



Solid Fuel to Natural Gas Conversions for Existing Boiler Applications

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► Free-Jet Conversion Project



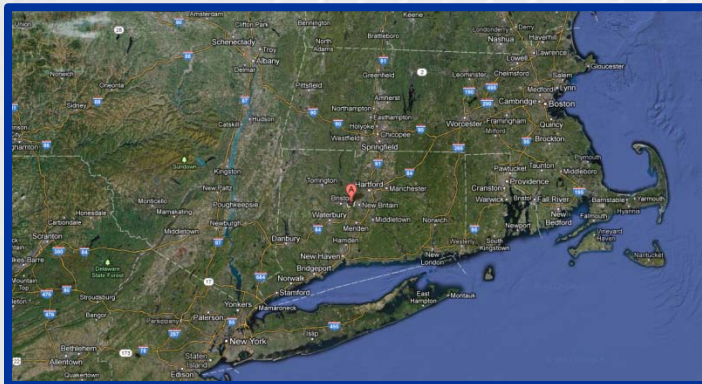
- Circulating Fluidized Bed Boiler (CFB)
- Solid Fuel Conversion to Natural Gas – Low NOx
- ~1,200 kPPH CFB – 1,500 MMBtu/hr
- 8 Low NOx Zeeco Free Jets – 177 MMBtu/hr each
- New engineering and intern training

► Topics:

- Zeeco Power Overview
- Free-Jet Technology Development
- The CFB
- Challenges
- Solutions
- Implementation
- Data/Conclusion-Validation

➤ Zeeco Power

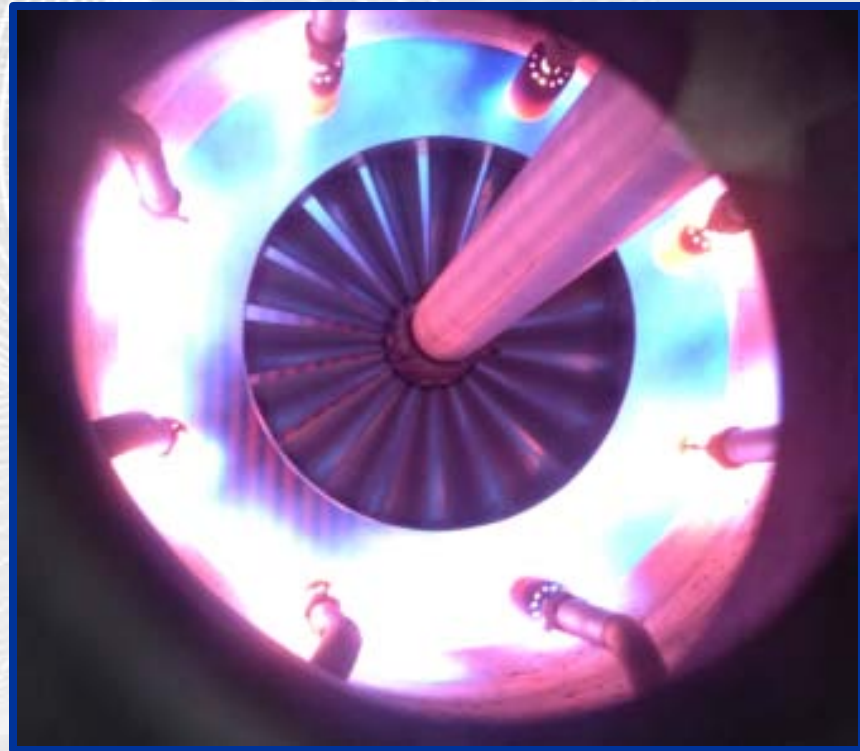
- Over 120 global personnel in Zeeco's Burner Division
- Global HQ for Power Division Located in Plainville, CT
- Sales, Applications, Project Management, Engineering, Design, Technical, Services, Turnkey
- 35 People in the CT office:
 - 29 report through CT office
 - 6 remote (Oklahoma, California and Minnesota)



