



2nd US-China NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> Control Workshop

# **Foster Wheeler's Low-NO<sub>x</sub> Burners and SCR Technology**

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# Topics

- NOx generating mechanism
- FW low-NOx burners
  - Arch-fired
  - Wall-fired
  - Tangential-fired
- ECT / CADM systems
- SCR

# NO<sub>x</sub> Formation

- Thermal NO<sub>x</sub>
  - High temperature reaction
- Prompt NO<sub>x</sub>
  - Fast reaction between nitrogen, oxygen, and hydrocarbon radicals
  - Lower temperature combustion
- Fuel NO<sub>x</sub>
  - Important for oil & coal firing

# NOx Control Philosophy

- Control of formation  
Using advanced combustion technology to reduce NOx formation
- Conversion after formation  
SCR or SNCR

# Control of NO<sub>x</sub> Formation

## ----- Combustion Modification

- Thermal NO<sub>x</sub>
  - Reduce flame peak temperature
- Prompt NO<sub>x</sub>
  - Rapid mixing of fuel & air
- Fuel NO<sub>x</sub>
  - Fuel / air staging

# Conversion After NO<sub>x</sub> Formation

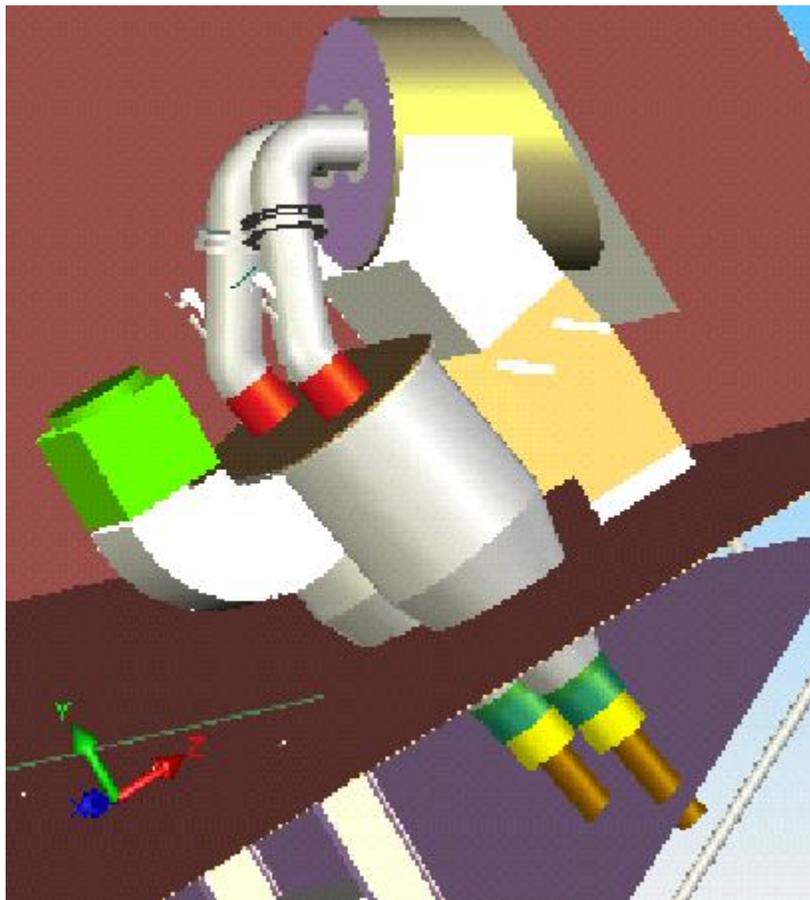
## ----- Post-Treatment

- SCR
  - Temperature window: 230 ~ 600 C
  - Boiler back-end
- SNCR
  - Temperature window: 870 ~ 1100 C
  - Boiler upper furnace and before backpass



# **Foster Wheeler Arch-Fired Burner Technology**

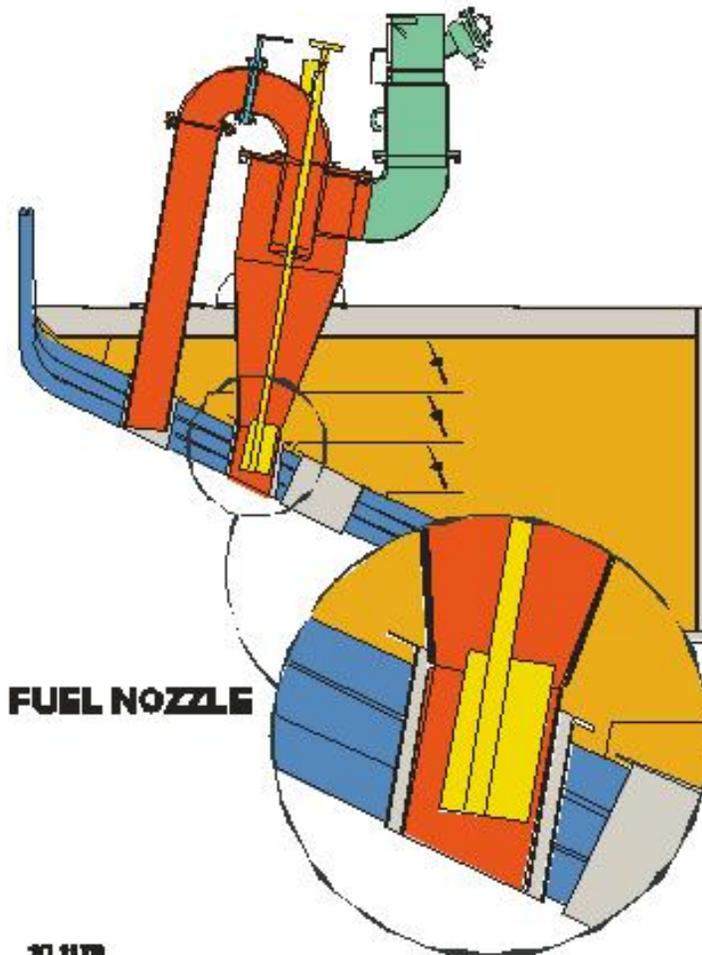
# FW Cyclone Preheat Burner with Vent-To-OFA --- Arch-fired



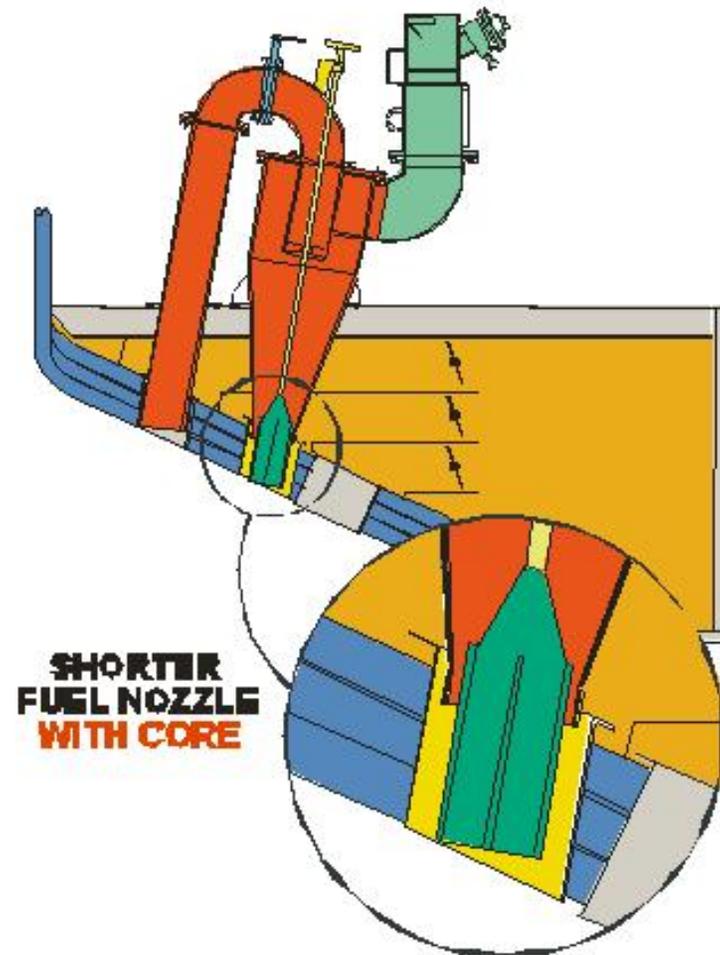
- Fuel preheat nozzle
- Cyclone burner vent-to-OFA

