Webinar

Environmental Compliance for Data Centers

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Today's Speakers



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Today's Agenda

- 1. Intro to ALL4 Expertise
- Data Center Overview
- 3. Air Quality Trends & Strategies
- 4. Storage Tank, Waste, & Water Considerations
- 5. Intro to Mapistry Software
- 6. Air Emissions Tracking & Automations
- 7. Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC) & Waste Inspections
- 8. Site Maps
- 9. **Q&A**





About Data Centers

- Provide a home for server racks (e.g., Cloud, AI)
- Power: Typically use backup generators in conjunction with uninterruptible power supply (UPS)
- Cooling: Use combination of air-cooling and liquid-cooling for servers
- Several environmental programs air, storage tanks, water, hazardous materials, waste, and more
 - Results in numerous notifications, inspections, records, and reports to schedule/send/maintain!
- Focused on meeting today's needs while future-proofing for tomorrow's advancements and demands



ALL4

Air Quality

Air Quality – Typical Air Requirements

- Typical Air Requirements for Data Centers with Generators
 - Obtain air permit/registration prior to generator installation
 - Minimum compliance obligations:
 - Log each generator operation, date/duration/reason
 - Track hours of operation per month, year, and 12-month rolling total
 - Fuel delivery documentation
 - U.S. EPA certified engines
 - Generator maintenance records
 - Minimize visible smoke

| Month | Operating | g Hours (4) | Fuel Usag | pe (gai) ^(a) | NO | (D) | PM/PM | ₁₀ /PM _{2.5} |
|--------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| | Monthly Total | 12-Month Rolling Total | Monthly Total | 12-Month Rolling Total | Monthly Total | 12-Month Rolling Total | Monthly Total ton/month 2.06E-04 1.40E-04 1.58E-04 | 12-Month Rolling Total |
| Units | hr/month | hr/yr | gal/month | gal/yr | ton/month | ton/yr | | |
| Jan-23 | 0.70 | 7.60 | 25.70 | 417.60 | 3.85E-03 | 0.06 | 2.06E-04 | 3.35E-03 |
| Feb-23 | 0.45 | 7.55 | 17.40 | 415.70 | 2.60E-03 | 0.06 | 1.40E-04 | 3.33E-03 |
| Mar-23 | 0.55 | 7.60 | 19.70 | 417.60 | 2.95E-03 | 0.06 | 1.58E-04 | 3.35E-03 |
| Apr-23 | 0.50 | 7.60 | 18.00 | 416.90 | 2.69E-03 | 0.06 | 1.44E-04 | 3.34E-03 |
| May-23 | 0.50 | 7.55 | 19.10 | 416.20 | 2.86E-03 | 0.06 | 1.53E-04 | 3.34E-03 |
| Jun-23 | 0.20 | 7.15 | 8.20 | 404.70 | 1.23E-03 | 0.06 | 6.58E-05 | 3.25E-03 |
| Jul-23 | 0.20 | 6.85 | 6.00 | 393.30 | 8.98E-04 | 0.06 | 4.81E-05 | 3.15E-03 |
| Aug-23 | 0.20 | 6.60 | 6.90 | 381.50 | 1.03E-03 | 0.06 | 5.53E-05 | 3.06E-03 |
| Sep-23 | 0.15 | 6.25 | 6.30 | 369.40 | 9.43E-04 | 0.06 | 5.05E-05 | 2.96E-03 |
| Oct-23 | 0.34 | 6.09 | 191.80 | 543.90 | 0.03 | 0.08 | 1.54E-03 | 4.36E-03 |
| Nov-23 | 0.15 | 4.34 | 6.90 | 343.40 | 1.03E-03 | 0.05 | 5.53E-05 | 2.75E-03 |
| Dec-23 | 0.20 | 414 | 630 | 332 30 | 9.43E.04 | 0.05 | 5.05E_05 | 2.675_03 |

What works for 10 to 25 generators may not work for 100, 200, or more generators – must manage this data at scale



Air Quality - Site Selection

- As Data Centers Increase in Size (and Generator Quantity)
 - Site Selection is critical
 - Fiber, power, natural gas (turbines), economics and incentives, labor force, etc.
 AND
 - Key emissions thresholds and other air permitting requirements
 - Environmental Justice
 - State/Regional nuances
 - Example: 100 tons/year vs. 25 tons/year = 300% difference!

Recommend an air permitting study EARLY to summarize requirements, develop permitting strategy, and identify risks and timelines



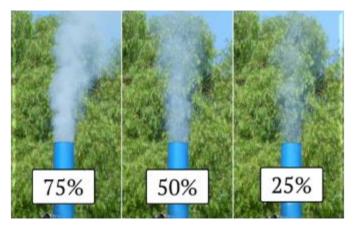
Air Quality – Emissions Controls

- Air Pollution Control Devices (APCD)
 - APCD maximize number of generators or allowable operating time
 - Large quantities of generators more likely to trigger automatic APCD requirement
 - APCD support Sustainability initiatives to decrease emissions
- APCD Recordkeeping
 - Inlet or exhaust temperatures
 - Differential pressure
 - NOx concentrations
 - Urea consumption/injection rate
 - If automating data collection, is there space to add these parameters and are the right monitoring devices installed?



