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The following files are available for the EPRI Kincaid Run Data Set:

Informational Files

BullRunDiscussion.pdf: This file [39KB]

UA5600format.txt: Explains Upper Air 5600 format [1.9KB]

- KB48andKB49_SF6Data_Format.txt: Original archive format for SF6 concentration data values. [3KB]
- BullRun-SF6-SamplingSummary.txt: In the original investigations, the data was divided into two (2) data sets; one for model development and one for model evaluation. This file list in a table format the days included in Developmental and Evaluation data sets. [3KB]
- Bull Run Suspect SF604162012.pdf: In developing the Kincaid data for distribution, I developed an objective scheme for assessing the quality of the sampling along the SF6 arcs. I used the same objective scheme for the Bull Run SF6 data. This file discusses the 43 cases where my assessment scheme determined the maximum SF6 concentration might be suspect. Upon reviewing, it is my opinion that 5 cases are suspect; 28 cases are OK; 5 cases will be difficult to replicate (likely non-steady transport), and 5 cases fail to provide a representative arc-max due to truncated sampling along the arc. [152KB]

Meteorological Data Files

- BullRunNearSurfaceMetData04162012.txt: Hourly near-surface meteorological observations collected at the Bull Run plant site. [226KB]
- BullRunTowerMetData04122012.txt: Hourly meteorological observations collected from the 100-m tower located near the Kincaid plant site. [285KB]
- BullRun-KB-88(NWS-UA5600).txt: US National Weather Service Upper Air data in 5600 format. Data begin August 26, 1982 and end October 25, 1982. Upper air balloon was released from Nashville, TN. [114KB]

		NWS Hourly Surface Weather Data		
		1982	Format	
Bristol.zip	TN	W13877.h82	W13877.txt	[208KB]
Chattanooga.zip	TN	W13882.h82	W13882.txt	[210KB]
Knoxsville.zip	TN	W13891.h82	W13891.txt	[206KB]
Nashville.zip	TN	W13897.h82	W13897.txt	[210KB]
Lexington.zip	KY	W93820.h82	W93820.txt	[212KB]
Asheville.zip	NC	W03812.h82	W03812.txt	[207KB]

The hourly data for the stations listed above was obtained from: http://www.epa.gov/ceampubl/tools/metdata/us_met.html The meteorological data files available at this site contain measurements taken at 237 weather stations located throughout the United States for a period extending from 1961 to 1990. Exact collection dates vary by weather station. These data files are compatible with the EXAMS, PRZM, and EXPRESS systems distributed through the EPA Center for Exposure Assessment Modeling (CEAM).

SF6 Tracer Data Files

- BullRunSF604112012.txt: Detailed listing of SF6 concentration values at each receptor along an arc. There were 12 receptor arcs, but not all were active during each hour of sampling. In this file, the data values are listed separately for each receptor arc that was active during each hour. Note, the receptors have been placed on arcs using an objective scheme that I developed when I was preparing the Kincaid data for distribution. [6.6MB]
- BullRunSF6Max04112012.dat: A listing of the maximum SF6 concentration seen along each arc and the objective 'judgment' code of whether the maximum is likely well characterized by the sampling available. I have also included the QC index for the Development Data distributed in the Harmonization Model Validation Kit, but since I used a different scheme for assigning receptors to arcs, these QC index values are only useful for informational purposes. [223KB]
- BullRunSF6-Arcs04112012.pdf: This file displays the SF6 concentration values in a fashion similar to that employed by the original investigators. Note, the receptors have been placed on arcs using an objective scheme that I developed when I was preparing the Kincaid data for distribution. [534KB]
- BullRun-KB-48(SF6-Developmental).txt: SF6 data for the Developmental data set, in the original format of the Bull Run data archive. [1.05MB]
- BullRun-KB-49(SF6-Evaluation).txt: SF6 data for the Evaluation data set, in the original format of the Bull Run data archive. [923KB]
- BullRunCombinedSF6-48and 49.txt: A spliced together version of the SF6 data for the Developmental and Evaluation data sets, in the original format of the Bull Run data archive. [1.69MB]

