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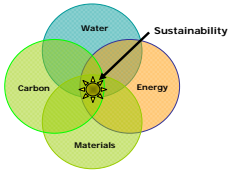


Bioenergy Technology Advances that Promote Wastewater Utility Energy Independence

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Agenda

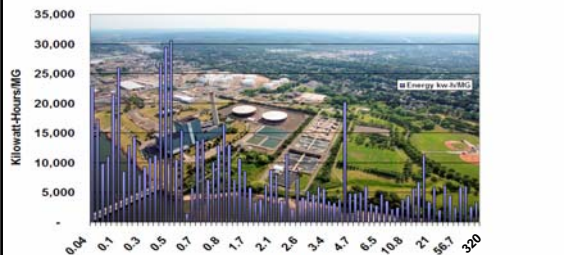
- Energy Usage & Sustainability
- Bioenergy Concepts
 - Renewable Energy
- Anaerobic Digestion Technology
 - Co-generation
 - Combined Heat & Power
- Examples
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- Summary



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WWTP Energy Usage

Benchmarking WWTP Usage Energy (KW-h/MG)

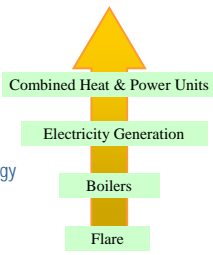


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Bio-energy Concepts

- Best Use Of Biogas
 - Term Can Mean Different Things for Different Plants
- Typical Paradigm for Energy Efficiency:
 - 20-30% Reduction in Energy Consumption
 - CHP: Can Meet 50-108% of Plant Energy Demand
- Recognition of Wider Range of BioFuel Sources
 - Fats, Oils & Grease
 - Co-digestion with Food Waste


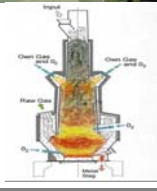


Combined Heat & Power Units
 Electricity Generation
 Boilers
 Flare

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Renewable Energy at WWTP's

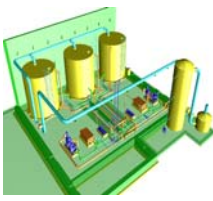
- Energy Supply
 - Integrated
 - Biogas
 - Heat Pumps
 - Hydro
 - Biosolids to Energy
 - Supplemental
 - Solar
 - Wind
 - Emerging
 - Algae
 - Microbial Fuel Cells
 - Biosolids to Energy

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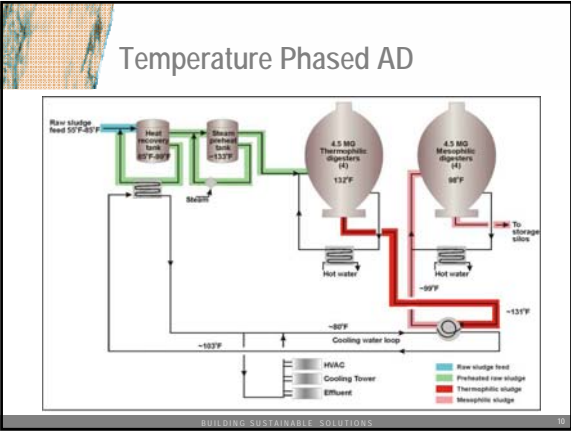
Biogas Production Techniques

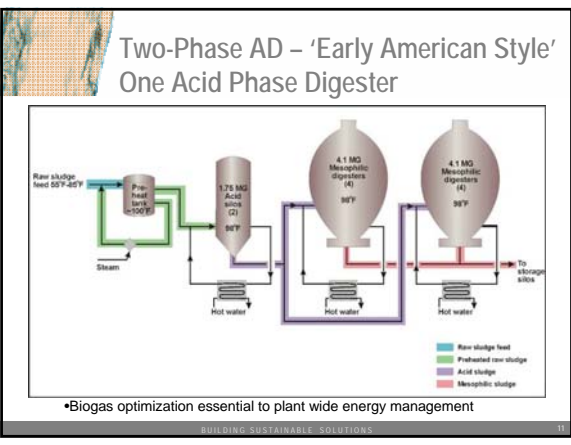
- Advanced Anaerobic Digestion
- AD Pre-conditioning
 - Cell Lysis & Maceration
- Co-Digestion
 - Food wastes (Diverse characteristics)
 - FOG wastes (~100% volatile solids)

