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TYMCO Model DST-6 Dustless Regenerative Air Street Sweeper
Technology Fact Sheet for TYMCO, Inc.



Performance Claim

The TYMCO Model DST-6 Dustless Regenerative Air Street Sweeper was operated according to the vendor's specification and was tested in accordance with the City of Toronto's Operational On-Street Test Protocol – May 2016.

The test section cleaning methodology described in the Protocol was used to determine test material removal efficiency of the sweeper.

The TYMCO Model DST-6 Dustless Regenerative Air Street Sweeper achieved the following collection efficiencies from a paved surface at a 95% confidence level:

1. On a wet paved surface - between 97.25% and 99.49% with an average collection efficiency of 98.37%;
2. When maneuvering around parked cars - between 26.79% and 35.74% with an average collection efficiency of 31.27%;
3. For leaf collection - between 98.27% and 99.79% with an average collection efficiency of 99.03%;
4. For large debris - between 90.00% and 97.00% with an average collection efficiency of 93.50%;
5. For heavy debris - between 98.85% and 99.61% with an average collection efficiency of 99.23%;
6. When operating in dustless mode - between 87.50% and may approach 99.99%¹ with an average collection efficiency of 95.13%.

¹Based upon the Protocol methodology where the highest three of four test values are used in the statistical assessment of equipment performance.

Technology Application

TYMCO Regenerative Air Dustless Sweeping Technology (DST) is designed to thoroughly clean roads and streets while minimizing the release of dust into the air. The street sweeper can have a positive environmental effect by reducing the amount of materials entering the storm sewers which may otherwise end up contaminating surface waters. Additionally, removal of particulate from streets may help reduce airborne contamination by such particulate matter, particularly on windy days.

Performance Conditions

Testing of the TYMCO Model DST-6 Dustless Regenerative Air Street Sweeper was conducted by the Prairie Agricultural Machinery Institute (PAMI) on local streets in Humboldt, Saskatchewan, according to the manufacturer's recommended operational settings, including specific settings of broom assisted sweeping using the broom assist pickup head (BAH) and no shrouds installed on the gutter brooms. The sweeper's operational configuration, including gutter broom tilt angle and dust suppression water application, was adjusted as required before each test section. The testing was performed over four test days from October 19 to 22, 2016. A manufacturer representative with street sweeper experience operated the test sweeper during testing with a PAMI employee in the cab observing and documenting all operational procedures.

As specified in the Protocol, each test run procedure involved the TYMCO Model DST-6 Regenerative Air Street Sweeper sweeping approximately 345 kg (761 lb) of test material spread out over six test sections, with each section measuring 30 m (98.4 ft) or 40 m (131.2 ft) long. The test section cleaning methodology described in the Protocol was used to determine test material removal efficiency of the sweeper.

Environmental Technology Verification

Technology Description

The main components of TYMCO Regenerative Air Dustless Sweeping Technology (DST) are the blower, pickup head, pressurized hopper, multi-pass cylindrical centrifugal dust separator, and particulate air filters. The closed loop regenerative air system uses a large blower to develop airflow. The air enters a distribution manifold that runs across the pickup head, which has a discharge opening that directs a high velocity blast of air down and onto the pavement and into the cracks releasing dirt. The air and all captured dirt and debris are then drawn out of the pickup head through a hose and directed into the hopper. An operator controlled cylindrical broom rotating in the pickup head also assists in loosening material and releasing it into the air stream.

After the debris-laden air stream is drawn into the large hopper, the air loses velocity allowing the larger debris to fall to the bottom. A screen at the top of the hopper prevents items such as leaves, paper, cans, and rocks from leaving the hopper. The air then enters the centrifugal dust separator. The multi-pass centrifugal dust separator further cleans the air as it spins on the curved wall of the centrifugal chamber skimming off dust particles and returning them into the hopper. The cleaned air is returned through the blower to the pickup head to start the regenerative air cycle again.

A small portion of the air leaving the blower is exhausted to atmosphere so that less air enters the pickup head than is being drawn off, thus maintaining the necessary vacuum in the pickup head. Prior to being exhausted, this small portion of air is further cleaned by being first run through a bank of small cyclone pre-cleaners and then through four membrane filters, which remove particles as small as 0.5 microns.

TYMCO Model DST-6 Dustless Regenerative Air Street Sweeper technology is engineered to allow the sweeper to perform in all types of weather conditions with no operator adjustments required.

Verification

Testing of the TYMCO Model DST-6 Dustless Regenerative Air Street Sweeper was conducted by the Prairie Agricultural Machinery Institute (PAMI) on local streets in Humboldt, Saskatchewan. The verification was completed by Ortech Consulting Inc. of Mississauga, Ontario, using the Canadian ETV Program General Verification Protocol (March 2000) and conforming to the ISO 14034:2016, Environmental management -- Environmental technology verification (ETV).

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