<u>SO2 Data Files</u>

- BullRunHourlySO204112012.txt: Listing of SO2 concentration values (PPB) at each receptor for each hour. There were a maximum of 20 receptors active for any 7-day period. The number of receptors and locations vary from 7-day period (168 hours) to the next. There were 10 7-day periods. [325KB]
- BullRunSO2Format.txt: Description of format used to create data archive of hourly SO2 values (BullRunHourlySO204112012.txt). [4KB]
- BullRunListSO2SourceDatao4172012.txt: I processed the data archive files available to me, in order to derive an SO2 emission rate, so that the hourly SO2 monitoring data might be used in model performance analyses. Unfortunately, I could only compute SO2 emission rates for the 480 period from Aug 1, 1982 through Aug 20, 1982. During this 480 hour period the maximum emission SO2 rate was 2786 g/s; the minimum SO2 emission rate was 1463 g/s, and the average SO2 emission rate was 2035 g/s.

 Site description:

The Bull Run steam plant is located 20km west of Knoxville, TN and 8km east of Oak Ridge, TN, on the east bank of the Melton Hill Lake. Water from the Milton Hill Lake is used to cool the 950 MW, coal-fired, one-unit plant(twin furnaces operate as a single unit to product steam). The plant consumes about 1800 tons of low-sulfur coal per day, delivered by rail from various mines in eastern Kentucky. The emission limit for the plant is four pounds of SO2 per million Btu; its emission rate is approximately 2.5kg/s. The Bull Run steam plant has electrostatic precipitators and no controls for sulfur dioxide emissions. Emissions are vented through a single 244m stack with an exit diameter of 9m. Stack emissions generally are not visible.

The Bull Run steam plant is located in the broad Tennessee River valley (about 60 km wide) that separates the Great Smoky Mountains, rising to over 1700 m (msl) to the east and southeast, and the Cumberland Plateau, rising to over 900 m to the northwest. Within the broad Tennessee River valley, a system of smaller parallel ridges and valleys, with breaks in between, runs northeast-southwest. These minor ridges rise 60 to 180 m above the local valleys. In the immediate vicinity of the plant, the ridges are approximately 100 m high, with a distance of about 1 or 2 km between ridge tops. Most of the region is covered by forests. It is also important to note that the Melton Hill Lake, a 1 km-wide tributary of the Tennessee River, cuts perpendicular across the ridges near the Bull Run steam plant, which uses the river water for cooling.

Construction of Data Archive

One of the original purposes of the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) field studies of tall stack transport and diffusion was to establish data sets that could be used for evaluation of atmospheric transport and diffusion model performance.

As part of this effort, the data collected at Bull Run was divided into two independent data sets so that the data used to evaluate an air quality transport and diffusion model would be independent of that used to develop a model. Half of the data set was used for a model development program sponsored by EPRI and was called the Developmental data set. The other half of the data set was used to evaluate the Hybrid Plume Dispersion Model (HPDM), Hanna and Paine (1989), and was called the Evaluation data set.

The Developmental and Evaluation data have been merged together in my release of this data archive.

Stack information: Power Production: 950 Megawatt Location: UTM-E (km): 756.246 UTM-N (km): 3989.82 Lat. (deq): 36.0211 N Long. (deg): 84.1564 W Stack base elevation: 247 m Stack height: 244 m Stack inner diameter: 9 m

Source Measurements

Source measurements were carried out in two places in the ductwork, near the outlet from the electrostatic precipitator. These locations were chosen as being most appropriate since there are no test ports in the stack. The position of the source monitors is indicated in the linked figure as the "outlet test plane". The parameters monitored were sulfur dioxide concentration, flue gas velocity and temperature, and oxygen concentration. At the end of each intensive, a series of manual tests was carried out to verify the data obtained by the monitoring instruments.

Source Emissions Measurement Systems				
Variable	Measurement Locations	Frequency of Measurements	Equipment	
S02	Stack ductwork - two locations	Continuous	Lear Siegler SM810	
02	Stack ductwork - two locations	Continuous	Lear Siegler CM50	
Temperature	Stack ductwork - two locations	Continuous	Lear Siegler SM800	
Velocity	Stack ductwork - two locations	Continuous	Averaging Pitot Tube	

SF6 Tracer Monitoring Network

A network of approximately 1600 potential tracer sampling locations was used at the Bull Run site. The network design consisted of concentric circles at average radial distances of 0.5, 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, and 50 km from the power plant. Using the existing roadway network, the downwind distance of the samplers assigned to an arc varied; the target accuracy was 1% of the distance from the power plant stack, or 50 meters, whichever was smaller.