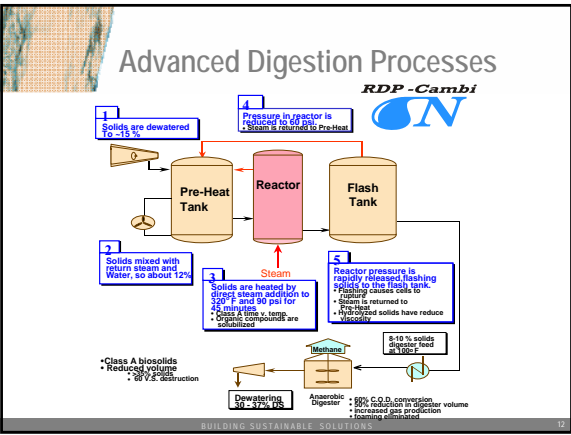


*FOG Receiving Station,
Johnson Co WWTP*

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Cambi- Reported Performance

Parameter	Mesophilic AD	CAMBI + Meso AD
Digester Feed (%TS)	4-6	12-15
VSLR (kg VS/m ³ /d)	1.5	3.5
VS Destruction (%)	40-55	55-65
Pathogen content	Class B	Class A
Dewatered Cake TS (%)	20-25	30-35

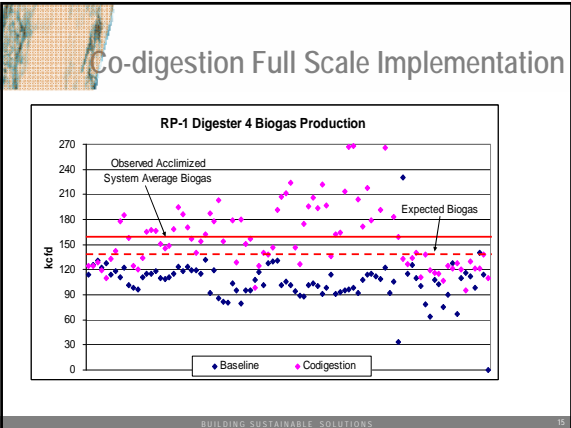
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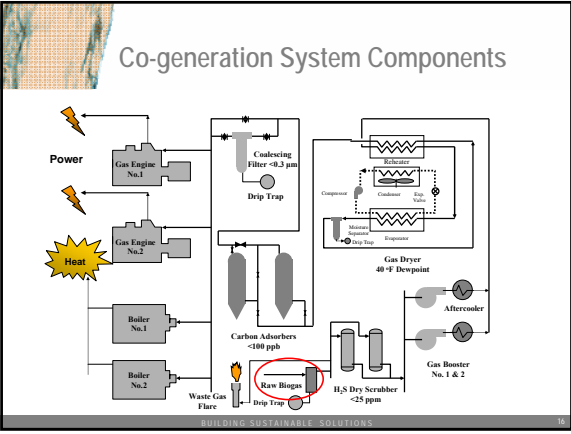
Co-digestion Biosolids & Food Waste

Scenario	Biogas (million cf/d)		Electricity (MW)	
	without Co-digestion	with Co-digestion	without Co-digestion	with Co-digestion
Scenario 1 (all 312 STPs)	98	155	223	352
Scenario 2 (114 STPs with ADs)	45	71	102	161

Biogas can be increased by **58%** with co-digestion **60** MW increase

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Co-generation Technology

1990's Era Technology Can Achieve:

- Average BTE: 36% (Brake Thermal Efficiency)
- Average NOx Emmissions: 2 gr NOx/bhp/hr
- Average Utilization: 89%
- Average Maintenance Cost: \$0.022 /KW-Hr
- Avoided Cost: \$2.96 M over 3 years in a 100 MGD Plant

Advanced Reciprocating Engine Systems (ARES) Program

- Three Phase Program; Started in 2000, Third Phase Slated for Completion by Middle of Next Decade
- DOD Funded, with Industry, Academia and State Government Support

Next Generation CHP

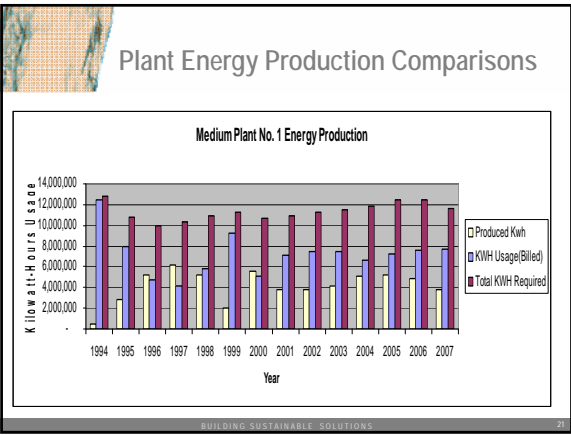
- Phase I Units
- Optimized Units Provide Efficiencies of About: 40-42% (Electricity)& 40-45% (Heat)
- Include Computerized Control & Remote Monitoring
- Integrated Gas Treatment System