► Technology Development

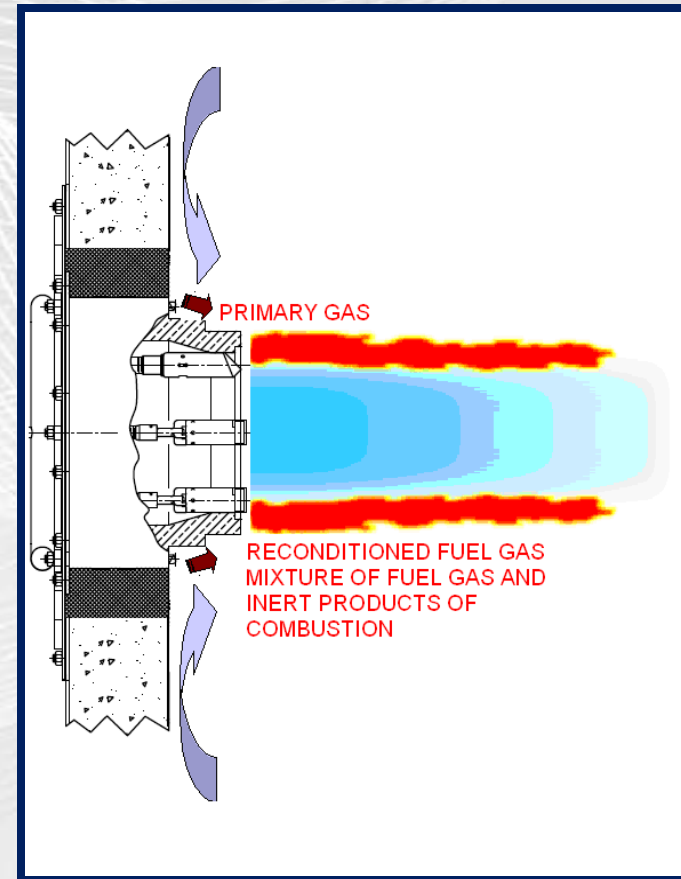
Solutions Driven Technology
for over 18 years:

- Empirically-based foundation
- Several hundred applications in service
- Several thousand burners in service
- Good basis for Power applications



➤ Practical application for Zeeco Free-Jet Fuel Reconditioning for Lower Thermal NOx

- Simple design for a complex problem
- The fuel gas is mixed with inert products of combustion before combustion occurs, thus “reconditioning the fuel gas”