# Fuel Preheat Nozzle

ARCH FIRED BURNER

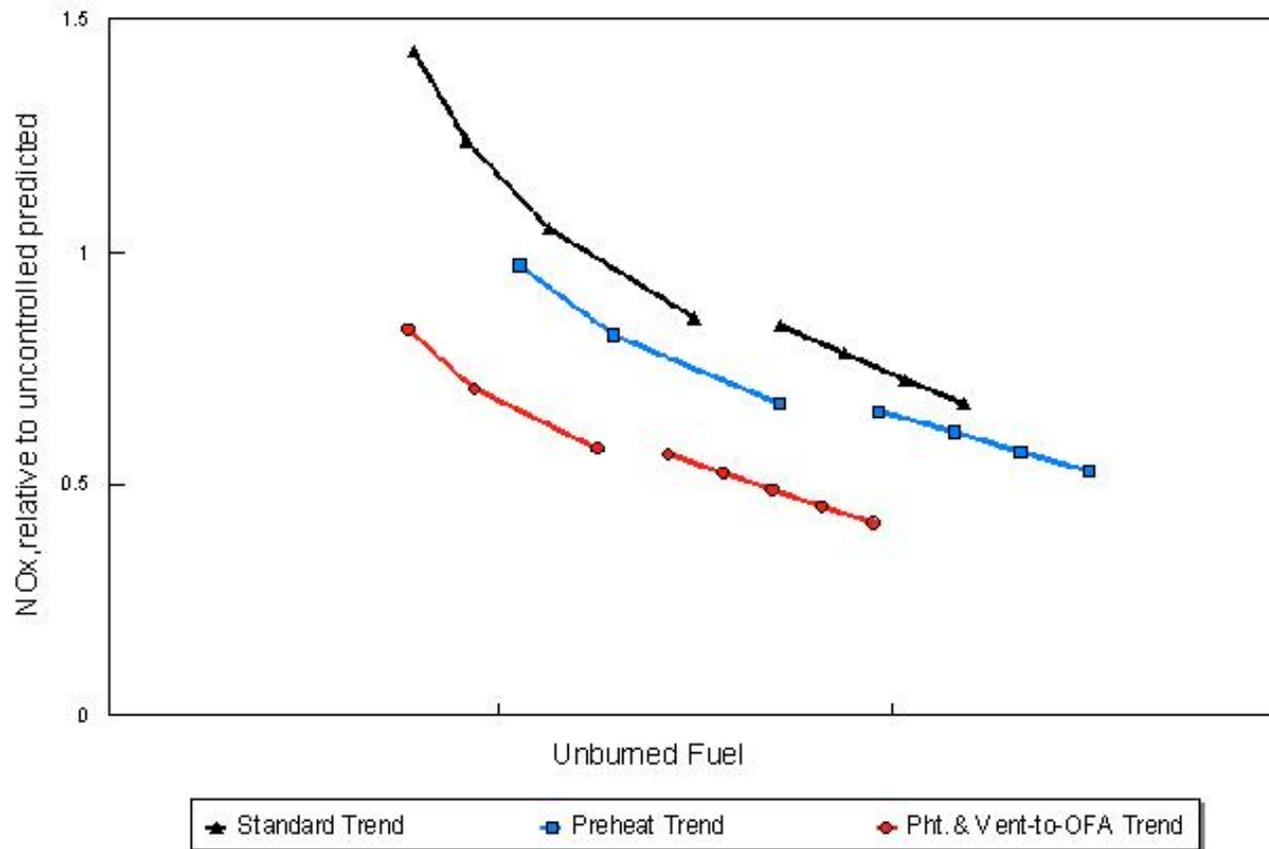


ARCH FIRED BURNER  
**WITH FUEL PREHEATING**



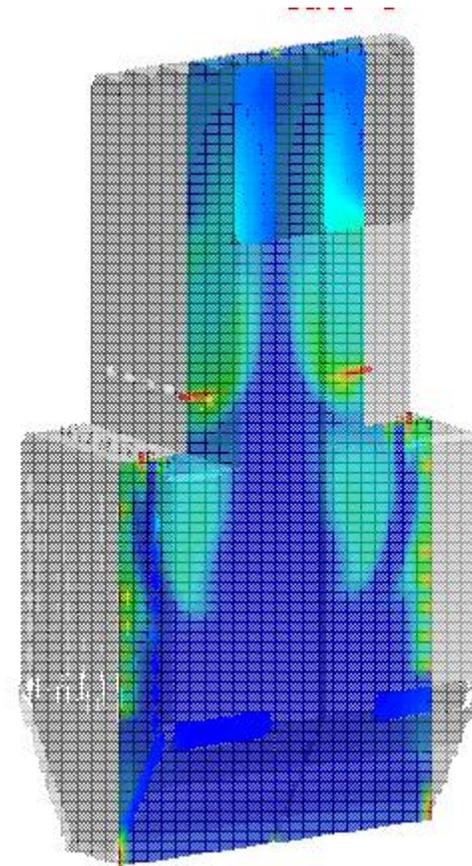
# RESULTS: 22 MW<sub>th</sub> Test Plant NO<sub>x</sub> vs. Unburned

FW Arch Fired CETF  
13% Volatiles Kocher & Somerset, PA Blend



# Reference: Sunbury 1 & 2

- ◆ 2 x 100 MW<sub>e</sub> 2002  
Retrofit
- ◆ NO<sub>x</sub> with 7% VM  
Anthracite :  
Initial ~ 1200 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>



