

# **Atmosfir Optics**

### World leader in wide-area, real-time air monitoring



Atmosfir Optics Ltd. is an innovative, advanced air monitoring technology company focused on providing complete, fully-automated and long-term air monitoring solutions to manage air quality resource.

- Atmosfir's leadership team includes some of the world's most experienced scientists in the field of advanced air monitoring and remote sensing.
- For over fifteen years our experts have been actively involved in the development of USEPA relevant test methods and in the vast majority of Optical Remote Sensing (ORS) studies using OP-FTIR and Radial Plume Mapping (RPM) techniques.
- We develop, design and integrate advanced air monitoring solutions using our proprietary patent technologies and software.



### **Patents**



#### (12) United States Patent Yost et al.

(54) MAPPING AIR CONTAMINANTS USING PATH-INTEGRATED OPTICAL REMOTE SENSING WITH A NON-OVERLAPPING VARIABLE PATH LENGTH BEAM GEOMETRY

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ABSTRACT

Path Integrated Optical Remote Sensing (PI-ORS) instruments are used to provide Path Integrated Concentration (PIC) data corresponding to a particulate concentration in region scanned by a sequence of optical beams. Prior art methods of developing spatial concentration maps using PIC data have required a relatively large number of intersecting beam paths. The present invention can produce spatial concentration mans using considerably fewer ontical beams.



#### (12) United States Patent Hashmonav et al.

- (54) METHOD FOR OPEN PATH DETECTION OF AIR CONTAMINANTS
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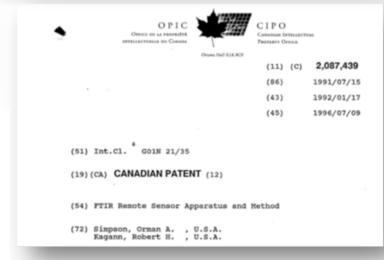
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(54) FENCELINE MONITORING OF AIR CONTAMINANTS

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## ARE WE UNDER THE GUN?







Root cause analysis

Fortnight average



# Recent changes in US legislation





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Part II

#### **Environmental Protection Agency**

40 CFR Parts 60 and 63
Petroleum Refinery Sector Risk and Technology Review and New Source
Performance Standards; Final Rule

(k) As outlined in § 63.7(f), the owner or operator may submit a request for an alternative test method. At a minimum, the request must follow the requirements outlined in paragraphs (k)(1) through (7) of this section.

(4) The spatial coverage must be equal to or better than the spatial coverage provided in Method 325A of appendix A of this part.

(i) For path average concentration open-path instruments, the physical path length of the measurement shall be no more than a passive sample footprint (the spacing that would be provided by the sorbent traps when following Method 325A). For example, if Method 325A requires spacing monitors A and B 610 meters (2000 feet) apart, then the physical path length limit for the measurement at that portion of the fenceline shall be no more than 610 meters (2000 feet).

(ii) For range resolved open-path instrument or approach, the instrument or approach must be able to resolve an average concentration over each passive sampler footprint within the path length of the instrument.

(iii) The extra samplers required in Sections 8.2.1.3 of Method 325A may be omitted when they fall within the path length of an open-path instrument.

(5) At a minimum, non-integrating



# Recent Changes in US Legislation





#### 1.1 Fence-line Monitoring

Refinery operators must measure benzene, toluene, ethyl benzene, and xylenes (BTEX) and  $H_2S$  concentrations at refinery fence-lines with open path technology capable of measuring in the parts per billion range regardless of path length. Open path measurement of  $SO_2$ , alkanes or other organic compound indicators, 1, 3-butadiene, and ammonia concentrations are to be considered in the Air Monitoring Plan. Refinery operators must provide a rationale in the Air Monitoring Plan for not measuring all of the above compounds that addresses: why these compounds are not be contained in the compositional matrix of emissions; are not at expected concentrations measured by available equipment; and/or, address the technical or other considerations that make specific measurements inappropriate or unavailable.

### Air Monitoring Guidelines for Petroleum Refineries

AIR DISTRICT REGULATION 12, RULE 15: PETROLEUM REFINING EMISSIONS TRACKING

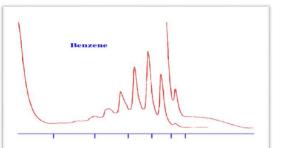
## From US-EPA Presentation - Refinery Fenceline

### Monitoring& Method 325A/B



### **Alternative Methods**

- 40 CFR 63.658 (k)
  - Can be used for all or a number of passive samplers
  - MDL must be <=0.9 ug/m3</li>
  - Spatial coverage must be equal to M325A
    - · Physical path length for open path systems must be equal to M325 spacing
    - Open path instruments must be able to resolve an average concentration over each passive sampler footprint within the path length of the instrument
  - Non-integrating alternative methods must provide a minimum of one cycle of operation for each successive 15-minute period
  - Real time alternative methods may be used to eliminate outside confounding sources
  - All results measured under MDL must use MDL for "high reading";
     "0" for "low reading".





### From US-EPA Presentation - Refinery Fenceline

### Monitoring& Method 325A/B



### API/AFPM Study October 2014

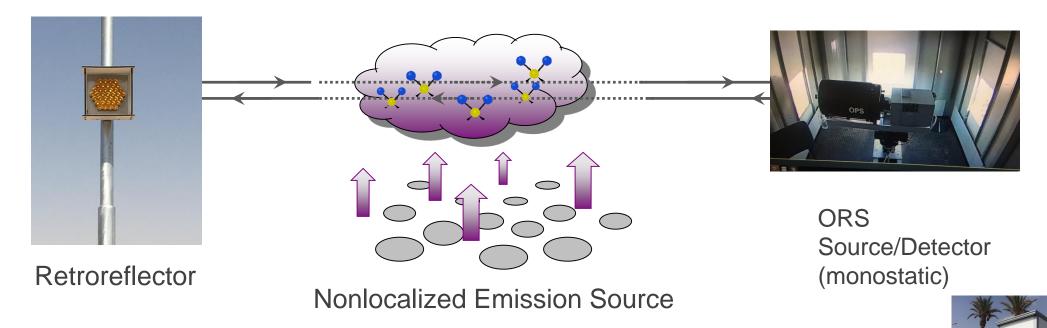
submitted as comment

- API did a 12 refinery study using passive monitoring over 6 weeks
- Study showed the fenceline approach can be implemented, and produces good data
- We see the same gradients as with our data, and the same stable readings
- Sources or locations of high benzene are apparent
- Consistent benzene background levels in relation to action level
- Cost of the program consistent with our estimates
- Trigger is reasonable
- Data shows reductions will occur at sites from implementing the program
  - 3 of the 12 sites had readings that approach our trigger
  - Study was conducted over the winter months



