

CASE STUDY: BOILER CONDENSING ECONOMIZER

SYSTEM TYPE: Boilers

PROJECT FINANCIALS

 Total Turnkey Installed Cost: \$ 317,000

 Annual Energy Cost Savings: \$118,000

 Simple Energy Funded Capital Payback: 2.7 years

Average Project IRR: 36%

 CO2 Equivalent Reduction: 848 tCO2e (Natl. Avg. Emission Rate) MANUFACTURING Facility Optimizes Boiler Operation and Controls, Reduces Energy Usage and O & M Costs.

System Description

- Two 500 HP natural gas fired steam boilers.
- Summer operation requires one boiler, winter operation requires two boilers to be operating.
- Process uses steam for heating and for some direct injection.
- Building hot water heating is provided by steam to hot water heat exchangers.

System Opportunities

- Optimization of the boiler sequencing and operation
- Installation of condensing economizer in boiler flue gas exhaust to recover heat
- Interface with Building Automation System for better system control

Project Description

- Installed new digital controls on boilers to provide optimized control and sequencing and interface to BAS.
- Installed new fully condensing boiler economizer to recover flue gas heat along with associated pumping equipment.
- Installed new heat exchanger to heat cold DI water and generate hot DI water.
- Implemented now heat exchanger to preheat supply water to RO system.

Project Benefits

- New more efficient boiler controls and heat recovery equipment.
- Optimized and more efficient operation of the boiler operation.
- Reduction in energy usage.
- Reduction in O&M costs and better overall operation of the boiler system.

Plant Profile

- Manufacturing
- Production, packaging, warehouse, and offices
- Facility utilizes a central plant to provide steam and hot water for process heating and building heating

Key Benefits

Cost Savings	\$118,000
Energy Savings	848 tCO2e (Natl. Avg. Emission Rate)
Carbon Reductions	848 tCO2e (Natl. Avg. Emission Rate)
Fuel Type	Natural Gas
Payback	2.7 Years
Project IRR	36%

Financial Data

Investment	\$317,000
System	Boilers
Life Expectancy	N/A
Incentives/Rebates	N/A
Payback Period	2.7 Years



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