# Sunbury 1 & 2 Low NO<sub>x</sub> Retrofit

## Major modifications examples

- Preheat Nozzle (overhead view with Core extracted) =>



- OFA new ports =>



- Vents rerouting =>



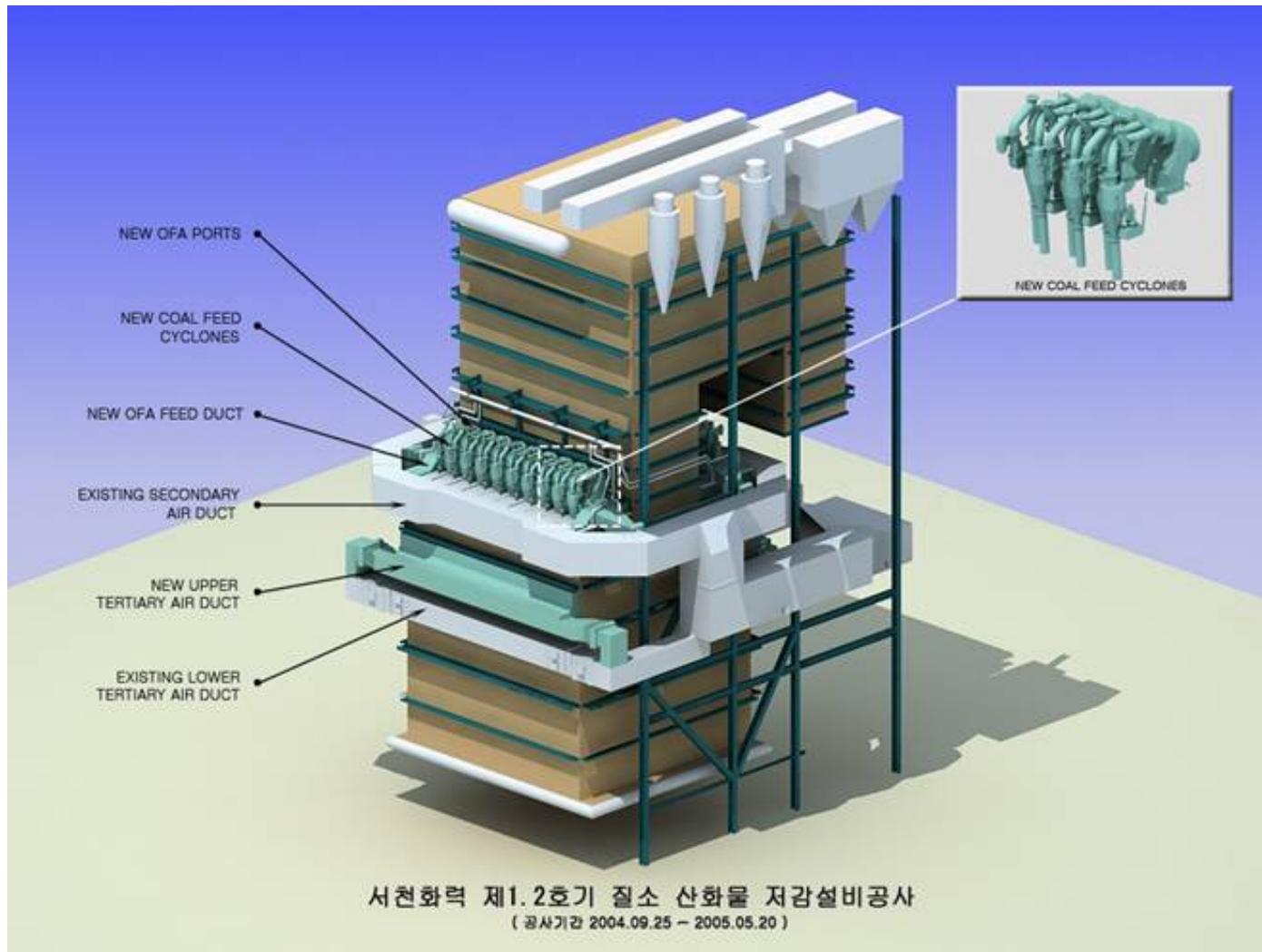
# Sunbury 1 & 2 Low NO<sub>x</sub> Retrofit

## Major modifications examples



- 2 x 100 MW<sub>e</sub> 2002 Retrofit
- NO<sub>x</sub> with 7% VM Anthracite :
  - Initial ~ 1200 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>
  - Guaranteed ~ 510 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>
  - Min. Actual ~ 250 mg/Nm
- NO<sub>x</sub> with 18% VM Anthracite:
  - Min. Actual <200 mg/Nm

# Seocheon 1 & 2 Modifications



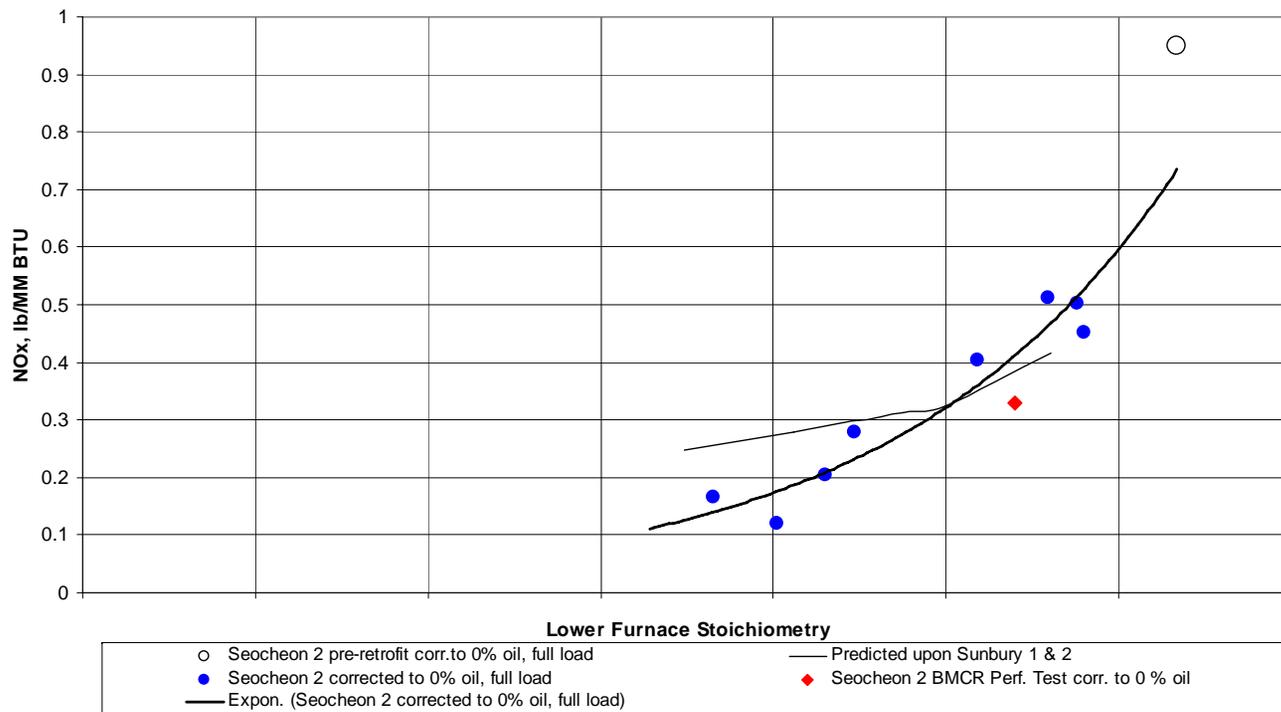
# Seocheon 1 & 2 Low NO<sub>x</sub> Retrofit

## Major modifications: New Cyclone Burners & Vent to OFA



# Results: Seoccheon 2 NO<sub>x</sub>

Seoccheon Advanced Arch Fired FW Retrofit  
 NO<sub>x</sub> Prediction for Coal upon Sunbury 1 & 2 Tests and Seoccheon 2 Preliminary & Performance Tests



**Guaranteed NO<sub>x</sub> ~ 0.43 lb/MM BTU (~510 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>) with this <5% VM coal.**

