



# Air & Waste Management Association Mother Lode Chapter

NCPA Lodi Energy Center Plant Tour  
January 30, 2013

# Schedule

- Overview of NCPA
- Technology Overview
- Plant tour

# Joint Action – The Foundation

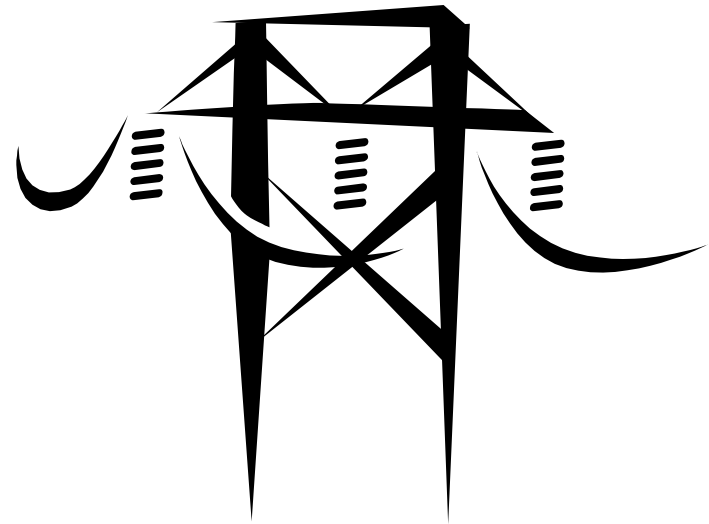
- “To use any power common to the public agencies that are parties to this Agreement that will make more efficient the use of the powers of the individual member agencies in the purchase, generation, transmission, distribution, sale, interchange and pooling of electrical energy and capacity among themselves, or with each other, or with others, and any other power reasonably necessary and appropriate to aid in the accomplishment of any of these purposes.”

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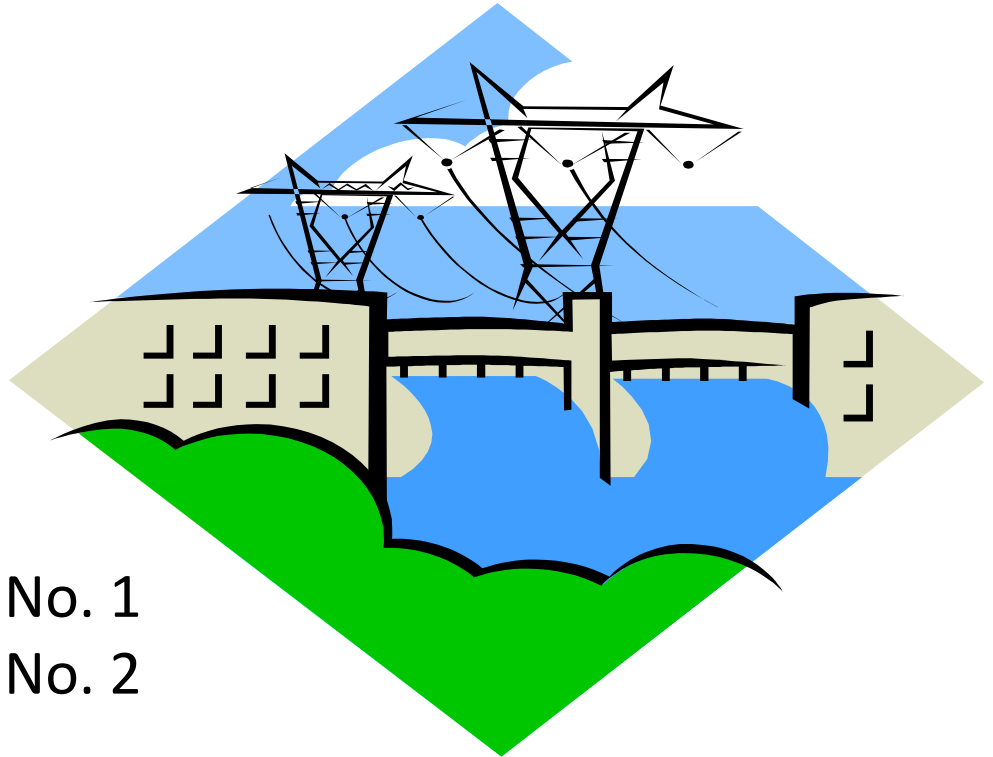
# History of NCPA

- **1950's – 1960's**
  - PG&E price
  - PG&E refusal to wheel
  - Uncertain future
- **1970's**
  - Lawsuits - PG&E transmission access
  - 10 years of litigation success
  - 7777 case - settled 1992
  - Geothermal and hydro projects started
- **1983**
  - PG&E Interconnection Agreement signed



# NCPA Supply Sources

- Projects
  - Hydroelectric
  - Geothermal
  - Combustion Turbine No. 1
  - Combustion Turbine No. 2
  - **Lodi Energy Center**
- Member Allocations
  - Western Area Power Administration
- Market Purchases



# NCPA Members

Cities of:

