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7.1.22 Regeneration of Adsorber Bed B

1. Purpose

This procedure provides instructions for regenerating adsorber bed B on the RHIC 25 kW Helium Refrigerator. This procedure shall be performed when adsorber bed B is contaminated and has been taken offline. The steps necessary to take adsorber bed B offline are not covered under this procedure, please reference [C-A OPM 7.1.19](#).

2. Responsibilities

- 2.1 The Shift Supervisor, or an Operator designated by the Shift Supervisor, is responsible for conducting the procedure and providing documentation in the Cryogenic Control Room Log.
- 2.2 Should a problem arise in the process of regenerating the adsorber bed, the Shift Supervisor shall report to the Technical Supervisor for instructions before continuing.

3. Prerequisites

- 3.1 Operator shall be familiar with the refrigerator P&ID drawing 3A995009, the physical location of components on the refrigerator, and the refrigerator control pages found on the CRISP control system.
- 3.2 The regeneration skid must be available for use.
- 3.3 While work is underway and an abnormal condition arises, re-review the job against criteria in applicable SBMS Subject Areas, and/or work planning requirements. If unsure of further actions, discuss situation with supervisor.

4. Precautions

- 4.1 If there is liquid helium in the refrigerator pots, all personnel entering the refrigeration wing of 1005R must be ODH Class 1 qualified, have a Personal Oxygen Monitor (POM), and carry an emergency escape pack.

5. Procedure

_____ 5.1 Date _____

_____ 5.2 Ensure the following valves are CLOSED:

Process Valves:

H762A_____

H771A_____

Valves Used for Regeneration/Pure Helium:

H817M_____ H9120M_____

Valves to atmosphere, relief valve header, sample taps or vacuum:

H766M_____ H898M_____ H9093M_____
H767M_____ H899M_____ H9121M_____
H768M_____ H9092M_____ V263M_____
H9176M_____

- _____ 5.3 Start the regeneration (regen) skid per [C-A-OPM 7.1.36](#), "Regeneration System Normal Operation".
- _____ 5.4 Open the following valves:
- H163M_____ H9091M_____
H818M_____ H9173M_____
H819M_____
- _____ 5.5 Close regen manifold bypass valve H9100M.
- _____ 5.6 Turn on regen skid pre-heater.
- _____ 5.7 When there is no frost on the regen return line, continue to regenerate for at least 1 hour. Hygrometer reading must be -30°C to -40°C and improving less than 0.5°C/hr.
- _____ 5.8 Turn off regen skid preheater.
- _____ 5.9 Open valve H9100M.
- _____ 5.10 Close the following valves:
- H9091M_____ H818M_____
H819M_____ H163M_____
H9173M_____
- _____ 5.11 Secure the regeneration skid per [C-A-OPM 7.1.36](#).
- _____ 5.12 Set up to purge adsorber bed "B" by opening H9120M_____ and H9092M_____.

- _____ 5.13 Crack open valves H817_____ and H9093M_____ until an audible purge is heard.
- _____ 5.14 Align oxygen monitor to sample valve H768M.
- _____ 5.15 Allow adsorber bed "B" to purge for approximately 3 hours at an audible level. Oxygen monitor reading must be less than 10 ppm.
- _____ 5.16 Close valves H9093M_____ and H9092M_____.
- _____ 5.17 When PI845H reaches approximately 250 PSIA, close valves H817M_____ and H9120M_____.
- _____ 5.18 Open inlet valve H762A as a sign that adsorber bed "B" has been regenerated and is ready for service.

6. Documentation

- 6.1 The check-off lines on the procedure are for place-keeping only. The procedure is not to be initialed or signed, it is not a record.
- 6.2 The Shift Supervisor, or designee, shall document the completion of the procedure in the Cryogenics Control Room Log

7. References

- 7.1 Drawing 3A995009, 25KW Helium Refrigerator P&ID.
- 7.2 [C-A-OPM 7.1.19](#), "Adsorber Bed "A" Online and Adsorber Bed "B" Offline.
- 7.3 [C-A-OPM 7.1.36](#), "Regeneration System Normal Operation".

8. Attachments

None