Acela Thermal Energy Products and Services

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Energy & Water Efficiencies Measures & Opportunities

Variable Frequency Drives (VFD's)

Electrically Commutated Motors (EC) Motors

Thermal Insulation on Equipment

Advanced Load Monitors (ALM) for Hot Water Boilers

Retrofitting Existing Boilers to Condensing Boilers

**Condenser Water Treatment** 

Condenser Evaporative Misting Systems

**Continuous Steam Trap Monitoring** 

**Coil Refurbishments** 

Back-up / Cogeneration

**Natural Gas-Powered Chillers** 

Freezer Door Anti-Fog Coating



#### Adding VFD's To Fans & Pumps















#### Benefits to VFD Drives To Consider

#### **Instant Savings & Dramatically Reduce Electric Bills**

**Qualify for Federal, State and Local Rebate Incentives** 

**Reduce Your Company's Carbon Footprint** 

Controls are Custom Tuned to Equipment Needs

**Reduce Maintenance Costs** 

Long Controller Life Expectancy

A VFD is Basically a Cruise Control for an Electric Motor

A VFD Allows the Motor to Ramp Up And Slow Down Based On Actual Energy Needs & Machine Requirements.



#### **EC Motor Retrofits**

















# Benefits of EC Motors

Acela Energy has provided and installed EC motors in various Hotels, Schools, Casino's, Supermarkets, and Office buildings.

Most applications are Fan Motors on Fan Coils

In all instances, we have obtained utility incentives for the projects, across the country

At least a 50% Increase in Motor Efficiencies

Often replacing very old motors



#### Steam & Hot Water Pipe Insulation



**Strainer Bonnet** 



**Gate Valve** 



**Gate Valve Bonnet** 



**Steam Traps** 



# Benefits of Insulation



Reducing Energy Costs -Insulation blankets have very quick payback periods



Enable Periodic
Maintenance Removable insulation
allows you to easily
conduct periodic
inspections and
maintenance of
equipment



Prevent Waste and
Excess Cost of Hard
Insulation - With a
removable insulation
blanket, you can remove
the insulation whenever
necessary, then easily
reinstall it yourself



Extend the Life of
Equipment & Machinery Insulation covers help
protect expensive
equipment by reducing
exposure to the elements
and shielding it from
accidental damage



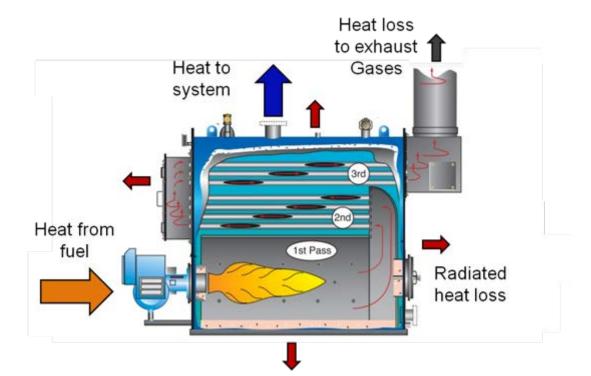
Improve Workplace
Safety - Removable
insulation covers can
prevent direct contact
with high-temperature
pipes and equipment for
greater workplace safety



#### Advanced Boiler Load Monitoring Controllers

#### What is dry cycling?

Boiler firing due to standing losses rather than building demand





- Boilers are oversized by design
- Maintain setpoint regardless of building demand
- Heat losses cause unnecessary cycling, "dry-cycling"
- The boiler fires over and over, even though there is no demand



#### Benefits of Advanced Boiler Load Monitoring (ALM)

The ALM is a microprocessor technology that installs in about 3 hours

Commercial boiler applications that use gas and/or oil to heat buildings

Reliable and provides a superior return on investment – 2-3 SPB

The ALM is a microprocessor based intelligent boiler load controller that dynamically monitors building demand

Building demand is monitored by analyzing the rate of change in the boiler's supply and return water temperature every 10 seconds