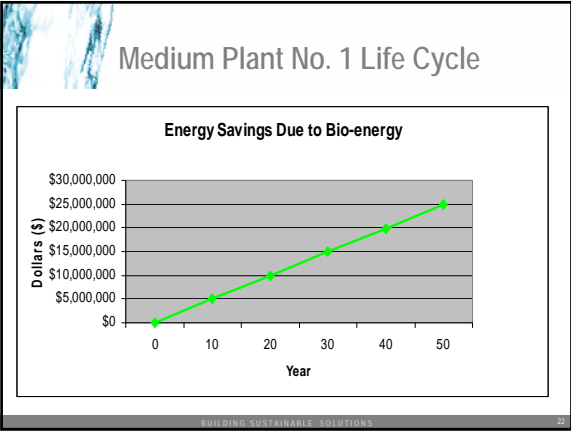
Co-generation Summary Table

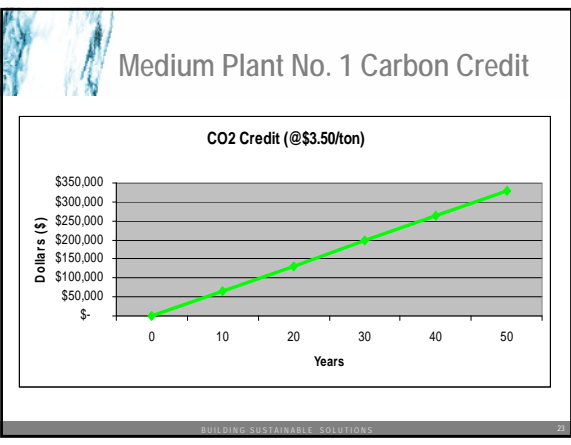
	Engine Generator	Turbine Generator	Micro Turbine	Fuel Cell
Unit Size, kW	150 to 5,000	Over 1000	30-250	100-1000
Appropriate Plant Size	Small to Large	Large	Small	Small to Medium
Efficiency, %	30 - 42	24 - 30	25-30	30-50
Thermal Efficiency, %	40 - 50	45-50	45-50	40-50
Overall Efficiency, %	80 - 90	75 - 80	75-80	85-95
Typical Costs				
Maintenance, \$/kWh	0.005 to 0.02	0.005 to 0.008	0.005 to 0.01	0.005 to 0.015
Installed, \$/kWh	800 to 1500	1500 to 2000	1000 to 1500	3000 to 5000

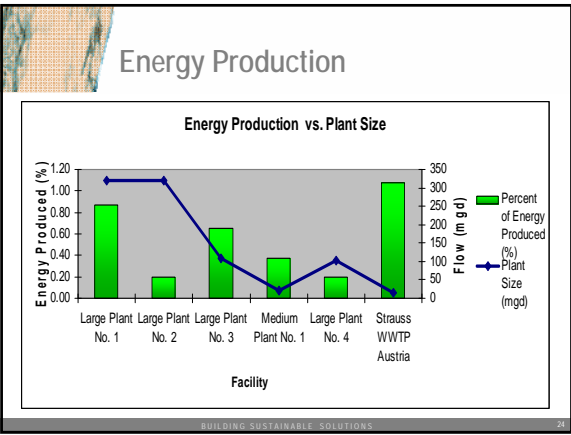
Example Comparison

Onsite Electrical Generation Efficiency					
FACILITY	Q(MGD)	TSS(mg/l)	Load(lbs TSS)	KWhrs/month Produced	KWH/month/LB TSS
LARGE PLANT No. 1	320	360	960,768	14,215,117	14.8
					100% Biogas
LARGE PLANT No. 2	320	200	533,760	2,211,000	4.1
					100% Biogas
LARGE PLANT No. 3	110	220	201,828	5,647,786	28.0
					100% NG CT
MEDIUM PLANT No. 1	21	280	49,039	374,471	7.6
					100% Biogas
LARGE PLANT No. 4	102	210	178,643	290,500	1.6
					100% Biogas









Bioenergy Fuel Cells

- Fuel Cells Have Grown Up!
- Raw and scrubbed digester gas, and natural gas sources
- Very low emissions
 - CO < 13 ppm
 - NOx < 0.2 ppm
- Economics Typ < 15 yrs with grant funding

Plant Layout

Rennton WWTP, WA

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WWTP's of the Future

- Transforming Leadership in Energy Efficiency
 - "Carbon Conversion Factories"
 - From Energy Sink to Energy Source
- Renewable Energy Portfolio
 - 7% Currently to Dominate
- Biofuel Augmentation
- Bioenergy Fuel Cells
- Microbial Fuel Cells
- Export Energy to Grid

Organo-trophs (Living Fossils)
 $C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2 \rightarrow 6CO_2 + 6H_2O$

Organo-Machines (Dead Fossils)
 $2C_8H_{18} + 25O_2 \rightarrow 16CO_2 + 18H_2O$

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Summary

- WWTP's Can Achieve Energy Independence
- 80-90% Energy Can Be Produced from Bio-energy
- Significant Energy Savings and Carbon Credits
- Advanced Anaerobic Digestion Processes Increase Bio-energy Utilization
- Co-digestion Increases Energy Production
- Fuel Cells Hold Promise for Future
- Leadership in Efficiency Requires WWTP's to Become Energy Sources NOT Sinks

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