# D-fenceline System — Technology Principles





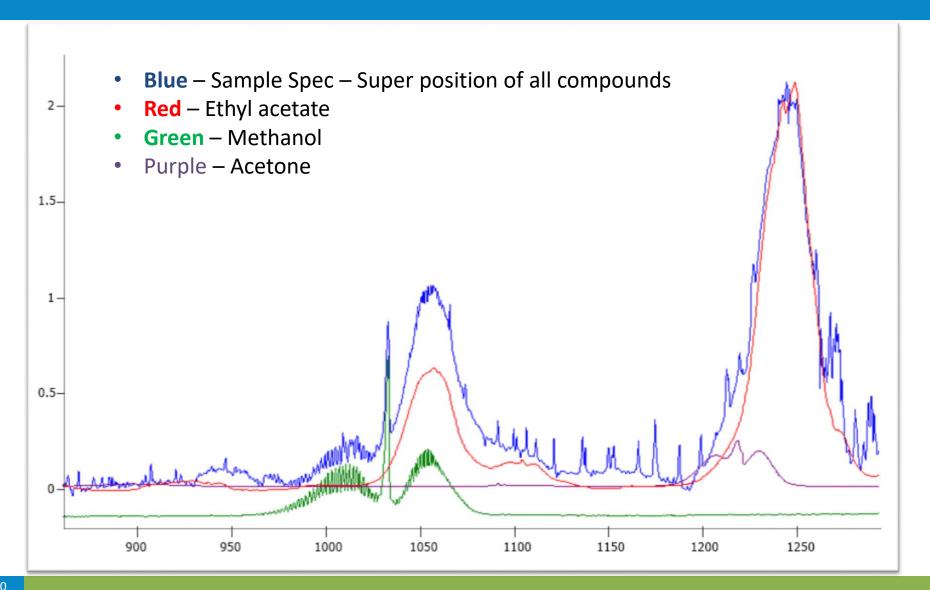


Open-path instruments provide path-averaged concentration data



# Spectral Fingerprint







## Unprecedented DL



 Using our D-fenceline system, compounds which is in the past could not be detected by IR systems can easily identified reliably in sufficient detection limit.

Typical System's Sensitivity (200 - 400 meters Pathlength)				
Compound	Quantification Limit [ppb] (5 min average)	Quantification Limit [ppb] (1 hour average)		
1,3-Butadiene	1	0.3		
Acrylonitrile	2	0.7		
Ammonia	0.5	0.2		
Benzene	3	0.5 *		
Carbon Tetrachloride	0.5	0.2		
Ethylbenzene	20	7		
Ethylene	1	0.3		
Methane**	5	2		
Methylene Chloride	1	0.3		
m-Xylene	3	1		
Nitrogen Dioxide	5	2		
o-Xylene	3	1		
Propylene	1	0.3		
p-Xylene	3	1		
Sulfur Dioxide	5	2		
Toluene	5	2		
Total-Alkanes	2	0.7		
Vinyl Chloride	1	0.3		

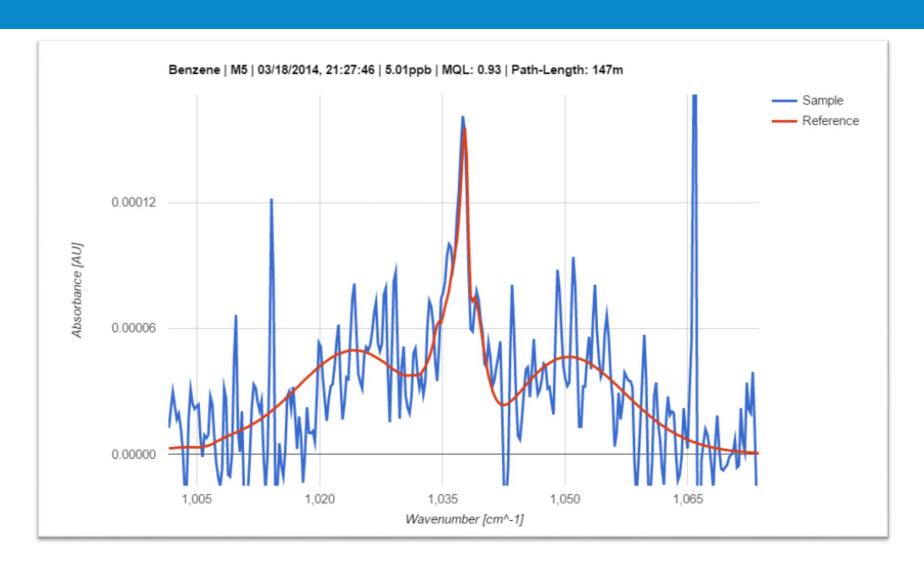
<sup>\*</sup>above atmospheric background



<sup>\*</sup>Single Path Data collection

# Benzen - Spectral Validation







### **OP-FTIR Methods and Procedures**



EPA/625/R-96/0106

Compendium of Methods for the Determination of Toxic Organic Compounds in Ambient Air

Second Edition

Compendium Method TO-16

Long-Path Open-Path Fourier Transform Infrared Monitoring Of Atmospheric Gases

Center for Environmental Research information Office of Research and Development U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Cincinnati. OH 45268

January 1999



Designation: E 1865 – 97 (Reapproved 2002)

Standard Guide for Open-Path Fourier Transform Infrared (OP/FT-IR) Monitoring of Gases and Vapors in Air<sup>1</sup>

This standard is issued under the fixed designation E 1965, the number immediately following the designation indicates the year of original adoption on, in the case of sortion, the year of last revision. A number in poundates indicates the year of last mappered, A superective periods (e) indicates an additional charges since the last revision or mappered.

