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aluminium foam panel



CASE STUDY FOR INDUSTRIAL APPLICATION



Background

- A manufacturing plant had an extension within its existing factory premises. The location of the extension was about 15 meters away from the nearest residential area.

Issue

- The extension included the installation of 2 new scrubber fans. During operation, noise from the fans was a source of concern.

Objectives

- The noise levels measured at the boundary of the extension was required to meet the authority guideline of 55 dB(A) during the night period.

To achieve that, mitigation measures were carried out in phases, together with pre and post measurements to determine the resultant effectiveness and consequential measures.

STAGE 1 - Noise Barrier

The mitigation measure for Stage 1 was to install a noise barrier around the scrubbers.

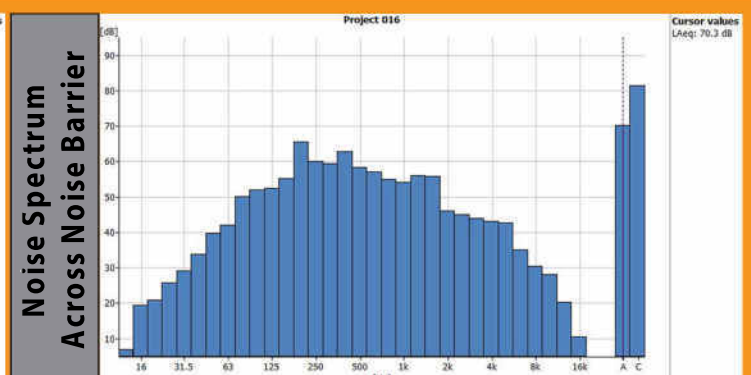
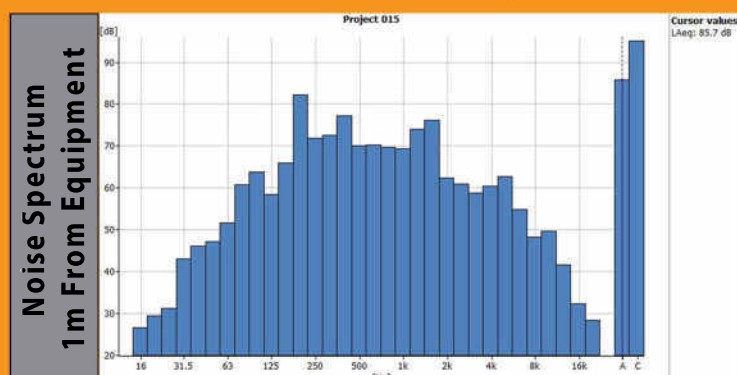
As the scrubber fans were located outdoor, barrier material had to be able to withstand and perform in prevailing weather. Aluminum foam panels were chosen to be used as noise barrier as they are

- Lightweight
- Weather resistant



Pre and Post Mitigation Measurements after 1st stage

Noise Level 1m From Equipment	Noise Level Across Noise Barrier	Reduction in Noise Level
85.7 dB(A)	70.3 dB(A)	15.4 dB(A)
Noise Level @ Boundary BEFORE Noise Barrier	Noise Level @ Boundary AFTER Noise Barrier	Reduction in Noise Level
65.2 dB(A)	60.7 dB(A)	4.5 dB(A)



CASE STUDY FOR ROOFTOP APPLICATION @ DATA CENTRE

Background/Issue

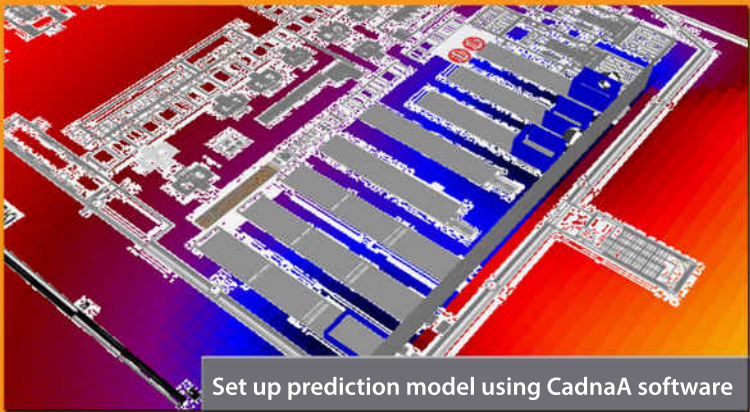
- Building surrounded by commercial premises
- Installed 8 chillers installed at rooftop
- Initial noise levels at 2 locations failed authority guideline for Boundary Noise Limits for Factory Premises

Objective

- To implement mitigation measures and conduct pre and post measurement to determine the resultant effectiveness and ensure compliance

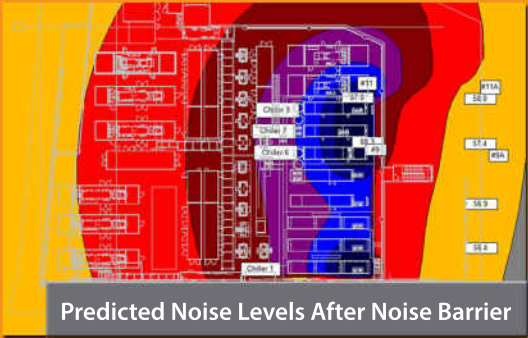
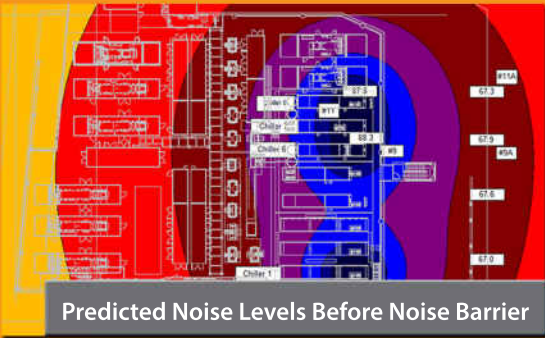
Using Acoustic Software

- Use of CadnaA software to predict the noise levels emitted when the chillers are in operation. Results show that predicted noise levels will exceed authority guideline.



Predicted Pre and Post Mitigation Measurements

Location	Noise Level @ Boundary BEFORE Noise Barrier	Noise Level @ Boundary AFTER Noise Barrier	Reduction in Noise Level
#9	67.9 dB(A)	57.4 dB(A)	10.5 dB(A)
#11	67.3 dB(A)	58.0 dB(A)	9.3 dB(A)



Proposed Noise Barrier

- Mitigation measures in the form of an aptly-designed lightweight, non-combustible noise barrier was proposed due to site requirements.
- Performance rating for the noise barrier was input into the CadnaA model and run.
- Results show reduction of noise levels at failed points, ensuring compliance to authority guideline.

Installation and Post Measurement

- Supervision and installation of noise barrier at rooftop around the equipment.
- Post measurements results show deviation between predicted and actual site measurements after installation of barrier to be approximately within 1%.

On Site Pre and Post Mitigation Measurements

Location	Noise Level @ Boundary BEFORE Noise Barrier	Noise Level @ Boundary AFTER Noise Barrier	Reduction in Noise Level
#9	66 dB(A)	58.0 dB(A)	8.0 dB(A)
#11	66 dB(A)	57.5 dB(A)	8.5 dB(A)

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