

#### Water Reduction

#### GE Power & Water Water & Process Technologies

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# Company Overview

- Water Purification Technology
  - Filters
  - RO Equipment
  - Elements
  - Membranes
- Diverse Application
  - Industrial
  - Commercial
  - Municipal



# Motivations for Change: Financial

For 2011

Total Usage: 60.7 million gallons

#### **Total Cost:**

- City Water: \$ 136,000 (~\$1.91/1000 gallon)
- City Sewer: \$88,400 (\$3.10/1000 gallon)
- Strength Charge: \$40,000
- SAC Capacity: \$56,000

# Motivations for Change: Environmental



- Non-contact cooling water is directly discharged to pond
- Ecomagination
- Site is a water business!

#### Approach

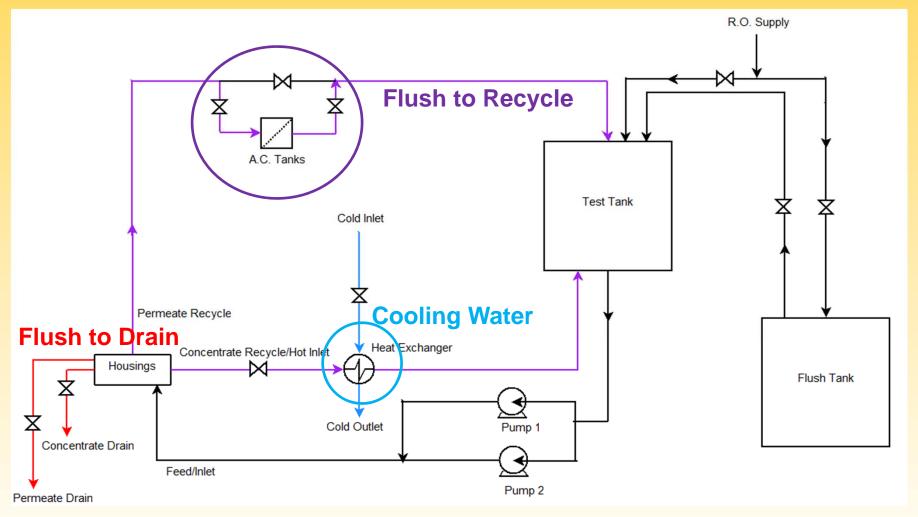
- Identify high volume use areas
- Determine low risk areas
- Assess resolution of preexisting data
- Establish available resources
- Investigate previous water reduction projects

### **Determining Opportunities**

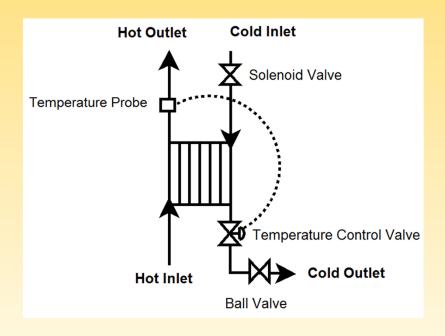
- Research
- Observe/Interact
- Measure
- Discuss



# Element Testing: Overview



#### Element Testing: Cooling Water



- Opportunities
  - Controls
  - Available alternatives
- Solutions
  - Eliminate single-pass system
  - Utilize chiller capacity
  - Provide automated control

# Element Testing: Flush Cycles

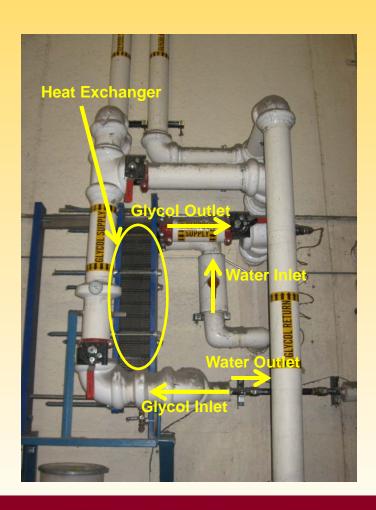
- Opportunities
  - Protocol/Documentation
  - Operation
- Solutions
  - Implement process control
  - Promote awareness
  - Update database



### Identified Savings

Recommendations	Water savings (gpy)	Annual Savings	Capacity Savings
Chiller Tie-in	1,900,000	\$4,000	N/A
Flush Cycle Control: Two Test Machines	3,200,000	\$17,000	\$ 223,000
Flush Cycle Control: Other Test Machines	2,100,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 144,000
Total	7,200,000	\$33,000	\$367,000

#### Trim Cooler



- Operates 24/7 (Summer)
- Uses 4.9 million gpy
   (8 % Total Water Intake)
- Costs \$ 10,000 annually (Water fees)

# Trim Cooler (con't)

- Opportunities
  - Responsible for 50 % increase in cooling water during summer
  - Need a system that can handle future additions
- Recommended Solutions
  - Refine set points of system
  - Improve controls
  - Replace with closed-loop chilling system

#### Personal Benefits

- Hands-on Experience
- Teamwork and Coordination
- Corporate Atmosphere
- Technical Knowledge
- Environmental Perspectives
- Cost Analysis

#### Questions?