Alameda

Biggs

Gridley

Healdsburg

Lodi

Lompoc

Palo Alto

Redding

Roseville

Santa Clara

Ukiah

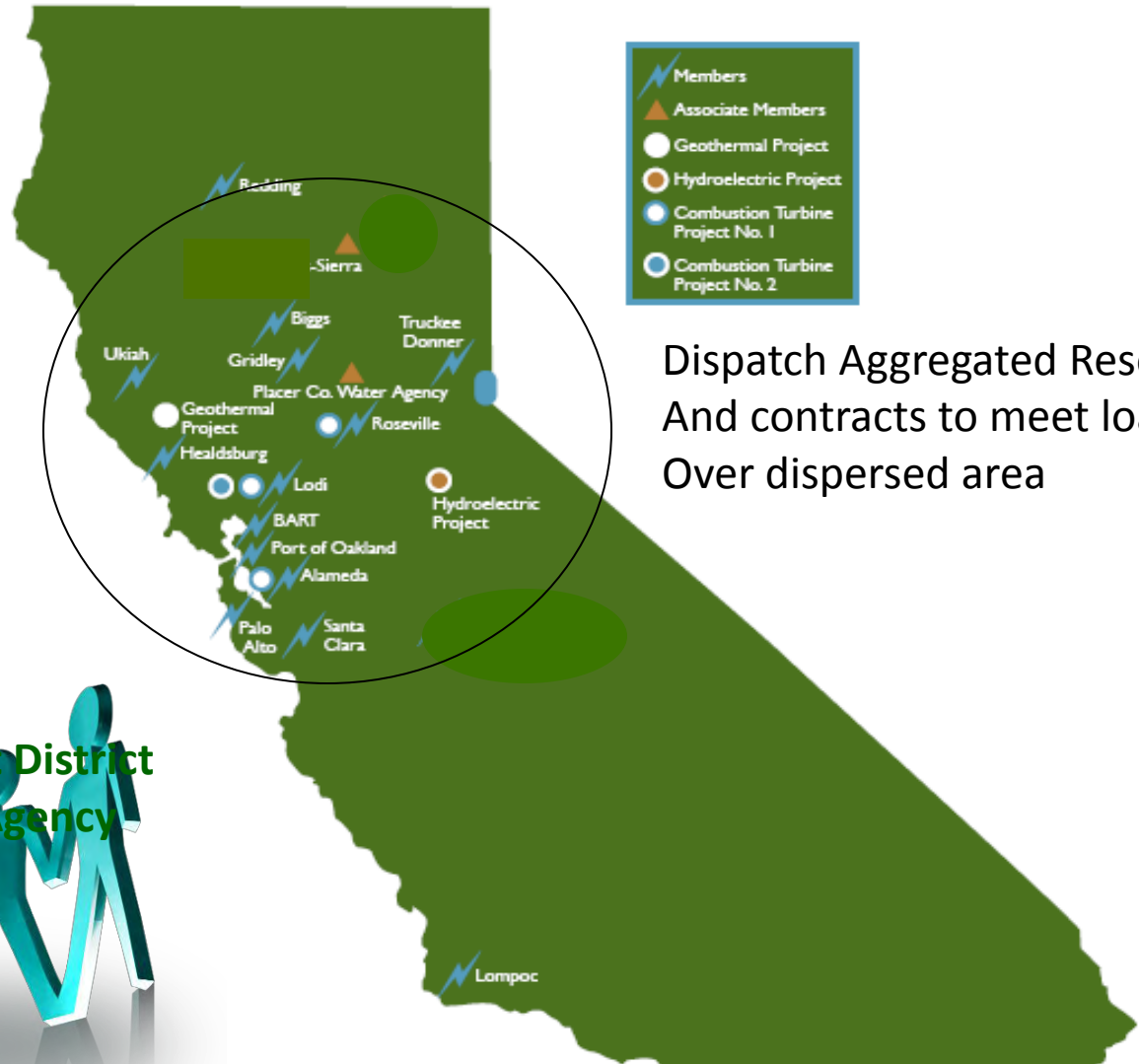
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Plumas-Sierra REC

Port of Oakland

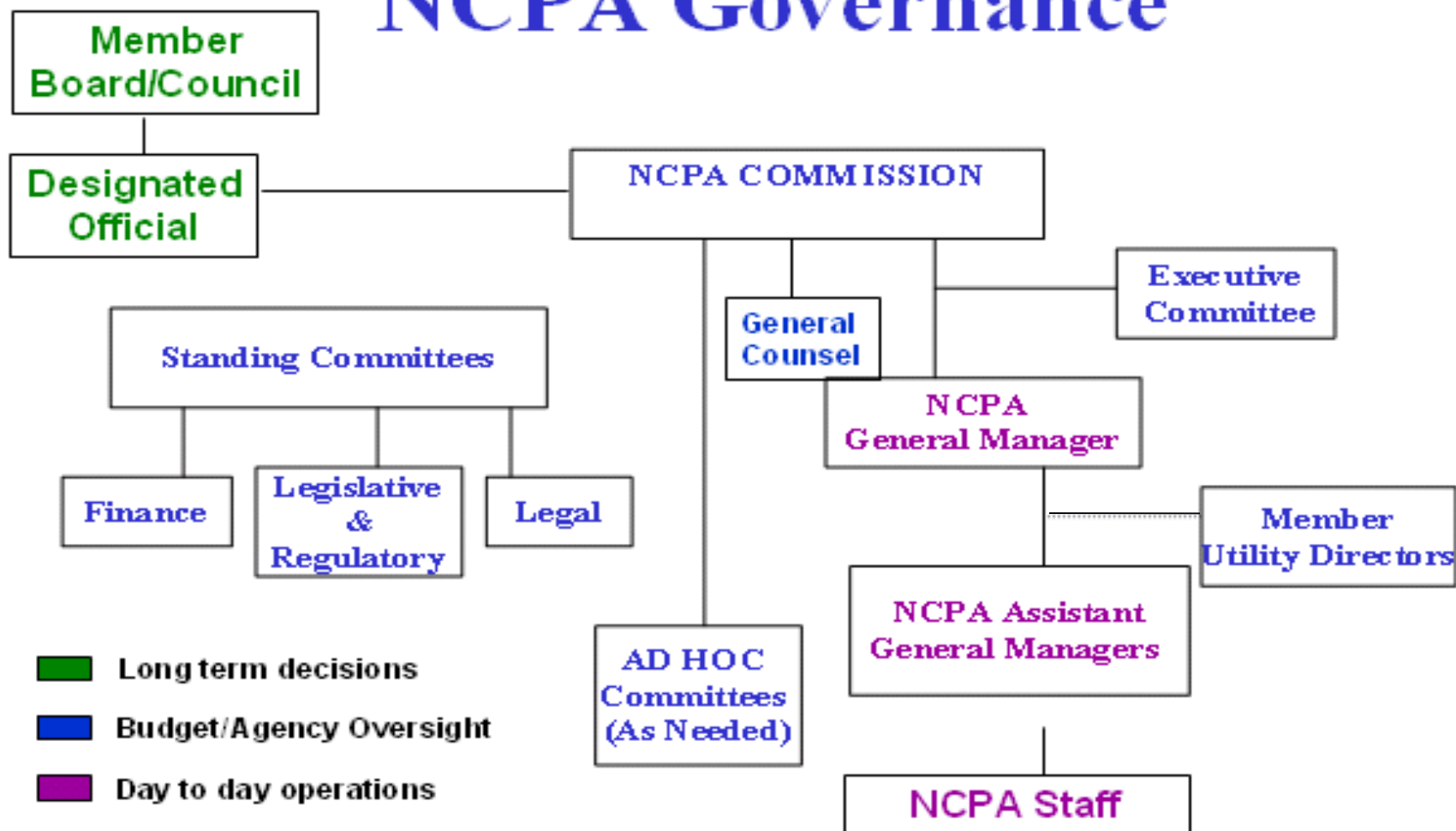
Truckee-Donner PUD



Dispatch Aggregated Resources  
And contracts to meet loads  
Over dispersed area



