

COGENERATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS DARTMOUTH

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AGENDA

Project summary

Design approach

Implementation approach

Lessons learned

Discussion

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

PROJECT COST

\$33.9 million

CONTRACT TERM

20 years

EFFICIENCY MEASURES

New gas turbine with heat recovery steam generator
HVAC modifications & base mechanical system upgrades
Building control systems
Water conservation retrofits
Lighting upgrades & controls
Electric & steam sub-metering
Weatherization

\$2.9M

Annual
cost
savings

18,359,224

kWh reduction in
grid-electricity
usage

27%

CO₂

31%

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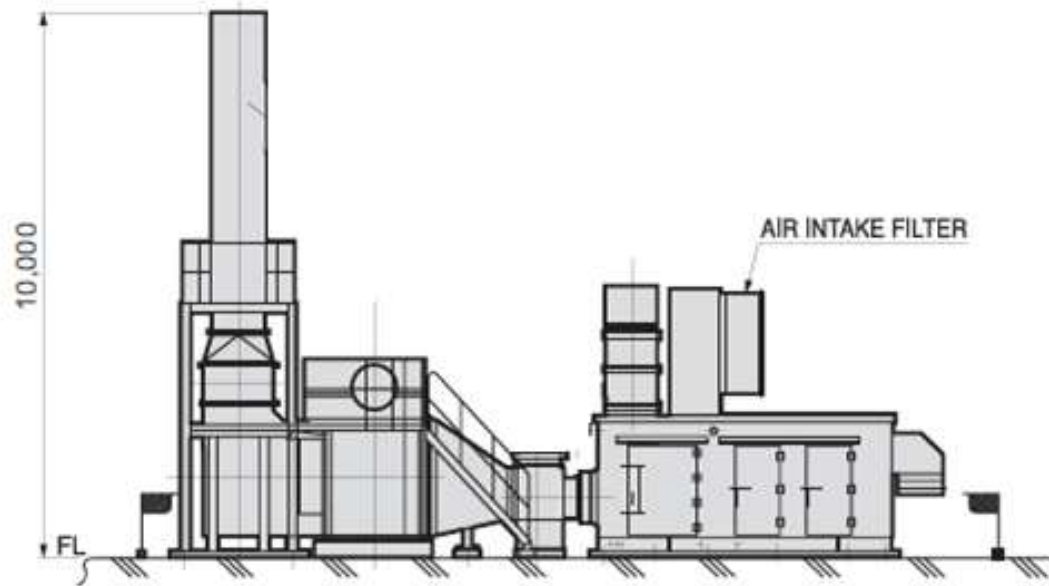
55%

NO_x

Utility-related footprint emissions reductions



COGENERATION PLANT HIGHLIGHTS



- ▶ New 1.6 MW gas turbine with heat recovery steam generator (HRSG)
- ▶ Ammonia selective catalytic reduction (SCR)
- ▶ Natural gas compressor