Tracer tests generally lasted six to nine hours. During this period, SF6 tracer gas was injected continuously into the ductwork of the stack. During each test approximately 200 sampling sites located on five to seven of the arcs in a sector ranging from 90° to 180° of arc, were operating. The sampling array was chosen on the basis of the expected meteorological conditions and remained fixed during any given test period.

SF6 tracer data are available for: August 28, 1982 through October 16, 1982.

SUMMARY OF SF6 SAMPLING				
SF6 I	DEVELOPMENTAL DATA SET			
NUMBI	ER OF DAYS: 20 NUMBER OF	HOURS:	165	
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080582	00000000111000000000000	188	82217	
080682	00000000011111111100000	207	82218	
080782	00000000011111111100000	205	82219	
081382	00011111111000000000000	213	82225	
081482	00000000111111111000000	193	82226	

081682	000000	000011111	111100000	201	82228
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092282			111100000	183	82265
092482	000000	0000000000	111111111	198	82267
092882	000111	100000000	000000000	184	82271
093082	000000	000011111	111100000	205	82273
100282			100000000	197	82275
100482			0000000000	205	82277
100582			111110000	209	82278
100682			111111111	202	82279
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080182			111100000	176	82213
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080882			111100000	197	82220
081082			0000000000	190	82222
081582	000000	000011111	111100000	205	82227
082082	000000	000011111	111100000	212	82232
082382	000000	000011111	111100000	214	82235
082482			111100000	212	82236
092382			111100000	192	82266
092682			111100000	192	82269
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100182			111110000	198	82274
100382			0000000000	201	82276
100982			111110000	207	82282
101182	000000	000000000	111111111	207	82284
101382	000011	111111100	000000000	189	82286
101682			111100000	196	82289
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JJJ =	JULIAN	DAY NUMB	ER		

SF6 Quality Codes

Harmonization QC Index

In 1991, a European initiative was launched for increased cooperation and standardization of atmospheric dispersion models for regulatory purposes. Conferences are held approximately every 18 months. As part of this initiative a Model Validation Kit was developed starting in 1993. Currently, the kit contains four field data sets as well as software for model evaluation.

In developing this kit, it was decided to only report the maximum SF6 concentration value seen along each sampling arc. For the Bull Run SF6 tracer results, subjective Quality Codes (QC) were assigned for both the

Developmental and Evaluation data sets to each maximum SF6 concentration as to how confident they were that a true maximum was seen.

Using the same logic as was applied to the Kincaid Developmental data set, QC codes were developed for Bull Run for both the Developmental and Evaluation data sets.

Note: my objective placement of receptors along arcs differs in some cases with the subjective placement used in defining arcs by Dr. Steve Hanna and Dr. Joseph Chang, hence, I do not recommend use of these QC index values.

- This observed maximum concentration should clearly be disregarded.
 This observed maximum concentration is most probably not the maximum value.
- 2 An observed maximum concentration is identified, but the true value may be slightly different.

3 A relatively well-defined maximum concentration is observed.

Judgment QC Code

Objective quality (judgment) code John Irwin developed for this listing of the entire set of SF6 concentrations sampled during the EPRI Bull Run field study, where objective criteria were used to place receptors along arcs. For discussion of -2 and -3 Arc-max values, see, 'Logic Behind Kincaid SF6-Arcs.pdf', and 'Bull Run Suspect SF6 Arc-Max Values.pdf'.

- 0 Number of nonzero concentration values is two (2) or less.
- 2 At least five nonzero concentration values, but observed maximum is not in the middle portion of the sampling array along the arc.
- 3 At least five nonzero concentration values, and observed maximum is within the middle portion of the sampling array along the arc.
- -2 Meets criteria listed for "2", but difference between nearby concentration values and observed maximum looks suspicious.
- -3 Meets criteria listed for "3", but difference between nearby concentration values and observed maximum looks suspicious.

