Supporting Information

Effects of Desulfurization Processes on Polybrominated Dibenzo-p-dioxin and

Dibenzofuran Emissions from Iron Ore Sintering

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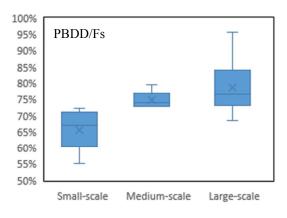
| PBDD/Fs | WHO-TEF ¹ |
|---------------|----------------------|
| 2378-TeBDD | 1 |
| 12378-PeBDD | 1 |
| 123478-HxBDD | 0.1 |
| 123678-HxBDD | 0.1 |
| 123789-HxBDD | 0.1 |
| 1234678-HpBDD | 0.01 |
| OBDD | 0.0003 |
| 2378-TeBDF | 0.1 |
| 12378-PeBDF | 0.03 |
| 23478-PeBDF | 0.3 |
| 123478-HxBDF | 0.1 |
| 1234678-HpBDF | 0.01 |
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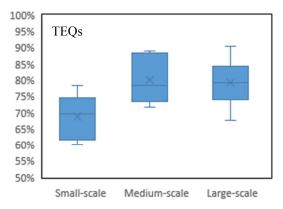
Discarded Desulfurization Inlet Outlet product fly ash Mass TEQ Mass TEQ Mass TEQ Mass TEQ Small-scale Plants 12.7 0.37 0.87 0.039 7.88 0.23 0.600.06 0.36 0.03 Medium-scale Plants 3.6 0.23 1.00 0.065 2.22 0.22 2.6 0.14 0.023 1.56 0.089 0.22 Large-scale Plants 0.14 0.02

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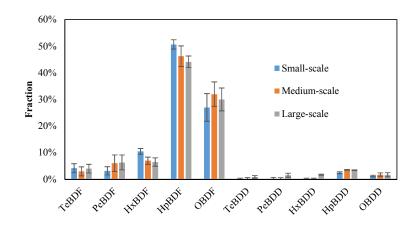


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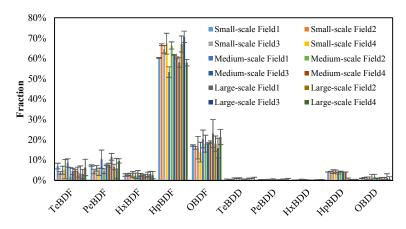


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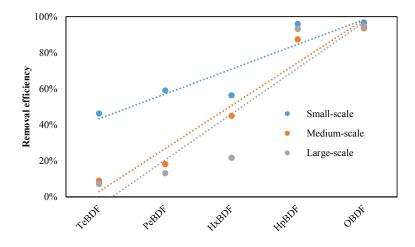
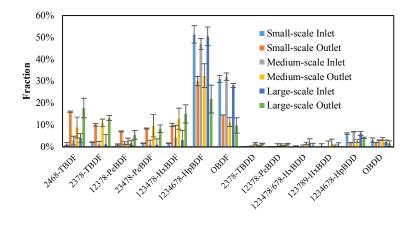


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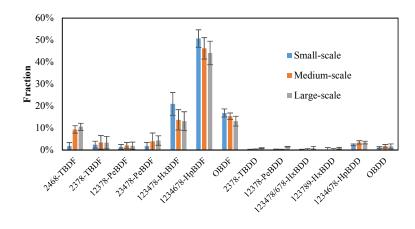


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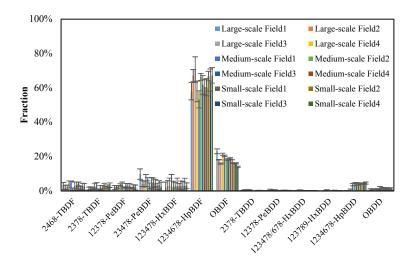


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