# Seocheon 1 & 2, Korea



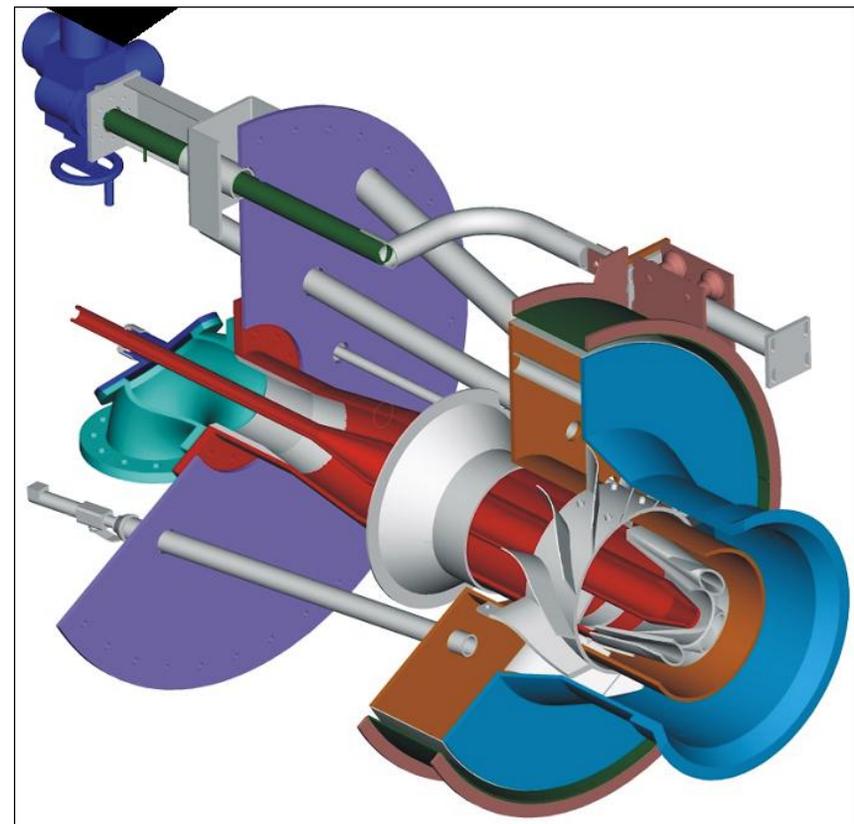
- 2 x 200 MWe 2004/5 Retrofit
- OEM: Others
- NOx with <5% VM Anthracite :
  - Initial ~ 1000 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>
  - Guaranteed ~ 510 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>
  - Performance Test ~ 380 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>
  - Min. Actual ~ 150 mg/Nm

# Wall-fired Burner

Vortex Series / Split Flame Burner

# Wall-Fired VS/SF Low NOx Burner

- More than 41,000 MW experience since 1979
- Entire Range of Fuels from Anthracite to Lignites
- 50 to 300 MBtu/h
- Dual register for air staging
- Split Flame nozzle for improved ignition and fuel staging
- Co-firing of opportunity fuels
- Oil or gas guns



# Vortex Series Low NOx Burner Swirler Adjustment

Efficient Swirl Generation with ONE Moving Part



Fully Retracted Vanes  
 - Minimum Swirl  
 - High Bypass Flow

Partially Inserted Vanes  
 - Moderate Swirl  
 - Low Bypass Flow

Inserted Vanes  
 - Maximum Swirl  
 - No Bypass Flow

# Benefits of the Split Flame Nozzle and Inner Barrel Sliding Tip

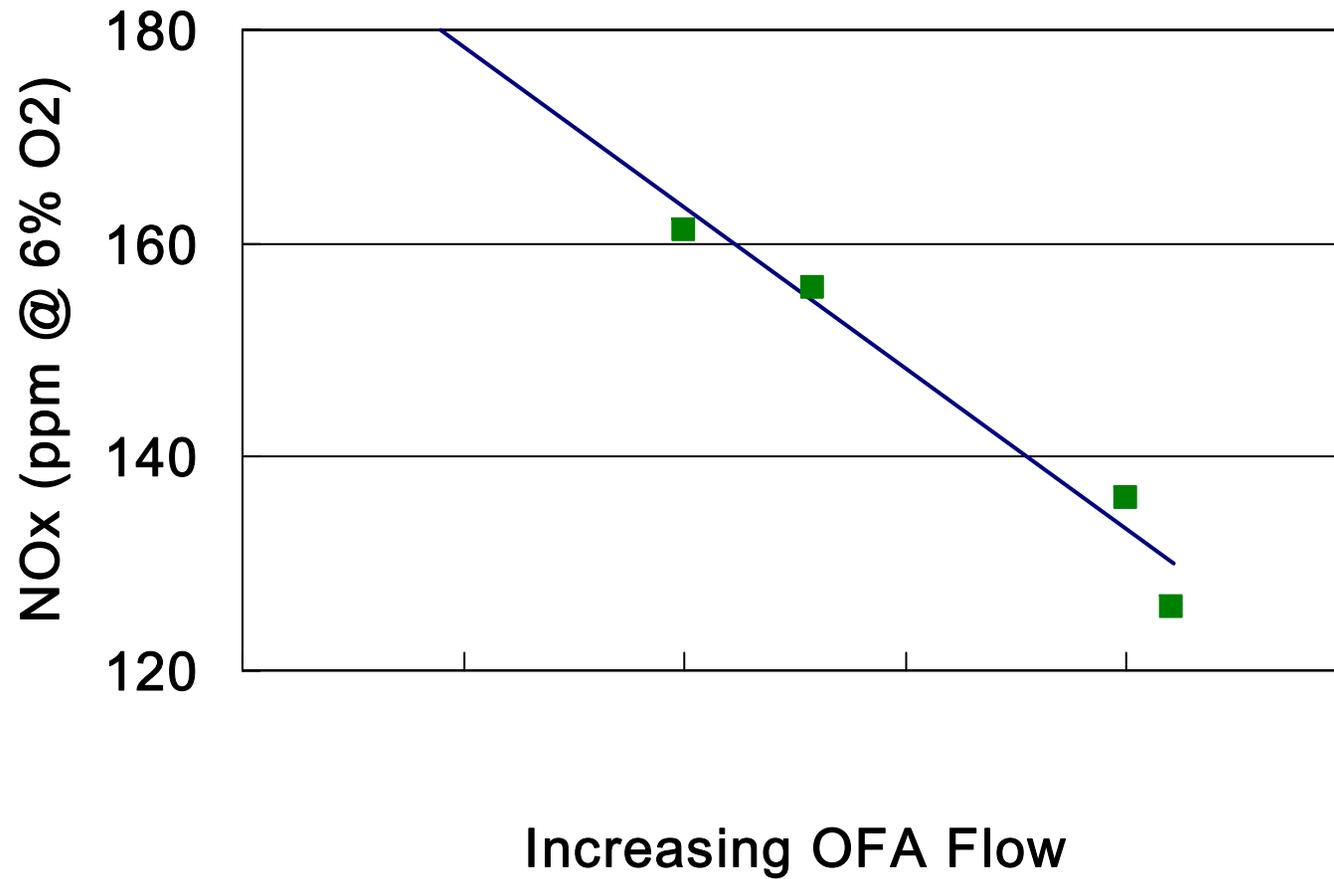


- Separates coal and primary air internally for NOx reduction
- Provides adjustable outlet velocity for better matching to register secondary air flow
- Replaces the coal impeller/spreader for better flame shaping capability