#### 1. Scor

- 1.1 This guide describes active open-path Fourier transform infrared (OPFT-IR) monitors and provides guidelines for using active OPFT-IR monitors to obtain concentrations of gases and vapors in air.
- 1.2 This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

#### Referenced Document

- 2.1 ASTM Standards:
- E 131 Terminology Relating to Molecular Spectroscopy<sup>2</sup> E 168 Practice for General Techniques of Infrared Quantitative Analysis<sup>2</sup>
- E 1421 Practice for Describing and Measuring Performance of Fourier Transform Mid-Infrared (FT-MIR) Spectrometers Level Zero and Level One Tests<sup>2</sup>
- E 1655 Practices for Infrared, Multivariate, Quantitative Analysis<sup>2</sup>

#### 3. Terminology

- 3.1 For definitions of terms relating to general molecular spectroscopy used in this guide refer to Terminology E 131. A complete glossary of terms relating to optical remote sensing is given in Ref  $(1)^3$
- 3.2 Definitions:
- 3.2.1 background spectrum, n—a single-beam spectrum that does not contain the spectral features of the analyte(s) of interest.
- 3.2.2 bistatic system, n—a system in which the IR source is some distance from the detector. For OPET-IR mountaining, this implies that the IR source and the detector are at opposite ends of the mountaining path.
- 3.2.3 monitoring path, n—the location in space over which
- $^{1}$  This guide is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee III3 on Molecular Spectroscopy and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee III3.03 on Infrared
- Caront edition approved Musch 10, 1997. Published July 1997.
- Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol. 03.06.
- <sup>3</sup> The boldface mumbers in parentheses refer to a list of references at the end of this guide.

- concentrations of gases and vapors are measured and averaged.

  3.2.4 monitoring pathlength, n—the distance the optical beam traverses through the monitoring path.
- 3.2.5 monostatic or unistatic system, n—a system with the IR source and the detector at the same end of the monitoring path. For OP/FT-IR systems, the beam is generally returned by a retroeffactor.
- 3.2.6 open-path monitoring, n—monitoring over a path that is completely open to the atmosphere.
- 3.2.7 parts per million meters, n—the units associated with the quantity path-integrated concentration and a possible unit of choice for reporting data from OP/FT-IR monitors because it is independent of the monitoring pathlength.
- 3.2.8 path-averaged concentration, n—the result of dividing the path-integrated concentration by the pathlength.
- 3.2.8.1 Discussion—Path-averaged concentration gives the average value of the concentration along the path, and typically is expressed in units of parts per million (ppn), parts per billion (ppb), or micrograms per cubic mater (µgm<sup>2</sup>).
- 3.2.9 path-integrated concentration, n—the quantity measured by an OP/FT-IR monitor over the monitoring path. It has units of concentration times length, for example, ppm·m.
- 3.2.10 plume, n—the gaseous and aerosol efficients emitted from a stack or other pollutant source and the volume of space they occupy.
- they occupy.

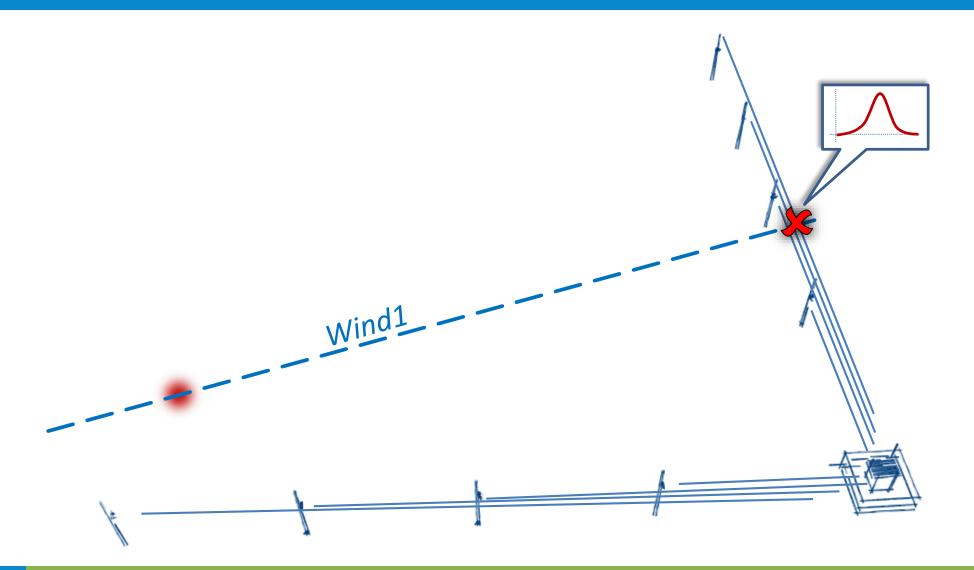
  3.2.11 retroreflector, n—an optical device that returns radiation in directions close to the direction from which it came.
- 3.2.11.1 Discussion—Retroreflectors come in a variety of forms. The retroeeffector commonly used in OPFT-IR monitoring uses reflection from these mutually perpendicular surfaces. This kind of settereflector is usually called a cube-comer settereffector.
- 3.2.12 single-beam spectrum, n—the radiant power measured by the instrument detector as a function of frequency.
- 3.2.12.1 Discussion—In FT-IR absorption spectrometry the single-beam spectrum is obtained after a fast Fourier transform of the interferogram.
- 3.2.13 synthetic background spectrum, n—a background spectrum made by choosing points along the services of a single-beam spectrum and fitting a series of short, straight some or a polynomial function to the chosen data points to simulate the instrument response in the absence of absorbing gases or vapour.

