## ASTORIA STATION PUBLIC INPUT HEARING

Deubrook Elementary School Gymnasium Toronto, South Dakota November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Docket: EL 17-042



## PRESENTERS

Bill Swanson, Manager, Supply Engineering
Astoria Station Project Manager

Mark Thoma, Manager, Environmental Services
Astoria Station Permitting Manager

# CONSULTANTS SUPPORTING PROJECT

• HDR

- Air Permit and Site Permit Support
- Sargent & Lundy
  - Preliminary Engineering
- First District Association of Local Governments
  - Social & Economic Impact Study
- Banner Engineering
  - Groundwater Evaluation
- Power Engineers
  - Generation-Tie Line Design

# AGENDA

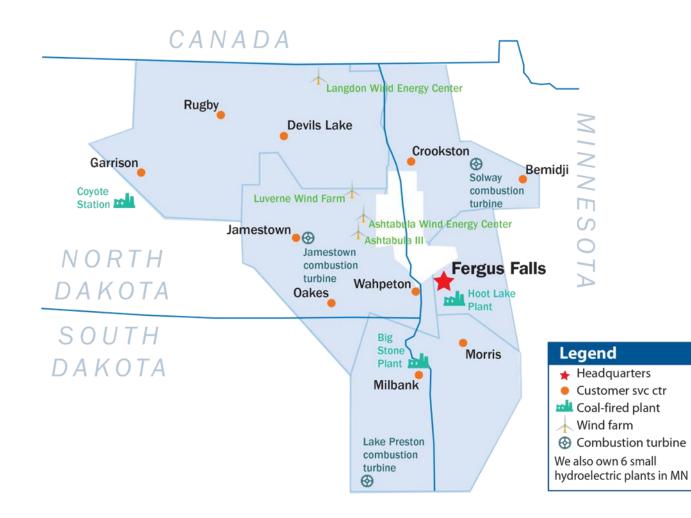
## Who we are

- Project need and location
- Project components and schedule
- Community impacts
- Environmental review

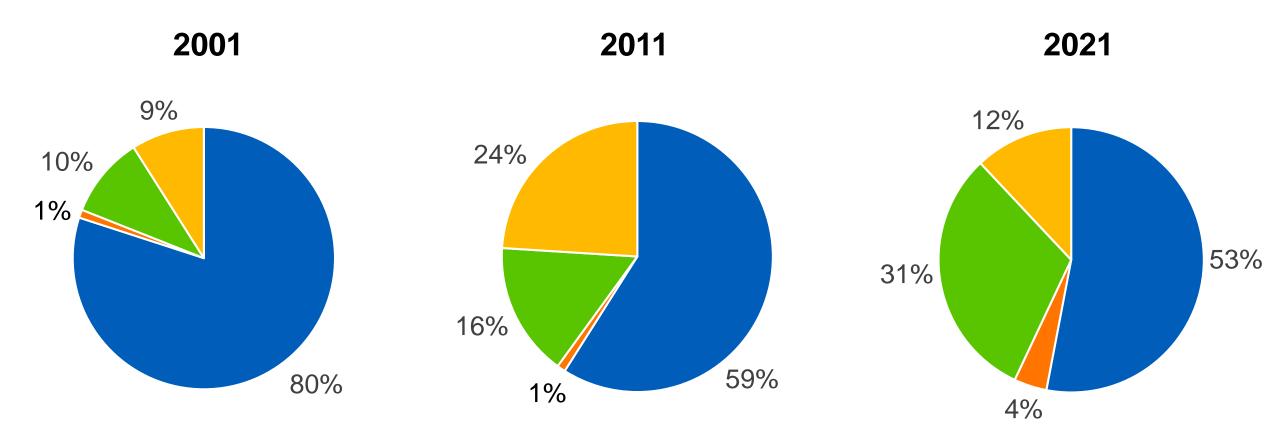
## WHO WE ARE



## WHO WE SERVE



- 70,000 Square Miles
- 131,551 Customers
- 422 Communities
  - Avg. population ≈400
- 796 Employees
  - 472 Minnesota
  - 205 North Dakota
  - 119 South Dakota
- About 800 MW owned
   generation