# NCPA Governance



(Plus multiple technical level ad hoc committees)

# Hydro Generation

- Project Completed -1989
- Combined Generation Capacity: 259 MW
- Used for capacity, load following & peaking
- 6 MW's of CEC Qualified Renewable Energy
- Zero Carbon Energy Credit for Entire Output
- Fuel: Water
- Collierville 253 MW
  - 2 @ 126.5 MW
  - 40 Miles of Transmission Line
  - 2065 Acre Feet of Storage at McKays Reservoir
- Spicer 6 MW
  - 2 @2.75 mw units
  - 1@0.5 mw unit
  - 189,000 acre feet of storage @ Spicer
- License: Through 2032 with option to extend
- Debt Paid Off: 2032





Beaver  
Creek  
PH

McKays  
Micro  
Turbine



## Combustion Turbine Generation

- Project Completed – 1985
- Value is primarily Capacity and Peaking Energy during needle peaks
- 2-24.8 MW units located in Alameda
- 1-24.8 MW unit located in Lodi
- 2-24.8 MW units located in Roseville
- Fuel: Gas
- Expected Life: 2026
- Debt Paid Off: FY 2011

# Combustion Turbine Project No. 1

## Roseville Site



## Combustion Turbine Project No. 2

- Project Completed 1996
- Summer Peaking Energy and Capacity
- One 49.9 MW unit STIG
  - 1 – LM5000 Aeroderivative, steam-injected gas turbine with HRSG
  - 9000 Btu/kwh Heat rate
- Fuel: Gas
- Expected Life: 2026
- Debt Paid Off: FY 2026
- CT #2 is located in Lodi next to Interstate 5

# Combustion Turbine Project No. 2 (STIG) Summer Peaking Power



# Geothermal Generation

- Geothermal Project No. 1-Plant Completed 1983
  - Two plants 110 MW, currently producing 60 mw's
- Geothermal Project No. 2- Plant Completed 1986
  - Two plants 110 MW, currently producing 52 mw's.
- Projects are producing Baseload renewable energy
- Debt Paid Off: FY 2011
- Expected Life: Beyond 2030
- Fuel Geothermal Steam
  - 67 production wells & 10 injection wells
  - 102 miles of underground well pipe
  - 8 miles of steam gathering pipe
  - Effluent Pipeline Project – 6,400 gpm
    - 5 miles of injection pipe
    - 3 Pump stations
    - Horizontal injection well



# Geothermal Project No. 2



# Geysers Effluent Pipeline Solar Projects

Two Solar Projects under development to power the Effluent Pipeline

First Project is at the Southeast Treatment Plant

- 1 MW Photovoltaic

- Expected Commercial Operations Date Fall 2008

- Provides about 1/3 the Power needed for the Pump Station

- 8 acres of property

Second is at the Bear Canyon Zero Pump Station

- 1 MW Photovoltaic

- Expected Commercial Operations Date Fall 2009

- Provides all of the power needs for the Bear Canyon Zero Pump Station

- 8 acres of property



# Southeast Treatment Plant Solar Project



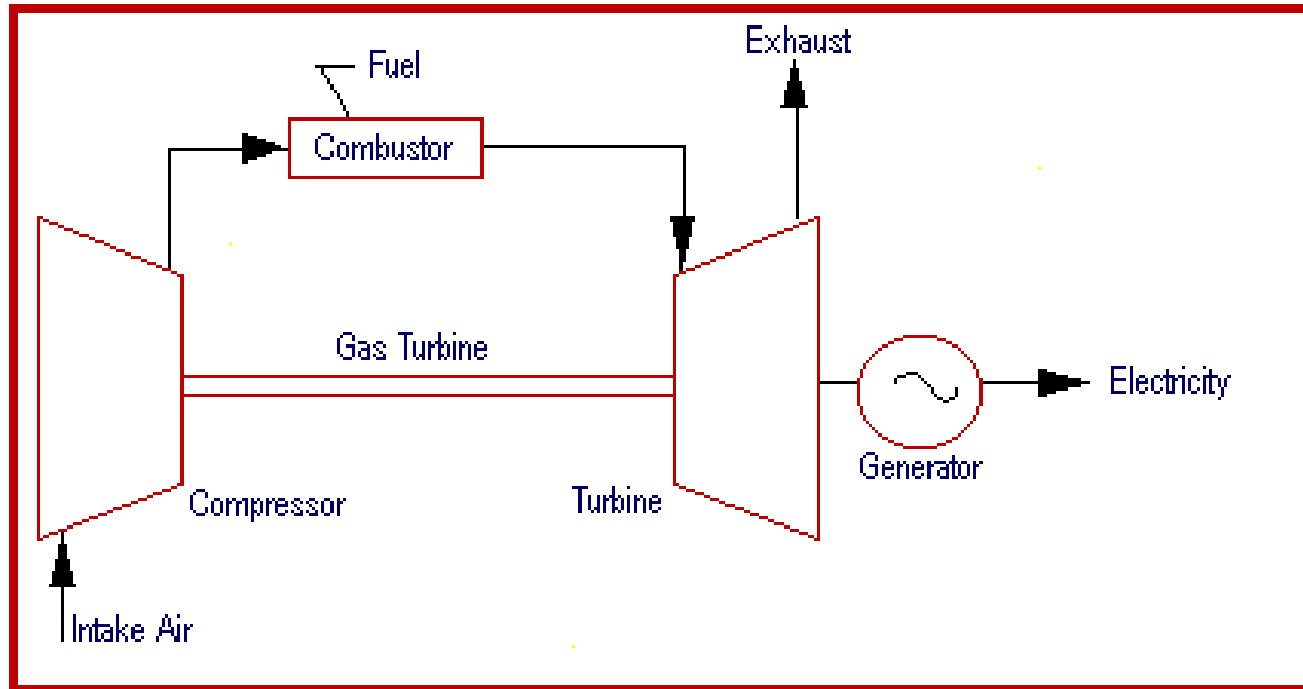
# Lodi Energy Center

- 296 MW Siemens Flex-30 Combined Cycle Power Plant
- Application for license filed with the California Energy Commission in September 2008; license issued in April 2010.
- Gas turbine can reach full load (approx. 200 MW) within 30 minutes after a cold start.

