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Partie 1: Paramètres de base



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Foreword

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ISO 10086 consists of the following parts, under the general title *Coal — Methods for evaluating flocculants for use in coal preparation*:

- Part 1: Basic parameters
- Part 2: Flocculants as filter aids in vacuum filtration

Annexes A and B of this part of ISO 10086 are for information only.

Coal — Methods for evaluating flocculants for use in coal preparation -

Part 1:

Basic parameters

Scope

This part of ISO 10086 specifies a method for the comparative evaluation of the performances of flocculants for clarification, thickening and sedimentation applications on a given slurry. This performance can be evaluated by

- a) the settling velocity in the initial period,
- b) the sediment volume after compaction and consolidation,
- the clarity of the supernatant liquid

2 Normative references

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of ISO 10086. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based of this part of ISO 10086 are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 1171, Solid mineral fuels — Determination of ash.

ISO 1953, Hard coal — Size analysis by sieving.

3 Principle

The performance of different flocculants on a given slurry is determined by measuring the relative settling rates.

A flocculant solution is added to an aliquot of the slurry in a measuring cylinder and the formation of an interface between the supernatant liquid and the suspension is observed. An initial settling take is calculated and is plotted against flocculant dosage to evaluate the performance of the flocculant.

4 Apparatus

Usual laboratory apparatus, and

- 4.1 Stirrers, two variable-speed motorized stirrers capable of 1 000 r/min (one for flocculant preparation and one for sample homogenization).
- **4.2** Plastic moulded cylinders, of capacity 500 ml, graduated in 5 ml scale divisions and having rubber stoppers. Where these are not available, glass cylinders, of capacity 500 ml \pm 2 ml, graduated in 5 ml scale divisions and having ground-glass stoppers, may be a satisfactory alternative. However, differences in settling rates may result, because of differences in the graduated height.

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