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# Where – locate leakage source accurately

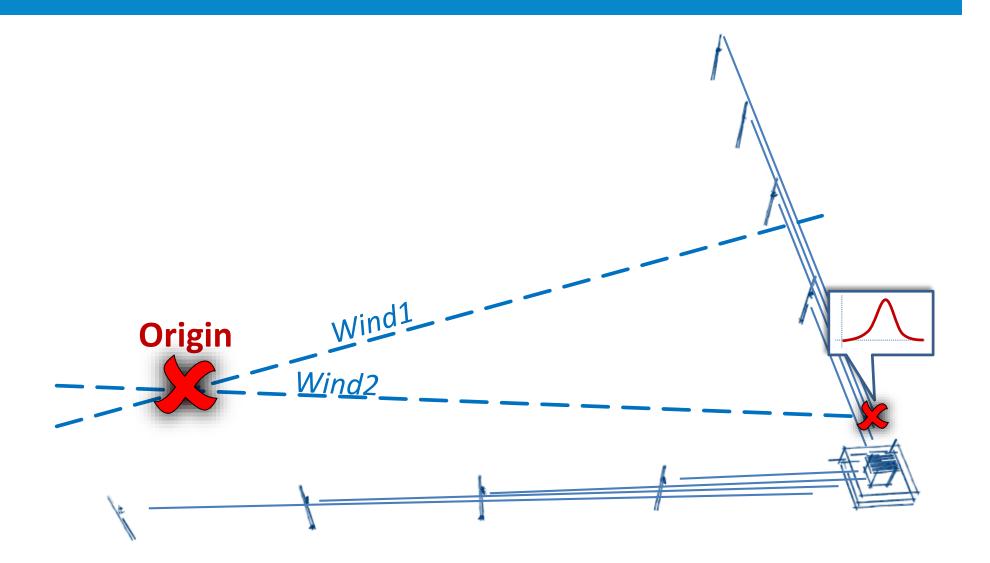






# Where – locate leakage source accurately







### OTM-10 Method



FINAL ORS Protocol

#### Optical Remote Sensing for Emission Characterization from Non-point Sources

#### 1.0 Scope and Application

1.1 Introduction. This protocol provides the user with methodologies for characterizing gaseous emissions from non-point pollutant sources. These methodologies use an open-path, Path-Integrated Optical Remote Sensing (PI-ORS) system in multiple beam configurations to directly identify "hot spots" and measure emission fluxes. Basic knowledge of a PI-ORS system and the ability to obtain quality path-integrated concentration (PIC) data is assumed. The user must be capable of using commercial software to utilize the procedures and algorithms explained in this protocol. The methodologies in this protocol have been well developed, evaluated, demonstrated, validated, and peer-reviewed. 1-13

NOTE 1 - Any mention of a "PI-ORS system" in this protocol refers to the open-path PI-ORS instrument itself, as well as any associated components used, such as mirrors, scanners,

This protocol does not discuss specific applications (e.g., hog farms, landfills), but provides general guidelines or procedures that can be applied. Detailed protocols for specific applications may be added at a future date.

- 1.1.1 Scope. This protocol currently describes three methodologies, each for a specific use. The Horizontal Radial Plume Mapping (HRPM) methodology was designed to map pollutant concentrations in a horizontal plane. The Vertical Radial Plume Mapping (VRPM) methodology was designed to measure mass flux of pollutants through a vertical plane, downwind from an emission source. The one-dimensional Radial Plume Mapping methodology (1D-RPM) was designed to profile pollutant concentrations along a line-ofsight (e.g., along an industrial site fenceline). In future revisions to this protocol, additional PI-ORS emission monitoring methodologies (other than the methodologies described in this protocol) that address non-point sources can be added as validation data are generated.
- 1.1.2 Choice of Instrumentation. The choice of PI-ORS system to be used for the collection of measurement data (and subsequent calculation of PIC) is left to the discretion of the user, and should be dependent on the compounds of interest and the purpose of the study. The methodologies are independent of the particular PI-ORS system used to generate the PIC data. It is recommended for the HRPM, VRPM, and 1D-RPM methodologies that the typical expected concentration over the longer beams should be about 10 times the minimum detection limit of the instrument. When this is not the case, the user should replace nondetects with values of half the minimum detection limit (see Table A.3 in the Appendix A).



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#### Test Methods

Test methods can be divided into several categories:

- Category A: Methods Proposed or Promulgated in the FR
- . Category B: Source Category Approved Alternative Methods
- Category C: Other Methods
- . Category D: Historic Conditional Methods

A fundamental component of the EMC web site is to provide information regard methods into four different categories. The categories are based on the legal st



http://www.epa.gov/ttn/emc/tmethods.html

# The Radial Plume Mapping Configurations



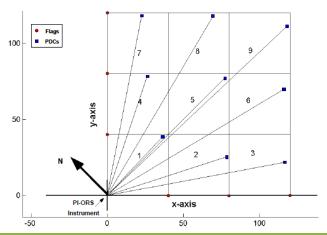


Figure 1. Example of a HRPM Configuration setup

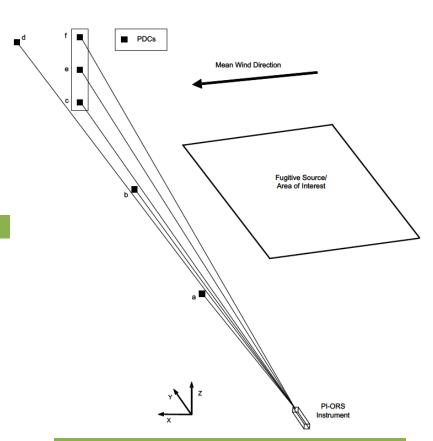


Figure 2. Example of a VRPM Configuration setup

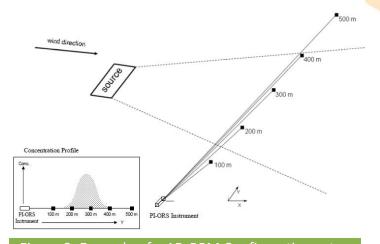
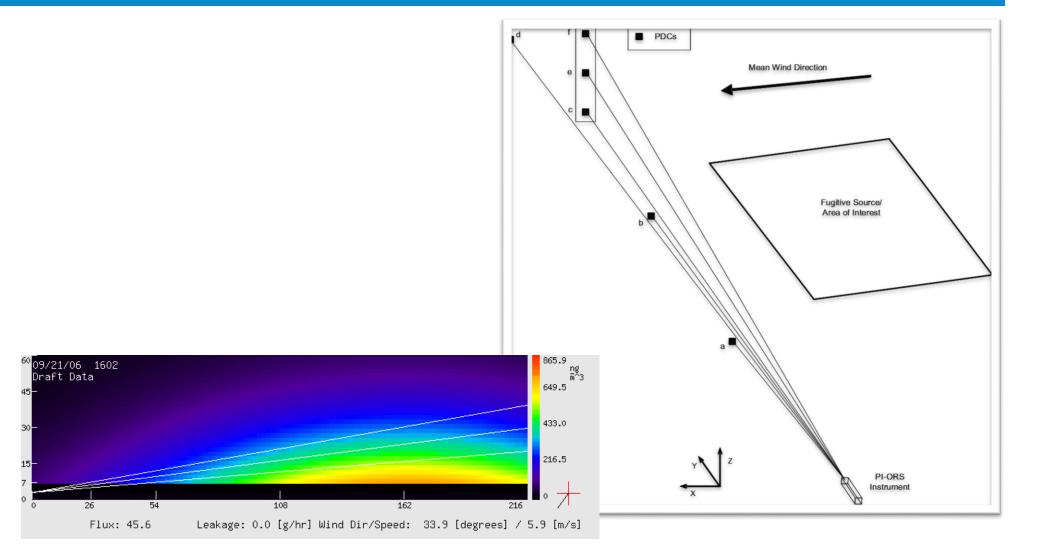