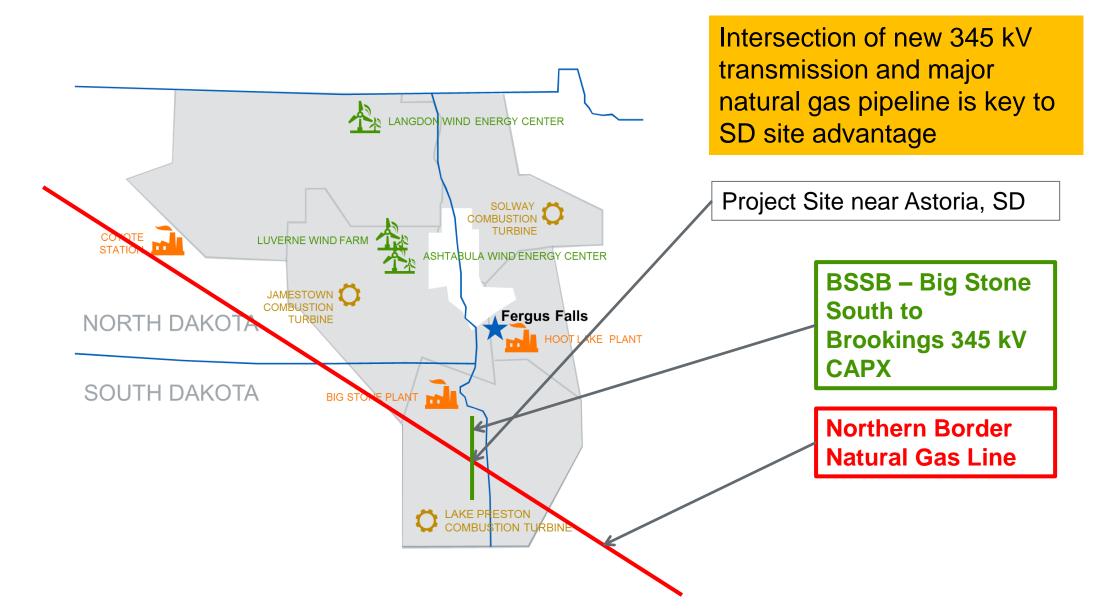
## PROJECT NEED AND LOCATION



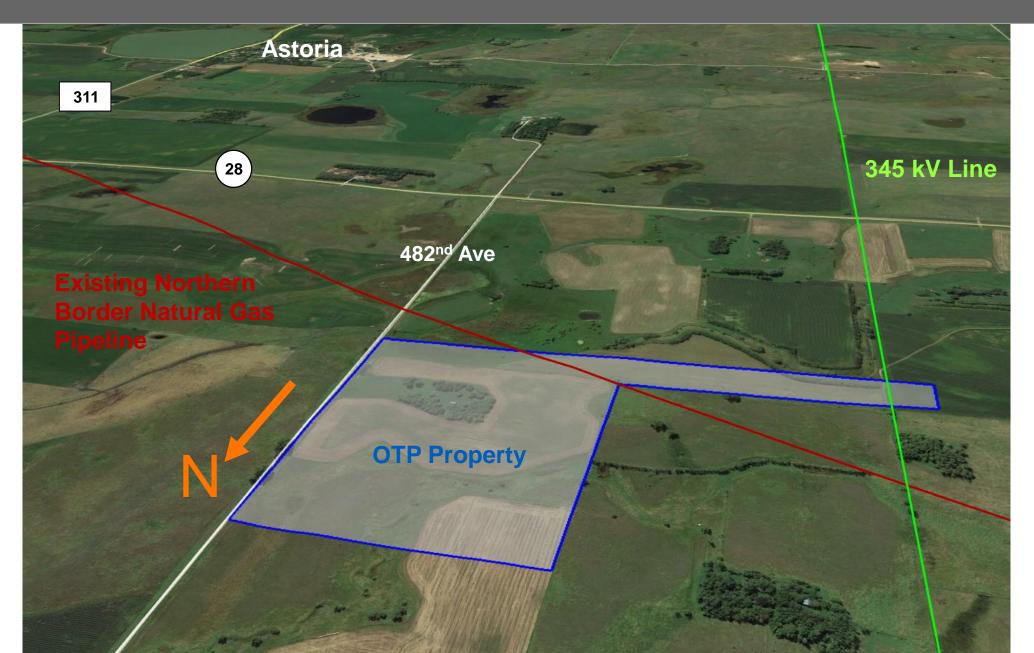
Astoria Station is a needed project for OTP. Three factors:

- 1. Hoot Lake Plant is retiring in May 2021.
  - Hoot Lake is a 140 MW coal-fired facility in Fergus Falls, MN.
- 2. We have expiring capacity contracts in approximately the same timeframe.
- 3. We project future load growth.

