoid PSD permitting.

**NOx and CO Emissions Turbine 9:**

- EPE will monitor and record NOx and CO lb/hr emissions and operating hours with CEMS. From that information, they will calculate their annual NOx and CO tpy emissions to ensure that they stay below the permitted emission limits and PSD significance levels. These limits are federally

enforceable. Meeting or exceeding 40 tpy NOx and/or 100 tpy CO from the Turbine GT-9 could result in the modification to add the Turbine being subject to PSD review.

#### **Annual PM Emissions Boiler 6 & Turbine GT-9:**

- For Turbine GT-9, TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 tpy emissions will be limited to 14.48 tpy each.
- For Boiler 6, PM2.5 tpy emissions will be limited to 2.0 tpy.
- Meeting or exceeding the Turbine GT-9 or Boiler 6 PM emission limits could result in the addition of Turbine GT-9 and Cooling Tower CT-9 being subject to Nonattainment (20.2.79 NMAC) and/or PSD (20.2.74 NMAC) permitting.
- Filterable TSP (Method 5), filterable PM10 and PM2.5 (Method 201A), and condensable PM (Method 202) will be measured during stack testing. Filterable and condensable PM for each fraction will be combined to determine total TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 emissions. Condensable particulate matter is assumed to be 2.5 microns in diameter or less (PM2.5) (75 FR 80135 (12-21-10)). Heat rate in MMBtu/hr will be measured using CEMS during each test.
- Heat rate MMBtu/hr and corresponding lb/hr test results will be used to determine a lb/MMBtu emission factor ( $\text{lb/hr} \times \text{hr/MMBtu} = \text{lb/MMBtu}$ ).
- The heat rate of Boiler 6 and Turbine GT-9 will be monitored and recorded with CEMS. Monthly totals will be summed (MMBtu/mo), and then rolled into a monthly, 12-month total heat rate (MMBtu/yr).
- EPE will use the actual heat rate (monitoring by CEMS) and actual PM emission factor (measured through stack testing) to determine monthly PM emission rates for Turbine GT-9 and Boiler 6 ( $\text{lb/MMBtu} \times \text{MMBtu/mo} = \text{ton/mo PM}$ ). Each ton/month PM emission rate will be summed into a rolling 12-month total of PM emissions (or a running total of ton per year PM emissions).

**Turbine GT-9:** EPE chose to take TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 tpy emission limits for Turbine GT-9 using emission rates below that guaranteed by the manufacturer in order to avoid PSD permitting for TSP and PM2.5 and Nonattainment permitting for PM10. To ensure potential PM emission rates are met, the permit must require federally enforceable permit conditions to limit PM emissions (20.2.72.210.A; 210.B(1)(a),(b); 210.C(4); 208.A, 208.F NMAC; and 20.2.74.7.AN NMAC).

**Boiler 6 PM:** EPE chose to take a reduction in annual PM2.5 tpy emissions on Boiler 6 to net out of PSD permitting. Without this reduction, PM2.5 emission rates from Turbine GT-9 are significant. EPE estimated the reduction in annual PM2.5 emissions from Boiler 6 using a heat rate of 547,930.0 MMBtu and AP42 1.4-2 PM emission factor of 7.6 lb/MMBtu ( $547,932.0 \text{ MMBtu/yr} \times 7.6 \text{ lb/MMBtu} \times 1/2000 \text{ lbs} = 2.0 \text{ tpy}$ ). To meet the requirements of 20.2.74 NMAC, this reduction in annual PM2.5 emissions must be creditable and contemporaneous. To be creditable, the reduction must be an actual reduction in PM2.5 emissions from Boiler 6 (20.2.74.7.AL(6) NMAC) since there are currently no allowable PM2.5 emission limits for Boiler 6, and must be enforceable as a practical matter at and after the time that actual construction on the particular change begins (20.2.74.7.AL(6)(b) NMAC). To ensure that the reduction in PM2.5 emissions is creditable, actual PM2.5 emissions will be determined through stack testing and actual heat rate through CEMS monitoring. To ensure that the reduction was contemporaneous, EPE agreed to take an effective date on Boiler 6's annual PM2.5 emissions reduction beginning 30 days before first firing of Turbine GT-9 (20.2.74.AL(2) NMAC).

6.0 **History (In descending chronological order, showing NSR and TV):** \*The asterisk denotes the current active NSR and Title V permits that have not been superseded.

Permit Number	Issue Date	Action Type	Description of Action (Changes)
*1554-M1	Current Action	NSR Permit, minor 20.2.72	<p>First NSR permit issued. Facility was constructed before 1972, before promulgation of the NSR regulation, and had not been modified until the addition of this turbine. Therefore, this is the first NSR permit for this facility.</p> <p><b>Facility modifications include:</b>            Construct Unit GT-9, a 95.3 MW/142,576 hp natural gas fire simple cycle turbine, model GE LMS 100PA; add a cooling tower (unit CT-9) and selective catalytic reduction (SCR) system with associated ammonia system, ammonia tank, and fugitive ammonia emissions from the control device piping. Turbine CO and VOC emissions will also be controlled with an oxidation catalyst. VOC fugitive emissions will also be added from fuel piping for the turbine, Unit FUG 9</p> <p><b>PSD/Nonattainment:</b> To avoid PSD and Nonattainment permitting, EPE took federally enforceable emission limits on Turbine GT-9 on NOx, CO, TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 tpy emissions. To avoid PM2.5 PSD permitting, EPE chose to net out by reducing actual PM2.5 emissions from Boiler 6.</p> <p><b>Total Facility Emissions:</b> NOx 3130.1 tpy, CO 1108.1 tpy, VOC 78.7 tpy, SOx 1.6 tpy, TSP 166.2 tpy, PM10 91.3 tpy, PM2.5 86.4 tpy.            TSP filterable 112.0 tpy, condensable 85.4; PM10 filterable 37.2 tpy, condensable 85.4 tpy; PM2.5 filterable 32.2 tpy, condensable 85.4.</p>
*P127-A-R2	Pending	Acid Rain Renewal	Acid Rain Renewal. No modifications.
*P127-R2	Pending	TV Renewal	<p><b>Revisions to the TV permit:</b>            Remove 2nd and 3rd operating scenarios that allow diesel fuel with sulfur of 0.05% and 0.26% respectively; add flue gas recirculation (FGR) control device to control NOx emissions from Boiler 8 to demonstrate compliance with 20.2.33 NMAC emission limit of 0.30 lb/MMbtu; increase NOx pound per hour emission limit from 403.4 to 460.5 pph (department determined increase in pph emissions is not a modification - see Note about "modifications" for Boilers 6, 7, and 8 in P127R2 SOB); incorporate requirements of Consent Decree D-101-CV-2008-02777 Filed 7-31-09</p> <p><b>NOx 3090.75 tpy, CO 1013.9 tpy, VOC 69.43 tpy, SOx 1.3 tpy, TSP 170.3 tpy, PM10 96.74 tpy, PM2.5 91.83 tpy.</b></p>

