# TELEDYNE ANALYTICAL INSTRUMENTS

## application bulletin

## **APPLICATION:**

• The continuous detection of hydrogen and hydrocarbons in the regeneration column of a Continuous Catalytic Reforming (CCR) unit. The CCR upgrades low octane naphthas to high octane motor fuels and produces high yields of C6-C8 aromatics for use as petrochemical feedstocks.

## TAI SOLUTION:

Model 2020 Explosion Proof Thermal Conductivity Analyzer



#### **Process Description**

Please refer to the flow scheme depicting Universal Oil Products, Inc. (UOP's) CCR Platforming process which is the most widely accepted catalytic reforming process in the world with over 150 units in commercial operation or under design and construction.

The Platforming process feedstock is naphtha, which has been pretreated in an upstream process unit.

The naphtha "charge" is mixed with a recycle gas stream that is rich in hydrogen (70 - 100% H2) before being heated to process temperatures. The mixture enters a system of reactors and reheaters where it contacts a catalyst that promotes the preferred reactions.

These reactions will result in reforming the molecules of the naphtha from long chain hydrocarbons into different species that have higher value, either as blending stocks for gasoline or as high quality aromatic compounds such as benzene, toluene, or xylene (BTX), which have numerous other uses downstream.

## Problem

The catalyst used in the reactions is expensive and requires regeneration in order to maintain its ability to promote the desired reactions. It is in the CCR section of the plant where regeneration occurs and where Teledyne's on-line analytical instrumentation is employed.

There are two specific locations within the CCR where the critical H2/HC analysis takes place.

- 1. Surge Hopper
- 2. Nitrogen Header / Life Gas Line

The plant operator is looking to detect whether or not the nitrogen blanket, used as the inerting medium in the regeneration of the catalyst, has been contaminated with either hydrogen or hydrocarbons.

If the nitrogen is contaminated, operation of the regeneration section must be interrupted or shut down until the process can be restored to proper operating conditions.

## Solution

To satisfy the requirements established by UOP, Teledyne has designed the Model 2020 Thermal Conductivity Analysis system.

#### Advantages include:

Competitive pricing

Competitors who address this application use similar thermal conductivity detectors, so technology does not play a critical role in the purchasing decision. However, Teledyne's manufacturing practices and production experience ensures a competitive price while providing quality products.

· Proven track record

Having addressed this application many times before, Teledyne can efficiently provide the best solution with confidence.



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WIRING DIAGRAM: DWG# D-67129
FINAL ASSEMBLY: DWG# D-67677

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