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Management of filter bags within the WTE facility is a safe procedure that complies with EPA guidelines by preventing emissions or other releases to the environment. In that regard, filter bag removal occurs infrequently (during scheduled and unscheduled outages), and the state-of-the art air pollution control systems that WTE facilities employ to meet stringent permit conditions are designed to maximize capture of all pollutants of concern, including emissions during the periods when spent filter bags are in the combustion process, thus assuring full protection of the environment.

Furthermore, MER will be developing a fact based analysis of the practice of recycling filter bags into the boiler to be released at a later date.

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