Meteorological Measurements:

The meteorological measurements were collected from (1) a 122-m TVA tower (base elevation 317 m), located near the crest of a 70 m ridge about 1.8 km west of the stack, (2) the central observing station (base elevation 248 m), located at about the same elevation as the stack base in a field near the river about 5.3 km northwest of the stack, (3) one acoustic sounder (base elevation 259 m) about 1 km east of the stack, (4) various National Weather Service (NWS) stations. The attached map shows the locations of the TVA tower, central observing station (labeled as Micro-Met), and stack.

The above data represent only a portion of the total data collected during the Bull Run field experiments. Refer to "Catalog of Data for the EPRI Plume Model Validation and Development Data Base: Moderately Complex Terrain Site," 1985, EPRI EA-3762, Electric Power Research Institute, 3412 Hillview Avenue, Palo Alto, California, 94304, for a detailed description of the measurement program.

Location	Measurement Height	Frequency	Equipment
122-m Tower			
Wind Direction	10, 30, 50, 100 m	10-sec	Teledyne Geotech 15658
Wind Speed	10, 30, 50, 100 m	10-sec	Teledyne Geotech 15648
Temperature	10, 50, 100 m	10-sec	Teledyne Geotech T-200
Dewpoint	100 m	10-sec	Teledyne Geotech DP-200
Micro-Met Tower	10 m		
Temperature Diff	2-10 m	10-sec	Teledyne Geotech T-200
Temperature	1 m	10-sec	Teledyne Geotech T-200
Central Station			
Atmos. Pressure	1 m	Hourly	Teledyne Geotech 5P-200
Net Radiation	1 m	10-sec	Science Associates 622-1
Solar Radiation	1 m	10-sec	Eppley NIP
Sky Radiation	1 m	10-sec	Eppley 8-48
Acoustic Sounder			
Mixing Height	1 m	15-min	Acoustic Sounder

NWS METEOROLOGICAL STATIONS

When the Bull Run SF6 data were first analyzed, only the Nashville, TN and Knoxville, TN station observations were used. In constructing this data archive it was decided to provide observations from several other NWS stations that are in the vicinity of the Bull Run site.

The data provided here was obtained from http://www.epa.gov/ceampubl/tools/metdata/index.html

- The data represents a unique blending from four sources. #1. Solar and Meteorological Surface Observation Network (SAMSON) 1961-1990 data sets, Version 1.0, Sep 1993
 - #2. National Solar Radiation Data base (NSRDB) version 1.1; NSRDB Hourly Data Files Text files downloaded from <u>http://rredc.nrel.gov/solar/old_data/nsrdb/</u> -- provided updated radiation parameters.

#3. EarthInfo NCDC Summary of the Day and Surface Airways, 2001 -provided daily and hourly values for precipitation, and daily evaporation. Missing evaporation was calculated using the Kohler-Nordenson-Fox Class-A Evaporation Pan version of the Penman-Monteith equations.

#4. Evapotranspiration (Et0) formulae based on: Crop Evapotranspiration - Guidelines for Computing Crop water requirements. FAO Irrigation and Drainage Paper 56 by Richard G. Allen, Luis S. Pereira, Dirk Raes, and Martin Smith. Water Resources, Development and Management Service, FAO -Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Rome, 1998. ISBN 92-5-104219-5. This book may be found online at <u>http://www.fao.org/docrep/X0490E/x0490e00.htm</u>

				Approximate
			Elevation	Distance From
NWS Station	Latitude	Longitude	MSL (m)	Stack (km)
Bristol, TN	36.84 N	82.40 W	465	168
Chattanooga, TN	35.03 N	85.20 W	211	145
Knoxville, TN	35.82 N	83.98 W	268	28
Nashville, TN	36.12 N	86.68 W	180	230
Lexington, KY	38.03 N	84.60 W	294	227
Ashville, NC	35.43 N	82.55 W	160	160

NWS RADIOSONDE The radiosonde data comes from the station in Nashville, TN 36.20N 86.567W 180m Thus, the radiosonde station is approximately 230 km west of the source. Site characteristics used in the 1987/88 HPDM project:

The values of Monin-Obukhov length, friction velocity and mixing height are provided for information purposes. It is suggested that one might do better to compute new values using currently accepted practices.

The procedure used to estimate values for the Monin-Obukhov length, surface friction velocity and mixing height are described in Hanna and Paine (1989). Estimates were made for 'average moisture conditions' and 'dry conditions'. The monthly values for surface roughness length, albedo and Bowen ratio used in these computations are listed below.