#### ASTORIA, SD - LOCATION



## PROJECT SITE OVERVIEW



## PROJECT COMPONENTS AND SCHEDULE



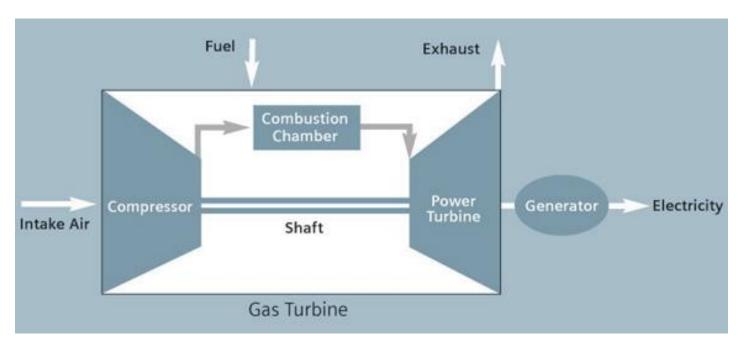
## ASTORIA STATION

- Astoria Station will be an approximate 250 MW simplecycle natural gas combustion turbine.
- The peaking plant will serve during periods of high demand or when other generating sources are not available.
- Cost ~\$165M. We expect the station to be online in 2021.

