University of Chicago System Expansion and Renewal



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AGENDA

- Introduction
- South Steam Plant Modifications
- Condensate Polisher Project
- Q&A







GOALS OF SOUTH STEAM PLANT PROJECT

- Meet federal, state, and local regulations for emissions
- Increase overall efficiency of plant
- Maximize available incentives from the utility companies
- Have minimal impact on turnover from old to new system



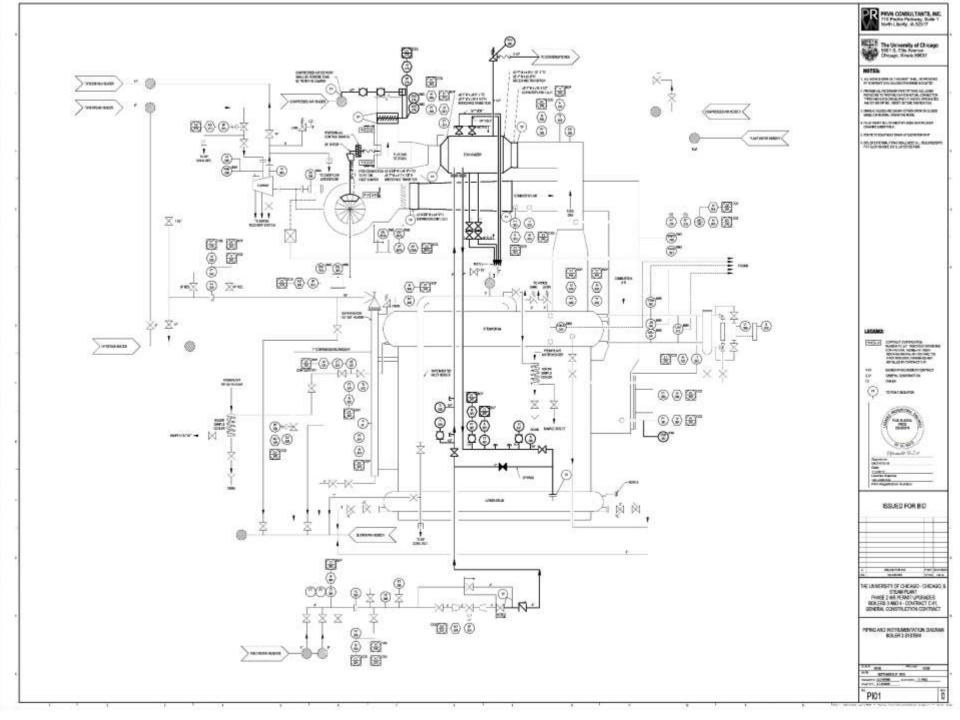


SOUTH STEAM PLANT OVERVIEW

- Four (4) natural gas boilers: 600,000 lb/hr
 - Installed in 1970
 - Replacement for coal-fired boilers
 - All boilers have been retubed within the last 15 years







EMISSIONS

- Pre-project emissions:
 - NOx: 0.20 lb/MMBtu
 - CO: 200 ppm

- Emissions requirement:
 - NOx: .08 lb/MMBtu
 - CO: 50 ppm

BURNER UPGRADE

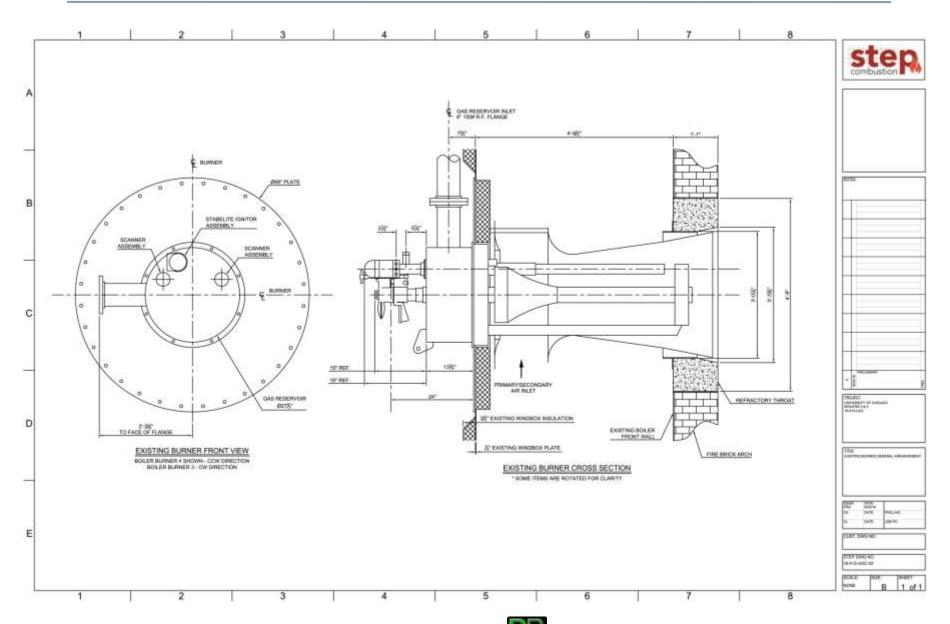
- Modified burner throat
- New gas pokers and swirlers