COGENERATION PLANT CHALLENGES

Operate efficiently over a wide range of output to meet large load fluctuations

Meet stringent Massachusetts air emission limitations

Integrate into an existing boiler house with very little available space

DESIGN AND SIZING APPROACH

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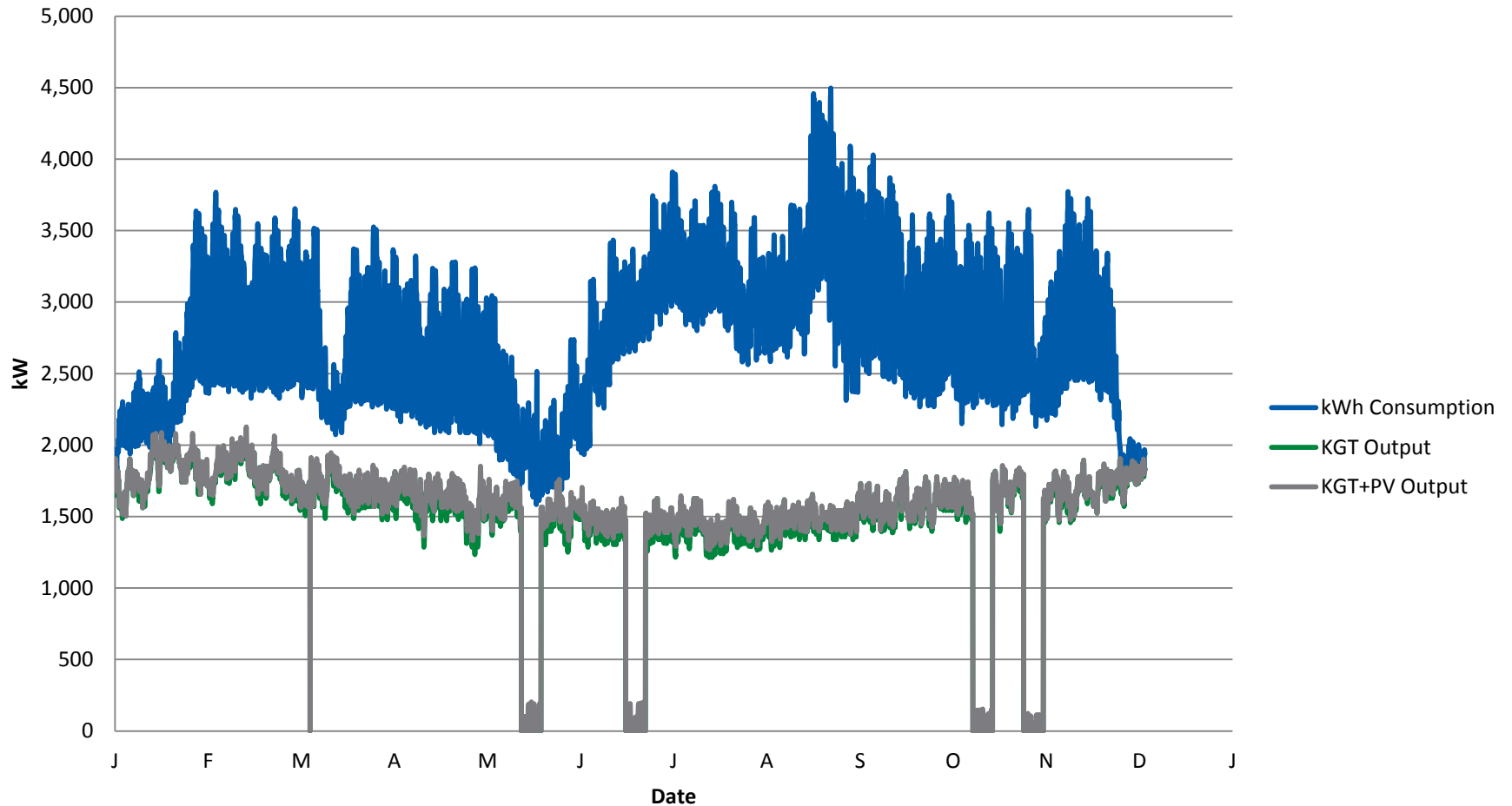
STEPS TAKEN

- ▶ Reviewed existing steam and electric loads
- ▶ Determined paybacks for multiple sizes and technologies using hourly historical data with Excel spreadsheet models
- ▶ Reviewed with customer wants and needs
- ▶ Customer required more thermal therefore a gas turbine was selected
- ▶ Reviewed preliminary air emissions limitations for feasibility