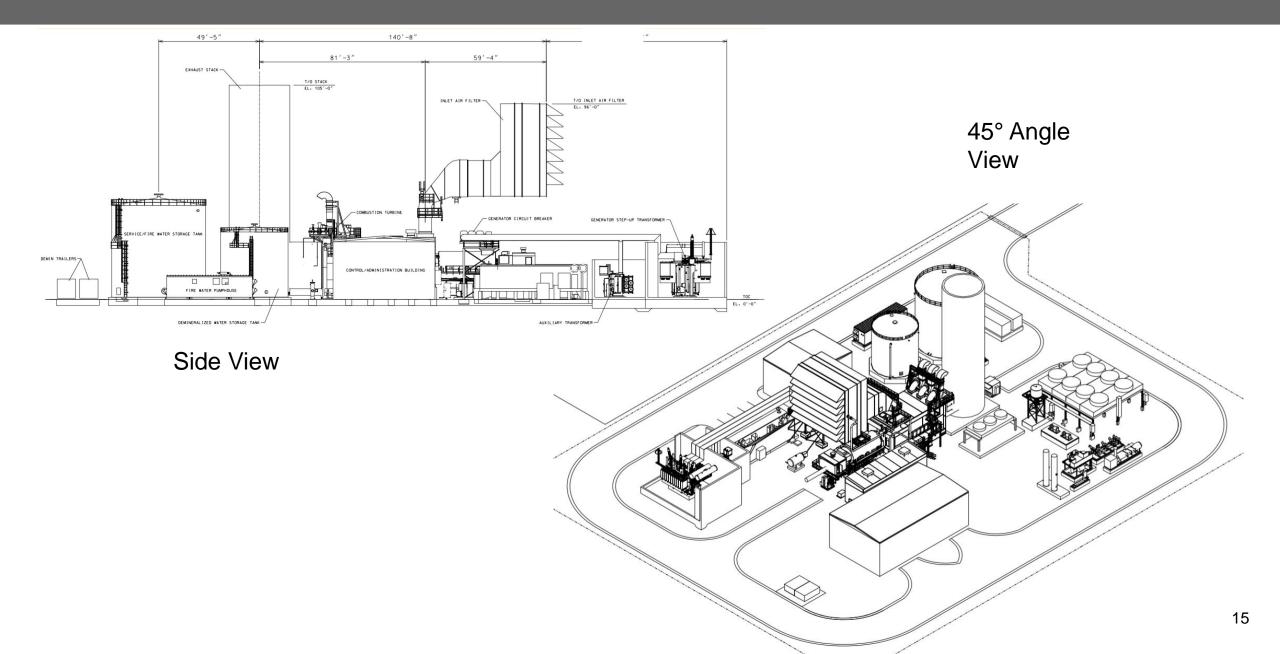


## SIMPLE CYCLE TURBINE

- Resources Needed: Water, Air, Natural Gas
- Major Components:
  - Inlet Air Filter
  - Air Compressor Section
  - Gas Combustion Chamber
  - Power Turbine
  - Electrical Generator
  - Generator Step Up Transformer

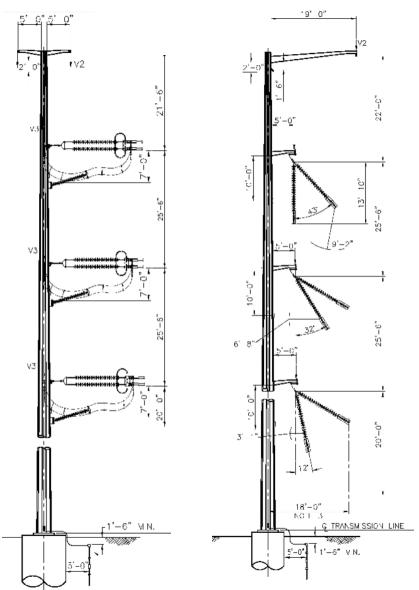


#### PLANT GENERAL ARRANGEMENT



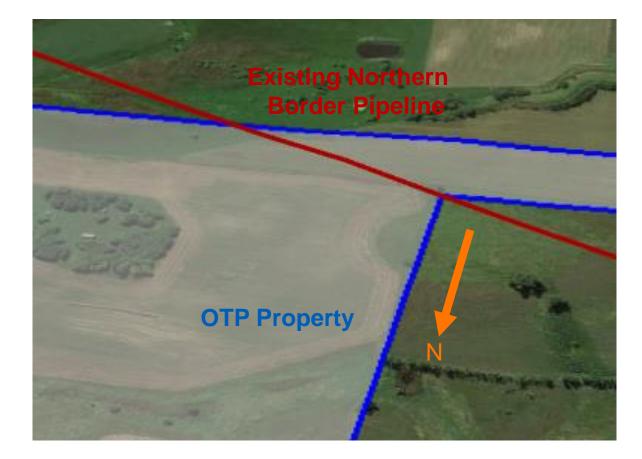
## **GEN-TIE LINE**

- Less than ½ mile to interconnect to BSSB 345-kV transmission system
- 3-5 new structures
- OTP's property connects to the preliminary location identified for the BSSB switching station



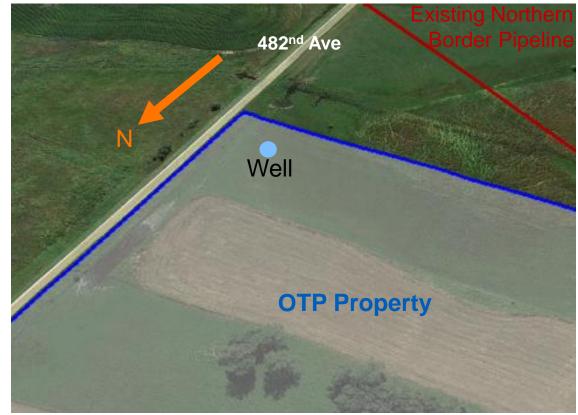
## NATURAL GAS PIPING

- Will connect into the Northern Border Pipeline on Otter Tail property
- < 1,000' pipe from meter station to turbine
- 10" diameter pipe