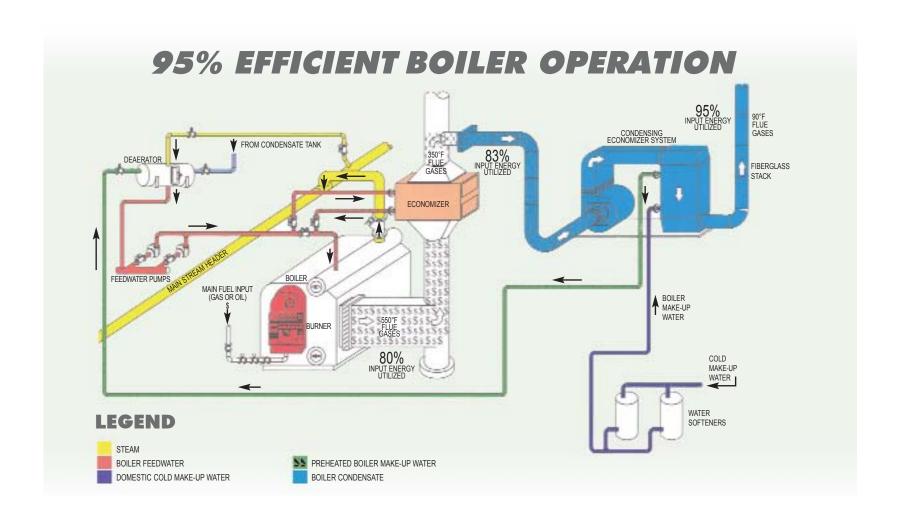
The ALM restricts a boiler from firing when controller determines there is no load on the boiler

By minimizing dry cycling the ALM reduces gas consumption & thermal stresses on the boiler

Significantly reduces energy consumption through elimination of wasteful burner firings

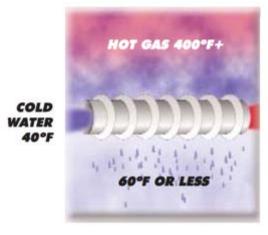


#### Turning Existing Boiler into a Condensing Boiler





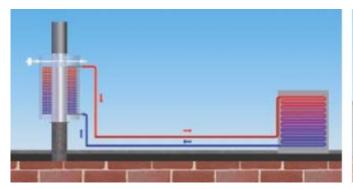
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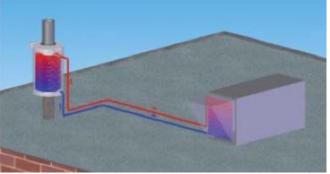














### Benefits of Boiler Retrofits

By heating cold process liquids with hot exhaust gases, the system recovers both sensible and latent heat energy.

When incoming cold fluid enters the exchanger and the hot exhaust gases pass through the proprietary exchanger unit, so much energy is exchanged that the gases are cooled beyond the point where the water vapor condenses out of the exhaust gas, releasing and recovering the heat it took to vaporize the water initially.

By recovering such significant amounts of heat from an exhaust gas that it is cooled below its dew point, a dramatic increase in fuel savings is achieved. Decrease Energy use by 15%.

The exchanger maximizes water condensation and the resulting recovery of latent heat. This key advantage is achieved in two ways: special metallurgy with high heat transfer capabilities and the addition of fins to dramatically increase the heat transfer surface area.



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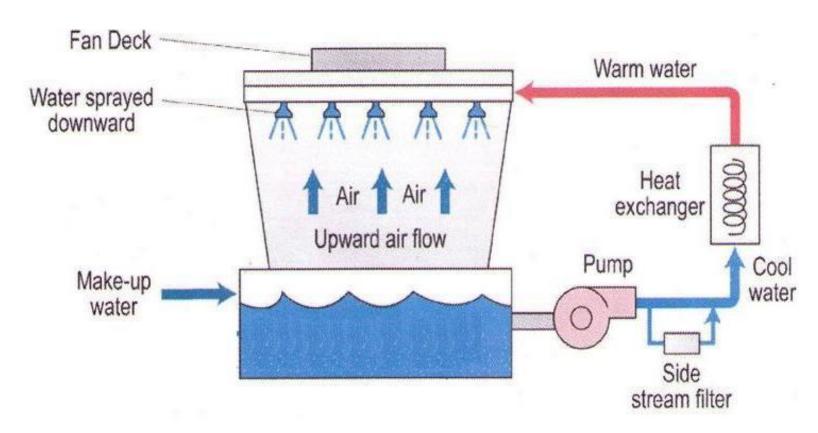