LOAD ANALYSIS

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Electric demand profile



Electrical output is less than the campus needs

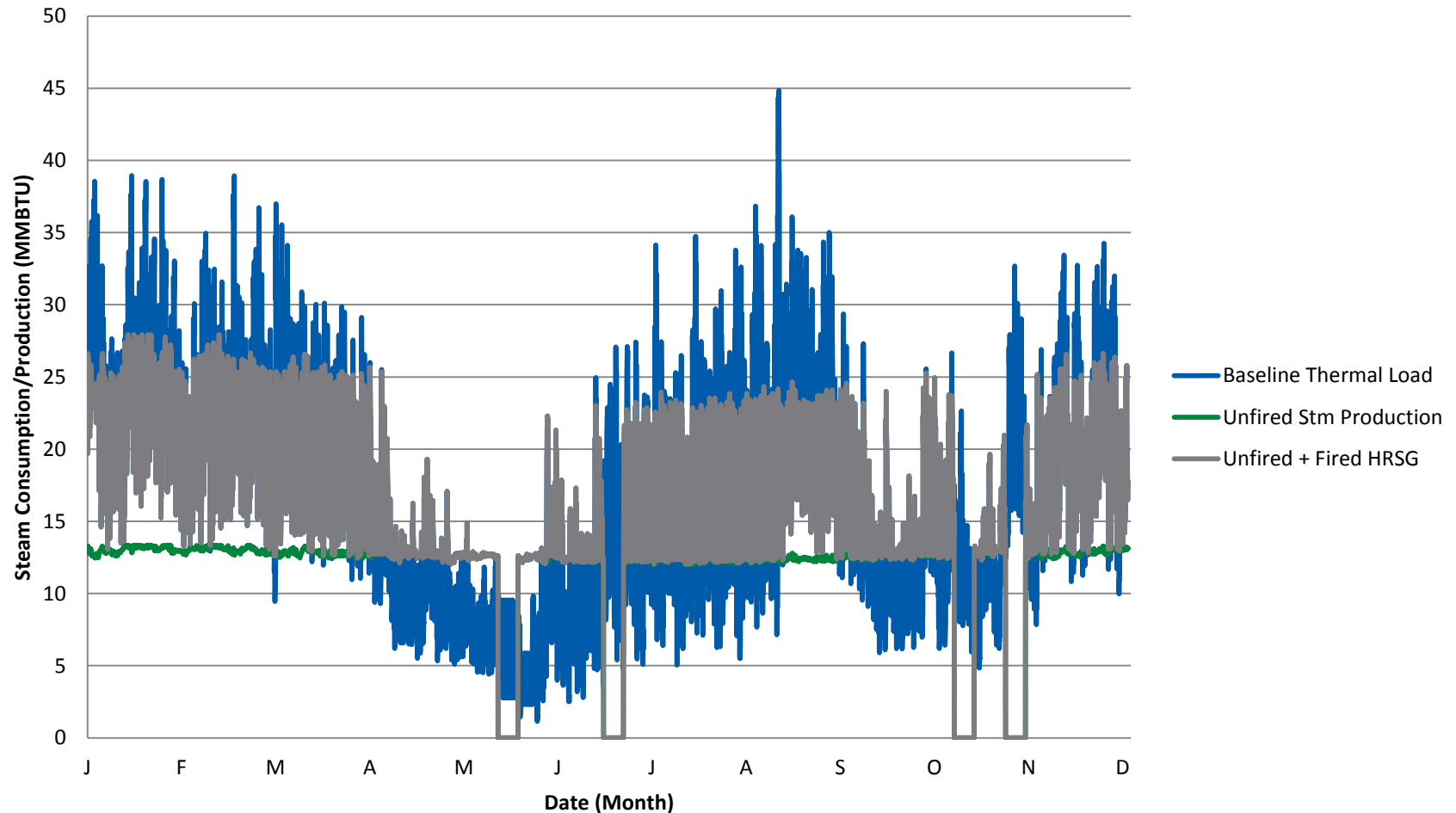
HRSG CAPACITY

- ▶ HRSG unfired steam capacity 12,000 lbs/hr of steam
- ▶ HRSG duct fired steam capacity 24,000 lbs/hr of steam
- ▶ Steam dump condenser capacity for 12,000 lbs/hr of steam

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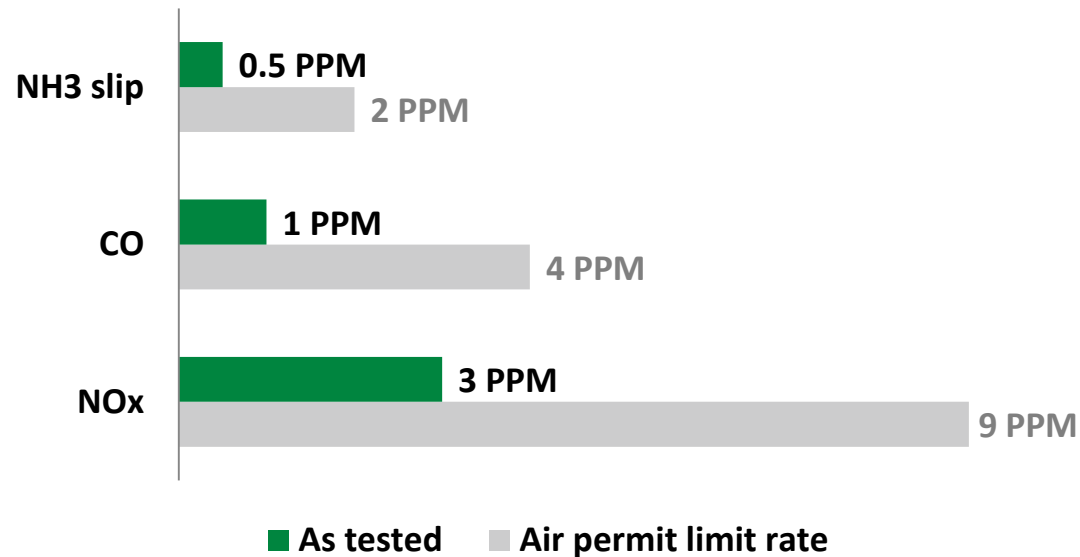
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Steam demand profile



