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Highlights

First study of step-by-step methodology in design of LSCFB through CFD approach

First study on the operational stability/instability through CFD approach in LSCFB

Helpful for analysis of geometrical and operating design variables for application

ABSTRACT

In this work, a systematic step-by-step methodology has been developed to identify the type

of instabilities arise in achieving the continuous solids circulation achieved between riser and

downcomer, and in establishing the proper pressure balance among the various units of a

liquid-solid circulating fluidized bed (LSCFB) using transient three dimensional

computational fluid dynamic (CFD) simulations. Different type of instabilities has been

identified and systematically eliminated by choosing the appropriate measure in-terms of the

geometry of a LSCFB. This resulted in studying five variant designs of LSCFB studies using

CFD. The Eulerian-Eulerian approach is used to simulate the two-phase flow in LSCFB

system. The hydrodynamic behavior of the system is studied in terms of the pressure drop,

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