Permit Number	Issue Date	Action Type	Description of Action (Changes)
D-101 CV-2008-02777	7-31-09	Consent Decree	Consent Decree D-101 CV-2008-02777 for NOV ELP-0122-0501 for violating CO, NO <sub>x</sub> , and SO <sub>2</sub> emissions limits. Applies to boilers 6, 7, and 8. Corrective Actions: tune each boiler at the Rio Grande Generating Station annually; report performance of tuning and the before and after tuning NO <sub>x</sub> lb/MMbtu and CO pph emissions; conduct CEMs calibrations, install software that records the calibrations, and submit verification of such in 30 days; monitor sulfur dioxide using actual sulfur content data in accordance with 40 CFR 75, Appendix D to calculate SO <sub>2</sub> emissions and notify of such within 30 days; install flue gas recirculation (FGR) on boiler 8 (EPN-1). Implementation of Permit Conditions: maximum allowable NO <sub>2</sub> emission rate (20.2.33 NMAC 0.3 lb/MMbtu) for each boiler 6, 7, & 8 shall be interpreted as having an averaging time of 3 hours and shall be interpreted as having 2 significant figures (0.30 lb/MMbtu – vs – 0.3 lb/MMbtu). Integration with Permit - submit application in 180 days to incorporate the following conditions: annual tuning of 3 boilers as required by section 1 of consent decree; operation and maintenance of boiler 8 (EPN-1) FGR; state maximum NO <sub>2</sub> emission limit of 0.3 lb/MMbtu (20.2.33 NMAC) using 2 significant figures 0.30 lb/MMbtu and determined with a 3 hr-averaging time.
P127R1M1	6-6-08	TV administrative Revision	Change responsible official to Mr. Andres Ramirez.
P127-A-R1	9-22-05	TV Renewal	Issued 5 year T-IV permit for Boiler Units 6, 7, and 8 with 40 CFR 72.9(c)(1) allowances and ORIS code 2444. NO <sub>x</sub> limitations in 40 CFR 76 are only applicable to coal-fired units and thus do not apply to this facility.
P127R1	9-22-05	TV Renewal	Scenario 1 (natural gas): <b>NO<sub>x</sub> 3342.4 tpy, CO 3504.0 tpy, VOC 19.8 tpy, SO<sub>x</sub> 29.1 tpy, PM10 8.7 tpy, Chlorine 4.1 tpy, formaldehyde 1.1 tpy, and hexane 19.9 tpy.</b> Scenario 2/3 (diesel): NO <sub>x</sub> 3343.2 tpy, CO 3777.8 tpy, VOC 21.6 tpy, SO <sub>x</sub> 227.4 tpy, PM10 17.8 tpy, Chlorine 4.1 tpy. Permitted Units 6, 7, and 8. Number 2 diesel fuel is available for backup fuel in the event of a gas supply curtailment. The permit places restrictions on unit 8 limiting the output to 145 Megawatts average output. This permit is a renewal of the P127M1.
P127M1-Rev	8-31-05	TV Revision	Scenario 1 (natural gas): <b>NO<sub>x</sub> 3343.7 tpy, CO 3504.0 tpy, VOC 60.4 tpy, SO<sub>x</sub> 6.7 tpy, TSP 83.4 tpy, Chlorine 4.1 tpy.</b> Scenario 2 (diesel): NO <sub>x</sub> 3376.2 tpy, CO 3536.9 tpy, VOC 61.1 tpy, SO <sub>x</sub> 546.8 tpy, TSP 135.7 tpy, Chlorine 4.1 tpy. A permit reopening to adjust emission limits to more accurately reflect the potential to emit for the 2 operating scenarios.

Permit Number	Issue Date	Action Type	Description of Action (Changes)
P127M1	6-16-03	TV reopening	Scenario 1: <b>NOx 3343.7 tpy, CO 3504.0 tpy, SOx 6.7 tpy, TSP 83.4 tpy, VOC 60.4 tpy, and Chlorine 4.1 tpy.</b> Scenario 2: <b>NOx 3376.8 tpy, CO 3536.9 tpy, SOx 546.8 tpy, TSP 135.7 tpy, VOC 61.1 tpy, and Chlorine 4.1 tpy.</b> Adjust emissions limits to "more accurately reflect" the potential to emit for the 2 operating scenarios. Permitted Units 6, 7, and 8.
P127	1-27-00	New TV	NSR and PSD "Grandfathered" Facility. <b>Both scenarios: NOx 3,672.9 tpy, CO 21,900.0, SOx 651.8 tpy, TSP 107.9 tpy, VOC 23.0 tpy, and Chlorine 4.1 tpy.</b> Permitted Units 6, 7, and 8, Babcock and Wilcox boilers that can use either natural gas or diesel as fuel. This facility is an electric power generation station operated by three dry bottom, wall-fired gas steam boilers. There are three turbine generator units driven by high pressure, superheated steam. Total electric power production of the facility from these three generators is <b>288 MW gross, and 261 MW net.</b> The primary fuel used at this facility is pipeline quality natural gas. Number 2 diesel oil is available for use as a back-up fuel in the event of gas supply curtailment.
1554	5-28-98	New NSR permit - denied	NSR permit application closed/denied effective 5-28-98. NSR permit application submitted 6-94 to install lo-NOx burners on Unit 8 to meet state limit of 0.3 lb/MMBtu. Unit 8 has always had to run at reduced capacity to meet state emission regulation for gas fired equipment. Application ruled complete 5-28-97 and denied effective 5-28-98.
P127A	12-12-97	New Acid Rain Permit	Effective 1-1-00 to 12-31-04. Permitted Units 6, 7, and 8 with SO2 allowances.
No permit number	4-21-97	Letter of understanding	Letter of understanding between NMED and El Paso Electric Company to install low-NOx burners and <b>reduce capacity to 145 MW</b> on unit 8 to meet NOx emissions limit of 0.30 lb/MMBtu and comply with 20.2.33 NMAC. Installation of LNB and operating at reduced firing rate would "result in a net decrease in emissions of NO2 and CO and would not result in an increase in other air contaminants". It was understood that since the LNB and reduced firing rate would result in a decrease in emissions, that this modification to unit 8 would be exempt from 20.2.72. Permittee was to submit monthly reports of weekly averages of hourly NO2 emissions and corresponding MW output to NMED until permittee obtained an air permit for Unit 8 under 20.2.72 or 20.2.70.

### 7.0 Public Response/Concerns:

**Hearing:** Based upon the public response received as of November 29, 2010, the AQB recommended to the Department Secretary that no hearing be held.

Between December 8 and 12, 2010, three additional letters and 62 signatures requesting a hearing were received after the hearing recommendation. AQB has since recommended a hearing with agreement of the Division Director.

A hearing is scheduled for March 29, 2011 in Sunland Park NM. All public notification requirements for this hearing met 20.20.1.4 NMAC. Additionally, about 200 hearing notifications were mailed or emailed to citizens and local government officials who are on an updated list of citizens associated with the Sunland Park area.

**In addition to the applicant's public notice** requirements in 20.2.72 NMAC, the applicant sent 172 English language public notice letters to Sunland Park citizens and government authorities on a list from the Camino Real Landfill hearing. No response from any of the applicant's public notice was received.

**In addition to AQB's public notice** requirements, the AQB contacted a Sunland Park citizen by phone, sent 172 public notice letters in Spanish and English to Sunland Park citizens and government officials, sent 116 notices of a community meeting using an updated address list of Sunland Park citizens and government officials, and held a community meeting on September 25, 2010 in Sunland Park. About 17 adults and 6 children attended the community meeting.

**Verification of Applicant's Required Public Notice – the applicant has met all regulatory notification requirements as follows:**

**NOTE:** Per New Mexico State's Office of General Council March 2002 interpretation, when a municipality, Indian Tribe, or county is located outside of New Mexico, public notification is not required if outside of the state boundaries. This legal interpretation would also apply to property owned outside of New Mexico.

**20.2.72.203.B(1)(a)** Notified by certified mail all property owners found on the Doña Ana County property assessment records that are located within 100 feet of the facility's property boundary. Rio Grande Generating Station is located in Sunland Park city limits and has a population of more than 2500 persons.

**20.2.72.203.B(2)** Notified, by certified mail, municipalities, Counties, and Tribes located within 10 miles of the facility. The only County, New Mexico Municipalities, and Tribes within 10 miles are, Doña Ana County and Sunland Park. All other New Mexico communities, such as Santa Teresa and Canutillo, are either not incorporated municipalities, are greater than 10 miles from the property boundary, are located in the State of Texas, or are located in the Country of Mexico.

**20.2.72.203.B(3)** Published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the [New Mexico] county where the facility is located and should appear in the legal or classified section and in one other location of the newspaper to provide the most effective notice. Applicant published two English language ads in the El Paso Times and two Spanish language ads in the El Diario de El Paso.

**20.2.72.203.B(4)** The applicant certified that public notice was posted on June 15, 2010 at four publically accessible locations near the source including the facility entrance at Rio Grande Power Station Entrance, Sunland Park Community Library, Sunland Park City Hall, and US Post Office at 3500 McNutt Rd.

**20.2.72.203.B(5)** The applicant provided an email of the public service announcement request submitted to KGRT, a radio station in Las Cruces. The public notice content shown in the email met the requirements of 20.2.72.203.D.

**AQB Public Notice:**

**20.2.72.206.A(7)** Mailed a copy of AQB's public notice on October 7, 2010 to the State of Texas since it is within 50 km of the facility.

**20.2.72.206.A(3)** Published both an English language and Spanish language public notice in the Las Cruces Sun News on October 10, 2010. The permit writer verified with the Las Cruces Sun News that there were subscribers and newspaper stands in Sunland Park. At the 9-25-10 community meeting, the permit writer stated the PN would probably be published in the El Paso Times, but AQB does not have a purchase order for El Paso Times so had to use the Las Cruces Sun News.

**20.2.72.206.A(4)** Public notice was sent to individuals maintained on the department's list of individuals and organizations who have indicated in writing they would like to be notified of all permit applications.