# Gas Turbines for Power Generation

- Simple cycle
- Combined cycle
- Cogeneration
- Duct Firing
- Duty Cycles
  - Base load
  - Intermediate load
  - Peaking

# Simple Cycle Gas Turbines

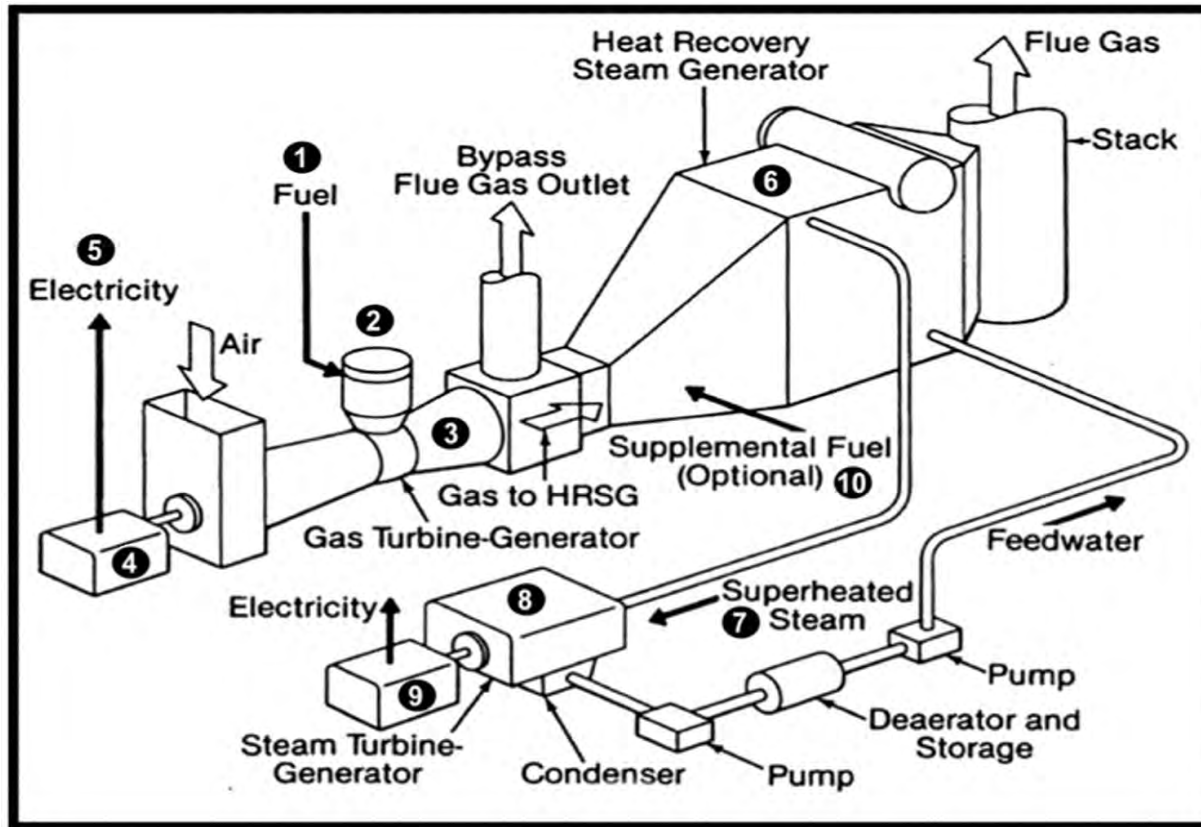


**Efficiency: <30% to 41% (HHV)**

**Exhaust temp: 800°F to 1150°F**

**Source for graphic: [www.cogeneration.net](http://www.cogeneration.net)**

# Combined Cycle Power Plants



**Efficiency: <45% to 54% (HHV)**

**Exhaust temp: 160°F to 200°F**

Source for graphic: Adapted from "Steam: Its Generation and Use". 40th Ed. Babcock & Wilcox.

# Cogeneration

- Topping cycle
  - Generally a gas turbine followed by a heat recovery steam generator producing process steam
- Bottoming cycle
  - Generally an industrial process (boiler, kiln) producing heat, following by a heat recovery steam generator producing steam to drive a steam turbine to make electricity