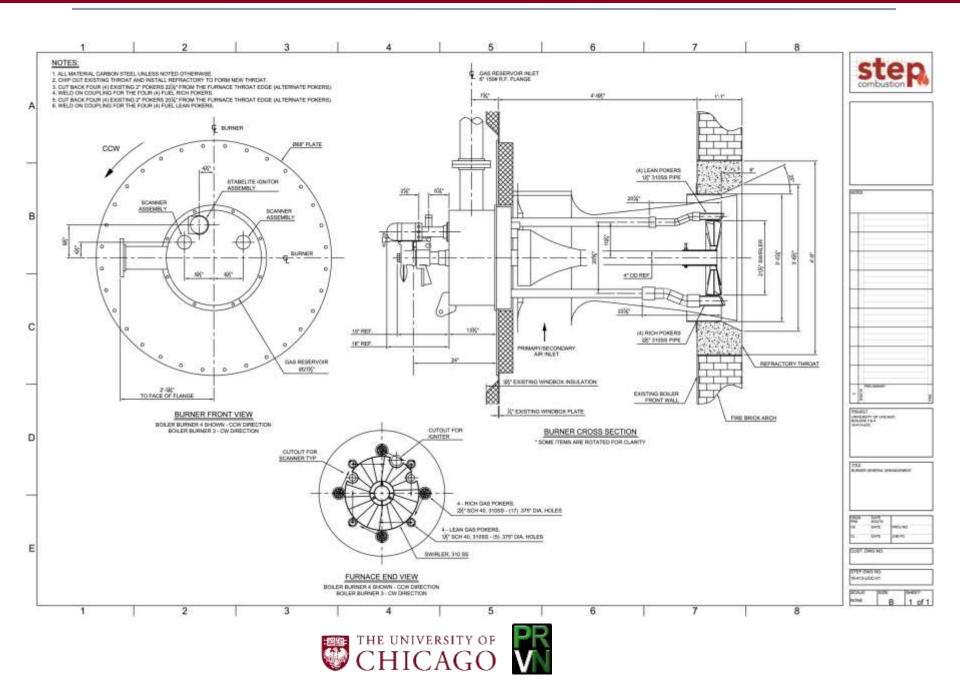






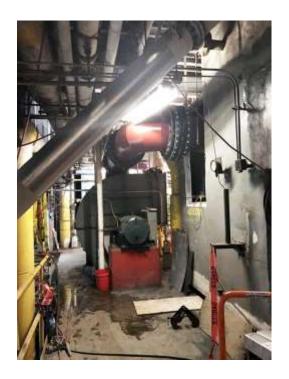






INDUCED FLUE GAS RECIRCULATION

- Recirculate flue gas:
 - Reduces peak flame temperature
 - Lowers average oxygen content of the combustion air