Figure 4: Cooling Tower with Side Stream Filtration Example US Dept. of Energy



#### Benefits of Condenser Water Treatment

Maintenance Savings - A clean system will reduce much of the equipment maintenance and extend equipment life cycles

Energy Savings- Increasing thermo transfer and system efficiency will net an average energy savings of 12-15%

Payback - Validated ROI of 24-30 months, plus continuous year-after-year savings

Water Savings - Reduce make-up water by 20-30% by increasing equipment efficiency, focusing on evaporation rates rather than extending bleed cycles

Enhances Chemicals - Optimize chemical performance by removing 95% of suspended solids down to one micron with the use of no media and controlling total dissolved solids throughout the system - Decrease risk of bacteria, including Legionella

Carbon Footprint Reduction- Energy and water savings plus enhancing the chemical effectiveness will significantly impact environmental sustainability



#### **Evaporative Cooling Condenser Misting**

**Existing Condenser** 



Retrofitted Evaporative Condenser

**New Evaporative** 







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**Air Cooled Chillers – Data Centers for Example** 



#### Benefits of Evaporative Systems

Increased peak ambient cooling capacity

Lower demand (kW) and energy usage (kWh)

Water filtration to eliminate coil fouling

**Extended compressor life** 

Reduced maintenance costs

Eliminates the use of garden hose solutions

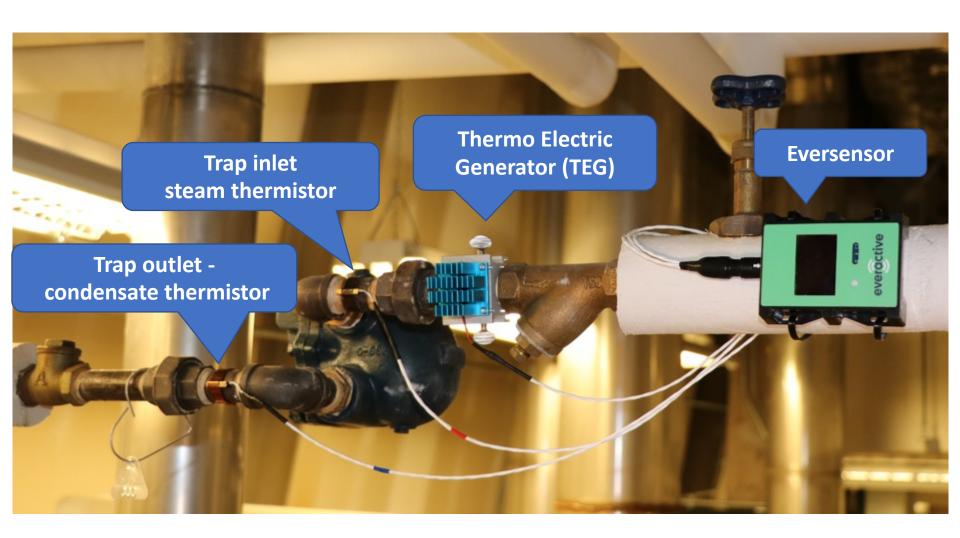
Minimized water & sewerage costs

Thermostatically controlled

Fast, simple installation

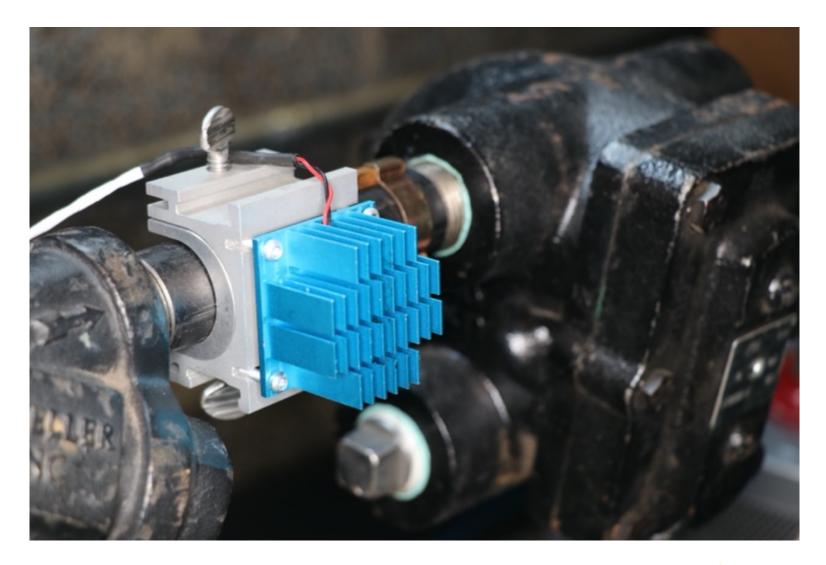


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#### Example of Steam Trap Failure





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## Benefits of 24/7 Steam Trap Monitoring

#### Instantly capture steam trap failures as opposed to once a year manual audits

Low total cost of ownership – simple installation and insightsas-a-service model mean low up-front costs, while battery less technology eliminates sensor maintenance, allowing you to focus resources when and where they are needed

Real-time cost-saving insights – truly pervasive and continuous monitoring generates advanced analytics not possible with alternative solutions

Large-scale deployment – achieve site-wide steam trap coverage by eliminating steep up-front costs, lengthy installations, and tedious integrations

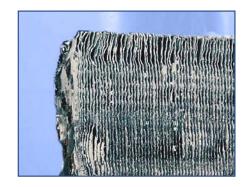
Drive energy savings & reduce risk of costly downtime Improve site-wide safety & sustainability

Steam trap failures can lead to larger equipment failures, which can bring a facility's production to a complete stop for days.



