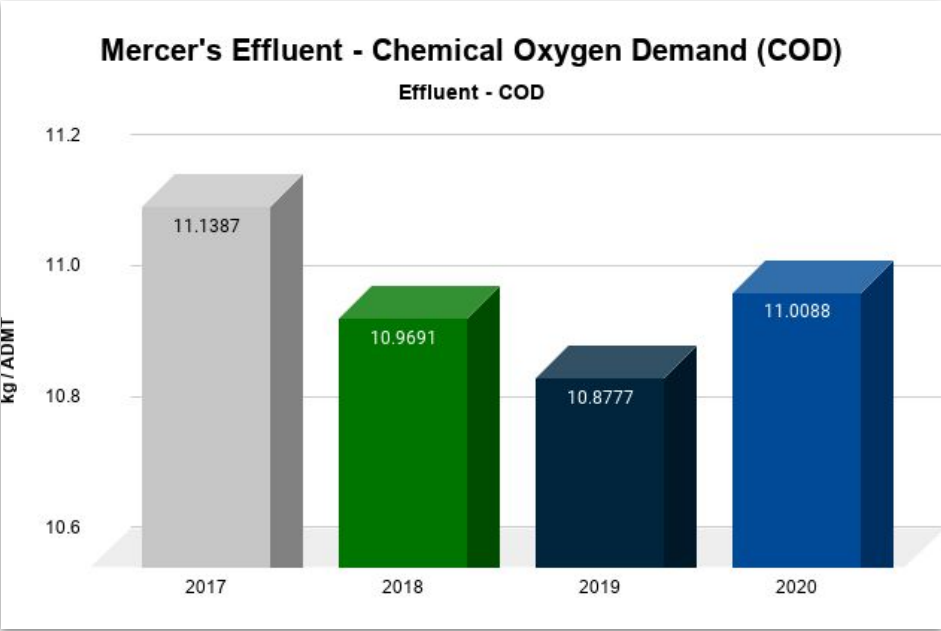


Mercer's Effluent - Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)



The Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) load has decreased by 1% over the past four years.

COD is an indicator of process control as well as the efficiency of the biological effluent treatment system.

The Celgar mill experienced an increase in COD levels in 2020.