# Retrofit Example: Wall-Fired

- Formosa Petrochemical Corporation
- 500 t/h, 130 ata, 541C boiler
- 8 front wall VS/SF burners with 2 columns & 4 rows
- OFA: 4 @ FW and 3 @ RW
- Bituminous coal from mainland China and Australia (FC/VM = 2.0)

# FPCC Retrofit Results



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- NOx reduction of 75%
- NOx 126 ppm @ 6% O2 achieved

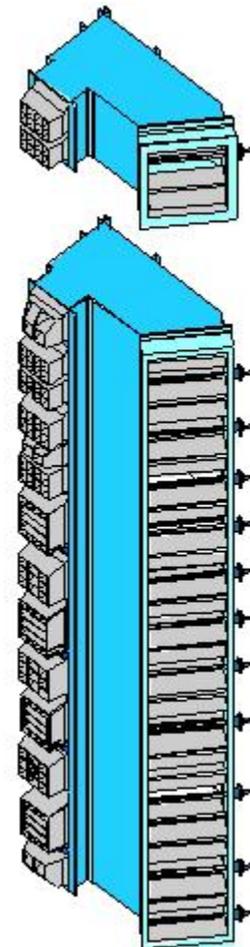


# **TLN3 Burners and ECT / CADM**

**For Tangential Fired Boilers**

# FW TLN3 technology

	Utility	Unit	(MWg)	Line	Coal	System
1	MIRANT	Dickerson 1,2&3	190	2003-04	Bit	TLN3
2	Duke Energy	Riverbend 7	150	2004	Bit.	TLN3**
3	Allegheny Power	Albright	180	2003	Bit	TLN3**
4	DYNEGY	Hennipin	200	2003	PRB	TLN2
5	Duke Energy	Lee 2	100	2003	Bit.	TLN2
6	Duke Energy	Dan River 3	140	2003	Bit.	TLN2
7	Duke Energy	Allen 2	175	2003	Bit.	TLN3**
8	Duke Energy	Allen 5	280	2003	Bit.	TLN3**
9	CPS of San Antonio	Deely 1&2	405	2002	PRB	TLN3
10	Duke Energy	Riverbend 6	100	2003	Bit.	TLN3**
11	Duke Energy	Lee 1	100	2002	Bit.	TLN 2
12	Duke Energy	Riverbend 4	100	2002	Bit.	TLN3**
13	<b>Allegheny Power</b>	<b>Mitchell 33</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>Bit.</b>	<b>TLN 3 w/ ECT &amp; CADM</b>
14	Duke Energy	Riverbend 5	140	2003	Bit.	TLN3**
15	<b>TMPA</b>	<b>Gibbons Creek</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>PRB</b>	<b>TLN 3 w/ ECT &amp; CADM</b>
16	Dynergy	Wood River 4	100	2002	PRB	TLN 2
17	Dynergy	Wood River 5	370	2002	PRB	TLN 2
18	Duke Energy	Allen 3	280	2002	Bit.	TLN 3 **
19	Reliant Energy	Limestone 1	820	2001	LIG/PRB/Pet Coke	TLN 3 **
20	<b>AEP</b>	<b>Coletto Creek</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>PRB/W. Bit</b>	<b>TLN 3 w/ ECT &amp; CADM</b>
21	Tampa Electric	Big Bend 4	440	2001	Bit.	TLN1
22	Duke Energy	Lee 3	175	2001	Bit.	TLN 3 **
23	Duke Energy	Allen 1	175	2001	Bit.	TLN 3 **
24	Duke Energy	Allen 4	280	2000	Bit.	TLN 3 **
25	Carolina Power & Light	Sutton 1	100	2000	Bit.	TLN 2
26	Reliant Energy	Limestone 2	820	2000	LIG/PRB/Pet Coke	TLN 3
27	Allegheny Power	Fort Martin 1	500	2000	Bit.	TLN 2
28	CPA/UPA	Coal Creek 1	560	1999	LIG	TLN 3
29	CPA/UPA	Coal Creek 2	560	1998	LIG	TLN 3



# TLN3 Advantages

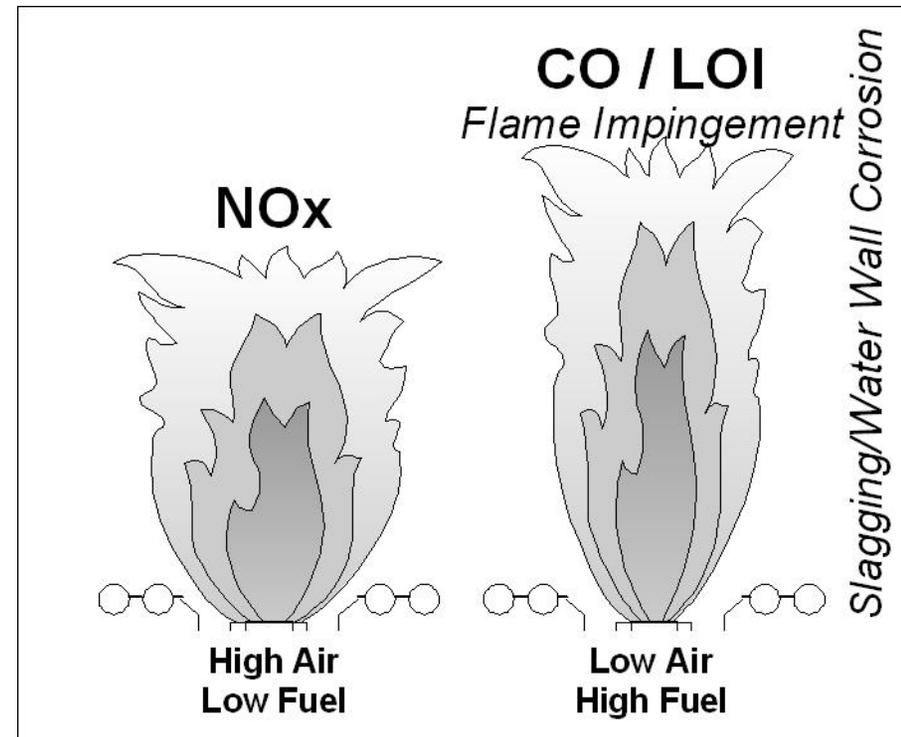
- Lower furnace stoichiometry control (LFSC)
- Vertical furnace air staging
- Air nozzle tips for fireball shaping

# Air and Coal Flow Balancing

Air - coal imbalance at the burners causes either high NO<sub>x</sub> or high CO / LOI (UBC)

**Benefits of Balanced Air and Coal at the Burners:**

- Improve NO<sub>x</sub> emission
- Lower CO & LOI
- Lower slagging
- Margin to lower excess air
  - lower NO<sub>x</sub>
  - less aux power
  - higher efficiency



## Fuel and Air Metering Technologies...

**ECT**  
**E**lectric **C**harge  
**T**ransfer  
**C**oal Flow  
**M**easurement

**CADM**  
**C**ompartment **A**ir  
**D**istribution **M**onitoring



# Electric Charge Transfer

The **ECT** system provides real time, on-line coal flow, particle velocity and coal fineness metering.