Figure 3. Example of a 1D-RPM Configuration setup

## VRPM USEPA OTM-10







# Atmosfir Optics - D-Fenceline solution

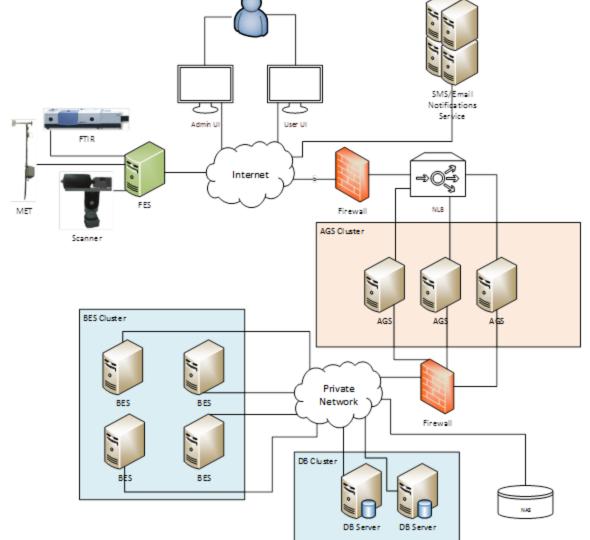


- The design of the D-Fenceline system address all the core requirements:
  - When?
  - What ?
  - Where?
  - How much?



# D-fenceline System Overview





## Glossary



FES – Front End Server

AL – Alert Level

MET – Meteorology device

- MDL Minimum Detection Limit
- OPS (FTIR) Open Path System
- BQL Below Quantification Level

BES – Back End Server

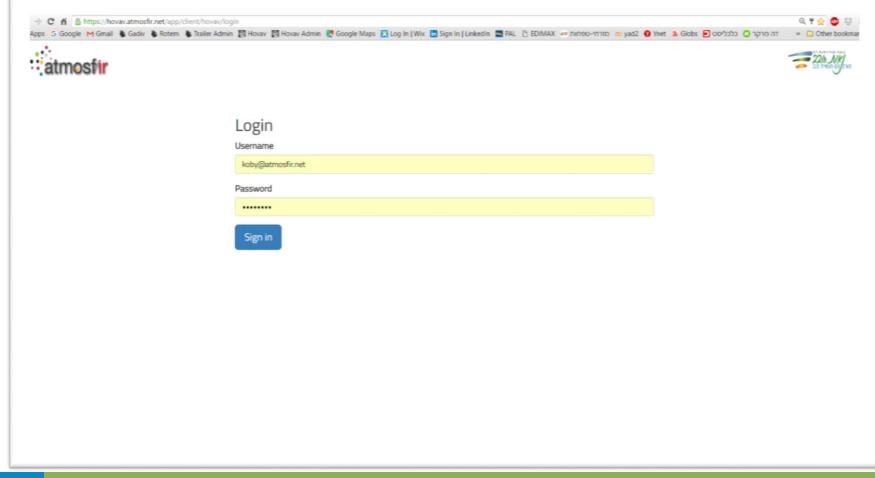
- PPB Parts Per Billion
- AGS Application Gateway Server
- DB Database
- NLB Network Load Balancer
- UI User Interface



# D-fenceline UI – Login Page

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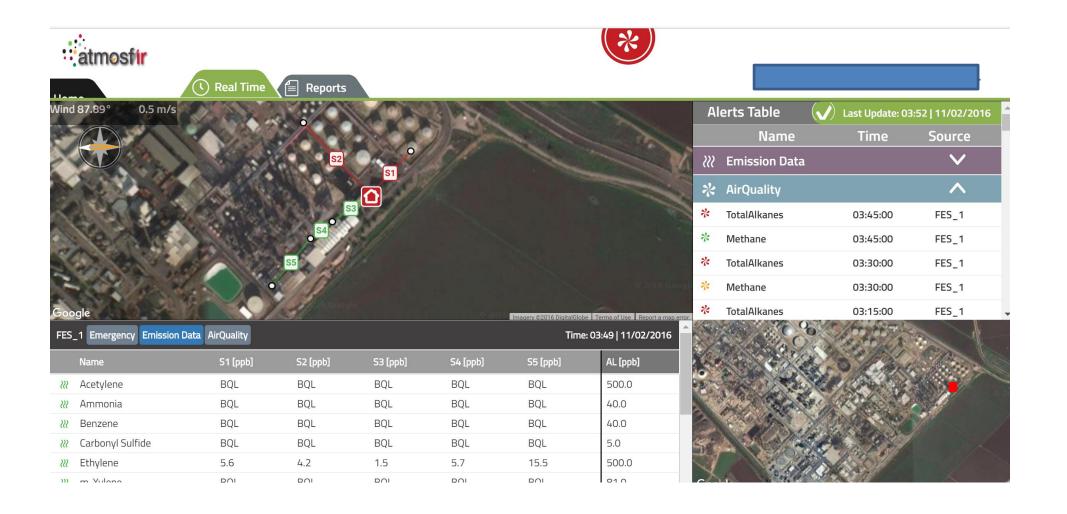
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# The D-fenceline System UI

