Development Regenerable MgO Based Sorbents Promoted with Cerium and Iron Oxide for SOx Removal

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 SO_x can be formed by oxidation of sulfur in fossil fuel and emitted from the industrial processes such as a catalyst regeneration unit of RFCC. In this study, the MgO-based sorbents promoted with Ce and Fe were tested for the removal of SO_x and their abilities of SO_x absorption as well as regeneration were investigated in a Fixed-bed under RFCC conditions (sulfation in the presence of low concentration of SO_x at 700°C, regeneration in the presence of H₂ at 530°C). Ce played an important role in the oxidation of SO_2 into SO_3 . The other pomoter Fe improved the regeneration property of the sorbent. The sorbent prepared by impregnation of Ce to the MgCO3 and then it was promoted with Fe by gel-mixing method. Calcination at 750°C condition transformed MgCO₃ into MgO phase. It was found that surface area and sulfur removal capacity larger than those of the sorbent promoted for commercially available MgO. It showed the high sulfur removing capacity (SO₂ uptake efficiency :97%) and excellent regeneration property. Characterization of sorbnets promoted with Ce and Fe were discussed by the results of BET, XRD, FT-IR.