

**BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

*ENGINEERING DIVISION*

**Permit Evaluation and Emission Calculations**

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**Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco  
Application#11406 / Plant #15376  
600 Stockton Street,  
San Francisco, CA 94108**

**BACKGROUND**

The Ritz Carlton is applying for an Authority to Construct and Permit to Operate for four (4) **Capstone C60 MicroTurbines** that will be installed and operated at its San Francisco Facility. The turbines will be used to offset the electrical load and and to provide air-conditioning. Because the turbine will be located within 1000 feet of a K-12 school and will emit hazardous air pollutants, the public notification requirements of Regulation 2-1-412 will apply. The regulation states:

**2-1-412 Public Notice, Schools:** Prior to approving an application for an authority to construct or permit to operate for a new or modified source located within 1000 feet of the outer boundary of a K-12 schoolsite and which results in the increase in emissions of any substance into the ambient air which has been identified by the California Air Resources Board or the APCO as a toxic air contaminant or a hazardous air contaminant or which is on the list required to be prepared pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 25532 or Section 44321 subsections (a) to (f) inclusive of the Health and Safety Code, the APCO shall:

- 412.1 Prepare a public notice in which the proposed new or modified source and the proposed emissions are fully described.
- 412.2 Distribute the notice, prepared in accordance with subsection 2-1-412.1 at the expense of the applicant, to the parents or guardians of children enrolled in any school within one-quarter mile of the source and to each address within a radius of 1000 feet of the source. This notice shall be distributed at least 30 days prior to the date final action on the application is to be taken by the APCO. The APCO shall review and consider all comments received during the 30 days after the notice is distributed, and shall include written responses to the comments in the permit application file prior to taking final action on the application.
- 412.3 Failure of any person to receive the notice shall not affect the validity of the authority to construct or permit to operate issued by the APCO, if the APCO or applicant responsible for giving the notice has made a good faith effort to follow the procedures for giving the notice prescribed by law.

(Adopted 11/1/89; Amended 10/7/98; 5/17/00)

**CRITERIA-POLLUTANT EMISSION SUMMARY**

**Annual Average Project Emissions Increase:**

Pollutant	lb/day	ton/yr
POC	5.6	1.052
NO <sub>x</sub>	2.8	0.526
SO <sub>2</sub>	0.2	0.036
CO	34.56	6.308
PM <sub>10</sub>	0.96	0.176
NPOC	0	0

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**Daily Maximum Emissions by Source (lb/day):**

Source	POC	NO <sub>x</sub>	SO <sub>2</sub>	CO	PM <sub>10</sub>	NPOC
S5 Microturbine	1.4	0.72	0.05	8.6	0.24	0
S6 Microturbine	1.4	0.72	0.05	8.6	0.24	0
S7 Microturbine	1.4	0.72	0.05	8.6	0.24	0
S8 Microturbine	1.4	0.72	0.05	8.6	0.24	0

**EMISSION CALCULATIONS****Source Category: Microturbine**

Emission Factor Derivations:

*Nitrogen Oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)*

Per Air Resources Board Executive Order DG-002, the Capstone C60 MicroTurbine has been certified to meet a nitrogen oxides emission standard of 0.5 pounds per MW-hr. Based upon the maximum rated net output of 60 KW, the corresponding mass emission rate is calculated as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{NO}_x &= (0.5 \text{ lb POC/MW-hr})(60 \text{ KW}) \\ &= 0.03 \text{ lb/hr} \end{aligned}$$

*Carbon Monoxide (CO)*

Per Air Resources Board Executive Order DG-002, the Capstone C60 MicroTurbine has been certified to meet a carbon monoxide emission standard of 6.0 pounds per MW-hr. Based upon the maximum rated net output of 60 KW, the corresponding mass emission rate is calculated as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CO} &= (6.0 \text{ lb POC/MW-hr})(60 \text{ KW}) \\ &= 0.36 \text{ lb/hr} \end{aligned}$$

*Sulfur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)*

The SO<sub>2</sub> emission factor is based upon the PG&E natural gas specifications, which give a maximum sulfur content of 1 gr/100 scf of natural gas.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SO}_2 &= (804,000 \text{ BTU/hr})(1 \text{ scf}/1020 \text{ BTU})(1 \text{ gr S}/100 \text{ scf})(\text{lb}/7000 \text{ gr})(2 \text{ g SO}_2/1 \text{ g S}) \\ &= 0.002 \text{ lb/hr} \end{aligned}$$

*Precursor Organic Compounds (POC)*

Per Air Resources Board Executive Order DG-002, the Capstone C60 MicroTurbine has been certified to meet a volatile organic compound emission standard of 1.0 pound per MW-hr. Based upon the maximum rated net output of 60 KW, the corresponding mass emission rate is calculated as follows.