### 8.0 Compliance Testing:

Unit No.	Compliance Tests Already Completed	Test Dates
Boilers 6, 7, 8	Relative Accuracy Testing Audit (RATA) Tests for NOx and CO2 CEMs as Required by 40 CFR 75, Appendix B Reference Methods found 40 CFR 75.22 Quality Assurance And Control Procedures 40 CFR 75.21	8-13-09
Boilers 6, 7, 8	SO2 RATA or QA/QC per 40 CFR 75.11(d)(2)	8-13-09
Boilers 6, 7, 8	CO CEMs QA/QC Test with EPA Methods 10 and Flow Rate Methods 1 to 4	8-13-09
Unit No.	Compliance Tests Required in NSR permit 1554M1	Test Dates
Turbine GT-9	Relative Accuracy Testing Audit (RATA) Tests for NOx and CO2 CEMS as Required by 40 CFR 75, Appendix B & NSPS KKKK Reference Methods found 40 CFR 75.22 Quality Assurance And Control Procedures 40 CFR 75.21	Within 180 days after first fuel firing (initial start up). At least Semiannually thereafter. Frequency may be reduced to annually based upon results of accuracy but never more than 8 calendar quarters apart. (Frequency in App B of Part 75, 2.3.1.1 and Figs 1 & 2)
Turbine GT-9	SO2 RATA or QA/QC per 40 CFR 75.11(d)(2)	Per 75.11(d)(2)
Turbine GT-9	Initial CO CEMS certification using 40 CFR 60, Appendix B and CO CEMS QA/QC (periodic Cylinder Gas Audits (CGAs)) using 40 CFR 60, Appendix F	Within 180 days after first fuel firing (initial start up). CO CGA periodic testing to be performed in conjunction with NOx RATA testing in accordance with 40 CFR 75
Turbine GT-9	NOx (Method 7E) and CO (Method 10) Initial compliance Tests	Within 180 days after first fuel firing (initial start up).
Turbine GT-9	TSP (Method 5) & PM10 and PM2.5 filterable fractions (Method 201A), PM2.5 Condensable fraction (Method 202)	Within 180 days after first fuel firing (initial start up).
Turbine GT-9	NOx method test per 40 CFR 60.4400, Subpart KKKK requirements.	Per 40 CFR 60.4400(a) and 40 CFR 60.8: conduct initial performance tests and subsequent tests on an annual basis, no more than 14 calendar months following the previous test. Per 60.440(b)(5) the CEM performance evaluation (RATA) may be conducted as part of the initial performance test.
Boiler 6	PM2.5 filterable fractions (Method 201A), PM2.5 Condensable fraction (Method 202)	Within 180 days after first fuel firing (initial start up).

**9.0 Startup and Shutdown:**

- A. If applicable, did the applicant indicate that a startup, shutdown, and emergency operational plan was developed in accordance with 20.2.70.300.D(5)(g) NMAC? **Yes**
- B. If applicable, did the applicant indicate that a malfunction, startup, or shutdown operational plan was developed in accordance with 20.2.72.203.A.5 NMAC? **Not applicable. Yes**
- C. Did the applicant indicate that a startup, shutdown, and scheduled maintenance plan was developed and implemented in accordance with 20.2.7.14.A and B NMAC? **Yes**
- D. Were emissions from startup, shutdown, and scheduled maintenance operations calculated and included in the emission tables? **Yes.** Start up and shut down emissions are included in the emission limits in Table 2-E for the boilers and turbine.

**10.0 Modeling:**

**EPE's Modeling:** El Paso Electric's modeling shows that ambient air quality standards for NOx, CO, TSP, PM10, PM2.5, and SO2 will be met. Ambient impacts of ammonia emissions (NH3) are less than 1/100<sup>th</sup> of the occupational exposure limit (OEL) in 20.2.72.502 NMAC. NH3 is a New Mexico TAP and if modeling shows that the 8-hour average ambient concentration of the toxic air pollutant exceeds 1/100<sup>th</sup> of its OEL, a health assessment is required. For NH3 the OEL is 18mg/m<sup>3</sup> and so 1/100 of the OEL is 0.18mg/m<sup>3</sup>. The maximum impact of NH3 emissions from Rio Grande Generating Facility is 0.0286 mg/ m<sup>3</sup>, therefore a health assessment is not required.

El Paso Electric modeled NOx, CO, TSP, PM10, PM2.5, and NH3 emissions. AQB determined that modeling SO2 emissions was not required to show compliance with SO2 standards as these emissions are less than 1 pph and were recently modeled at a much higher emission rate. Modeling included emissions from surrounding stationary sources in NM and Texas within 65 km of the facility and included background concentrations for NO2, CO, TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 for Doña Ana County.

**AQB's Modeling:** Sufi Mustafa of the Air Quality Bureau conducted an air dispersion modeling review and determined that EPE's modeling analysis demonstrates that operation of the facility described in the application neither causes nor contributes to any exceedances of applicable air quality standards. The standards relevant at this facility are NAAQS for CO, NO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub>; NMAAQs for CO, NO<sub>2</sub> and TSP and Class I and Class II PSD increments for NO<sub>2</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub>. The analyses also shows that ammonia concentrations will be below 1/100<sup>th</sup> (1%) of the Occupational Exposure Level (OEL) for ammonia. As part of AQB's review, all input values such as pound per hour emission rates and stack parameters that were used in air dispersion modeling are checked for accuracy.

**11.0 State Regulatory Analysis Applicable to both NSR Only and TV Only Units (NMAC/AOCR):**

20 NMAC	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
2.1	General Provisions	Y	The facility is subject to Title 20 Environmental Protection Chapter 2 Air Quality of the New Mexico Administrative Code so is subject to Part 1 General Provisions, specifically 20.2.1.116 Significant Figures.
2.3	Ambient Air Quality Standards	Y	Facility must demonstrate compliance with state ambient air quality standards according to 20.2.70.D(3).
2.7	Excess Emissions	Y	Applies to all facility sources

20 NMAC	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
2.18	Oil Burning Equipment – Particulate Matter	N	<b>Boilers 6 and 8 may no longer combust diesel fuel, therefore, this regulation no longer applies.</b> The permittee withdrew the diesel fuel option on May 7, 2010.
2.33	Gas Burning [external combustion] Equipment - Nitrogen Dioxide	Y	<b>Boilers 6, 7 and 8</b>
<p>6/EPN-3, 610 MMBtu/hr, constructed 1-1-1957  7/EPN-2, 590 MMBtu/hr, constructed 1-1-1958  8/EPN-1, 1570 MMBtu/hr, constructed 1-10-1968  <b>20.2.33.7.A. Existing</b> (construction commenced or modification commenced before 2-17-72)  Per applicant none of the units have been modified since construction and are defined as existing units.  <b>20.2.33.108.B limits NO2 emissions per unit to =&lt; 0.30 lb/MMbtu</b> of heat input from <u>existing</u> gas burning units with a heat input greater than 1,000,000 million British Thermal Units per year per unit.  <b>Compliance Demonstration:</b> The permittee will demonstrate compliance with 20.2.33.108.B through NOx CEMs required by 40 CFR 75.  <b>Note:</b> Permittee calculated their pph and tpy NOx emissions by converting from 0.30 lb/MMbtu except for boiler 8 where they used 0.257 MMBtu/hr to calculate tpy. Permittee indicated that CEMs data shows that <u>average</u> heat rate capacity of boiler 8 over a year's time is 0.257 lb/MMbtu. Permittee must also demonstrate compliance with the pph and tpy limits using CEMs data.</p>			
2.34	Oil Burning Equipment - Nitrogen Dioxide	N	<b>Boiler 8 may no longer combust diesel fuel, therefore, this regulation no longer applies.</b> The permittee withdrew the diesel fuel option on May 7, 2010.
<p><b>Boiler 8</b> was allowed to use diesel fuel up to 720 hr/yr (1570 MMBtu/hr x 720 hr/yr = 1,130,400 MMBtu/yr), so therefore, was subject to 20.2.34, but is no longer.  <b>Boiler 6</b> was also allowed to burn diesel but <u>was not subject</u> because it was permitted to burn diesel for 876 hr/yr thereby limiting the annual heat input below the applicability threshold of 1,000,000 MMBtu/yr (610 MMBtu/hr x 876 hr/yr = 534,360 MMBtu/yr). Boiler 6 would have to burn diesel up to 1639.3 hrs/yr to be subject.</p>			
2.61	Smoke and Visible Emissions	Y	<b>Boilers 6, 7, 8, and turbine GT-9</b> <b>20.2.61.109 limits opacity</b> from emissions stacks to 20%. <b>20.2.61.114 Opacity is determined</b> using 40 CFR 60, Appendix A Method 9 for a minimum of 10 minutes.
2.70	Operating Permits	Y	PTE is > 100 TPY. Source is TV major for NOx, CO, TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 as defined at 20.2.70.200 NMAC.
2.71	Operating Permit Fees	Y	Source is subject to 20.2.70 NMAC as cited at 20.2.71.109 NMAC.
2.72	Construction Permits	Y	20.2.72.200.A(2) NMAC
2.73	NOI & Emissions Inventory Requirements	Y	Applicable to all facilities that require an NSR and/or a TV permit.
2.74	Permits-Prevention of Significant Deterioration	N	This source is PSD major (emissions over 250 tpy), but the modification to the facility does not require PSD review since there is no net emissions increase.