# Gas Turbine Output vs Ambient Temperature

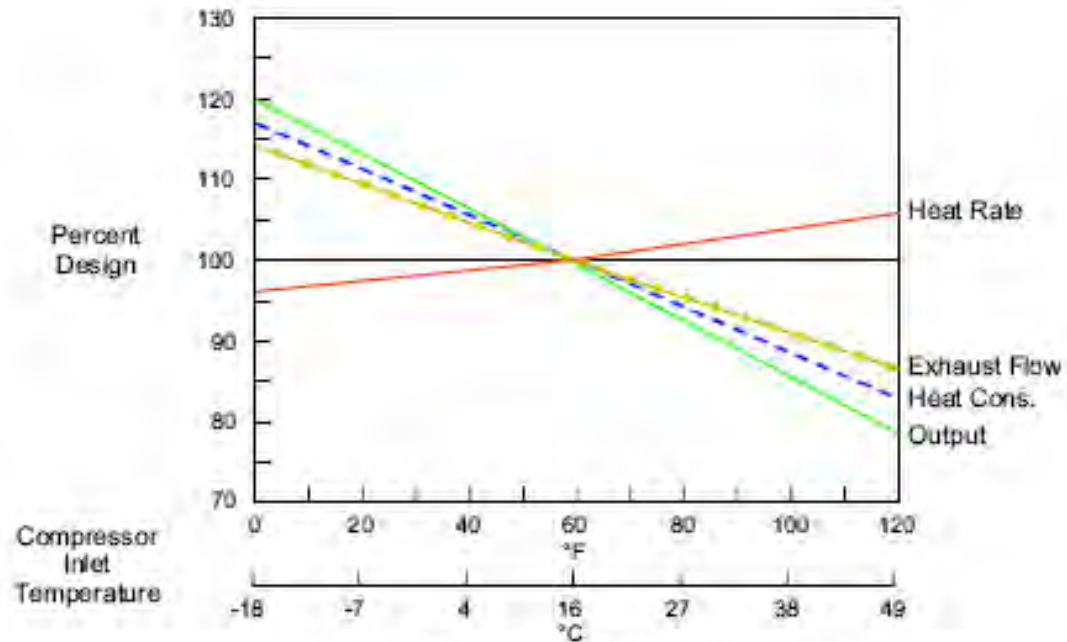
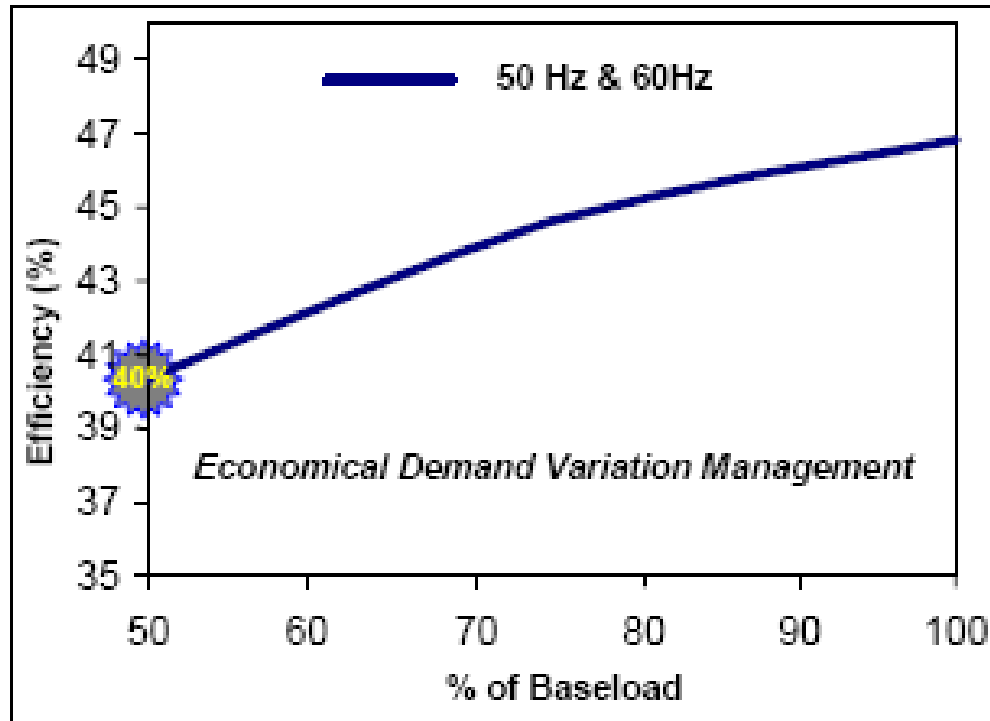


Figure 9. Effect of ambient temperature

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# Gas Turbine Efficiency vs Load