NEW ECONOMIZERS

- Replaces air preheaters
 - Smaller size
 - Lowers NOx emissions



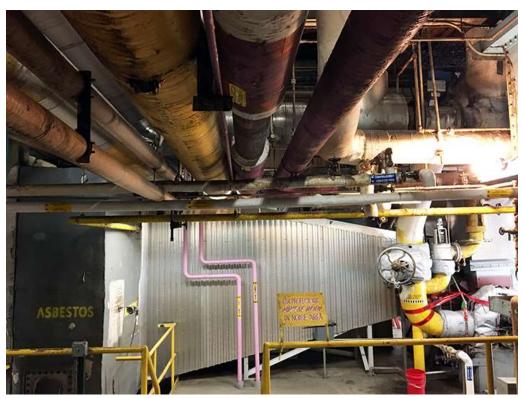






BREECHING

Modified breeching transition in location of demolished air preheater









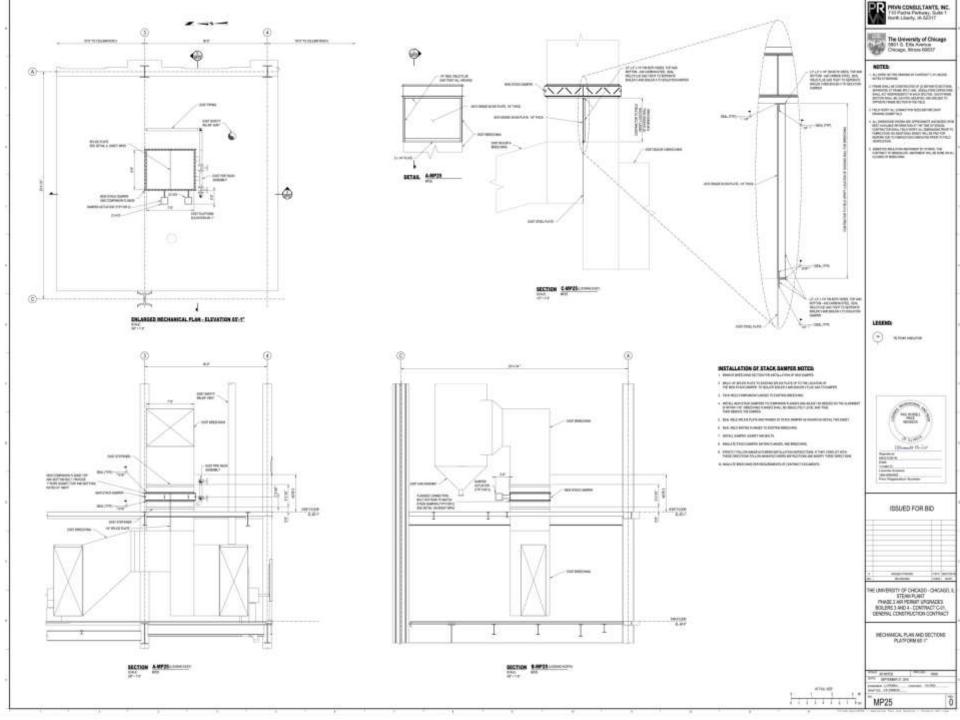
STACK DAMPER

 Modified Boiler 3 and 4 breeching to common stack to include divider plate and stack dampers









CONTROLS SYSTEM UPGRADE

- New predictive emissions monitoring system:
 - Compliance to regulations
 - Will work during loss of power and loss of communications
- New combustion control system
 - Controls boilers to obtain optimum combustion to limit emissions



GOALS OF CONDENSATE POLISHER PROJECT

- Install duplex condensate polishers in West Campus Combined Utility Plant and South Steam Plant
- Modify condensate piping system to address localized bottlenecks
- Replace South Steam Plant reservoir pumps
- Install new condensate bypass in South Steam Plant



Design Conditions

- Flow rate
 - Design: 600 GPM
 - Peak: 900 GPM
- Pressure Drop
 - Design: 5 PSI
 - Peak: 10 PSI
- Operating Temperature Range: 40 200°F
- Operating Pressure Range: 30 100 PSI
- Daily Water Usage: 865,000 GPD
- Effluent Water Quality: < 0.3PPM total hardness as CaCO₃