20 NMAC	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
<p>TSP and PM2.5 project emissions from addition of new turbine, cooling tower, and ancillary equipment were significant as of January 1, 2011 (20.2.74.502 NMAC) due to a rule change requiring inclusion of condensable PM. PM10 project emissions were also significant, but this would be subject to non-attainment permitting. On 2-10-11, the applicant revised TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 emission rates from Turbine GT-9 and requested limits on Boiler 6 to net out of PM2.5.</p> <p>According to the applicant, all units, before addition of turbine GT-9, were constructed before and have not been modified since the effective date of this NMAC (7-20-95) and the 1977 CAA Amendments when PSD was first implemented (40 CFR 52.21, 6-19-78). Source is listed in Table 1 of 20.2.74.501 and is a major source as defined in 20.2.74.7.AF(1) but has never undergone a PSD review. Any major modifications to this facility (as defined in 20.2.74.7.AD) will be subject to PSD review.</p>			
2.75	Construction Permit Fees	Y	Facility is subject to 20.2.72 NMAC so is subject to permit fees. Since it is a TV source, is not subject to NSR annual fees in accordance with 20.2.75.11.E an annual NSR enforcement and compliance fee shall not apply to sources subject to 20.2.71 NMAC.
2.77	New Source Performance	Y	Applies to any stationary source constructing or modifying and which is subject to the requirements of 40 CFR Part 60, as amended through December 31, 2009.
2.78	Emissions Standards for HAPs,	N	This regulation applies to all sources emitting hazardous air pollutants, which are subject to the requirements of 40 CFR Part 61.
2.79	Permits – Nonattainment Areas	N	As of January 1, 2011, PM10 project emissions were significant. However, on 2-10-11 the applicant revised PM10 emissions estimates from Turbine GT-9 and therefore, project emissions are no longer significant (over 15 tpy PM10). The permittee was required to evaluate PM10 Nonattainment since its radius of impact overlaps the City of El Paso, TX PM10 non-attainment area.
<p><b>Ozone Sunland Park:</b> The facility is located in the Sunland Park ozone maintenance area which is not designated as an ozone non-attainment area. <a href="#">AQB Non-attainment Link</a>.</p> <p>In March 2008 the ozone NAAQS was lowered from 0.08 ppm to 0.075 ppm so on 3-11-09, AQB submitted a recommendation to EPA to designate Sunland Park, NM (including the communities of Santa Teresa and La Union) Nonattainment for the 8-hr ozone standard. EPA postponed designation.</p> <p>On January 6, 2010, EPA recommended a more stringent 8-hr primary ozone standard of 0.060 – 0.070 ppm and a cumulative secondary standard of 7-15 ppm-hrs. EPA planned to finalize ozone NAAQS by the end of August, 2010. However, EPA postponed finalizing the air quality standards for Ozone to December 2010 and again to July 2011. The designation of ozone attainment status is on hold until EPA finalizes the new ambient standard.</p>			
<p><b>PM10 Moderate Non-Attainment Area in Anthony, New Mexico:</b> Rio Grande Generating Station is not located in the Anthony area PM10 non-attainment area and ambient impacts do not affect this area, therefore this non-attainment area does not apply.</p>			

20 NMAC	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
<p><b>PM10 Moderate Non-Attainment Area in El Paso County, El Paso City, TX:</b> As of January 1, 2011 PM10 project emissions were major since EPA promulgated a rule change that requires inclusion of condensable PM. Project PM10 emissions were 25.8 tpy which are greater than the significance level of 15 tpy in 20.2.79.7.AM(1). On 2-10-11, the permittee submitted revised emissions estimates from Turbine GT-9 resulting in less than significant emissions. The Rio Grande Generating Station is not located in El Paso City's PM10 non-attainment area, but the PM10 radius of impact of 3.2 km exceed those in 20.2.79.119.A and would impact the City of El Paso PM10 non-attainment area <u>if</u> this was a major modification (20.2.79.109.A(2)).</p>			
2.80	Stack Heights	N	Boiler stacks were in existence before 1970, but air dispersion techniques were not used for basis of an emission limit. All stacks are currently less than 65 m (387.14ft) which is less than good engineering stack height allowed by 40 CFR 51.100(ii)(1).
2.82	MACT Standards for Source Categories of HAPs.	N	This regulation applies to all sources emitting hazardous air pollutants, which are subject to the requirements of 40 CFR Part 63. This facility is not a major HAP source and as of April 30, 2010, there are not are source GACTs that apply.
2.84	Acid Rain Permits	Y	<b>Boilers 6, 7, 8 and turbine GT-9.</b> This facility is subject to Title IV of the federal act and federal acid rain permitting requirements adopted here by reference.
<p><b>20.2.84.8 ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF FEDERAL ACID RAIN PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS:</b> Except as otherwise provided in 20.2.84.10 NMAC, the portions of the federal acid rain program promulgated by the United States environmental protection agency under 40 CFR Part 72 (including all portions of Parts 73, 74, 75, 77 and 78 referenced therein) and 76, and amended in the federal register through May 18, 2005, to implement Sections 407 (nitrogen oxides emission reduction program), 408 (permits and compliance plans) and 412 (monitoring, reporting and recordkeeping requirements) of the federal act, are hereby incorporated into this part.</p> <p><b>20.2.84.10 MODIFICATIONS AND EXCEPTIONS:</b> The following modifications or exceptions are made to the incorporated federal rules: <b>A.</b> for purposes of this part, the term <b>"permitting authority"</b> shall mean the <b>department</b>; and <b>B.</b> requirements imposed on affected sources under the federal Act shall not be subject to NMSA 1978, Section 74-2-8 [Variances].</p>			
2.85	Mercury Emission Standards and Compliance Schedules for Electric Generating Units	N	This applies to electric power generation units that combust coal or coal-derived fuel. This facility does not combust coal or coal-derived fuel.
2.86	Best Available Control Technology for Mercury At New Power Plants	N	This facility does not combust coal or coal-derived fuel. The part applies to all coal-fired power plants within the jurisdiction of the environmental improvement board, except for coal-fired power plants constructed and generating electric power and energy before July 1, 2007.

20 NMAC	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
2.87	Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG) Reporting	N/A	<p><b>Regulation repealed November 10, 2010 and replaced with 20.2.300 Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions NMAC. Change effective January 1, 2011. 20.2.300 does not yet include the most recent amendments to the federal rule.</b></p> <p><b>Under old 20.2.87: Boilers 6, 7, 8</b> emissions were previously reported. Permittee was required to determine if any trivial, insignificant activities, or any other sources may be subject to 20.2.87 2009 and 2010 GHG reporting years as the reporting requirements changed for the second (2009), third (2010) years.</p>
2.300	Reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions – Effective Jan 1, 2011	Y	<p><b>Boilers 6, 7, 8, and Turbine GT-9 are subject as electricity generation sources as defined by incorporated reference at 40 CFR 98.2(a)(1), Table A-3 and 98.40(a).</b></p> <p>First reporting will be for 2011 emissions: reports due by April 1 2012. 10,000 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e or more in combined emissions from all applicable source categories. (20.2.300.101.A &amp; B)</p> <p>“<b>20.2.300.100 ADOPTION OF 40 CFR PART 98:</b> Except as otherwise provided, the following subparts of 40 CFR Part 98, as amended in the federal register through October 28, 2010 (75 FR 66434), are hereby incorporated by reference.  A. 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart A - General Provisions, which includes Sections 98.1 through 98.8 and Tables A-1 through A-5 of Subpart A.  C. 40 CFR Part 98 Subpart D - Electricity Generation, which includes Sections 98.40 through 98.48.”</p> <p>20.2.300 <u>does not</u> incorporate 40 CFR 98 Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting rule into the NM State SIP, but references citations from 40 CFR 98 with revisions to create AQB’s greenhouse gas reporting rule 20.2.300 NMAC. 40 CFR 98 is a stand alone rule, therefore facilities may be subject to both 20.2.300 and 40 CFR 98.</p>
2.89	Qualified Generating Facility Certification	N	This facility does not meet the definition of a qualified generating facility.