**ECT** measures the electric charges present in any two-phase flow application due to relative particle motion.



# ECT Advantages

- Real-time and continuous coal flow distribution
- Coal flow velocity and particle fineness
- Not affected by coal type, moisture, ash content or coal roping
- Computer data processing and analysis
- Can be connected to plant DCS system



## Over 20 ECT Installations

1998	Turku Energia	Finland	Wall Fired Boiler	Turku Station	6	2
1998	Helsinki Energia	Finland	200 MW Tangentially Fired Boiler	Salmisaari	16	4
1998	Helsinki Energia	Finland	150 MW Wall Fired Boiler	Hanasaari	3	1
1998	PP&L, Inc.	USA	120 MW Wall Fired Boiler	Martin's Creek Unit 1	6	1
1999	Powergen	UK	500 MW Tangentially Fired Boiler	Kingsnorth, Unit 3	8	1
1999	South Carolina Electric & Gas	USA	350 MW Wall Fired Boiler	Wateree Unit 2	24	6
1999	Mission Energy	UK	Wall Fired Boiler	Fiddlers Ferry	8	1
2000	Powergen	UK	500 MW Tangentially Fired Boiler	Kingsnorth, Unit 3	40	5
2000	PG&E Generating	USA	250 MW Wall Fired Boiler	Logan Station	12	2
2001	South Carolina Electric & Gas	USA	350 MW Wall Fired Boiler	Wateree Unit 1	24	6
2001	Scottish Power	UK	500 MW Wall Fired Boiler	Longannet 3	32	4
2001	ARF for TVA	USA	950 MW Tangentially Fired Boiler	Bull Run	8	1
2001	American Electric Power	USA	650 MW Tangentially Fired Boiler	Coletto Creek 1	24	6
2001	Western Kentucky Energy	USA	175 MW Wall Fired Boiler	Coleman 2	8	4
2001	CINERGY	USA	150 MW Wall Fired Boiler	Gallagher 4	18	3
2002	TMPA	USA	440 MW Tangentially Fired Boiler	Gibbons Creek	28	7
2002	TECO	USA	200 MW Riley Turbo Boilers	Big Bend 2	40	5
2002	Western Kentucky Energy	USA	500 MW Wall Fired Boiler	DB Wilson	25	5
2002	Allegheny Energy	USA	300 MW Tangentially Fired Boiler	Mitchell 33	40	5
2002	Western Kentucky Energy	USA	175 MW Wall Fired Boiler	Coleman 1	8	4

# Purpose of Using CADM

- Measuring the air flow passing through each wind-box fuel, air and over-fire air compartment
- Control of air biasing based on ECT data
- Realize optimized combustion control

# Compartment Air Distribution Monitoring

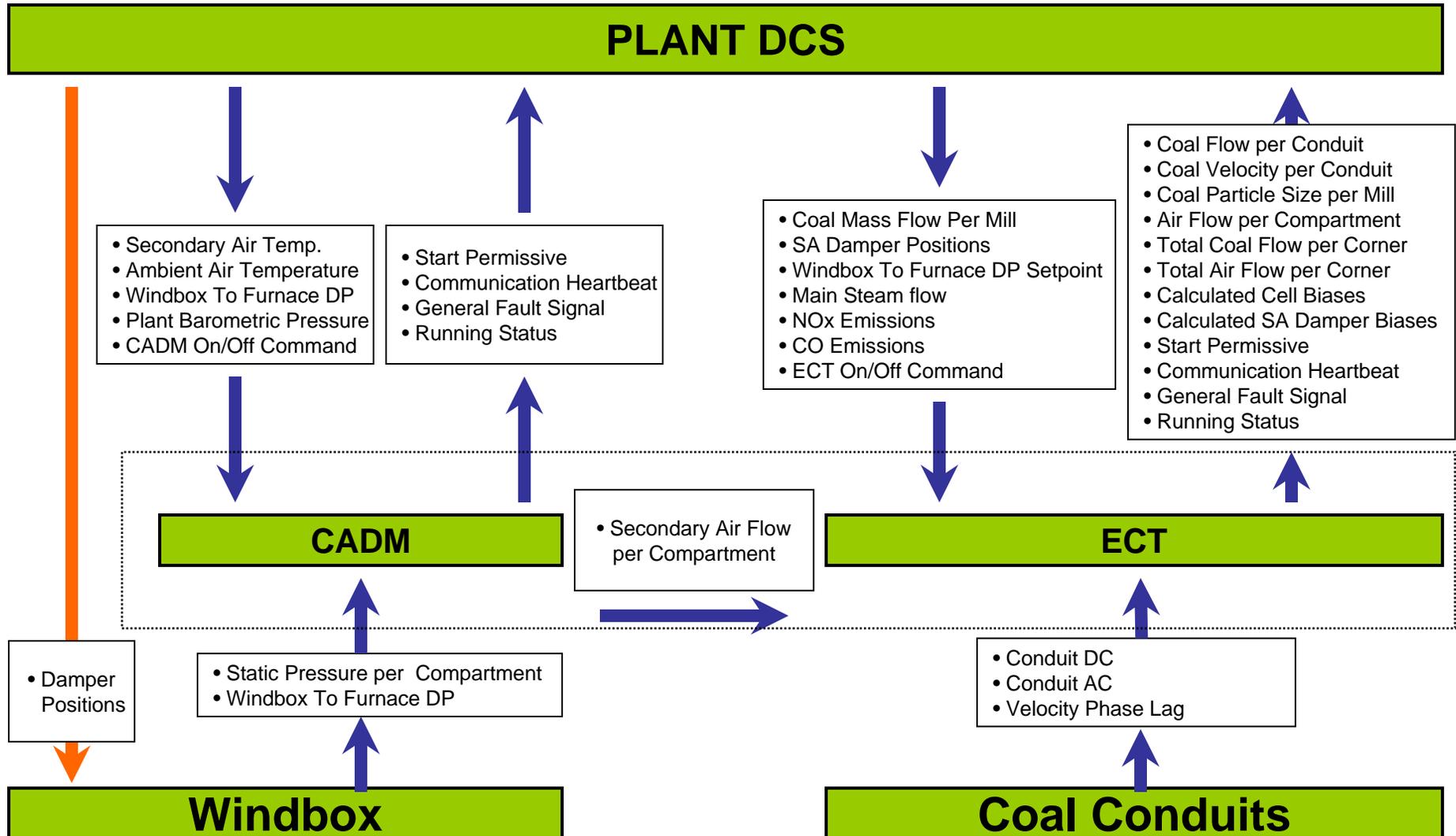
Tangential Fired Windbox Application



- % air distribution through every compartment
- secondary air velocity from every nozzle tip
- secondary air pressure in each compartment
- secondary air mass flow thru each compartment
- full trending & DCS interface