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{POC} &= (1.0 \text{ lb POC/MW-hr})(60 \text{ KW}) \\ &= 0.06 \text{ lb/hr} \end{aligned}$$

*Particulate Matter with an aerodynamic diameter of less than 10 microns (PM<sub>10</sub>)*

Per Air Resources Board Executive Order DG-002, the Capstone C60 MicroTurbine has been certified to meet a particulate matter emission standard corresponding to a natural gas sulfur content of 1.0 gr/100 scf. Assuming that all of the sulfur in the fuel is converted to ammonium sulfate particulate, the corresponding mass PM<sub>10</sub> emission rate is calculated as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PM}_{10} &= (804,000 \text{ BTU/hr})(1 \text{ scf}/1020 \text{ BTU})(1 \text{ gr S}/100 \text{ scf})(\text{lb}/7000 \text{ gr})(132.1 \text{ g H}_8\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}/16 \text{ g S}) \\ &= 0.01 \text{ lb/hr} \end{aligned}$$

*Annual Emissions:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{NO}_x &= (0.03 \text{ lb/hr})(8760 \text{ hr/yr})(4 \text{ microturbines}) \\ &= 1051.2 \text{ lb/yr} \\ &= 0.5256 \text{ ton/yr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CO} &= (0.36 \text{ lb/hr})(8760 \text{ hr/yr})(4 \text{ microturbines}) \\ &= 12614.4 \text{ lb/yr} \\ &= 6.3072 \text{ ton/yr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SO}_2 &= (0.002 \text{ lb/hr})(8,760 \text{ hr/yr})(4 \text{ microturbines}) \\ &= 70 \text{ lb/yr} \\ &= 0.035 \text{ ton/yr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{POC} &= (0.06 \text{ lb/hr})(8,760 \text{ hr/yr})(4 \text{ microturbines}) \\ &= 2102.4 \text{ lb/yr} \\ &= 1.0512 \text{ ton/yr} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PM}_{10} &= (0.01 \text{ lb/hr})(8,760 \text{ hr/yr})(4 \text{ microturbines}) \\ &= 350.4 \text{ lb/yr} \\ &= 0.1752 \text{ ton/yr} \end{aligned}$$

*Toxic Air Contaminant Emissions:*

The following table emission rates are based upon 24 hr/day, 365 day/year turbine operation at the maximum firing rate of 804,000 BTU/hour.

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Compound	Emission Factor <sup>1</sup> (lb/MM BTU)	Annual Emission Rate (lb/yr)	Total Emission Rate (lb/yr)
1,3-butadiene	4.30E-07	0.003	0.012
acetaldehyde	4.00E-05	0.282	1.128
benzene	1.20E-05	0.085	0.34
ethylbenzene	3.20E-05	0.225	0.9
formaldehyde	7.10E-04	5.001	20.004
propylene oxide	2.90E-05	0.204	0.816
toluene	1.30E-04	0.916	3.664

<sup>1</sup>AP-42, Table 3.1-3, "Emission Factors for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Natural Gas-Fired Stationary Gas Turbines", 4/00

**FACILITY CUMULATIVE INCREASE**

(since February 7, 2001)

	Current		Increase		New Total	
	lb/yr	ton/yr	lb/yr	ton/yr	lb/yr	ton/yr
<b>POC</b>	0	0	2102.4	1.0512	2102.4	1.0512
<b>NO<sub>x</sub></b>	0	0	1051.2	0.5256	1051.2	0.5256
<b>SO<sub>2</sub></b>	0	0	2102.4	1.0512	2102.4	1.0512
<b>CO</b>	0	0	12614.4	6.3072	12614.4	6.3072
<b>NPOC</b>	810	0.41	0	0	810	0.41
<b>PM<sub>10</sub></b>	0	0	0.24	0.1752	0.24	0.1752