**12.0 Federal Regulatory Analysis For both NSR Only and TV Only Units:**

Air Programs Subchapter C (40 CFR 50)	National Primary and Secondary Ambient Air Quality Standards	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
C	Federal Ambient Air Quality Standards	Y	Defined as applicable at 20.2.70.7.E.11, Any national ambient air quality standard.

NSPS Subpart (40 CFR 60)	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
A	General Provisions	N	Applies if any other subpart applies.
40 CFR Part 60, Appendix B	Performance Specification 4, 4A, or 4B, Procedures for Carbon Monoxide Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems in Stationary Sources	N/A	<b>CO CEMS Turbine GT-9:</b> The permittee is not subject to this part due to a federal NSPS, but uses this procedure to audit the CO CEMS.

NSPS Subpart (40 CFR 60)	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
<p>Specifications 4, 4A, and 4B are for evaluating the acceptability of carbon monoxide (CO) continuous emission monitoring systems (CEMS) at the time of installation or soon after.</p> <p>Permittee will need to determine the applicable performance specification for the GT-9 CO CEMS:  Performance Specification 4—Specifications and Test Procedures for Carbon Monoxide Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems in Stationary Sources  Performance Specification 4A—Specifications and Test Procedures for Carbon Monoxide Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems in Stationary Sources  Performance Specification 4B—Specifications and Test Procedures for Carbon Monoxide and Oxygen Continuous Monitoring Systems in Stationary Sources</p>			
40 CFR 60, Appendix F	Quality Assurance Procedures for CEMS	N/A	<b>CO CEMS Turbine GT-9:</b> The permittee is not subject to this part due to a federal NSPS, but uses this procedure to audit the CO CEMS.
<p>1.1 Applicability. Procedure 1 is used to evaluate the effectiveness of quality control (QC) and quality assurance (QA) procedures and the quality of data produced by any continuous emission monitoring system (CEMS) that is used for determining compliance with the emission standards on a continuous basis as specified in the applicable regulation. The CEMS may include pollutant (e.g., SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>) and diluent (e.g., O<sub>2</sub> or CO<sub>2</sub>) monitors.</p>			
40 CFR 60, Subpart D	<u>Subpart D--STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE FOR FOSSIL-FUEL-FIRED STEAM GENERATORS FOR WHICH CONSTRUCTION IS COMMENCED AFTER AUGUST 17, 1971</u>	N	Per Applicant: EPN-3/boiler 6 constructed 1-1-57 EPN-2/boiler 7 constructed 1-1-58 EPN-1/boiler 8 constructed 1-10-68 Per applicant, no units have been reconstructed or modified as defined. All units were constructed before 1971
40 CFR 60.40a, Subpart Da	Performance Standards for Electric Utility Steam Generating Units, for which construction commenced after 9-18-78.	N	All units constructed before 1978 Per applicant no units have been reconstructed or modified.
40 CFR 60.40b, Subpart Db	Electric Utility Steam Generating Units (after 6-19-84)	N	All units constructed before 1984. Per applicant no boilers have been reconstructed or modified.
40 CFR 60.40c, Subpart Dc	<u>PART 60—STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE FOR NEW STATIONARY SOURCES</u> Subpart Dc—Standards of Performance for Small Industrial-Commercial-Institutional Steam Generating Units	N	Applies to units with less than maximum design heat input capacity of 29 megawatts (MW) (100 million British thermal units per hour (MMBtu/hr)) or less. Each of these units has a capacity greater than that.
40 CFR 60, Subpart KKKK	<u>Subpart KKKK--STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE FOR STATIONARY COMBUSTION TURBINES</u>	Y	<b>Turbine GT-9.</b>

<b>NSPS Subpart (40 CFR 60)</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Applies (Y/N)</b>	<b>Comments</b>
			<p><b>60.4305(a)</b> applies to stationary combustion turbines with a heat input greater than 10 MMBtu/hr at HHV. Emissions data show GT-9 has a heat rate capacity between 782.5 to 888.1 MMBtu/hr HHV at 100% load.</p> <p><b>64.4320(a) Table 1 – NO<sub>x</sub> emission standard</b> is 15 ppm at 15% O<sub>2</sub> or 54 ng/j of useful output (0.43 lb/MWh) since emissions data shows capacity of turbine is &gt; 850 MMBtu/hr and the unit is a new turbine firing natural gas. Manufacturer guarantees after control NO<sub>x</sub> to 2.8 ppmvd @ 15% O<sub>2</sub> site conditions.</p> <p><b>60.4330 (a) SO<sub>2</sub> emission limit</b> (1) =&lt; 110 ng/J or 0.90 lb/MWh gross output or (2) may not burn fuel containing total potential sulfur emissions in excess of 26 ng SO<sub>2</sub>/J or 0.060 lb SO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu of heat input.</p> <p><b>60.4335</b> NO<sub>x</sub> Compliance with water/steam injection – does not apply. Not used as a control device but for power augmentation.</p> <p><b>60.4340(b) NO<sub>x</sub> monitoring</b> uses CEMs for NO<sub>x</sub> so are subject to (b) (1) CEMs as in 60.4335(b) and 60.4345</p> <p><b>60.4365(a) SO<sub>x</sub> monitoring is exempt</b> since the permittee can provide a contract for fuel showing the total sulfur content in the natural gas is less than 20 gr/100 scf.</p> <p><b>60.4375 Reporting</b> requirements as they apply</p> <p><b>60.4400 Initial Performance Test (a)</b> must conduct initial test per 60.8 and subsequent tests on an annual basis, no more than 14 calendar months following the previous test. <b>(b)(5)</b> If you elect to install a CEMS, the performance evaluation of the CEMS may either be conducted separately or (as described in §60.4405) as part of the initial performance test of the affected unit.</p> <p><b>60.4405</b> specifies the performance test requirements if a NO<sub>x</sub> diluent CEMS is used.</p>

<b>NESHAP Subpart (40 CFR 61)</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Applies (Y/N)</b>	<b>Comments</b>
A	General Provisions	N	Applies if any other subpart applies.

<b>MACT Subpart (40 CFR 63)</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Applies (Y/N)</b>	<b>Comments</b>
A	General Provisions	N	Applies if any other subpart applies.
40 CFR 63 Subpart H	Subpart H-- <u>NATIONAL EMISSION STANDARDS FOR ORGANIC HAZARDOUS AIR POLLUTANTS FOR EQUIPMENT LEAKS</u>	N	F-2 fugitive emissions from natural gas piping. According to fuel analysis, natural gas contains less than 5% organic HAPs. (63.160(a) and definition of “in organic hap service” in 63.161)
40 CFR 63 Subpart Q	Subpart Q— <u>National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Industrial Process Cooling Towers</u>	N	Applicant states that they do not use chromium based water treatment chemicals in their cooling towers. Cooling tower water is treated with chlorine (Cl <sub>2</sub> ). 63.400(a) The provisions of this subpart apply to all new and existing industrial process cooling towers that are operated with chromium-based water treatment chemicals and are either major sources or are integral parts of facilities that are major sources as defined in §63.401.
40 CFR 63 Subpart YYYY	Subpart YYYY— <u>National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Stationary Combustion Turbines</u>	N	Facility is not a major source of HAPs.
Proposed NESHAP	Emission standards for Area	N	<b>Final rule signed on 2/21/11. Rule will be</b>

MACT Subpart (40 CFR 63)	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
40 CFR 63, Subpart JJJJJ	Source Boilers and Process Heaters Subpart JJJJJ (6J)		<p><b>effective 60 days after promulgation in the Federal Register.</b>  <b>Link to 2-21-11 Final Rule.</b>  <a href="http://www.epa.gov/airquality/combustion/actions.html#feb11">http://www.epa.gov/airquality/combustion/actions.html#feb11</a></p> <p>III Summary of Final Rule: For natural gas combustion boilers, rule applies if you own or operate a boiler combusting natural gas, located at an area source, which switches to combusting solid fossil fuels, biomass, or liquid fuel after June 4, 2010.</p> <p>Since the facility no longer combusts diesel fuel as a back up fuel, and will not combust solid fossil fuels (e.g. coal), biomass, or liquid fuel (e.g. propane) they are not subject to the final rule signed on 2-21-11. Only natural gas combustion is permitted.</p>
40 CFR 63 Subpart DDDDD	<u>Subpart DDDDD—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Industrial, Commercial, and Institutional Boilers and Process Heaters</u>	N	This is not a major HAP source and according to 63.7491(c) <b>Boilers 6, 7, and 8</b> are exempt from this vacated MACT.