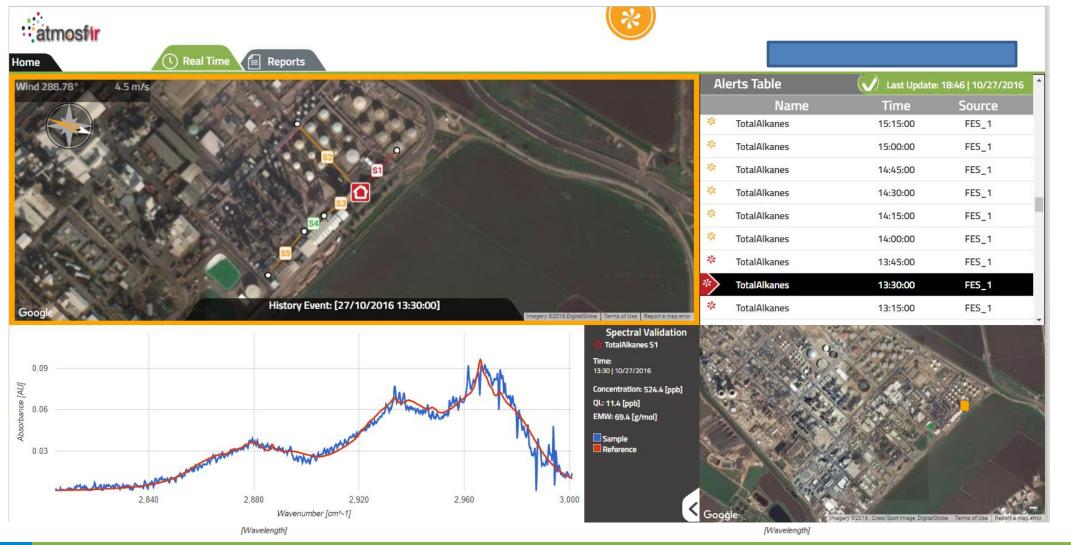




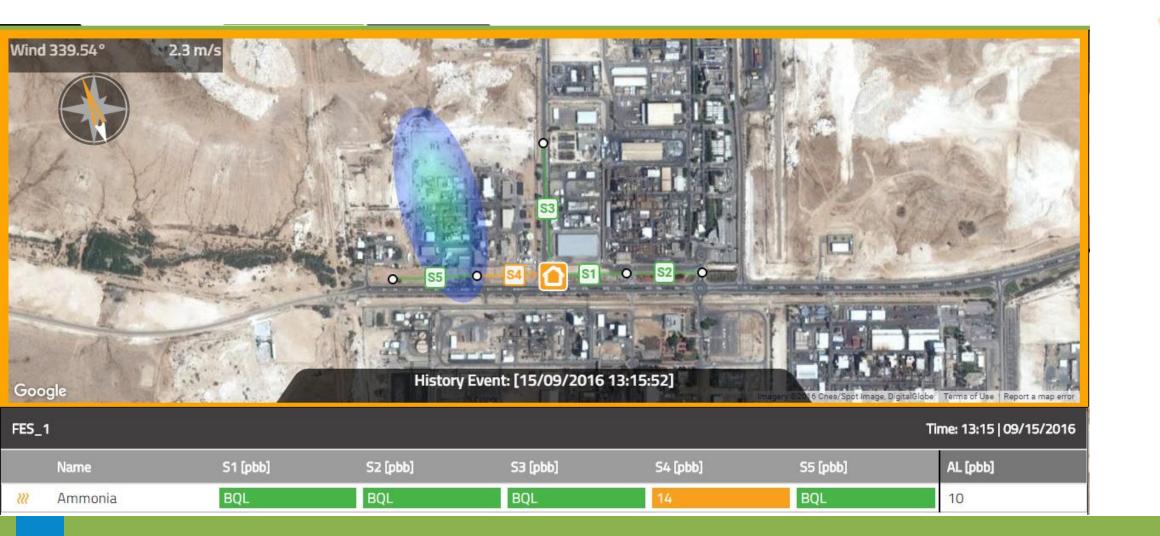


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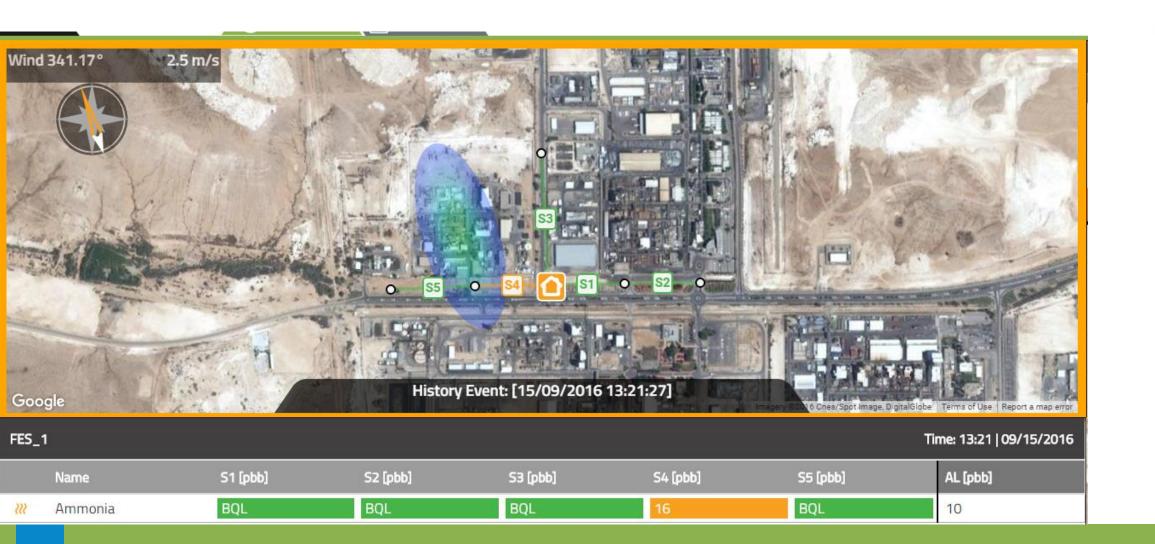
