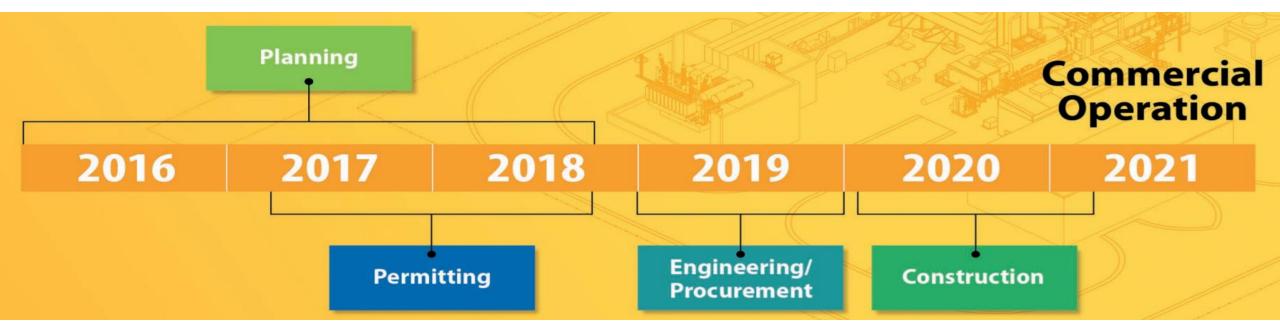


## WATER LINE

- Onsite well is proposed
- < 1,500' long, 5" diameter pipe to storage tank
- Proposed capacity of 100 gpm
- Above ground 350,000 gallon storage tank
- There will be many days or months when process water is not required



#### PROJECT SCHEDULE



## COMMUNITY IMPACTS



## CONSTRUCTION WORKFORCE

Date	Number of Workers Onsite
Ground Breaking and Month 1	20
Month 2	30
Month 3	30
Month 4	40
Month 5	50
Month 6	60
Month 7	60
Month 8	70
Month 9	70
Month 10	70
Month 11	60
Month 12	40
Month 13	30 21

## TRANSPORTATION

- Most likely heavy haul route will be East along Hwy 28 from I29 to 482<sup>nd</sup> Ave.
- Road agreements and heavy haul permits will be reviewed with the Township/County.
- Necessary roadway improvements will be made to 482<sup>nd</sup> Ave.



- Astoria Station will pay property tax totaling approximately \$3 million within the first five years of operation, then approximately \$1 million each subsequent year.
  - These tax payments will get distributed between the Deubrook School District, Deuel County, Scandinavia Township, and the Water and Fire District.
- Astoria Station will:
  - Create construction jobs that equates to approximately \$30 million in labor.
  - Require three to five full-time employees to operate.

## LOCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

#### Representatives From:

- Deuel County Commission
- Brookings County Commission
- Deubrook School District 05-6
- Deuel School District 19-4
- Town of Astoria
- Town of Brandt
- Town of Toronto
- Otter Tail Power Company

#### Areas to Study:

- Housing Supplies
- Educational Facilities and Manpower
- Water Supply and Distribution
- Wastewater Treatment and Collection
- Solid Waste Disposal and Collection
- Law Enforcement
- Transportation
- Fire Protection
- Health
- Recreation
- Government
- Energy

## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW



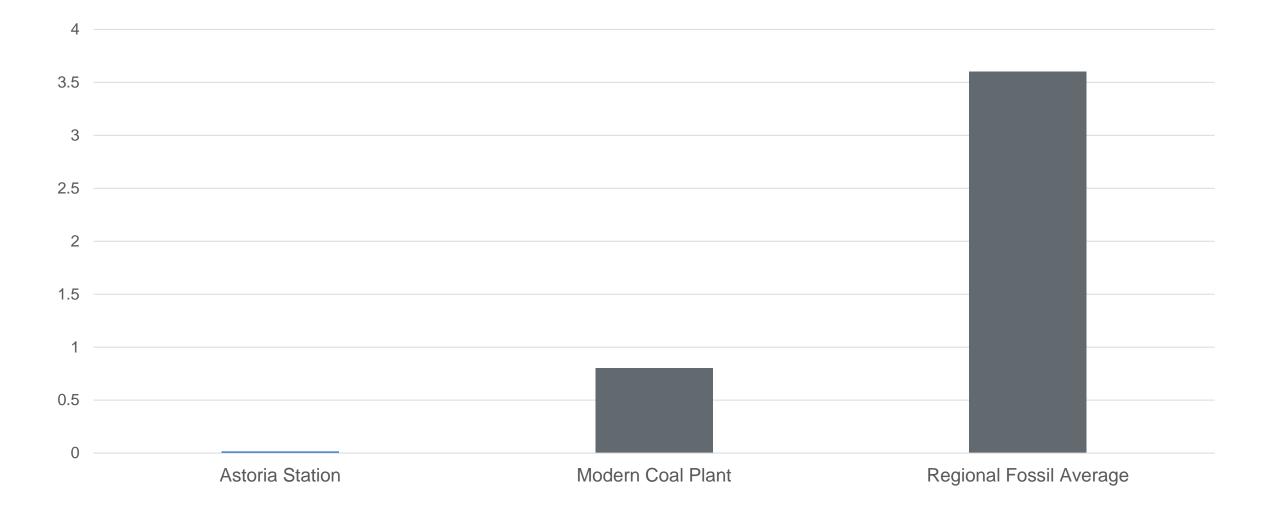
## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