The facility is exempt from the vacated MACT since they consist of electric utility steam generating units. Also, the NESHAP applies to major HAP sources only. EPA has completed promulgation of NESHAP for all listed categories in 2005 (per EPA fact sheet Proposed Amendments Outlining Requirements for States to Set Case-by-Case Emission Standards When NESHAP are Not in Place (CAA Section 112(J) Rule) on TTN OAR website 2-17-10). Therefore, the facility is not subject to Case-by-Case MACT per 112(J) (listed source with no MACT promulgated or vacated) or to Case-by-Case MACT per 112(g) (Major HAP source not on list but with no EPA MACT).

**From DDDDD:**

§ 63.7485 You are subject to this subpart if you own or operate an industrial, commercial, or institutional boiler or process heater as defined in §63.7575 that is located at, **or is part of, a major source of HAP** as defined in §63.2 or §63.761 (40 CFR part 63, subpart HH, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Oil and Natural Gas Production Facilities), except as specified in §63.7491.

**§ 63.7491 Are any boilers or process heaters not subject to this subpart?**

The types of boilers and process heaters listed in paragraphs (a) through (o) of this section are not subject to this subpart. (c) An electric utility steam generating unit (including a unit covered by 40 CFR part 60, subpart Da) or a Mercury (Hg) Budget unit covered by 40 CFR part 60, subpart HHHH.

**This rule was vacated by United States District of Columbia court of appeals on June 8, 2007.**

Miscellaneous	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
40 CFR 64	Compliance Assurance	N	

Miscellaneous	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
	Monitoring		
<p>NOx and CO emissions are monitored with CEMs. The current TV permit will require CEMs to monitor emissions from boilers and the turbine. Per 64.2(b)(vi) an emission limitation or standard for which a Part 70 or 71 permit specifies a continuous compliance determination method, as defined in 64.1, are exempt from CAM. <i>Continuous compliance determination method</i> means a method, specified by the applicable standard or an applicable permit condition, which:</p> <p>(1) Is used to determine compliance with an emission limitation or standard on a continuous basis, consistent with the averaging period established for the emission limitation or standard; and</p> <p>(2) Provides data either in units of the standard or correlated directly with the compliance limit.</p> <p>No other uncontrolled emissions from any unit are major.</p>			
40 CFR 68	Chemical Accident Prevention	N	<p>Applies to owners or operators of stationary sources with more than a threshold quantity of a regulated substance.</p> <p>According to the applicant, the amount of chlorine stored on site (150 lb cylinders used as a biocide in the cooling towers) does not exceed the threshold quantity of 2,500 lbs listed on Table 1 in 68.130 (List of Regulated Toxic Substances and Threshold Quantities for Accidental Release Prevention).</p> <p>40 CFR 68 applies only when the aqueous ammonia concentration is 20% or more. The aqueous ammonia used for the SCR is 19% aqueous ammonia.</p> <p>Sulfuric acid was not found on Table 1. Sulfuric acid is used to regulate the pH of the cooling tower water.</p>
40 CFR 70	Title V- State Operating Permit Programs	N	Not applicable – New Mexico State has full SIP approved authority and Title V is administered under 20.2.70 NMAC.
40 CFR 72	Title IV – Acid Rain Program	Y	<p><b>Boilers 6, 7, and 8 and turbine GT-9 are subject.</b> [AQB is the permitting authority and EPA is the administrator] <b>Note:</b> Acid Rain program identifies units as boilers 6, 7, and 8 and not by EPN-1, 2, and 3.</p> <p><b>Turbine GT-9</b> will be a new unit per 72.6(a)(3)(i).</p> <p><b>Note: The permittee is removing the option to operate with diesel fuel. The facility will only operate using natural gas.</b></p>
<p><b>72.6(a) Applicability</b> Boilers 6, 7, and 8 are “existing utility units” (72.2 definitions) and listed in Table 2 – Phase II Allowance Allocations in Subpart 73.10 and are not exempt per 72.6(b). 72.6(a) Each of the following units shall be an affected unit, and any source that includes such a unit shall be an affected source, subject to the requirements of the Acid Rain Program: (2) A unit that is listed in table 2 or 3 of §73.10 of this chapter and any other existing utility unit, except a unit under paragraph (b) of this section.</p> <p>Upon application submittal, permittee certified that they hold SO2 allowances in accordance with 72.9(c)(1).</p> <p><b>72.2 Definitions.</b></p>			

Miscellaneous	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
<p><b>Acid Rain Program</b> means the national sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides air pollution control and emissions reduction program established in accordance with title IV of the Act, this part, and parts 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, and 78 of this chapter.</p> <p><b>Administrator</b> means the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency or the Administrator's duly authorized representative.</p> <p><b>Permitting authority</b> means either:</p> <p>(1) When the Administrator is responsible for administering Acid Rain permits under subpart G [phase II implementation] of this part, the Administrator or a delegatee agency authorized by the Administrator; or</p> <p>(2) The State air pollution control agency, local agency, other State agency, or other agency authorized by the Administrator to administer Acid Rain permits under subpart G of this part and part 70 of this chapter.</p>			
40 CFR 73	Title IV – Acid Rain Sulfur Dioxide Allowance Emissions	Y	<b>Boilers 6, 7, and 8 are subject</b> [EPA is the administrator]
<p><b>73.2(a)</b> applies to owners, operators, &amp; designated representatives of affected sources subject to 72.6.</p> <p><b>73.1 Scope:</b> 40 CFR 73 establishes requirements and procedures for allocating sulfur dioxide allowances and their tracking, holding, transferring, offsetting, selling, and other requirements.</p> <p><b>Phase II SO<sub>2</sub> allowances are found in 73.10 (b) Table II: Phase II allowances</b> (2) The Administrator will allocate allowances to the compliance account for each source that includes a unit listed in table 2 of this section in the amount specified in table 2 column F to be held for the years 2010 and each year thereafter.</p>			
40 CFR 75	Title IV – Acid Rain Continuous Emissions Monitoring	Y	<p><b>Boilers 6, 7, and 8 and Turbine GT-9</b> Applicant defines, boilers as a gas-fired non-peaking units so Part 75 only requires SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions monitoring. Although NO<sub>x</sub> emission reduction (Part 76) is not required for gas-fired units, NO<sub>x</sub> monitoring is still required in Part 75. Gas-fired units are exempt from opacity monitoring (75.14(c)).</p> <p>Since coal is not used as fuel and units are not subject to a State or Federal Hg mass emissions reduction program, Hg monitoring is not required (75.80(a) &amp; (1)).</p>
<p><b>72.2 Gas-fired means:</b> (2) For purposes of part 75 of this chapter, the combustion of:</p> <p>(i) Natural gas or other gaseous fuel (including coal-derived gaseous fuel) <u>for at least 90.0 percent of the unit's average annual heat input during the previous three calendar years....</u>; and (ii) Fuel oil, for the remaining heat input, if any. – <b>the permittee is no longer using diesel fuel as a fuel option.</b></p> <p><b>Gaseous fuel</b> means a material that is in the gaseous state at standard atmospheric temperature and pressure conditions and that is combusted to produce heat.</p> <p><b>75.1 Purpose (a)</b> establish requirements for the monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting of sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>), and carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions, volumetric flow, and opacity data from affected units under the Acid Rain Program....</p> <p><b>75.2 Applicability (a)</b> Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, the provisions of this part apply to each affected unit subject to Acid Rain emission limitations or reduction requirements for SO<sub>2</sub> or NO<sub>x</sub>.</p> <p><b>75.5 Prohibitions(e)</b> No owner/operator shall disrupt CEMS or other approved emission monitoring avoiding monitoring and recording emissions except for periods of recertification, or periods when calibration, quality assurance, or maintenance is performed per 75.21 and appendix B.</p> <p><b>75.10 General operating requirements (a)</b>(1) determine SO<sub>2</sub> emissions (see 75.11 Appendix D); (2) determine NO<sub>x</sub> emissions with CEMS (3) determine CO<sub>2</sub> emissions – 3 options, see below.</p> <p><b>SO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring</b></p>			