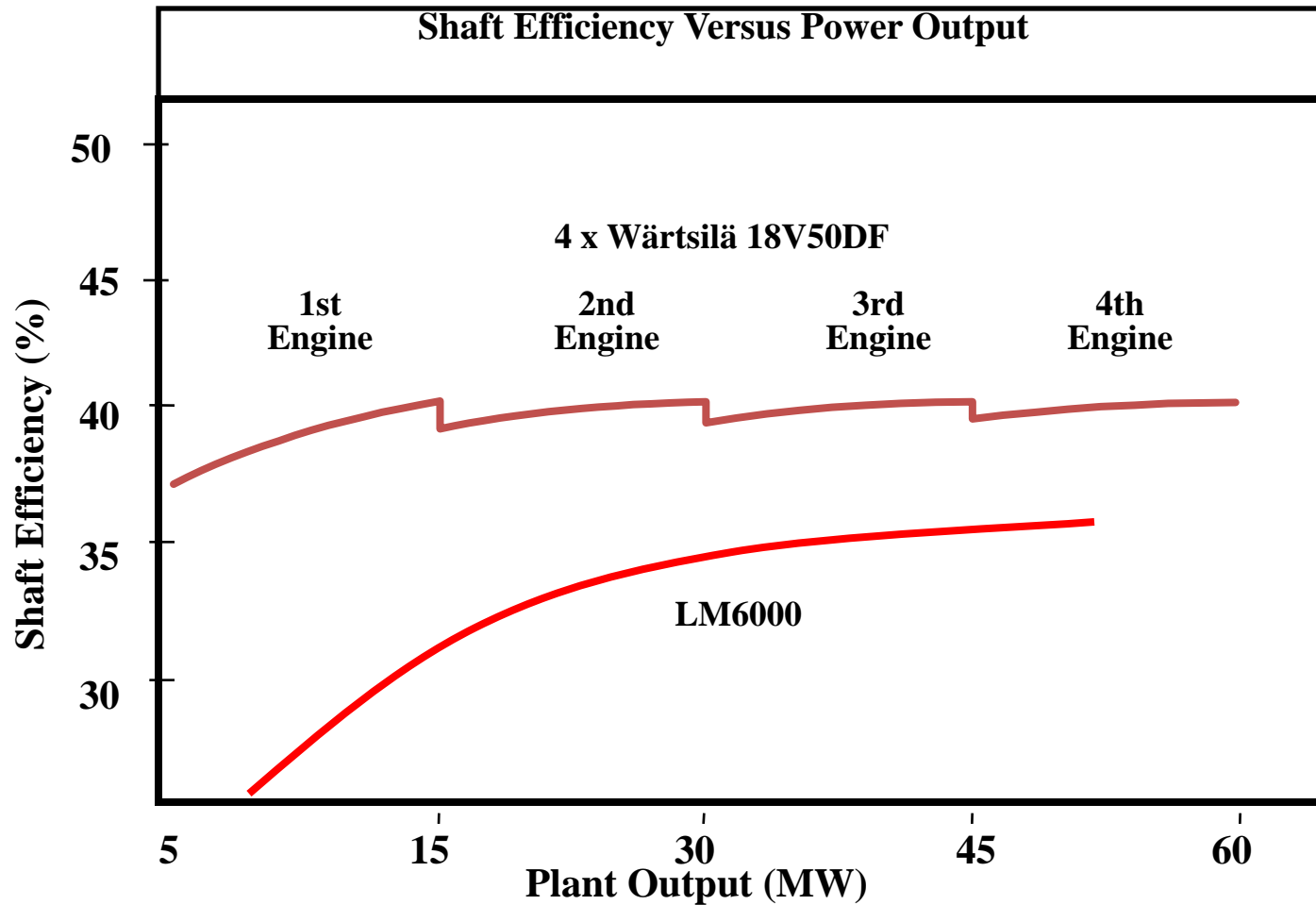


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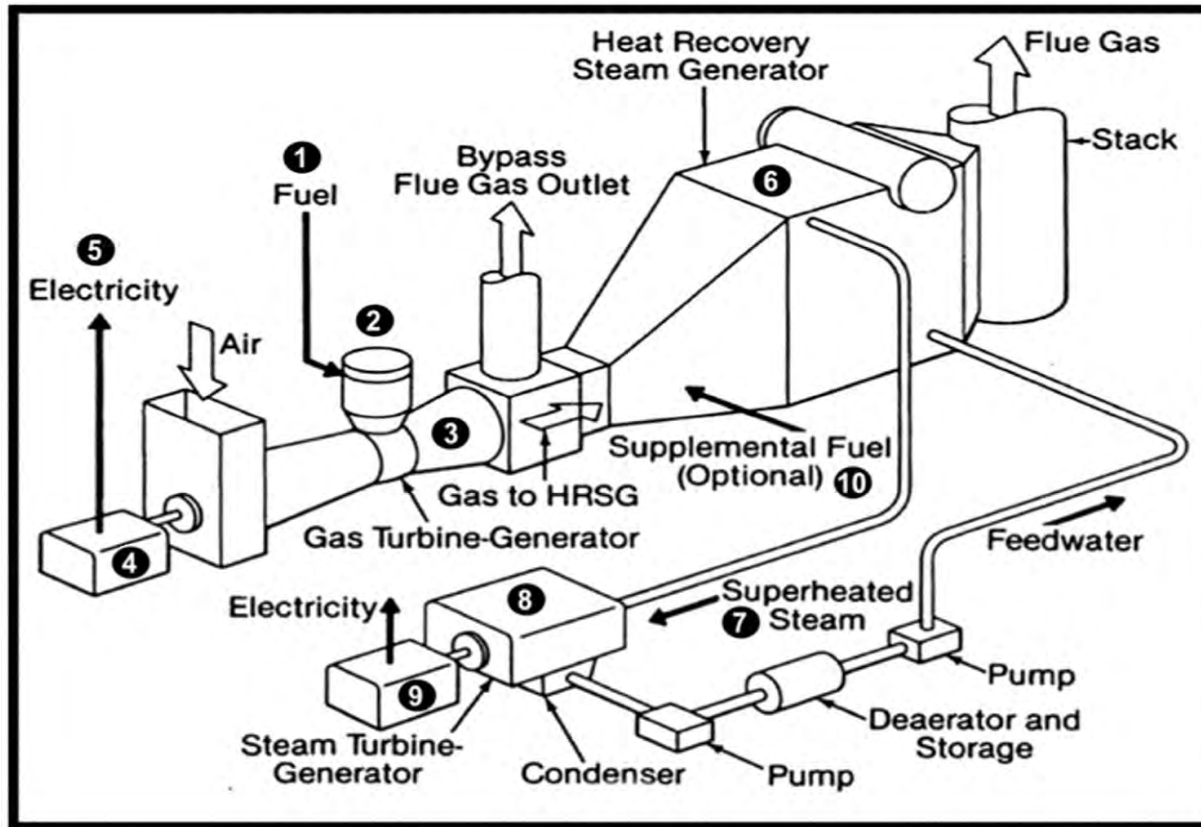
Reciprocating Gas Engine (Wartsila 18V50DF) vs LM 6000 Turbine  
Part Load efficiency



# Duty Cycles

- **Base Load**
  - Generally combined cycle plants
  - Typically operate 24/7/365
  - Slow start (4-6 hours from cold shutdown)
- **Intermediate Load**
  - Either quick-start combined cycle or efficient simple cycle
  - May cycle daily or weekly
  - May be used for voltage support or load following
- **Peaking**
  - Generally simple cycle
  - Typically operate < 8 hours per day during peak months

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- Wet Controls
- Catalytic Controls