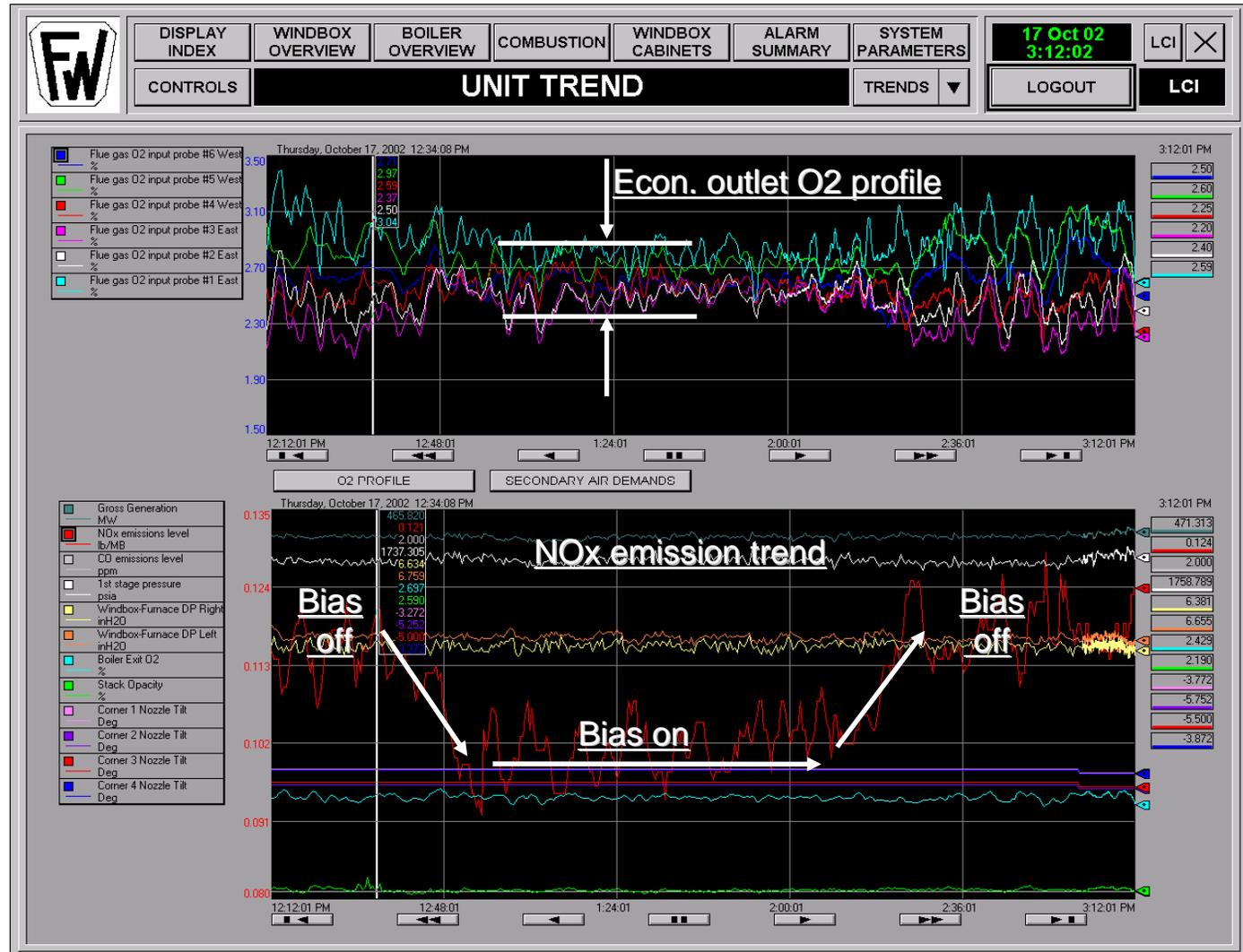
# CADM / ECT Signal Flow Overview



# “Fuel Injected” Results... 8 to 15% NOx reduction

Source:

TMPA, Gibbons Creek  
 Unit: 480 MW T-fired  
 Coal: Codero Rojo PRB



# TLN3 Reference Project

Texas Municipal Power Agency (TMPA)

Gibbons Creek unit, 2002

	Pre-retrofit	Post-retrofit
NOx	0.30-0.37 lb/MBtu	0.085 to 0.110 lb/MBtu
CO	0 to 900 ppm	less than 5 ppm
LOI	0.3%	0.1%

## **FW Low NOx Combustion References**

### **Wall Firing**

**40645 MW Low NOx capacity since 1979**

**113 Low NOx Burner Applications**

**18 Vortex Series Low NOx Burner Jobs**

**55 Overfire Air Installations**

### **Tangential Firing**

**10300 MW Low NOx capacity since 1992**

**35 TLN - Tangential Low NOx Systems**

### **Advanced Technology**

**15 ECT Coal Flow Measurement Systems**

**3 CADM Air Flow Measurement Systems**

# **FW NOx Post-Treatment Technology ----- SCR**

# **FOSTER WHEELER'S PROVEN SCR TECHNOLOGY**

- **FW is the most experienced US SCR supplier and one of the most experienced SCR suppliers in the world**
- **Originally FW's SCR technology was licensed from IHI (Ishikawajima-Harima Heavy Industries-Japan)**
- **Over 20 years experience. First SCR in 1982.**
- **FW was the first to design and install SCR on a Coal fired Unit in the USA in 1994.**
- **Over 100 Installations designed by FW for wide range of Fuels and Process Conditions.**

## HOW DOES AN SCR WORK?

An SCR uses ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) to convert NO<sub>x</sub> into harmless elemental nitrogen (N<sub>2</sub>) and water vapor (H<sub>2</sub>O)



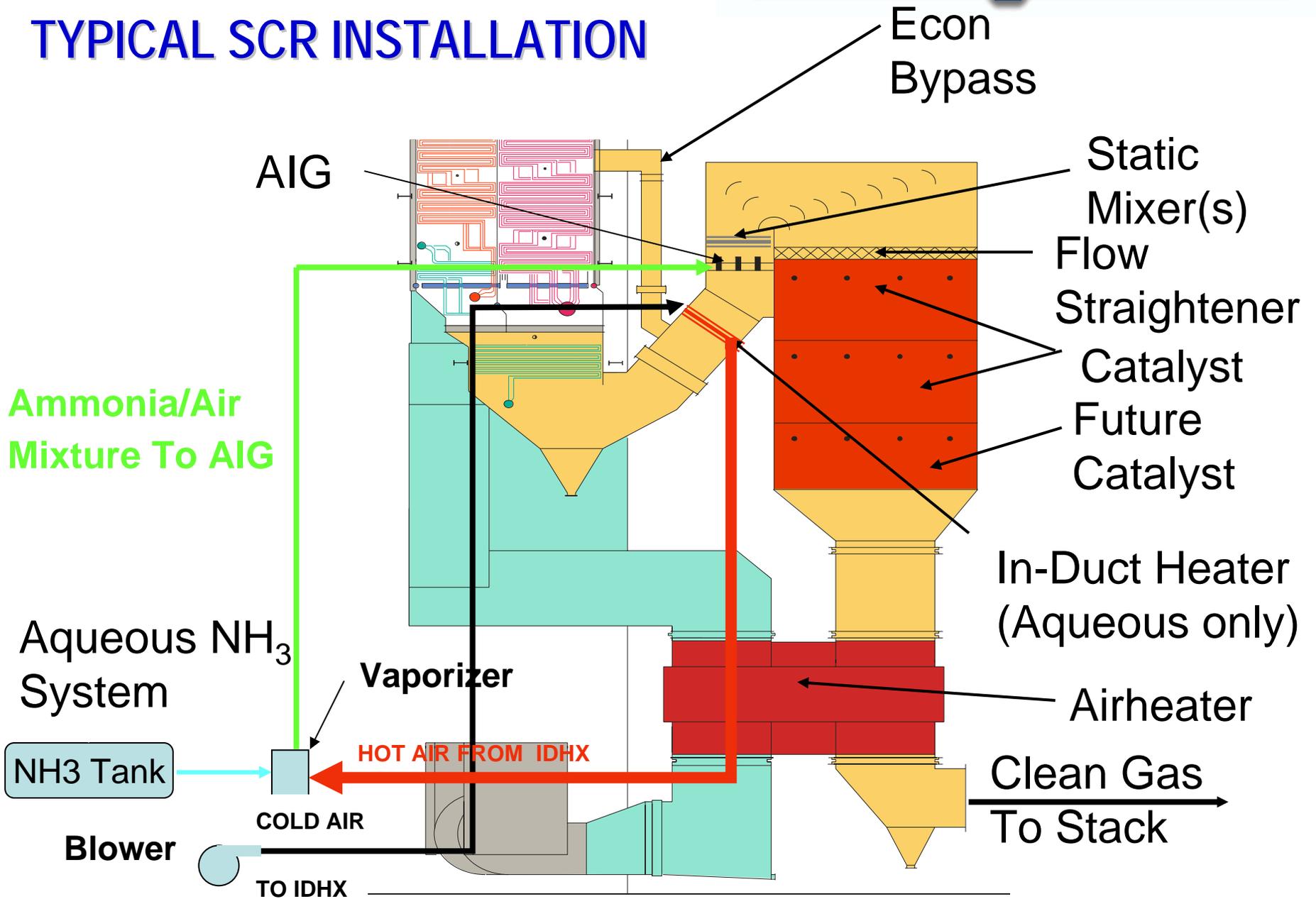
NOTE: THESE REACTIONS WILL PROCEED WITHOUT A CATALYST AT ~1500°F (SNCR) BUT A CATALYST IS REQUIRED TO DRIVE THE REACTION AT 700°F