#### **Coil Refurbishments**













#### **Higher energy efficiency**

Boosts cooling systems to optimal performance

Eliminates the effects of corrosion on condenser coils

#### **Bolsters the thermal conductivity of those coils**

Prevents future damage from corrosion

#### **Extends equipment life**

Reduction of carbon footprint

Decreased energy expense

Ability to manage A/C energy and maintenance

### Benefits of Coil Refurbishments



#### **Natural Gas Powered Equipment**



Air-to-Water Gas Heat Pumps



Water-to-Water Gas Heat Pumps



200 & 400 Ton Natural Gas Chillers



Natural Gas Low Temp Refrigeration



100 kW Inverter Based Co-Generation



75 kW Induction Based Co-Generation



#### Co-generation & Back-up Generation



Figure 1. Tecogen InVerde Uttera 100e+ Module



### Now a Payback for Back-up Generation

33% Electrical Efficiency (94% overall) - Best in Class!

Produce your own electricity 24/7 at half the cost of utility power

Patented variable speed operation allows for 10 kW to 125 kW output

Fully scalable from 10kW to multi-MW

**Emergency power with grid-independent operation (125 kVA)** 

Rapid black-start for Type 10 Emergency Power Supply System (EPSS)

Ultra-low emissions levels, SCAQMD compliant

**Inverter-based streamlined utility interconnection** 

Available with indoor or outdoor acoustic enclosure

DC input feature for seamless battery and solar PV integration



#### Natural Gas Chillers - Co-Gen



300, 350, & 400 Ton Chiller



150 & 200 Ton Chiller



#### Benefits of Natural Gas Cooling

**Operating costs reduced by 50%** 

**Ultra low NOx and CO emissions** 

**Carbon footprint cut in half** 

Avoid on-peak electric demand charges

Nationwide factory service & support

Free engine and exhaust heat recovery

High-temperature engine jacket and exhaust waste recovery available (as much as 800,000 Btu/hr.. in the form of 230°F hot water is available per engine)

Powered by clean, economical natural gas

**Utility & State incentives available in some areas** 



#### Retro-Fit Freezer Doors with Anti Fog Glass Coatings





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#### Benefits of Anti Fog Glass Coatings

Saves energy - switch off glass heaters and maintain fog resistance

Saves more money - Rebates available from utility companies NGRID & Eversource

**Boosts sales - Shoppers can clearly see food** 

More than 2 minutes fog free in Climate Class 3 conditions

Durable - Anti-fogging will not wash/scratch off or degrade

Reliable - Not dependent on electrics.

Sustains environment

Reduces carbon footprint

Made from renewable resources







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