Miscellaneous	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
	<p><b>75.11(d)(2) Specific Provisions for Monitoring SO2 Emissions</b> – Permittee monitors SO2 according to Part 75 Appendix D since the units qualify as a gas-fired as defined in 72.2 of this chapter.</p> <p><b>Appendix D - Optional SO2 Emissions Data Protocol for Gas-Fired and Oil-Fired Units</b></p> <p><b>1.2 Initial Certification and Recertification requirements in 75.20 (g)</b> must be completed to certify use of the optional SO2 emissions data protocol in Appendix D –includes meeting applicable general operating requirements of 75.10, requirements of appendix D, and initial certification or recertification requirements in 75.20.</p> <p><b>2.1 to 2.1.7.5 Fuel Flowmeter Measurements</b></p> <p>For each hour when the unit is combusting fuel, measure and record the flow rate of fuel combusted by the unit, except as provided in section 2.1.4 of this appendix. Measure the flow rate of fuel with an in-line fuel flowmeter, and automatically record the data with a data acquisition and handling system, except as provided in section 2.1.4 of this appendix.</p> <p><b>2.2 to 2.2.8 Oil Sampling and Analysis – permittee is longer using diesel fuel as a fuel option.</b> Perform sampling and analysis of oil to determine the following fuel properties for each type of oil combusted by a unit: percentage of sulfur by weight in the oil; gross calorific value (GCV) of the oil; and, if necessary, the density of the oil.</p> <p><b>2.3 to 2.3.7 SO2Emissions From Combustion of Gaseous Fuels: (a)</b> Account for the hourly SO2 mass emissions due to combustion of gaseous fuels for each hour when gaseous fuels are combusted by the unit using the procedures in this section.</p> <p><b>NOx Monitoring</b></p> <p><b>75.10(a)(2)-</b> Owner/operator must measure both NO &amp; NO2 with a NOx-diluent CEMs system with NOx pollutant concentration monitor, O2 or CO2 diluent gas monitor, and with an automated DAHS to measure and record NOx in ppm, O2 or CO2 in percent, and NOx emission rate in lb/MMbtu. <b>75.12</b> are the specific provisions for monitoring NOX emission rate.</p> <p><b>CO2 monitoring</b></p> <p><b>75.10(a)(i)</b> Permittee measures CO2 emissions using the first of 3 options which requires a CO2 CEMs and flow monitoring system with an automated DAHS to measure and record CO2 concentration in ppm, volumetric gas flow in scfh, and CO2 mass emissions in tons/hr.</p> <p><b>Note: 75.10(d)(1)</b> CEMs must be capable of completing a minimum of one cycle of operation (sampling, analyzing, and data recording) for each successive 15-min interval. The owner/operator shall reduce all emissions &amp; volumetric flow data collected by the monitors to hourly averages. Hourly averages shall be computed using at least one data point in each fifteen minute quadrant of an hour, where the unit combusted fuel during that quadrant of an hour. <b>Consent decree requires 20.2.33 NOx lb/MMbtu boiler 6, 7, &amp; 8 emissions be limited as 3-hr averages rather than 1-hour ave (requested by El Paso Electric), 40 CFR 75 requires NOx lb/MMbtu emissions be reported as hourly averages, and maximum lb/hr (not 3-hr ave) emission limits are required to demonstrate compliance with ambient standards. El Paso Electric calculated the lb/hr emissions for the boilers used in modeling by converting from 0.30 lb/MMbtu. Permit writer verified with Robert Samaniego Feb 2010, that due to the requirements of the consent decree, the permit must include the 3-hr average NOx emission limit (lb/MMbtu) for boilers 6, 7, and 8. Since a 1-hour NOx emission limit (lb/hr) is also required, the permit will have two short term NOx limits, 1-hr and 3-hr for boilers 6, 7, and 8.</b></p>		
40 CFR 76	Title IV – Acid Rain Nitrogen Oxides Emission Reduction Program	N	Title IV NOx emission reduction program applies to coal-fired units. This facility does not combust coal, but combusts natural gas.
40 CFR 77	Title IV – Acid Rain Offset Plans for Excess Emissions SO2	Y	<b>Applies to boilers 6, 7, &amp; 8 and turbine GT-9. Currently, the boilers 6, 7, and 8 have SO2 Phase II Allowance.</b> [EPA is the administrator] (a) <i>Applicability.</i> The owners and operators of any affected source that has excess emissions of sulfur dioxide in any calendar year shall be liable to

Miscellaneous	Title	Applies (Y/N)	Comments
			offset the amount of such excess emissions by an equal amount of allowances from the source's compliance account.
Title VI – 40 CFR 82	Protection of Stratospheric Ozone	N	According to the applicant, the facility does not “service”, “maintain” or “repair” class I or class II appliances nor “disposes” of the appliances.
40 CFR 98	<u>PART 98--MANDATORY GREENHOUSE GAS REPORTING</u>	Y	<b>Boilers 6, 7, 8, and turbine GT-9</b> are subject. (40 CFR 98.2(a)(1)). EPA, not AQB, is the administrator of this regulation.
<p><b>Boilers 6, 7, 8, and Turbine GT-9</b> are subject per <b>98.40(a), Subpart D</b> electricity generating units subject to the requirements of the Acid rain Program and any others that are required to monitor and report EPA CO2 emissions year round according to 40 CFR 75.</p> <p><b>GHGs to Report 98.42 (a)</b> must report the annual mass emissions of CO2, N2O, and CH4</p> <p><b>98.47 Records Retention:</b> Comply with the recordkeeping requirements of §98.3(g) and 98.37 [98.37 applies to Subpart C General Stationary Fuel Combustion Sources]</p> <p><b>98.3 subject to (a) through (i) General monitoring, reporting, recordkeeping and verification requirements:</b></p> <p><b>(b)</b> The annual GHG report must be submitted no later than March 31 of each year for GHG emissions in the previous calendar year. <b>(1)</b> existing facilities – to be revised <b>(3)</b> facilities that become subject due to a physical or operational changes after 1-1-10, report emissions for first calendar year in which the changes occur.</p> <p><b>(g) Recordkeeping:</b> Keep records for at least 3 years in an electronic or hard-copy format and make available to EPA upon request.</p> <p><b>§98.9</b> See Table A-1 in Subpart 98.9 for global warming potentials and speciation of GHGs.</p>			

**13.0 Exempt and/or Insignificant Equipment:**

Exempt activities per 20.2.72.202 NMAC apply only to equipment or activities associated with new units GT-9, CT-9, FUG-9, and AST-9.

**NSR Exempt Activities or Equipment:**

EXEMPT ACTIVITIES	JUSTIFICATION	Records Required ?
Maintenance: paints and coatings used for buildings; plant cleaning with solvents and chemicals; electrical maintenance using solvents.	20.2.72.202.A(1) activities for maintenance of grounds or buildings. This is not required to be reported in application but applicant reported anyway.	No
Painting/Surface Coating of Equipment	20.2.72.202.B(6) includes spray painting, roll coating, and painting with aerosol spray cans if VOCs do not exceed 10 pph; and facility-wide total VOC content of all coating and clean-up solvent is less than 2 tpy.	Yes 20.2.72.202(B)(6)(c) permittee must keep sufficient records to verify that the requirements are met.

**14.0 New/Modified/Unique Conditions (Format: Condition#: Explanation):**

**All Conditions are NEW**

**Tables 102A and 102B** – These are emissions from the entire facility, including emissions that are subject only to Title V permit P127-R1M1.

**Table 103A Applicable Requirements** – The table includes only requirements for the new units GT-9, CT-9, and FUG 9.

**Table 104.A Sources Subject to this Permit** – The Table lists the units that have applicable requirements in this permit only. It does not include Boiler 7 and the three boiler cooling towers as these units have no applicable requirements in this NSR permit.

**A104.B** – The applicant requested 45 days from source start up, rather than 15 days from source installation, to submit the TBD values in Table 104.A. Permit writer verified with enforcement that extending the deadline to submit TBD values would not cause enforcement issues due to the source type (not portable or allowed to replace units). Except for submitting the serial numbers of the new units, the permittee is still required to meet the 15 day deadline in Condition B110 since these deadlines are required by 20.2.72.212 NMAC.

**Table 105 Control Equipment** – Lists controls only for Turbine GT-9.

**A106 and Table 106.A Allowable Emissions** – Lists the emission limits only subject to NSR 1554-M1. Emission limits not listed here are regulated by TV permit P127-R1M1.

**A106.C** – Turbine GT-9 NSPS KKKK Requirements. NSPS KKKK limits NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>x</sub> emissions.

**A108.A** - The permit allows the facility to operate 8760 hours per year.

**A115.A** – Revisions to general conditions B111(7) and (8) requiring sampling lines be installed. Applicant requested that these conditions be deleted since sampling lines require maintenance and due to other issues and it would be unlikely that the department would ever use them for a facility with periodic emissions testing and CEMS. Permit writer verified with enforcement section that the sampling lines are typically used for portable analyzers so would never be required for this facility. Therefore, conditions B111(7) and (8) were revised by Specific Condition A115.A to require the sampling lines only if requested by the department and within 30 days of request.

**A401A** – Compliance with Turbine GT-9 Emission limits in Table 106. This condition establishes and clarifies the methods that are required to demonstrate compliance with allowable emission limits for Turbine GT-9 (20.2.72.210.A NMAC).