Air Quality - Modeling

- Air Dispersion Modeling More Likely
 - Large quantities of generators more likely to trigger modeling requirements
 - Increases permitting timeline
 - May result in additional operating constraints
 - APCD may be needed to pass modeling
 - Example: DPFs needed to pass PM_{2.5} modeling



If modeling may be needed, recommend preliminary assessment EARLY to plan for or mitigate impacts where possible



Air Quality – Permitting Strategies

- Permitting Strategies
 - Agency engagement
 - Emissions calculations (vary by state)
 - Operational limits are often used
 - Emergency generator hours of operation restricted by Federal rules
 - Consider fuel consumption-based limits, but check:
 - > On-board fuel consumption calculators vs. external flow meters?
 - Does accuracy swing in fuel consumption estimation impact total emissions allowed?
 - > If automating data collection, is there space to add fuel consumption?



Air Quality – What else?

- Changing Environmental Landscape
 - Environmental Justice (Still Going Strong at State/Local Level)
 - Consider as part of site selection
 - Community engagement and public comment will add time to air permitting
 - Air dispersion modeling may be required in EJ areas
 - Modeling requirements in general are on the rise, and with an increased focus on air toxics
 - Lowered PM_{2.5} threshold and Area Redesignations
 - If area changes designation status, impacts current and future builds at site
 - Increased public and government scrutiny on Data Centers



Other Environmental Considerations

Storage Tanks

- Diesel-Fired Equipment = A LOT of Diesel/Oil Storage
 - SPCC Plans
 - Most Data Centers need SPCC for diesel and transformer oil
 - Perhaps motor oil (big generators), hydraulic fluid
 - Spill kits, annual training, and monthly and annual inspections of containers
 - Permitting/Registration
 - Every state and local jurisdiction is different
 - Varies by tank type



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Water



- Data Center Relationship to Water Is Evolving
 - During Construction, stormwater permitting and plans
 - Coordination for incoming potable water and sanitary discharge
 - Cooling towers (if used) discharge sanitary or stormwater?
 - How is water used in cooling?
 - Data Centers constantly revisit their water use, particularly in water-stressed areas or as part of Sustainability goals

Hazardous Materials and Waste

Hazardous Materials

- Hazardous Materials Management Plans
- Emergency Planning Community-Right-to-Know Reporting

Waste

- Electronic Waste (e-waste) large stream to manage
- Hazardous Waste is uncommon, except of California and used oil/oily waste
- Universal Waste very common for Data Centers
 - Top 3 types: Fluorescent bulbs (if applicable), used batteries (mostly lead acid and lithium ion), used oil (generators)
 - Storage restrictions to monitor include marked storage locations and for no longer than 1 year

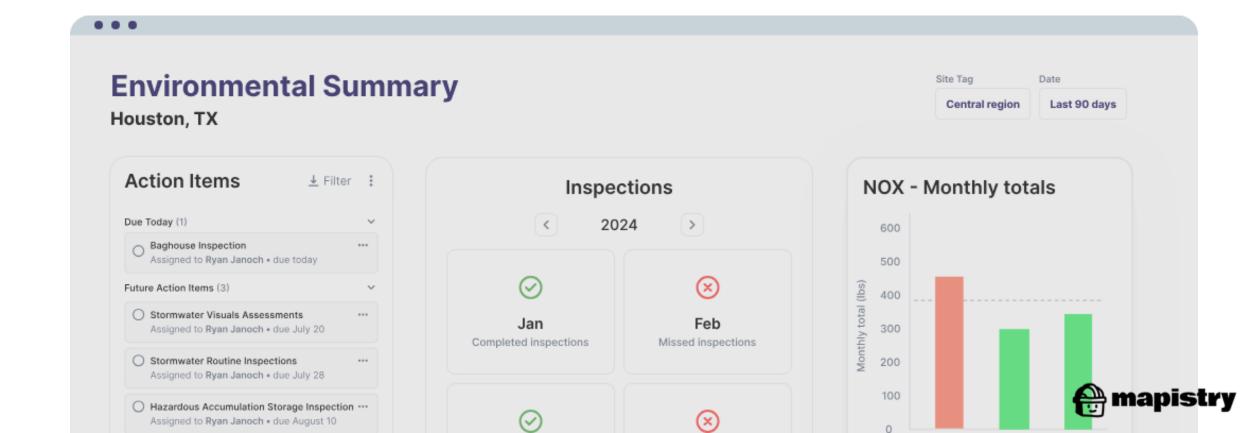


Sustainability

- Environmental Compliance is One Facet of Sustainability but There is So Much More!
 - Reporting on Sustainability or Carbon metrics
 - Tracking/Trending Performance to Benchmarks
 - Greenhouse Gas emissions
 - Quantifying/tracking/trending
 - Determining Scope 3 and beyond and how to track key information for vendors, materials, etc.
 - Environmental Justice and Community Engagement



Mapistry Environmental Compliance Platform for Data Centers



We replace spreadsheets, paper forms, Outlook reminders, and more.....