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## Dry Controls

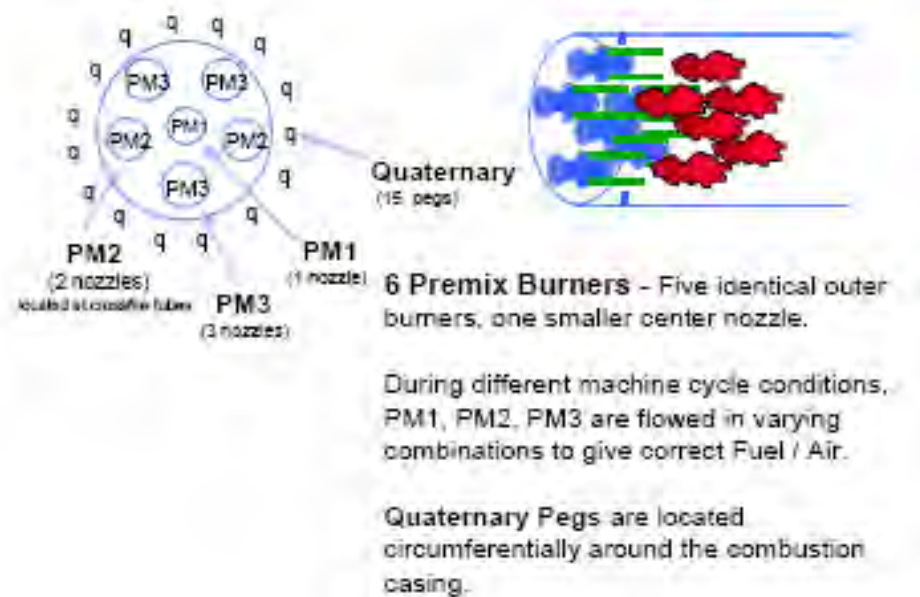
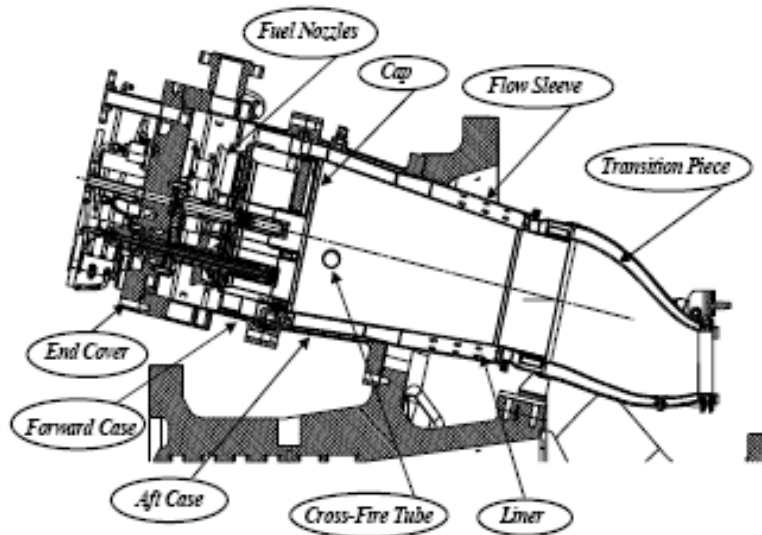
- Conventional (diffusion) combustors
- Dry low-NO<sub>x</sub> (premix) combustors

# Combustors

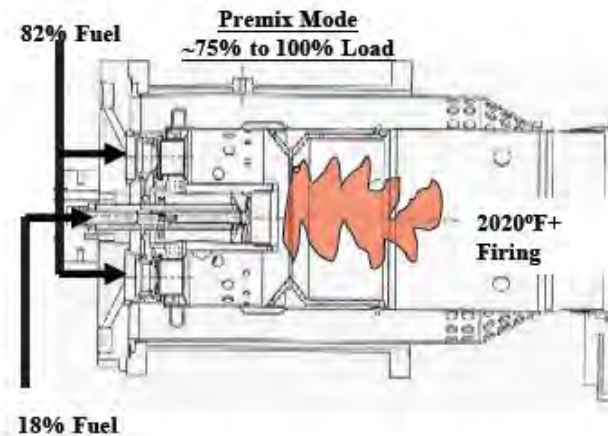
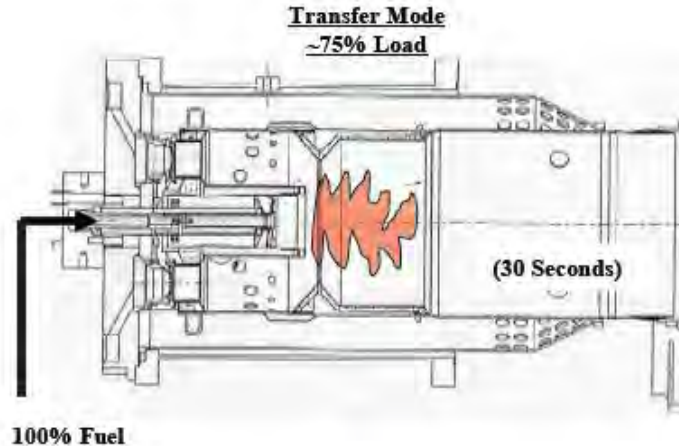
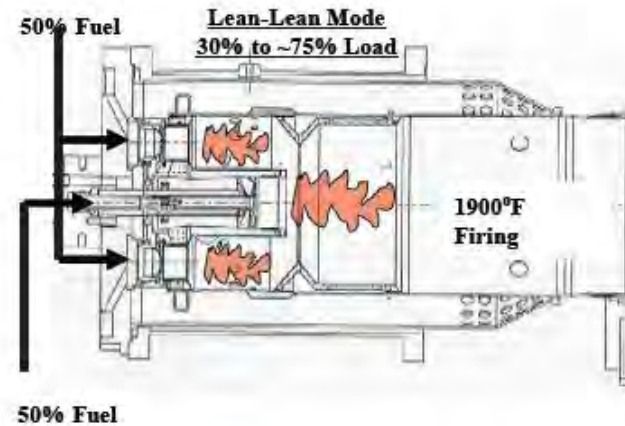
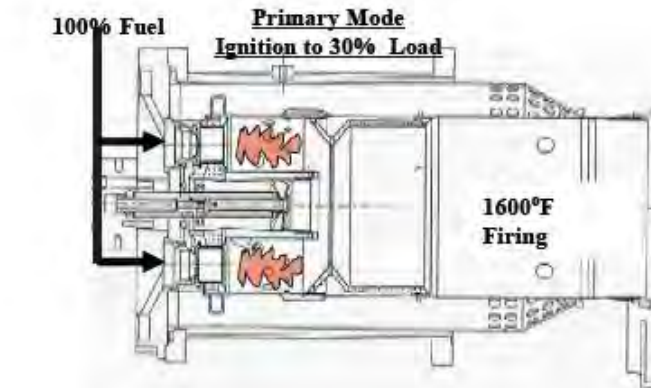


**Combustors on a GE 7H gas turbine.**

# GE DLN 2.6 Combustion System



# PSM LEC III Combustion System





# Emission Control Technologies

## Wet Controls

- Water injection
  - Can reach NO<sub>x</sub> levels as low as 42 ppmc
  - Increases power output with some efficiency loss
  - Decreases combustor life if water impinges on combustor walls
- Steam injection
  - Can reach NO<sub>x</sub> levels as low as 10-15 ppmc
  - Increases power output with no efficiency loss
  - No significant decrease in combustor life