#### **Impacts Studied Included:**

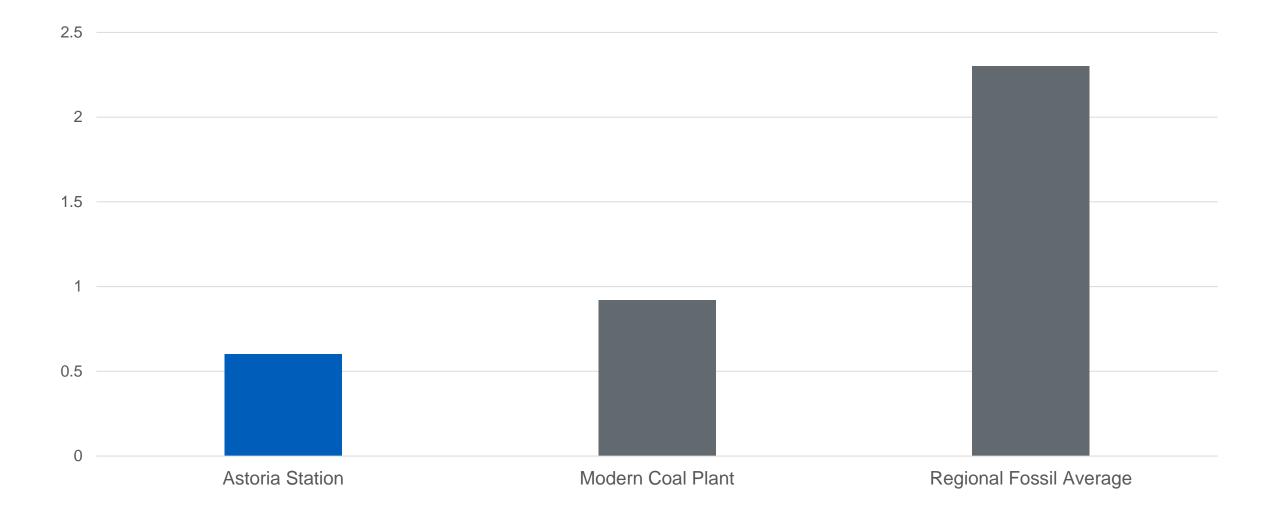
- Aquatic Ecosystems: <u>No wetland</u> <u>impacts are anticipated</u>
- Cultural Resources: <u>No historic</u> properties on the site
- Terrestrial Ecosystems: <u>No known</u> <u>threatened, endangered, or rare</u> <u>species</u>
- Air Quality
- Water Quality
- Sound