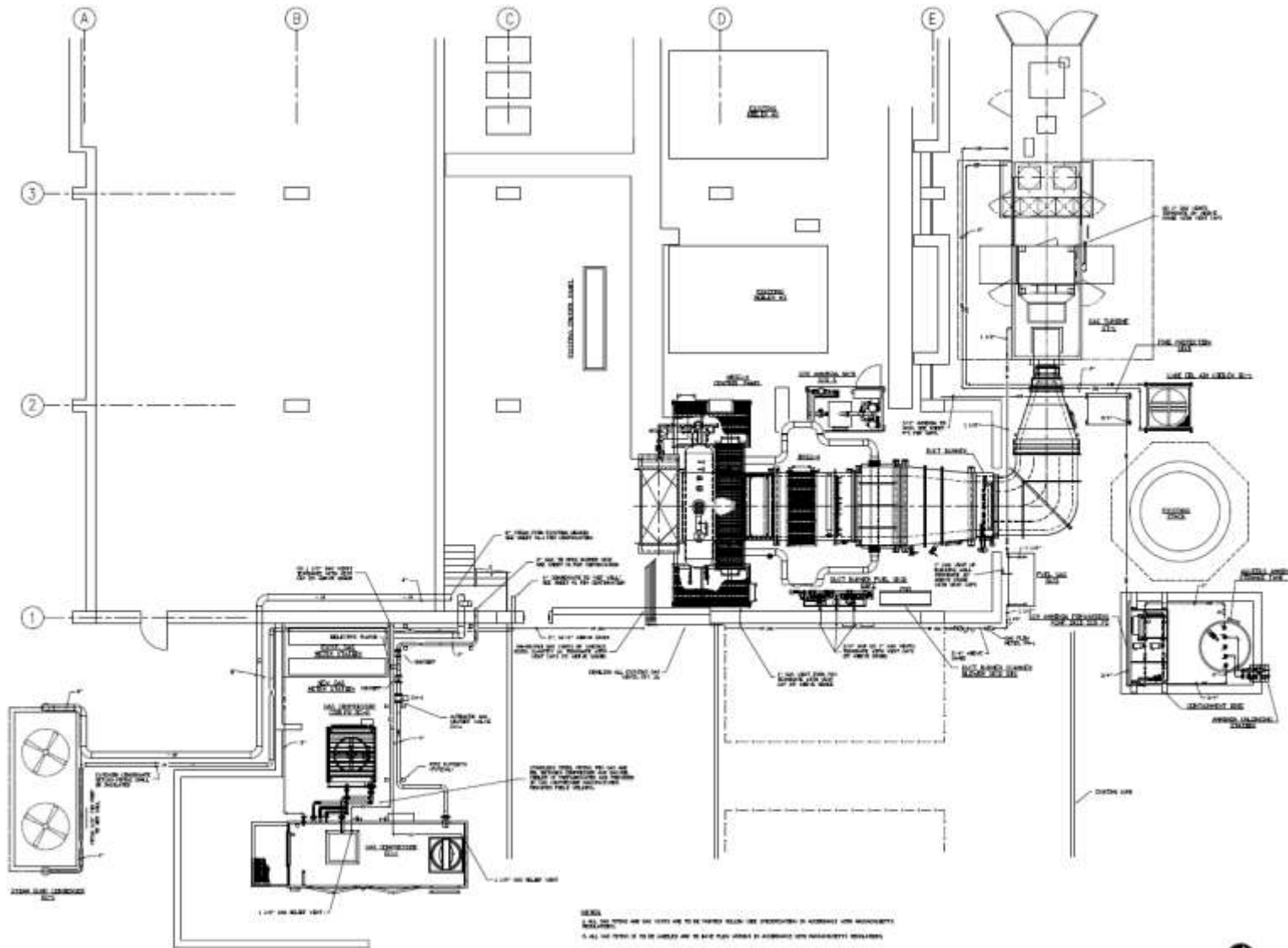
**HRSG steam output exceeds shoulder month and summer night requirements
therefore some heat is required to be rejected at these times**

MEETING EMISSIONS STANDARDS



- ▶ Ammonia SCR was required in the order to meet the NOx emission limit
- ▶ CO catalyst was required to meet the emissions requirement - turndown to 80% load was achieved with the catalyst

IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH



HRSG PHOTOS



Left Side of HRSG



Right Side of HRSG

MORE EQUIPMENT PHOTOS



Platform Access to Steam Drum



Gas Turbine

GAS TURBINE



GAS TURBINE



STEAM DUMP RADIATOR & PARAMETRIC EMISSIONS MONITORING SYSTEM (PEMS)

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Steam Dump Radiator



PEMS

APCU SKID & HRSG LOCAL CONTROLS



LESSONS LEARNED

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- ▶ Designing for tight spaces should take into consideration maintenance access and code-required clearances. It adds cost and time to the design and installation.
- ▶ Usage of Ammonia SCR prompted some discussions about student, staff and employee safety.
- ▶ Rejecting steam through a radiator rather than install an additional SCR and bypass stack proved more economical because of the high cost of an additional stack, SCR and CO catalyst.



QUESTION & ANSWER

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