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### Introduction

In power plants with powder fuel burners for energy production, the operators need information about the particle size distribution of the fuel for optimising particle burnout during combustion. Fuel preparation equipment such as pulverizers are used for crushing pellets into the original particle sizes before the material was pressed into pellets. The method described in this document is intended to characterize particle size distribution of the material contained within fuel pellets and also allows for a relative comparison of pellets of different manufacturing.

This method is based on experience with pellets made from sawdust, wood shavings and milled wood as well as straw. The method may also be applicable for pellets produced from other solid biofuel materials provided they can be dissolved into its constituents in water.

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## Solid biofuels — Determination of particle size distribution of material within pellets

#### 1 Scope

This document aims to define the requirements and method used to determine particle size distribution of disintegrated pellets. It is applicable for pellets, which disintegrate in hot water.

#### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including amendments) applies.

ISO 16559, Solid biofuels — Terminology, definitions and descriptions

ISO/FDIS 18134-1, (14774-1), Solid biofuels – Determination of moisture content – Oven dry method - Part 1: Total moisture - Reference procedure

ISO/FDIS 18134-2, (14774-2), Solid biofuels – Determination of moisture content – Oven dry method - Part 2: Total moisture - Simplified procedure

ISO CD 18135 (14778), Solid biofuels – Sampling

ISO CD 14780, Solid biofuels – Sample preparation

ISO/DIS 17827-2, (15149-2), Solid biofuels – Determination of particle size distribution for uncompressed fuels – Part 2Vibrating screen using sieves for classification of samples with apertures of 3,15 mm and below.

ISO/DIS 17225-2, (14961-2), Solid biofuels - Fuel Specifications and classes - Part 2: Graded wood pellets

#### 3 Terms and definitions

#### 3.1

#### Nominal top size

Aperture of the sieve where at least 95 % by mass of the material passes (see ISO 16559)

#### 3.2

#### **Test sample**

The original sample sent to the laboratory for analysis

#### 3.3

#### Test portion

The sample extracted from the test sample and used during the analysis

#### 3.4

#### Sub portion

A portion extracted from the test portion

#### 3.5

#### **Sieve fraction**

The material collected on a sieve

Note 1 to entry: For the purpose of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 16559 apply.

### 4 Principle

The particle size distribution is determined after the sample pellets have been disintegrated in hot deionised water and dried in a drying cabinet or oven. The determination is performed by sieving the dried material in accordance with ISO/DIS 17827-2, (15149-2).

#### 5 Reagents

Deionised water.

### 6 Apparatus

#### 6.1 Disintegration container

Water-proof container made of material such as stainless steel capable of withstanding a temperature of 100°C. The container shall be able to hold at least 2000 ml of the deionised water and the entire test portion of pellets without spilling over during stirring.

A lid or a cover, e.g. aluminium foil, shall be used to cover the container during the dissolving of the pellets in water.

Note Volume of container should be about 5 L.

### 6.2 Electric kettle or other suitable equipment for water heating

Electric kettle capable of heating at least 2000 ml of water.

#### 6.3 Drying cabinet or oven

Drying cabinet or oven shall be capable of maintaining a temperature of 60±5°C with at least 3 air exchanges per hour. The air velocity shall be such that the test sample particles are not dislodged from the drying container(s).

Note Higher air exchange rates will shorten the drying time.

#### 6.4 Drying containers

The drying containers shall consist of non-corrodible heat-resistant material such as metal, glass or porcelain and be able to hold sufficient volume to accommodate the slurry from the disintegration container.

#### 6.5 Balance

The balance shall be capable of reading to the nearest 0, 01 g.

#### 6.6 Sieves

The set of sieves described in ISO/DIS 17827-2, (15149-2) and listed in Table 1 shall be considered the default sieve set. However other sieve sets can be used based on the specific requirements as agreed upon by the interested parties such as listed in Table 2.

#### 6.7 Weighing containers

The weighing of the sieved particle fractions can be performed either by weighing the remaining material directly on the tarred weighed sieves or by collecting and weighing the material in weighing containers. For this purpose an adequate number of weighing containers are required.