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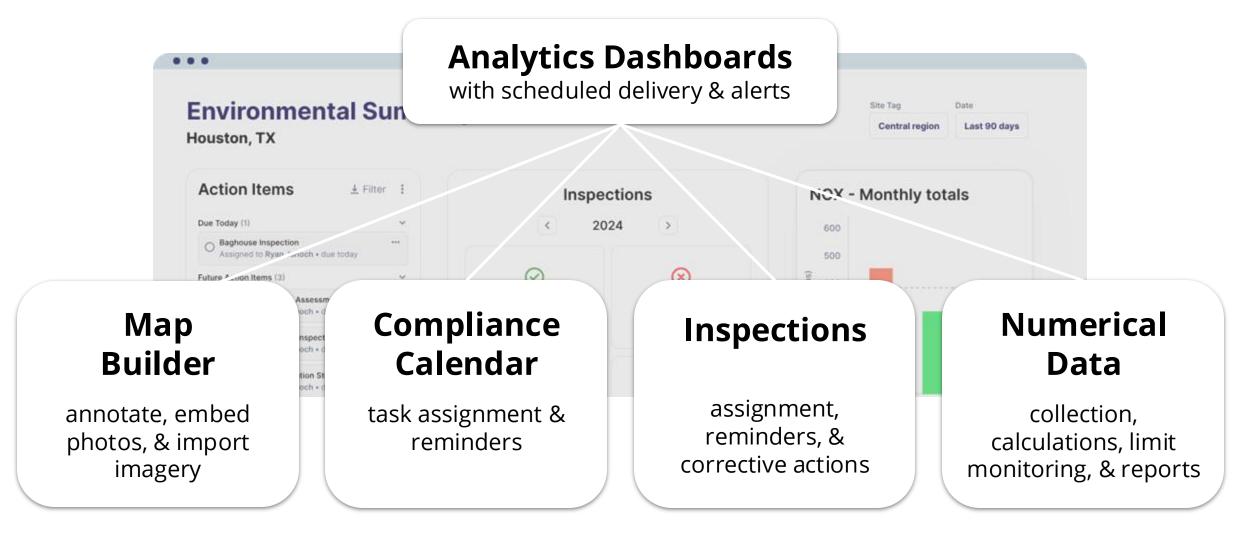


....so you can **conduct, monitor, and analyze** environmental compliance **in one place**





The **Environmental Compliance Platform**





System Integration Use Case



Numerical Data Collection

We address it three ways

API
Connect to other
systems

File Upload

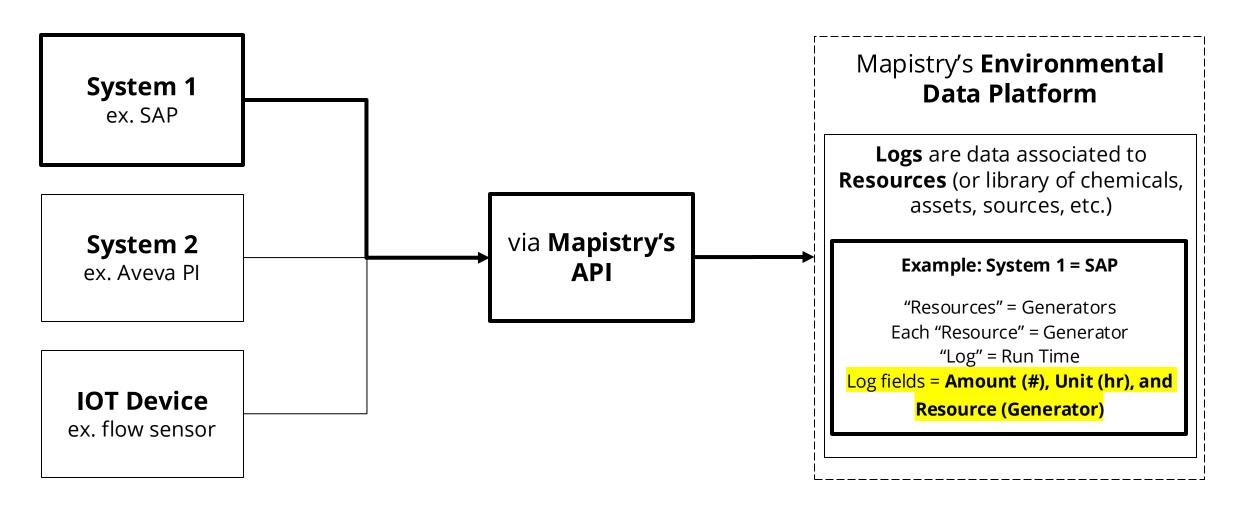
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Manual Entry

Mobile App
Web App



Example: Data Flow via the Mapistry API





Questions?





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About ALL4

Four Practices:

- Air Quality
- Environmental, Health, and Safety
- Sustainability
- Digital Solutions