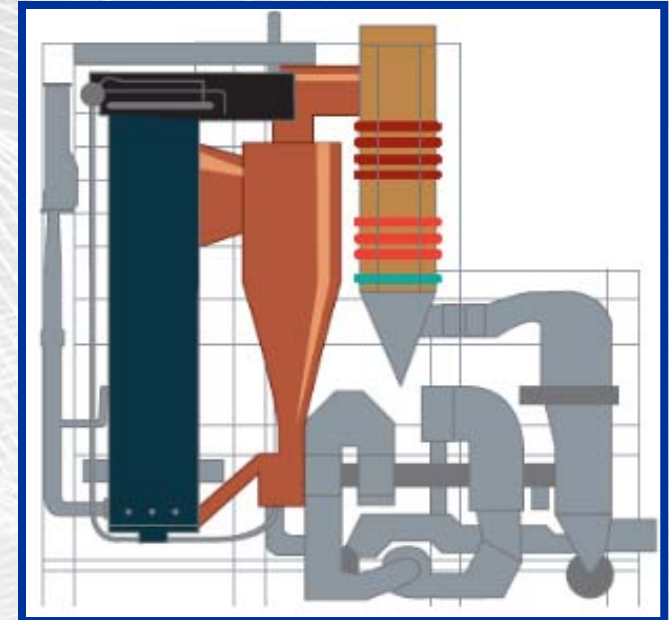


Inert Products of Combustion

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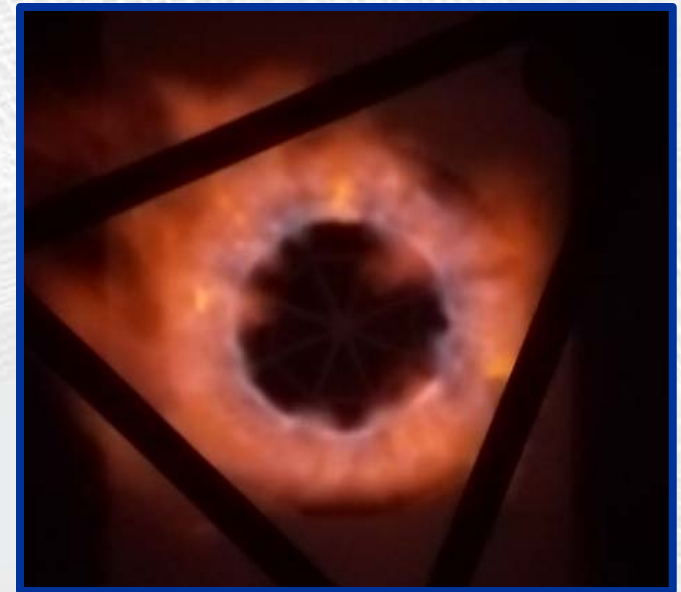
- The CFB:
 - Designed for Petcoke – solids recirculation
 - Heat transfer (water and steam circuits) for Petcoke firing
 - CFB plant in service for under 1.5 years in total before decision
 - ◆ After initial engineering, plant wanted to keep potential for returning to petcoke
 - One key point – if a CFB can be converted, so can your boiler (whether solid, liquid, gas)





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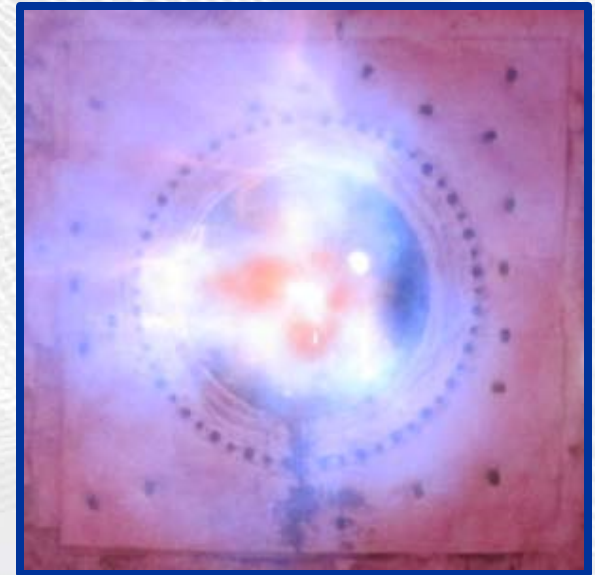
- Challenges to overcome:
 - Meet current permit NOx limits – 0.07lbs/MMBtu
 - No EFGR (convective impacts)
 - Ensure no degradation/derate on steam production
 - Solids return systems–cyclone
 - Ancillary equipment
 - Fluidization system





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- Solutions:
 - Thermal performance analysis (boiler) cases run with various firing system solutions
 - Very important to water and steam circuits
 - Firing system cases – chosen one was dual elevation (runs with thermal boiler performance)
 - Performance runs are critical for waterwall protection system (circulation ratio) and reliable steam production post-retrofit



► Boiler Thermal Analysis



Gas Firing Feasibility Study - Final Report Runs

Run 02: Natural Gas Firing, 100% MCR, 1,102,310 lb/hr Steam Flow, 1006°F Superheat
Outlet Temp., 20% Excess Air, 1% Blowdown, 0% Spray After LTSH, No Bed.

Run No. 2 Run Type

FURNACE SH PANELS

Fluid In 642.2 deg. F
Fluid Out 692.7 deg. F
Gas In 1957 deg. F
Gas Out 1698 deg. F
SEF 1.17

SH FINISH UPPER

Fluid In 852.5 deg. F
Fluid Out 1006.0 deg. F
Gas In 1632 deg. F
Gas Out 1340 deg. F
SEF 1.01