**A401B** - Turbine CO and VOC Control device: The permittee chose to install an oxidation catalyst to reduce CO emission to below PSD significance levels of 100 tpy and establish the CO emission limits used in air dispersion modeling. The oxidation catalyst also reduces VOC emissions and was used to establish VOC emission limits. The condition establishes the operational requirements of the oxidation catalyst necessary to meet turbine CO and VOC emission limits (20.2.72.210.A, 210 B(1)(a), and 20.2.74.7.AO NMAC). The oxidation catalyst is not fully functional at operating temperatures lower than 700 deg F which takes up to 10 minutes. The permittee calculated emissions assuming that CO and VOC emissions are not reduced with the oxidation catalyst for the first 7 minutes. Therefore, the condition states that the oxidation catalyst does not need to be reducing CO and VOC emissions the first 7 minutes after startup of the turbine. These additional uncontrolled emissions are included in the pph emission limit in Table 106.

**A401C – Turbine NO<sub>x</sub> Control** – The permittee chose to install a Selective Catalytic Reduction System (SCR) to reduce NO<sub>x</sub> emissions to below PSD significance levels of 40 tpy and establish NO<sub>x</sub> emission limits. The condition establishes operational requirements for SCR to meet NO<sub>x</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub> emission (ammonia slip) emission limits (20.2.72.210.A, 210 B(1)(a), and 20.2.74.7.AO NMAC). Anhydrous ammonia is more toxic than aqueous ammonia, and aqueous ammonia at a concentration of 20% or more is subject to 40 CFR 68, therefore, there are limits on the type and concentration of ammonia to that reported in the application.

The SCR is not fully functional at operating temperatures lower than 500-540 deg F which takes up to 30 minutes. The permittee calculated emissions assuming that NO<sub>x</sub> emissions are not reduced by the SCR for the first 30 minutes. Therefore, the condition states that the SCR does not need to reduce NO<sub>x</sub> emissions the first 30 minutes after startup of the turbine. These additional uncontrolled emissions are included in the pph emission limit in Table 106.

**A401D – NO<sub>x</sub> and CO CEMS and Emissions Monitoring** – The condition establishes the methods used to demonstrate compliance with NO<sub>x</sub> and CO lb/hr and tpy emission limits (20.2.72.210.C(3) and 20.2.72.208.F NMAC). Title IV Acid Rain requires only NO<sub>x</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> be monitored with CEMS, but EPE also monitors CO with CEMS. The CO CEMS is not subject to 40 CFR 60, appendices B and F however, those are the procedures the permittee agreed to use for certification and QA/QC. The permit does not CO<sub>2</sub>, therefore, the permitted CEMS operating and certification requirements do not apply to the CO<sub>2</sub> CEMS which is regulated by Acid Rain. The permittee must use the lb/hr NO<sub>x</sub> and CO emission rates and actual operating hours from CEMS data to calculate NO<sub>x</sub> and CO tpy emissions to ensure emission limits are met and PSD permitting is not required.

**A401E – 40 CFR 75 SO<sub>2</sub> Monitoring Required for Turbine GT-9.** Acid Rain Fuel Monitoring is not necessary to show compliance with emission limits in this permit, but is a requirement of Title IV Acid Rain so is referenced here.

**A401F – Limits the sulfur content of the natural gas fuel.** The fuel sulfur limit (0.25 gr/100scf) is based upon the manufacturer's PM<sub>10</sub> guaranteed emission rate and is lower than that used to calculate SO<sub>2</sub> emissions (0.45 gr/100scf annual average). The manufacturer qualified the PM<sub>10</sub> emission rate on a fuel sulfur content because SO<sub>2</sub> emissions (created by the combustion of sulfur in fuel) contributes to the formation of PM.

**A401G – Turbine GT-9 PM Limits.** This monitoring and recordkeeping establishes federally and practically enforceable conditions to demonstrate compliance with the lb/hr and tpy TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emission limits. Exceeding the tpy limits could result in the modification to add Turbine GT-9 and cooling tower CT-9 being subject to PSD (20.2.74 NMAC) and/or Nonattainment (20.2.79 NMAC) permitting. From initial start up (first fuel firing) of the Turbine to stack test deadline is 6 months. Therefore, until PM emission factors are determined through stack testing, the permittee shall use 0.0040 lb/MMBtu (the EF used by EPE) to calculate TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions. Once PM emission factors are determined through compliance testing, EPE will re-calculate tpy TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emission rates from initial start up of the turbine (first fuel firing) to verify the assumptions EPE used to avoid PSD and Nonattainment permitting were valid and to ensure tpy emissions are met.

**A401H – NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, TSP, PM<sub>10</sub>, and PM<sub>2.5</sub> Compliance testing for Turbine GT-9.** This verifies allowable emission rates used in air dispersion modeling are met and that the modification to the facility was not a major modification as defined by PSD and Nonattainment (20.2.72.210.A, and 210.C(4); 20.2.74.200; and 20.2.79.109 NMAC). Test results of filterable and condensable particulate

matter shall be combined to verify compliance with TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 emission limits. According to EPA's preamble of final revised test methods for 201A and 202 all condensable particulate matter is assumed to be 2.5 microns in diameter or less (PM2.5). As proposed by EPE, test runs for Methods 201A and 202 are extended up to a minimum of 2 hours to improve the accuracy of these tests since, according to EPE, PM emissions from the turbine are expected to be very low. Typically, each test run must occur for no less than 1 hour.

**A401I** – 20.2.61 – Requirements of state opacity limits in 20.2.61 NMAC for combustion sources.

**A401J** – NSPS KKKK – Turbine GT-9 is subject to NSPS KKKK. The manufacturers guaranteed ppmvd limit is 2.75 which is lower than NSPS KKKK emission standard of 15 ppmvd. Permittee will use the NOx CEMS to show compliance and will be exempt from on-going SO2 monitoring due to the low sulfur content of the fuel.

**A402A** - NOx PPH Emission Limit on Boiler 8. To show compliance with NOx ambient air quality standards in air dispersion modeling, Boiler 8 had to limit NOx pph emissions down to 415.0 pph and for no more than 7 hours per day may emit up to 460.5. Each day, or 24-hr period shall start at 12 Midnight.

**A402B** - Boiler 6 TSP, PM10, and PM2.5 tpy Limits. This monitoring and recordkeeping establishes federally and practically enforceable conditions to demonstrate compliance with the tpy PM2.5 emission limit. Exceeding this limit could result in the modification to add Turbine GT-9 and cooling tower CT-9 being subject to PSD (20.2.74 NMAC) permitting. So that the reduction in Boiler 6 PM emissions is contemporaneous with the increase from the change, EPE agreed that the reduction in PM2.5 tpy emissions which are met by reducing the annual heat rate from Boiler 6, would be effective 30 days before first fuel firing of the Turbine. 30 days before first fuel firing of the Turbine to the Boiler stack test deadline is 7 months. Therefore, until the PM2.5 emission factor is determined through stack testing, the permittee shall use 7.6 lb/MMBtu (the EF used in EPE's netting analysis) to calculate PM2.5 emissions. Once the PM2.5 emission factor is determined through stack testing, EPE will re-calculate tpy PM2.5 emission rates using the actual PM2.5 emission factor starting 30 days before initial start up (first fuel firing) of the Turbine to verify the actual emissions reduction from Boiler 6 is creditable (20.2.74.7.AL(6)(a) and (b) NMAC).

**A402.C** - Boiler 6 PM2.5 Testing Requirements. This is to verify that the actual PM2.5 emissions reduction from Boiler 6 is creditable (20.2.74.7.AL(6)(a) and (b) NMAC). Test results of filterable PM2.5 and condensable particulate matter shall be combined to verify compliance with PM2.5 emission limits. All condensable particulate matter is assumed to be 2.5 microns in diameter or less (PM2.5).

**A405A** - Cooling tower requirements. The operational limits (drift rate, TDS, and gpm) in this condition are based upon the parameters used to calculate and set the PM emission limits in this permit. Meeting these requirements demonstrates compliance with limits.

## 15.0 MONITORING SPECIFICATIONS:

### For TV Action: TV Monitoring Protocols

Emission unit Nos.	Parameters To Monitor	To Comply With	Monitoring Required	Monitoring Conditions
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Emission unit Nos.	Parameters To Monitor	To Comply With	Monitoring Required	Monitoring Conditions
N/A, this is not a TV permitting action				

**For Title V action: Cross Reference Table between NSR Permit 1554M1 and TV Permit P127R1M1.**

NSR Changed by TV*	NSR Condition #	TV Section #
N/A, this is not a TV permitting action		

16.0 **Permit specialist's notes to other NSR or Title V permitting staff concerning changes and updates to permit conditions.** See previous sections in this Statement of Basis.