# THE LONGEST AND MOST COAL FIRED SCR **EXPERIENCE** IN THE US

UNIT	SIZE MW	START Mo/Yr	DeNOx %
Carney's Pt	2x130	Mar-94	63
Logan	225	Sep-94	63
Indiantown	330	Dec-95	50
CP&L Rox. 4	2x350	Jun-01	79
AES Cayuga	160	Jun-01	90
CP&L Rox. 1	385	Jun-02	84
CP&L Rox. 3	760	Jun-03	81
CP&L Mayo	2x350	Jun-04	79
Petersburg	460+540	Jun-04	90
Muskingum River	600	Apr-05	90

OVER 30 OPERATING YEARS OF COAL FIRED EXPERIENCE!

# TYPICAL SCR INSTALLATION



# FLOW MODELING

Flow modeling assures optimum SCR performance

- Optimize Turning vanes and flow distribution devices
- AIG and Mixer Design
- Ash layout (Even for low dust applications)
- Effects on Airheater and/or ESP performance
- Minimize Pressure Drop

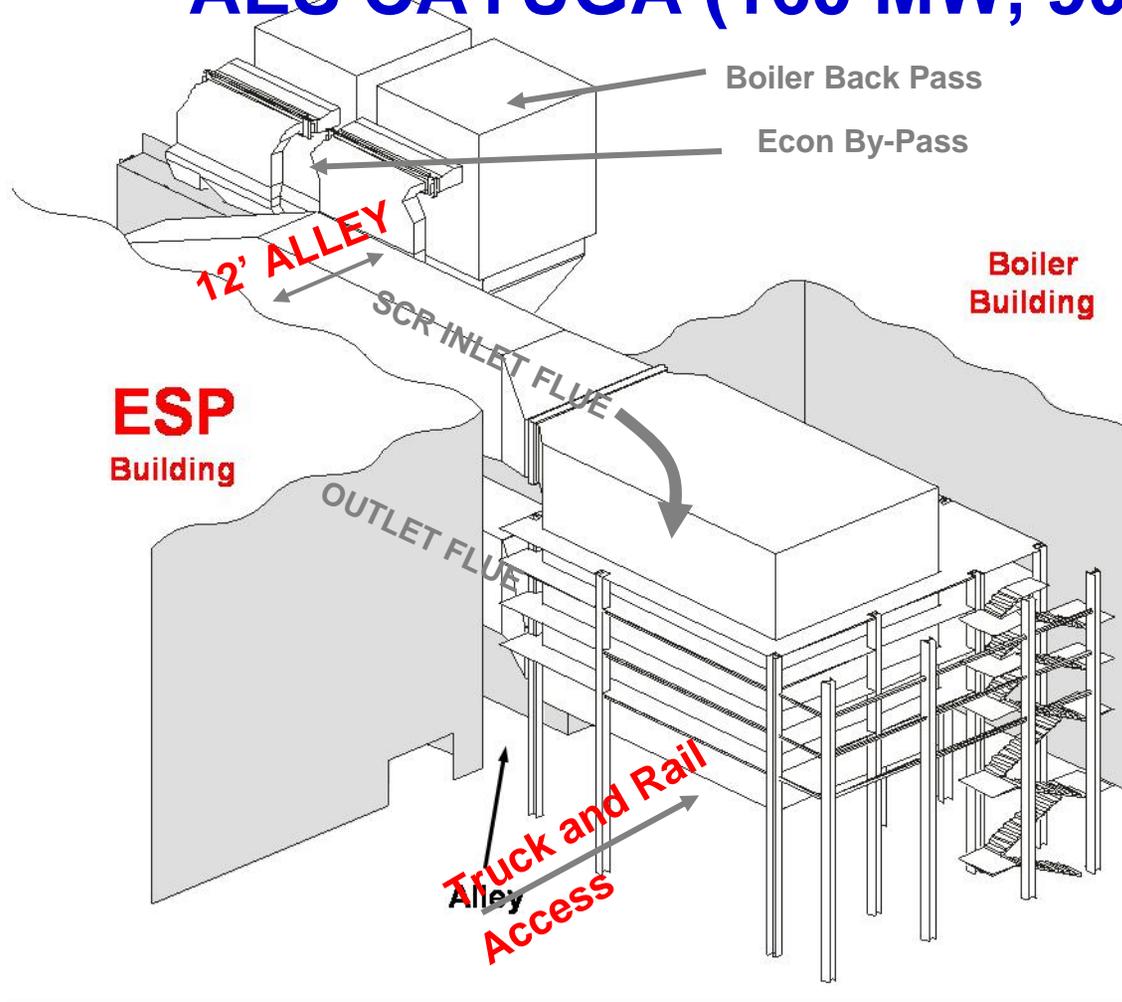


# FW SCR TECHNOLOGY

- **FW Has Advanced “The State of the Art” in SCR technology**
  - In Duct Heat Exchanger for Aqueous NH<sub>3</sub> Vaporization (US Patented 5296206)
  - Feed-forward/feed-back control logic (US Patent 5047220)
  - Simplified catalyst loading/unloading system
  - Integrated AIG/Mixer design
  - Lay-up system for catalyst protection
  - Economizer Bypass for low load operation
  - Proven FW Aqueous Ammonia Vaporizer design

# PROVEN SUCCESS WITH COMPLEX RETROFIT PROJECTS

## AES CAYUGA (160 MW, 90% Removal)



# Summary

- FW's extensive experiences on low NOx burner technologies:
  - arch-fired
  - wall-fired
  - tangential-fired

Retrofit for low-NOx emissions on various types of boilers by any OEM.

# Summary

- **FW's high-tech ECT/CADM technology**
  - **Coal / air flow measurement**
  - **Optimized combustion control**
  - **Combined with FW's low-NOx burners for combustion system retrofit**

# Summary

- FW's proven SCR technology:
  - Post-Treatment: convert NO<sub>x</sub> to N<sub>2</sub>
  - Further reduce NO<sub>x</sub> emission after combustion modification
- Low NO<sub>x</sub> burners + SCR = solution for economically NO<sub>x</sub> abatement measure