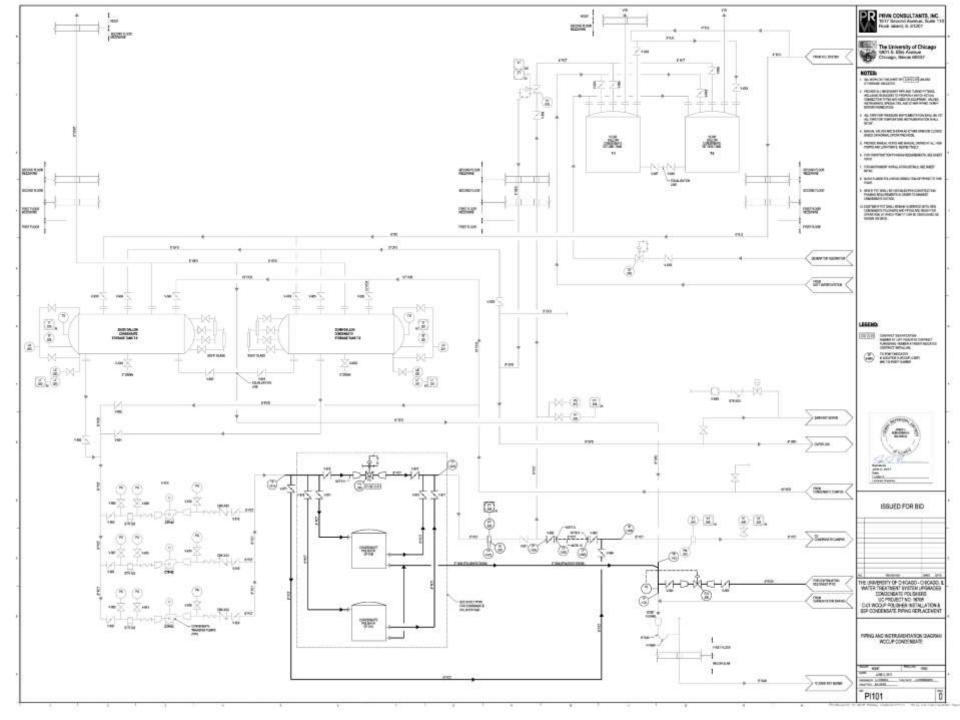


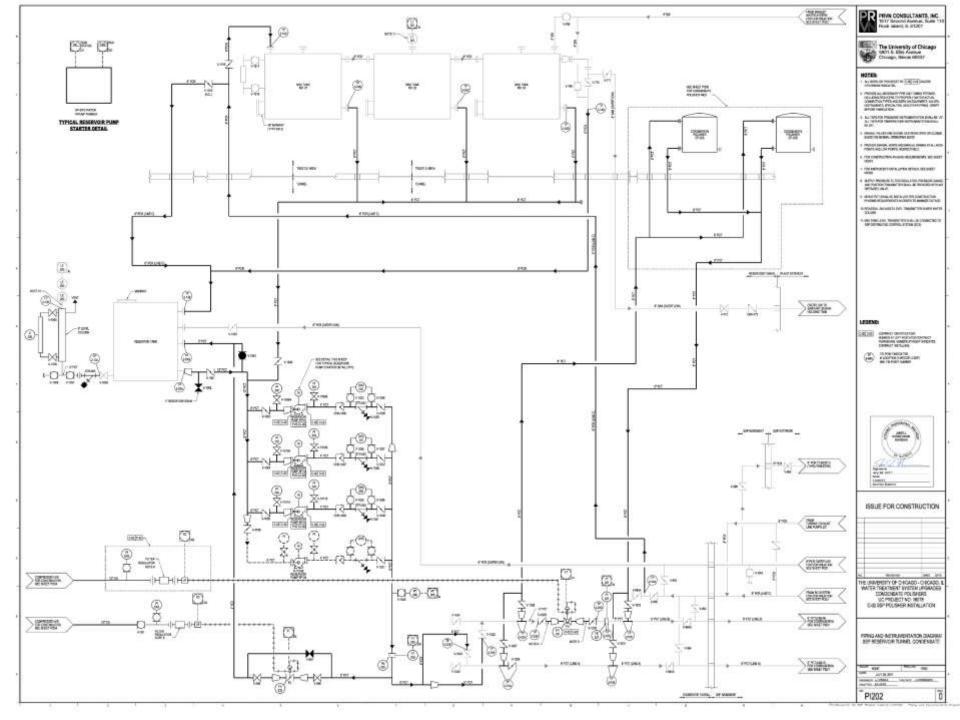
WEST CAMPUS COMBINED UTILITY PLANT OVERVIEW

- Two (2) natural gas boilers: 450,000 lb/hr
- Two (2) 2,000-ton chillers





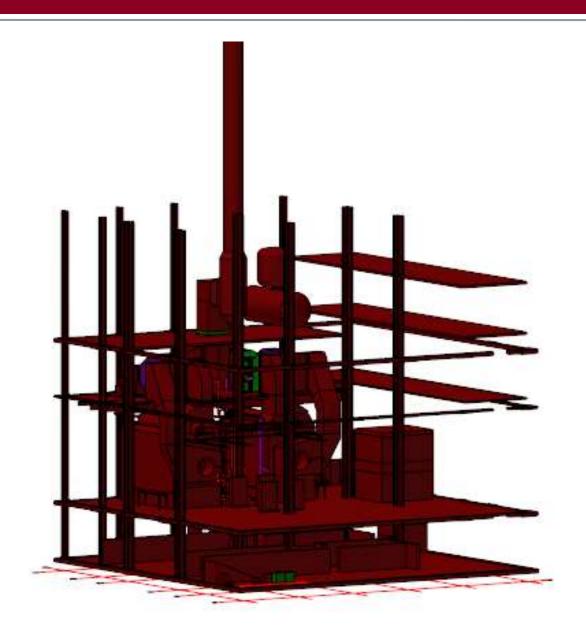














COMMISSIONING

- Get CX Agent involved early and develop checklists early
- Project wiring diagrams
- Operating/control system description with equipmentvendor-supplied data and review
- Control system FAT with Control Service Technician and equipment vendor in attendance
- Loop checkout utilizing vendor representatives
- Set up historian (PI, etc.) prior to startup
- Startup and testing procedures prior to startup efforts



Best Practices & Lessons Learned

- Boiler tuning is critical when two boilers utilize a common stack
- Scheduling
- Coordinate plant outages
- Care when operating equipment until plant is fully commissioned



Questions

