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## 7.1.21 Regeneration of Adsorber Bed A

### 1. Purpose

This procedure provides instructions for regenerating adsorber bed A on the RHIC 25 kW Helium Refrigerator. This procedure shall be performed when adsorber bed A is contaminated and has been taken offline. The steps necessary to take adsorber bed A offline are not covered under this procedure, please reference [C-A OPM 7.1.20](#).

### 2. Responsibilities

- 2.1 The Shift Supervisor, or an Operator designated by the Shift Supervisor, is responsible for conducting the procedure and providing documentation in the Cryogenic Control Room Log.
- 2.2 Should a problem arise in the process of regenerating the adsorber bed, the Shift Supervisor shall report to the Technical Supervisor for instructions before continuing.

### 3. Prerequisites

- 3.1 Operator shall be familiar with the refrigerator P&ID drawing 3A995009, the physical location of components on the refrigerator, and the refrigerator control pages found on the CRISP control system.
- 3.2 The regeneration skid must be available for use.

### 4. Precautions

- 4.1 If there is liquid helium in the refrigerator pots, all personnel entering the refrigeration wing of 1005R must be ODH Class 1 qualified, have a Personal Oxygen Monitor (POM), and carry an emergency escape pack.

5. **Procedure**

\_\_\_\_\_ 5.1 Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 5.2 Ensure the following valves are CLOSED:

Process Valves:

H362A \_\_\_\_\_ H371A \_\_\_\_\_

Valves Used for Regeneration/Pure Helium:

H417M \_\_\_\_\_ H9118M \_\_\_\_\_

Valves to atmosphere, relief valve header, sample taps or vacuum:

H366M \_\_\_\_\_ H9089M \_\_\_\_\_  
H367M \_\_\_\_\_ H9090M \_\_\_\_\_  
H368M \_\_\_\_\_ H9119M \_\_\_\_\_  
H897M \_\_\_\_\_ H9170M \_\_\_\_\_  
H899M \_\_\_\_\_ V263M \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 5.3 Start the regeneration (regen) skid per [C-A-OPM 7.1.36](#),  
"Regeneration System Normal Operation".

\_\_\_\_\_ 5.4 Open the following valves:

H9088M \_\_\_\_\_ H418M \_\_\_\_\_  
H419M \_\_\_\_\_ H163M \_\_\_\_\_  
H9167M \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 5.5 Close regen manifold bypass valve H9100M.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5.6 Turn on regen skid pre-heater.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5.7 When there is no frost on the regen return line, continue to  
regenerate for at least 1 hour. Hygrometer reading must be -30°C  
to -40°C and improving less than 0.5°C/hr.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5.8 Turn off regen skid preheater.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5.9 Open valve H9100M.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 5.10 Close the following valves:
- H163M\_\_\_\_\_ H9088M\_\_\_\_\_
- H418M\_\_\_\_\_ H419M\_\_\_\_\_
- H9167M\_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5.11 Secure the regeneration skid per [C-A-OPM 7.1.36](#).
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5.12 Set up to purge adsorber bed "A" by opening H9118M\_\_\_\_\_ and H9089M\_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5.13 Crack open valves H417M\_\_\_\_\_ and H9090M\_\_\_\_\_ until an audible purge is heard.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5.14 Align oxygen monitor to sample valve H368M.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5.15 Allow adsorber bed "A" to purge for approximately 3 hours at an audible level. Oxygen monitor reading must be less than 10 ppm.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5.16 Close valves H9090M\_\_\_\_\_ and H9089M\_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5.17 When PI445H reaches approximately 250 PSIA, close valves H417M\_\_\_\_\_ and H9118M\_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5.18 Open inlet valve H362A as a sign that adsorber bed "A" has been regenerated and is ready for service.

## 6. **Documentation**

- 6.1 The check-off lines on the procedure are for place-keeping only. The procedure is not to be initialed or signed, it is not a record.
- 6.2 The Shift Supervisor, or designee, shall document the completion of the procedure in the Cryogenics Control Room Log

## 7. **References**

- 7.1 Drawing 3A995009, 25KW Helium Refrigerator P&ID.
- 7.2 [C-A-OPM 7.1.20](#), "Adsorber Bed "B" Online and Adsorber Bed "A" Offline.
- 7.3 [C-A-OPM 7.1.36](#), "Regeneration System Normal Operation".

## 7. **Attachments**

None