# Emission Control Technologies

## Catalytic Controls

- Catalytic combustors
- Selective catalytic reduction
- Oxidation catalysts
- SCONOx

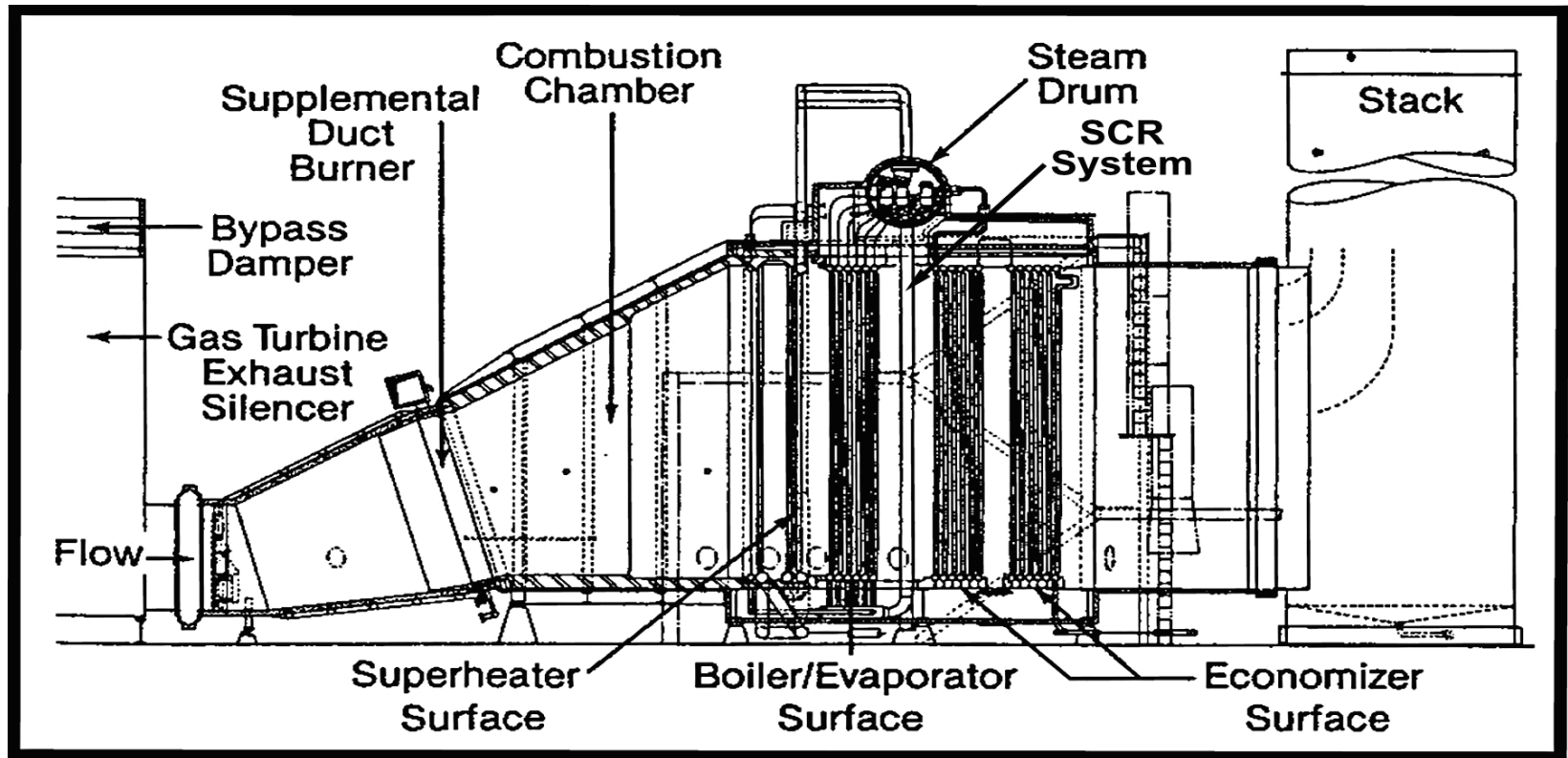
# Catalytic Combustors

- Extension of pre-mix combustor technology
- Uses oxidation catalyst to combust fuel in a flameless environment
- Virtually eliminates thermal NO<sub>x</sub>: <2-3 ppmc
- Commercially available for only one small turbine model (<2 MW)
- Combustion stability and turn-down capability are key design issues

# Selective Catalytic Reduction

- Controls NO<sub>x</sub> through reaction with ammonia
- Available in low temperature (300°F to 550°F), medium temperature (500°F to 850°F), and high temperature (800°F to 1100°F) designs
- Medium temperature designs result in longest catalyst life and lowest backpressure impacts

# SCR Installation in an HRSG



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# SCR Installation in an HRSG



# Oxidation Catalysts

- Add little to CO control capabilities of turbines equipped with DLN combustors, except during startups/shutdowns
- Needed to meet BACT requirements for turbines equipped with diffusion combustors, water or steam injection
- Effective on organic HAPS; little benefit for unburned fuel (which is mostly methane and ethane)

## SCONOX (Emerachem EMx™ Catalyst System)

- Catalyst system includes the following:
  - Guard bed (to capture sulfur compounds)
  - Oxidation catalyst (to oxidize VOC, CO, NO)
  - Adsorption bed coated with potassium carbonate (to capture NO<sub>2</sub>)



## SCONOX (Emerachem EMx™ Catalyst System) (cont'd)

- Adsorption bed capacity is 12-15 minutes
  - Regeneration provided through  $H_2$  (from reformer) or  $CH_4$  (from natural gas)
  - Regeneration requires reducing atmosphere; thus module under regeneration must be isolated from exhaust using dampers
  - If regeneration uses  $H_2$ , steam source is needed for the reformer

## SCONOX (Emerachem EMx™ Catalyst System) (cont'd)

- Catalyst system requires physical cleaning/recoating approximately every 3000-4000 hours of operation
- 2-4 day job, depending on unit size/configuration
- System is in operation in Massachusetts (1 unit); San Diego (1 unit); Los Angeles (1 unit); Redding (1 unit)
- Largest turbine installation is 43 MW

# PLANT TOUR