**TOXIC RISK SCREENING ANALYSIS**

Compound	Project Annual Emission Rate <sup>1</sup> (lb/yr)	Risk Screening Trigger Level (lb/yr)
1,3-butadiene	0.012	1.1
acetaldehyde	1.128	72
benzene	0.34	6.7
ethylbenzene	0.9	n/s <sup>2</sup>
formaldehyde	20.004	33
propylene oxide	0.816	52
toluene	3.664	39,000

<sup>1</sup>based upon worst-case annual firing rate of (24 hr/day)(365 day/yr)(804,000 BTU/hr) = 7043 MM BTU/yr

<sup>2</sup>none specified

Pursuant to the District Risk Management Policy, no further health risk assessment is required since none of the toxic air contaminants listed above are emitted at rates in excess of their respective risk screening trigger levels.

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**BACT ANALYSIS**

Based upon 24-hr per day operation at the maximum firing rate, the proposed S5, S6, S7 and S8 Capstone Microturbines does not have the potential to emit 10 pounds or more per highest day of precursor organic compounds (POC), non-precursor organic compounds (NPOC), nitrogen oxides (NOx), sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), PM<sub>10</sub> or carbon monoxide (CO). Therefore, the BACT requirement of NSR (Regulation 2-2-301.1) does not apply.

**OFFSET ANALYSIS**

Because the facility POC and NOx emissions will not exceed 15 tons per year, the offset provision of NSR for those pollutants (Regulation 2-2-302) does not apply. According to the District data bank emission inventory, the current facility POC and NOx emissions from permitted sources are zero since there are no existing permitted sources at the hotel site.

Because the Ritz-Carlton Hotel is not a major facility for SO<sub>2</sub> or PM<sub>10</sub>, the offset provision of NSR for those pollutants (Regulation 2-2-303) does not apply. A major facility is defined as having the potential to emit greater than 100 tons per year of NOx, POC, SO<sub>2</sub>, or CO.

**STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

S5, S6, S7 and S8 Capstone MicroTurbines are not subject to the requirements of Regulation 9, Rule 9 ("NOx From Stationary Gas Turbines") because they have a power output rating of less than 0.3 MW individually. This device is not subject to any other District prohibitory rule.

This project is **categorically exempt** from District CEQA Regulation 2-1-311 pursuant to Regulation 2-1-312.11 (Permit applications for a new/modified source(s) or for process changes which will satisfy the "No Net Emission Increase" provisions of Regulation 2, Rule 2, and for which there is no possibility that the project may have any significant environmental effect in connection with any environmental media or resources other than air quality) and therefore is not subject to CEQA review.

The proposed S5, S6, S7 and S8 Turbines will be located within the 1000 feet of a K-12 school and is therefore subject to the public notification requirements of Regulation 2-1-412. Pursuant to Regulation 2-1-412, a public notice describing the proposed micro-turbine was prepared and distributed to the parents or guardians of children enrolled at (insert schools here). No comments were received from members of the public.

A Toxics Risk Screening Analysis is not required due to the emission of the toxic air contaminants at the rates listed above. TBACT does not apply to this project.

BACT, Offsets, PSD, NSPS, and NESHAPS do not apply to this project.

**PERMIT CONDITIONS: 22421**

1. These microturbine generators shall be fired exclusively on natural gas.  
[Basis: Cumulative Increase]

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2. The owner/operator shall maintain the following records:
- a) Records of all start up and shut down dates and times and the reason for any shut downs for the microturbine generator.
  - b) Records of total natural gas throughput to the microturbine generator.
  - c) Natural gas throughput to the microturbine generators, summarized on a monthly basis.
  - d) Records of all compliance demonstration test data.
  - e) Records of repair and/or modifications to the equipment and the reason for any modification.

All records shall be retained on site for a minimum of 5 years and shall be made available to District staff upon request. [Basis: Cumulative Increase]

**RECOMMENDATION**

Issue an **Authority to Construct** for the following source:

- S5 Capstone C60 MicroTurbine, natural gas fired; 60 KW, 804,000 BTU per hour (HHV)**
- S6 Capstone C60 MicroTurbine, natural gas fired; 60 KW, 804,000 BTU per hour (HHV)**
- S7 Capstone C60 MicroTurbine, natural gas fired; 60 KW, 804,000 BTU per hour (HHV)**
- S8 Capstone C60 MicroTurbine, natural gas fired; 60 KW, 804,000 BTU per hour (HHV)**

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**Air Quality Specialist**

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**Date**