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PROJECT NO. 180-20-4 JUNE 29, 2011 possible quartering vessel would remain within about five kilometers of the *Kulluk*, generally not upwind. At times they will be anchored and when they are, their engines would be providing power primarily for lighting and other domestic purposes. The OSR vessel would engage in routine response exercises which would involve use of some of the small work boats transported on the OSR vessel.

2.5 Emissions from the Kulluk

2.5.1 Kulluk Sources

The primary Kulluk emissions sources are diesel engines, but also include an incinerator, boilers and heaters. The largest diesel engines drive generators which power the drill motors but also the domestic electric requirements. Other diesel engines power other drilling-related equipment, including hydraulic pumps, cranes, and emergency-related equipment. This emergency-related equipment includes an emergency generator, an emergency anchor lifting engine, lifeboat engines, a hydraulic pump for a remote-operated vehicle (ROV), diver equipment, all of which have highly intermittent use, but will need to be exercised on an infrequent scheduled cycle. The *Kulluk* emission units are grouped for permitting purposes as source groups of similar engines, each group with a maximum emission limit (pounds per day) of NOx and $PM_{2.5}$. Since SO_2 emissions are a function of the fuel quality, its emissions are limited by restricting the sulfur in the fuel. CO and VOC will be low and by limiting NOx and PM_{2.5}, the emissions of CO and VOC are also capped to a sufficient accuracy to guarantee acceptable impacts. All units are dieselfueled. Tables 2-1, 2-2, and 2-3 provide listings of the source groups of the Kulluk (and associated fleet, which is discussed later). There are diesel fuel tanks, listed on Table 2-4, which will have negligible emissions because of the low vapor pressure of diesel fuel, especially at Arctic temperature.

As described earlier, the drilling of each well is comprised of three mutually exclusive activities: (1) the drilling of the MLC, (2) the drilling of the well, and (3) logging, cementing, and casing. The MLC (also called a top hole) is a hole about 20 feet in diameter and about 36 feet deep, created to house the well cap and blowout preventer (BOP). Drilling of the MLC involves high use of the primary generators, air compressors, and MLC Hydraulic Power Units (HPU). MLC drilling represents the activity with the highest hourly emissions from all source groups combined. Each MLC is expected to take up to five days per well.

Owner Requested Limit (ORL)	Value
MLC drilling	480 hours per season (20 days)
MLC and well drilling combined	1,632 hours per season (68 days)
All OCS source activities combined	2,880 hours per season (120 days)
Number of resupply/waste removal trips	24 per season
Kulluk incinerator	12 hours per day, 8 a.m. through 8 p.m.
Fuel Sulfur content - Kulluk and Fleet	Purchase ULSD, less than 0.01% during use
All IC engine and heater groups	A set of emission limits (lb/day) for each pollutant,
	highlighted in Tables 2-1, 2-2, and 2-3.
Annual NOx emissions for Kulluk and	Less than 250 tons per year
Fleet	

There are multiple emergency and small source units, including life-boat propulsion engines, diver emergency air compressors, and a larger emergency generator. These exist for emergency purposes and are not planned to be used, but they need short and infrequent exercising. This engine exercising results in very minor emissions from each emission unit, and exercising the individual unit emissions will be spaced throughout a weekly or longer period. In other words, the units will not be exercised simultaneously, but will be relatively randomly spaced over at least a two-week or longer period of time. Therefore an ORL of total emissions from these sources, and demonstrated on a weekly time frame, is both practical and reasonable. Compliance with this will be based on a small-engine set of emission factors and tracked through weekly fuel consumption. (For impact modeling purposes, the larger emergency generator emissions are broken out of the seldom-used source allowance and modeled as a 2-hour emission occurrence once every 30 days, consistent with the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) emergency generator exercising requirements.)

To ensure that the proposal remains a minor source for NOx, Shell requests a condition limiting NOx emissions to less than 250 tons per year, to be demonstrated on a weekly rolling annual total basis. The NOx emissions from the *Kulluk* and the ancillary vessels (when within 25 miles of the *Kulluk*) will be summed for this weekly demonstration. Table 2-6 shows that the NOx emissions summed over all of the short-term potential emission limits, assuming maximum operations for a full 120-day season would be 279 tons, but in the exploration operations context, Shell is certain that actual emissions will be below 250 tons per year and will demonstrate this on the weekly totaled annual sum of NOx emissions. From the annual emission inventory on Table 2-6, which shows all other pollutant emission rates substantially lower than NOx, Shell proposes that by demonstrating compliance with only the annual NOx emissions, all other pollutants will be well below the 250 tons per year limit and it should not be necessary to separately demonstrate this annual emission limit for any of the other regulated pollutants.





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APPENDIX G Allowable Emission Inventory

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