SH FINISH LOWER

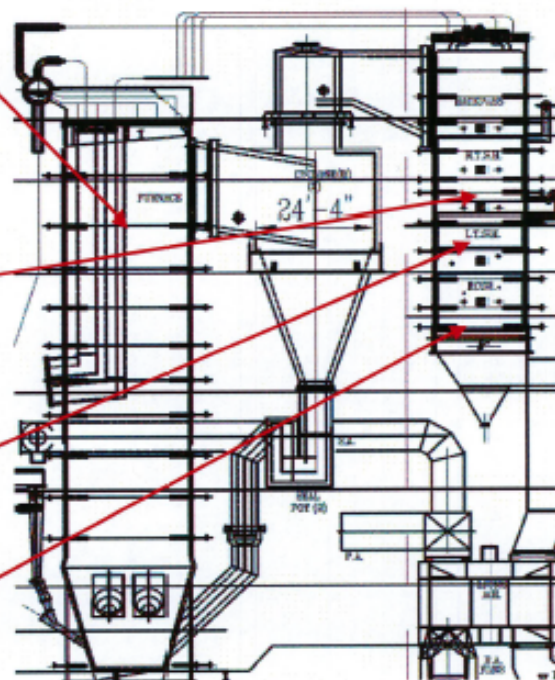
Fluid In 765.9 deg. F
Fluid Out 852.5 deg. F
Gas In 1340 deg. F
Gas Out 1135 deg. F
SEF 1.01

LTSH

Fluid In 701.2 deg. F
Fluid Out 765.7 deg. F
Gas In 1135 deg. F
Gas Out 926 deg. F
SEF 1.35

ECONOMIZER

Fluid In 426.0 deg. F
Fluid Out 526.3 deg. F
Gas In 926 deg. F
Gas Out 586 deg. F
SEF 0.93



Other Performance Data

Boiler Load 100 % MCR
Main Steam Flow 1,102,310 lb/hr
Main Steam Temp. 1,006 °F
DeSH Spray Flow 0 lb/hr

Boiler Efficiency 84.4 %
Fuel Fired 1412.5 Mbtu/hr
Fuel Flow 62,269 lb/hr
Excess Air 20 %

Combustion Air 1,033,963 lb/hr
+ Excess Air 206,793 lb/hr
= Total Air 1,240,756 lb/hr

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- BP Leakage Air 18,611 lb/hr
= Air To Burners 1,222,145 lb/hr

Air Heater Performance Data

PA In 653,822 lb/hr
PA Out 611,072 lb/hr
SA In 651,822 lb/hr
SA Out 611,072 lb/hr
Gas In 1,303,048 lb/hr
Gas Out 1,386,548 lb/hr
Air to Gas Leakage 83,500 lb/hr
Air to Gas Leakage 6.41 %

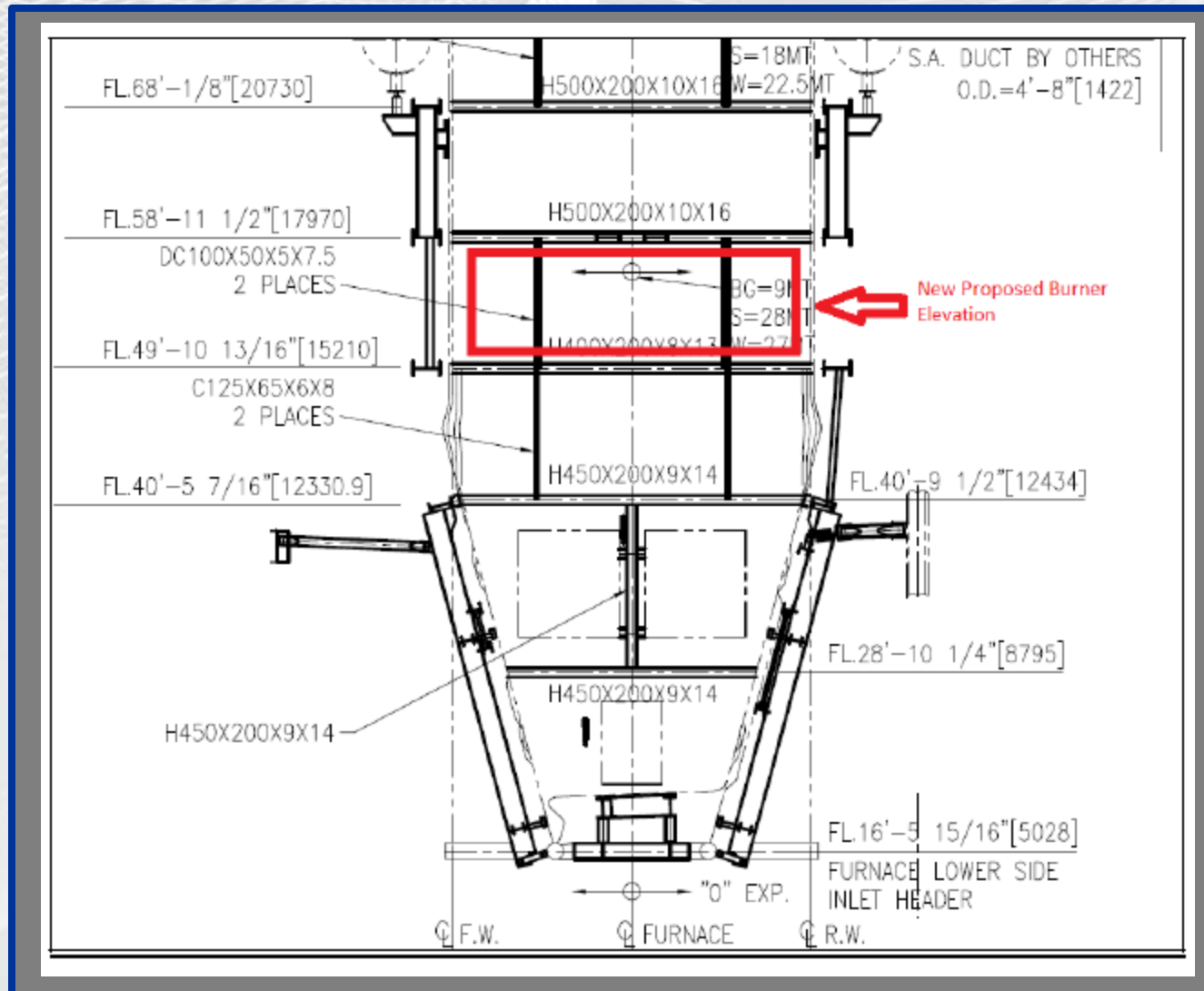
PA In 116 °F
PA Out 416 °F
SA In 116 °F
SA Out 458 °F
Gas In 586 °F
Uncorrected Gas Out 314 °F
Corrected Gas Out 303 °F