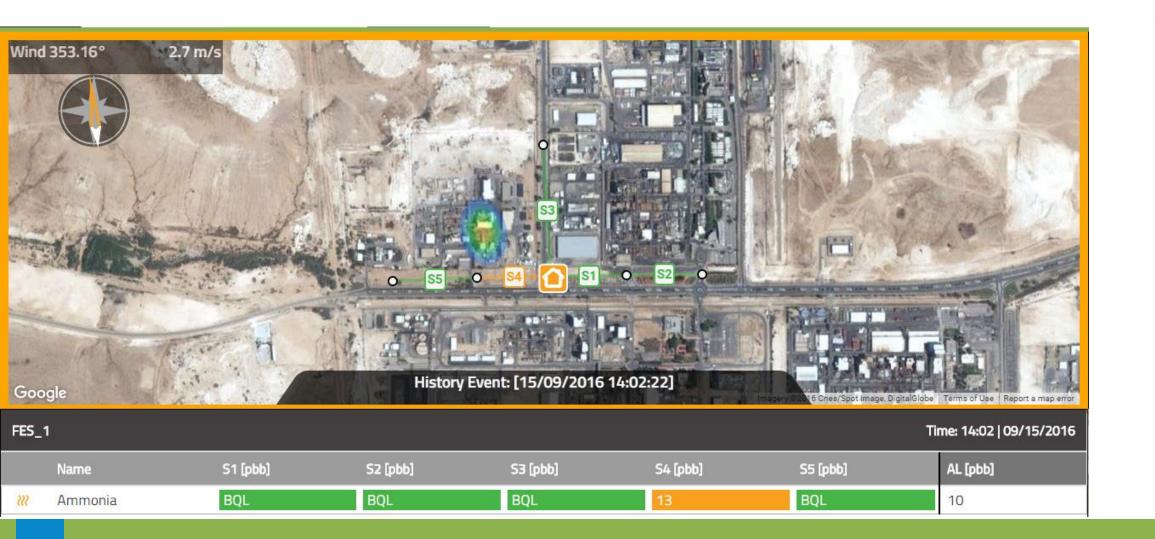












# Reports – Benzene live system

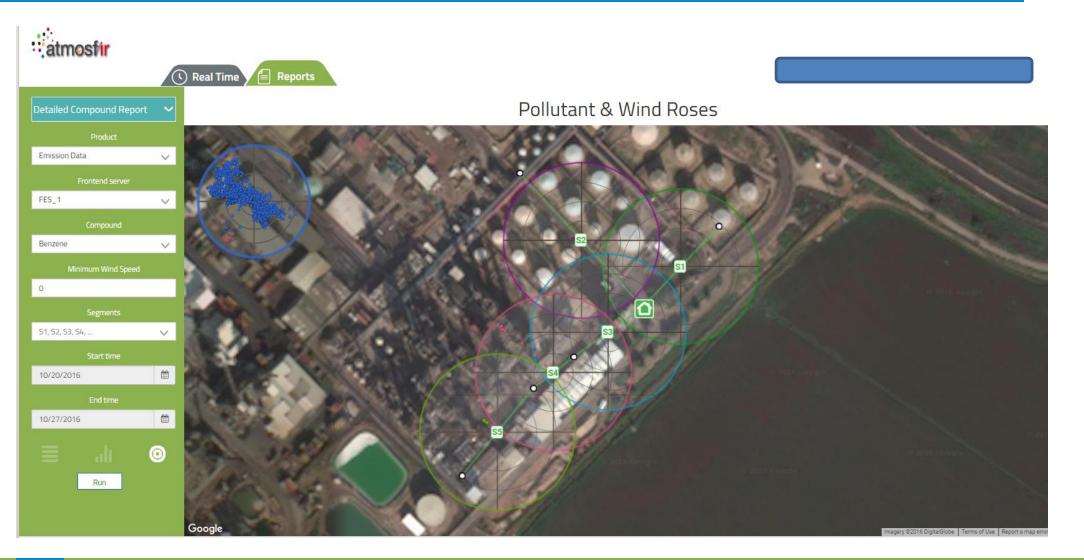






## Pollutant & Wind Roses Live System

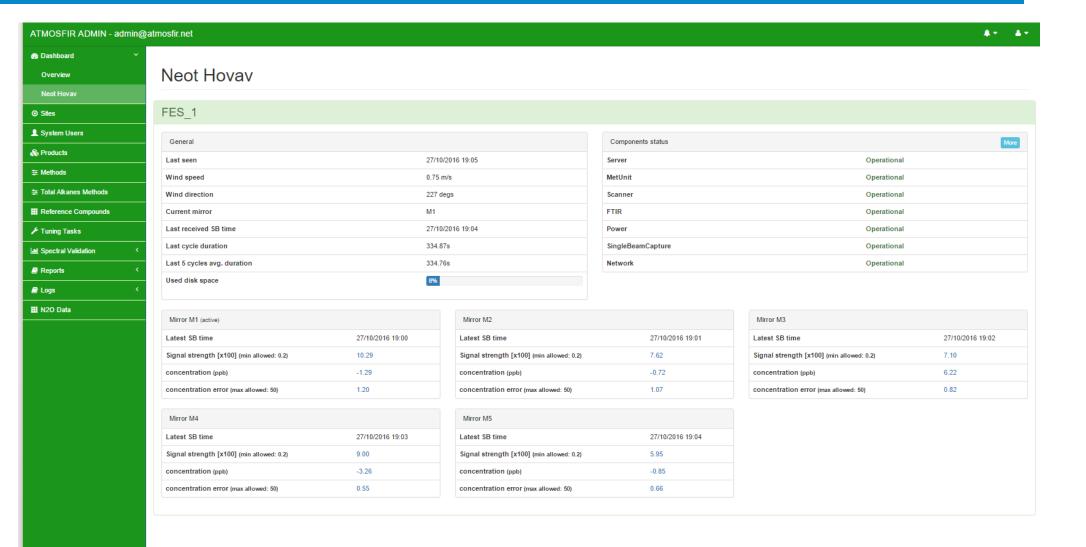






## Admin Dashboard Live System







# D-fenceline measurement systems Efficient Monitoring for Managing your emissions

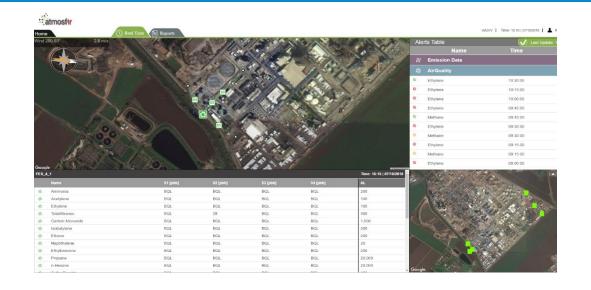


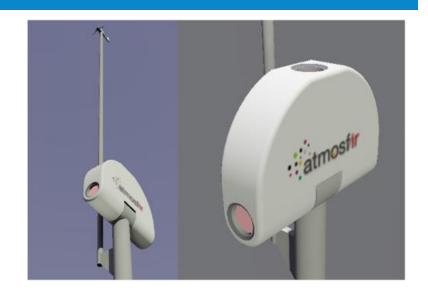




### Atmosfir Optics Major Applications







#### **Services**

- Long term fixed installation of ORS air contaminate measurement systems
- Short term ORS measurement projects
- System engineering and design

#### **Products**

- D-fenceline F- Upgraded FTIRs
- D- fenceline THC -Atmosfir propriety for remote Wise-LDAR
- D-fenceline UV Sensors for wide area monitoring via Open Path of Cl<sub>2</sub>, NH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S, HF, and aromatics

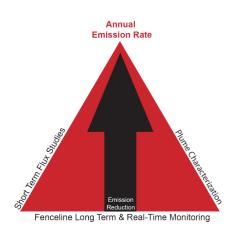
#### **Annual Emission Rate**



 Detailed short term emission flux studies at fenceline continuous monitoring sites

 Detailed composition profiling specifically to a fenceline continuous monitoring site

