

# Air Pollution Treatment Technologies

Sulfur Dioxide Gas Treatment Technologies	
<p><b>SO<sub>2</sub> Scrubbers</b></p> <p><i>There are several scrubbing techniques to remove SO<sub>2</sub> from gaseous by-products</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Wet Scrubbers.</b> Wet scrubbing removes SO<sub>2</sub> by dissolving it in a non-volatile liquid, like water.</li><li>• <b>Dry Scrubbers.</b> Dry scrubbing can remove SO<sub>2</sub> by reacting it with lime and then collecting dry solids in a filter, like a baghouse.</li><li>• <b>Condensation.</b> A condensation process can be used to convert SO<sub>2</sub> gas into a liquid by altering the system pressure or temperature and then removing the pollutant as a condensed liquid.</li></ul>
Nitrogen Gases Treatment Technologies	
<p><b>NO<sub>x</sub> Flue Gas Treatment</b></p>	<p>Flue gas treatment technologies remove nitrogen gases from gaseous by-products after the NO<sub>x</sub> has been formed. It can use wet or dry techniques involving catalytic reactions, chemical adsorption, and/or irradiation.</p>
Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Emission Controls and Treatment Technologies	
<p><b>Activated Carbon Adsorption</b></p>	<p>Activated carbon is one of several adsorbent mediums that can chemically and/or physically alter a VOC, thus removing it from the gas stream. Activated carbon filtration units can be added and adapted to many operations and can be installed at various stages of a process or operation, making them an appropriate control technology for any number of operations that generate VOCs. Activated carbon systems can remove VOCs from the air stream as well as from water.</p>
<p><b>Combustion/Incineration</b></p>	<p>Incineration that assures complete combustion can effectively destroy VOCs; about 98% combustion efficiency is required. As a practical matter, it is extremely difficult to achieve complete combustion for most operations.</p>