Input File Run 02.in
Output File Run 02.out

* Uncorrected = theoretical air temperature with zero air heater leakage
(used for boiler efficiency calculations)

** Corrected = actual measured gas temperature, including the effects of
internal air preheater leakage

► Firing System Selection



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- Implementation and engineering:
 - Engineering commenced in September 2012, with a resultant delivery in February 2013. Zeeco was awarded the contract for the second boiler, with commissioning beginning mid-2014.
 - System implementation was performed over an 6 week outage
 - ◆ Ancillary systems (not affecting boiler operation) were installed off-outage
 - ◆ New offset burner throats installed during outage for new burner elevation
 - Commissioning – 3 weeks from first fire to “handshake”
 - Layup of all ancillary equipment (ash handling, limestone, solids recirculation (cyclone / seal pot, etc.), all performed by end-user with advisement from Zeeco

► Project Overview, Continued

- Zeeco's scope:
 - New Low NOx Gas fired burners – eight per boilers
 - 177 MMBtu/hr capacity
 - Complete header and local valve trains
 - Redundant BMS
 - Controls Logic and Boolean
 - Installation assistance
 - Fixed Price Start up
 - Complete new combustion air system
 - KEY GOAL – maintain 80% of original solid fuel firing equipment for future potential for conversion back to solid fuel



► Burner/Windbox Assembly





➤ Local Fuel Racks





ACTION: 200 FT (ASL)	
NO.: 21725	
COMP:	
OUT	DRAWN: ERS
	DATE: 10/26/12
	CHEK: JAH
	SCALE: 1"=100'
DRAWING NUMBER:	
CAD FILE: LAYOUT	
SHEET: 1 OF 3	

➤ Complete Redesign of Air System



► CFB Conversion Model



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- Data, Validation, Conclusion
 - Physical flow modeling
 - ◆ All burners within ~1% airflow distribution
 - NO_x – 0.07 lbs/MMBtu (25-100% boiler load)
 - CO – less than 50 ppm
 - Steam production as designed and modeled (and required for steam turbine performance)
 - Temperature duties in the water and steam cycle as modeled
 - Lastly – full conversion from a solid fuel fluid bed process to a natural gas fired boiler – all within 12 months

► Questions?



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