 Data correlation between short term and continuous allows an accurate estimate of annual emission rate





### Potential clients – by industry



- Petrochemical & Refinery
- Chemical plants fertilizers, plastic, acid, semiconductor, pharmaceutical, hazarded treatment plants
- Land fields
- Water treatment plant
- Chemical terminals
- **Evaporation polls**



### Potential clients – compounds

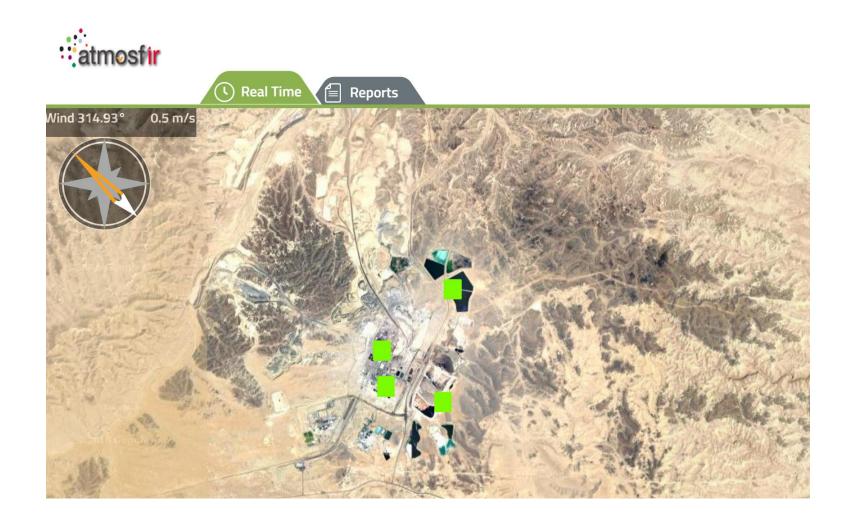


- Odor amines , mercaptans, alcohols …
- Hazardous material- phosgene, benzene, Carbon tetrachloride...
- Acids HCl ,HBr, HF SIF<sub>4</sub> ...
- Aldehydes formaldehyde , acetaldehyde , benzaldehyde ...
- GHGs Methane, N<sub>2</sub>O , CO<sub>2</sub>...



### Phosphate plant and evaporation polls





### Examples of OP FTIR Projects in ISRAEL



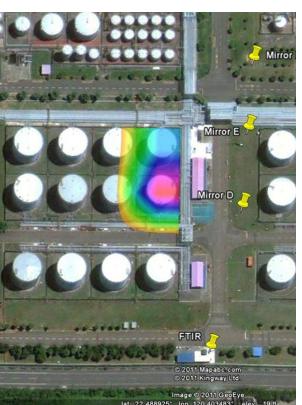




# More projects Israel & Taiwan









#### USA California EPA



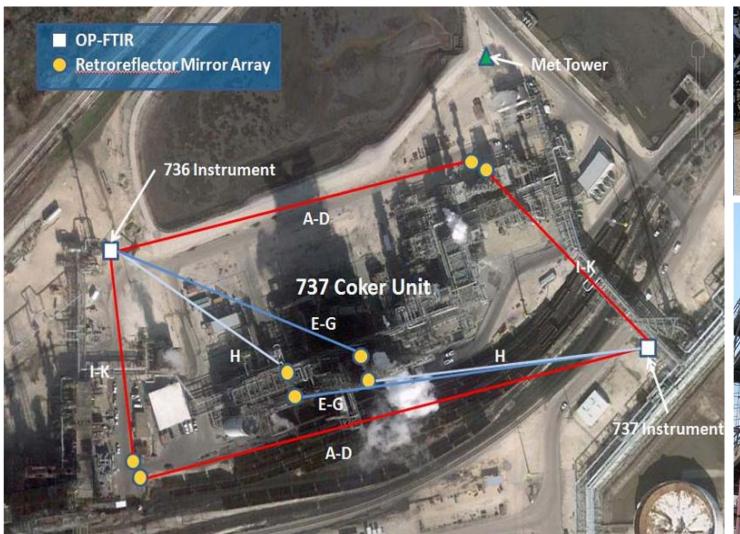




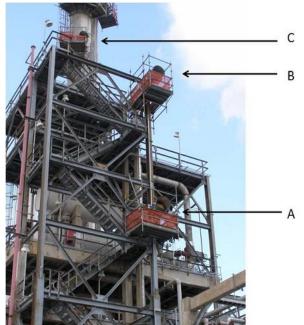


# Houston Refining USA TX











### More Projects "Oil Sands" Canada, Chemical manufacture in Australia













### Flares "Combustion Efficiency"