Average Moisture Conditions Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 30 - 80 deg wind direction sector: JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC 0.30 0.30 0.61 0.61 0.86 0.86 0.86 0.86 0.86 0.50 0.50 0.50 0.54 0.54 0.13 0.13 0.15 0.15 0.15 0.15 0.15 0.14 0.14 0.14 1.80 1.80 0.54 0.54 0.38 0.38 0.38 0.38 1.10 1.10 0.88 0.88

 Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and

 Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 81 - 160 deg wind direction sector:

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Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 161 - 215 deg wind direction sector: JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC 0.18 0.18 0.37 0.37 0.57 0.57 0.57 0.57 0.57 0.31 0.31 0.31 0.53 0.53 0.13 0.13 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 1.68 1.68 0.42 0.42 0.39 0.39 0.39 0.39 1.46 1.46 0.75 0.75

Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 216 - 240 deg wind direction sector: JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC 0.20 0.20 0.41 0.41 0.59 0.59 0.59 0.59 0.59 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.46 0.46 0.13 0.13 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.15 0.15 0.15 1.70 1.70 0.41 0.41 0.32 0.32 0.32 0.32 1.13 1.13 0.67 0.67

Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 241 - 310 deg wind direction sector: MAR JUN JUL AUG SEP JAN FEB APR MAY OCT NOV DEC 0.71 0.89 0.89 0.89 0.89 0.89 0.61 0.13 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.15 0.45 0.45 0.71 0.61 0.61 0.46 0.13 0.15 0.15 0.46 1.75 1.75 0.62 0.62 0.66 0.66 0.66 0.66 1.71 1.71 1.05 1.05

Dry Conditions Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 30 - 80 deg wind direction sector: JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC 0.30 0.30 0.61 0.61 0.86 0.86 0.86 0.86 0.86 0.50 0.50 0.50 0.54 0.54 0.13 0.13 0.15 0.15 0.15 0.15 0.15 0.14 0.14 0.14 1.80 1.80 0.54 0.54 0.38 0.38 1.40 1.40 2.05 2.05 0.88 0.88 Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 81 - 160 deg wind direction sector: JUL JUN SEP NOV DEC JAN FEB MAR APR MAY AUG OCT 0.38 0.38 0.56 0.56 0.74 0.74 0.74 0.74 0.74 0.50 0.50 0.50 0.16 0.16 0.71 1.54 0.50 0.50 0.13 0.13 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 1.68 0.57 0.57 0.71 0.71 1.54 2.93 2.93 1.04 1.04 1.68 Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 161 - 215 deg wind direction sector: APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP JAN FEB MAR OCT NOV DEC 0.18 0.18 0.37 0.37 0.57 0.57 0.57 0.57 0.57 0.31 0.31 0.31 0.53 0.13 0.13 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.53 0.16 0.16 1.68 1.68 0.42 0.42 0.39 0.39 1.46 1.46 2.73 2.73 0.75 0.75 Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 216 - 240 deg wind direction sector: MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG NOV DEC JAN FEB SEP OCT 0.59 0.59 0.20 0.20 0.41 0.41 0.59 0.59 0.59 0.34 0.34 0.34 0.46 0.46 0.13 0.13 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.15 0.15 0.15 1.70 1.70 0.41 0.41 0.32 0.32 1.15 1.15 2.03 2.03 0.67 0.67 Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 241 - 310 deg wind direction sector: MAR JUN AUG JAN FEB APR MAY JUL SEP OCT NOV DEC 0.45 0.45 0.71 0.71 0.89 0.89 0.89 0.89 0.89 0.61 0.61 0.61 0.14 0.46 0.46 0.13 0.13 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.14 0.15 0.15 0.15 0.66 1.31 1.75 1.75 0.62 0.62 1.31 0.66 2.36 2.36 1.05 1.05

Monthly values of surface roughness (m, line 1), albedo (line 2), and Bowen ratio (line 3) for the 311 - 29 deg wind direction sector: NOV DEC FEB MAR APR MAY JULAUG SEP OCT JAN JUN 0.35 0.35 0.51 0.51 0.70 0.70 0.70 0.70 0.70 0.44 0.44 0.44

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