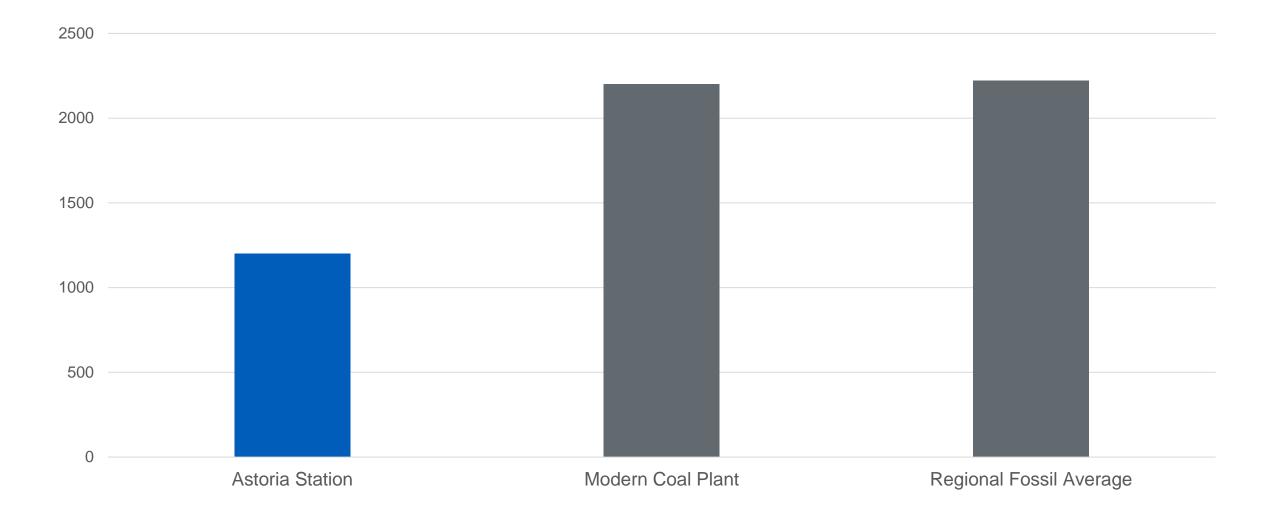
## AIR QUALITY: SULFUR DIOXIDE (SO<sub>2</sub>) LBS/MWH



## AIR QUALITY: NITROGEN OXIDE (NOX) LBS/MWH



## AIR QUALITY: CARBON DIOXIDE (CO<sub>2</sub>) LBS/MWH



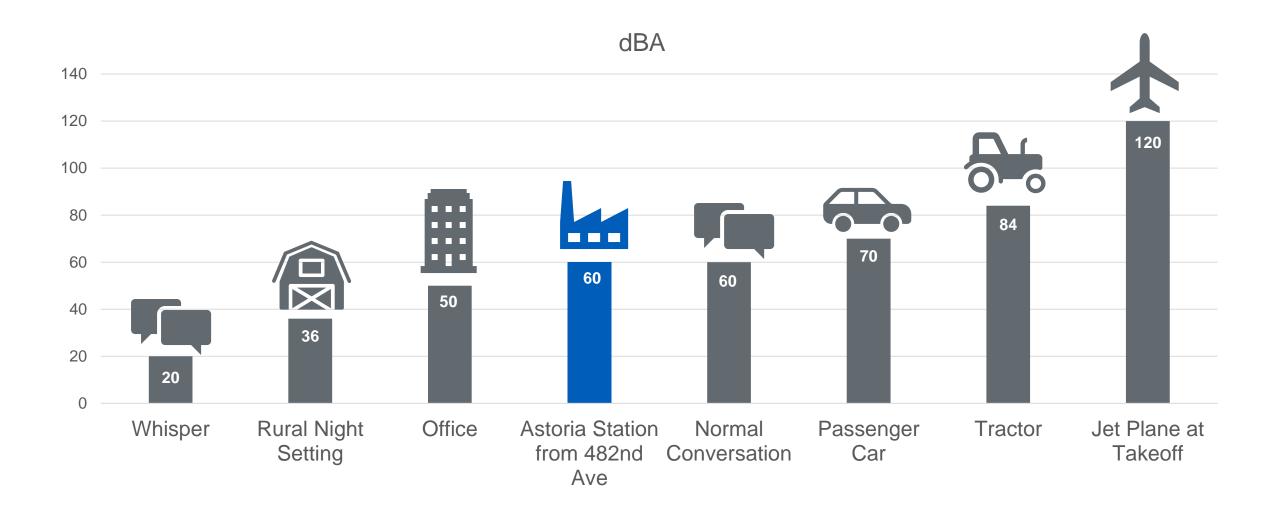
## WATER QUALITY

Water Appropriation:

- Test well installed into the Altamont aquifer
- Well depth of 679 feet; reports on file with DENR for other wells within five miles are into shallower aquifers
- Surface Water and Stormwater:
  - Existing surface water drainage patterns will not be altered
  - Stormwater from site operations will be directed into a stormwater retention pond



#### SOUND COMPARISONS



# Thank You!

# For the latest Project information: otpco.com/AstoriaStation

