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EFFECTS OF POOR AIR HEATER PERFORMANCE



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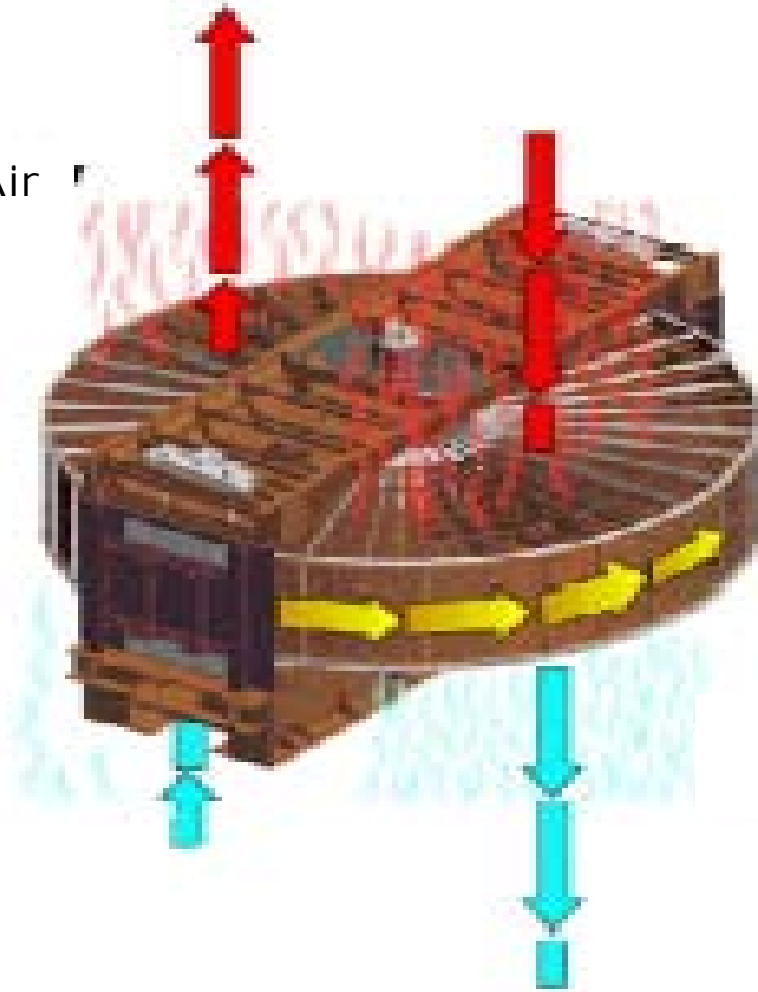
- AIR HEATER 101
- WHAT AFFECTS AH PERFORMANCE?
- WHAT THE AIR HEATER AFFECTS
- AIR HEATER LEAKAGE
- ABS BUILDUP AND ITS EFFECTS
- ADDRESSING ABS PROBLEMS
- AIR HEATERS AND ESP'S

Combustion Air
(to boiler)
620°F

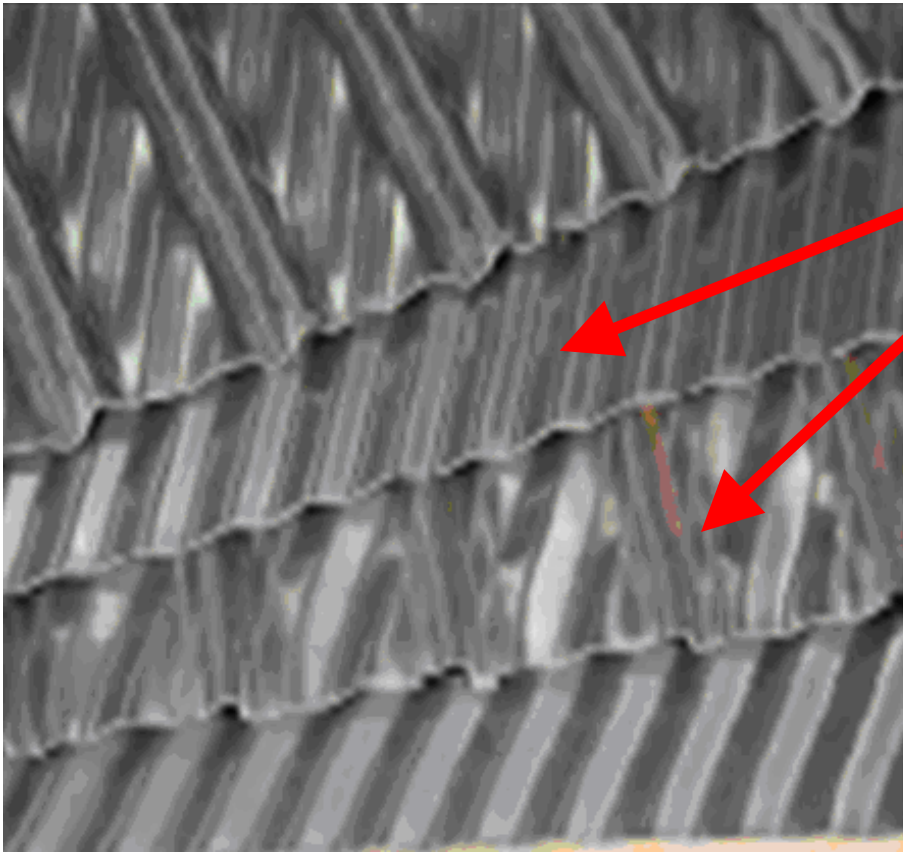
Flue Gas
(from boiler)
700°F

Inlet Air
100°F

to Stack
290°F

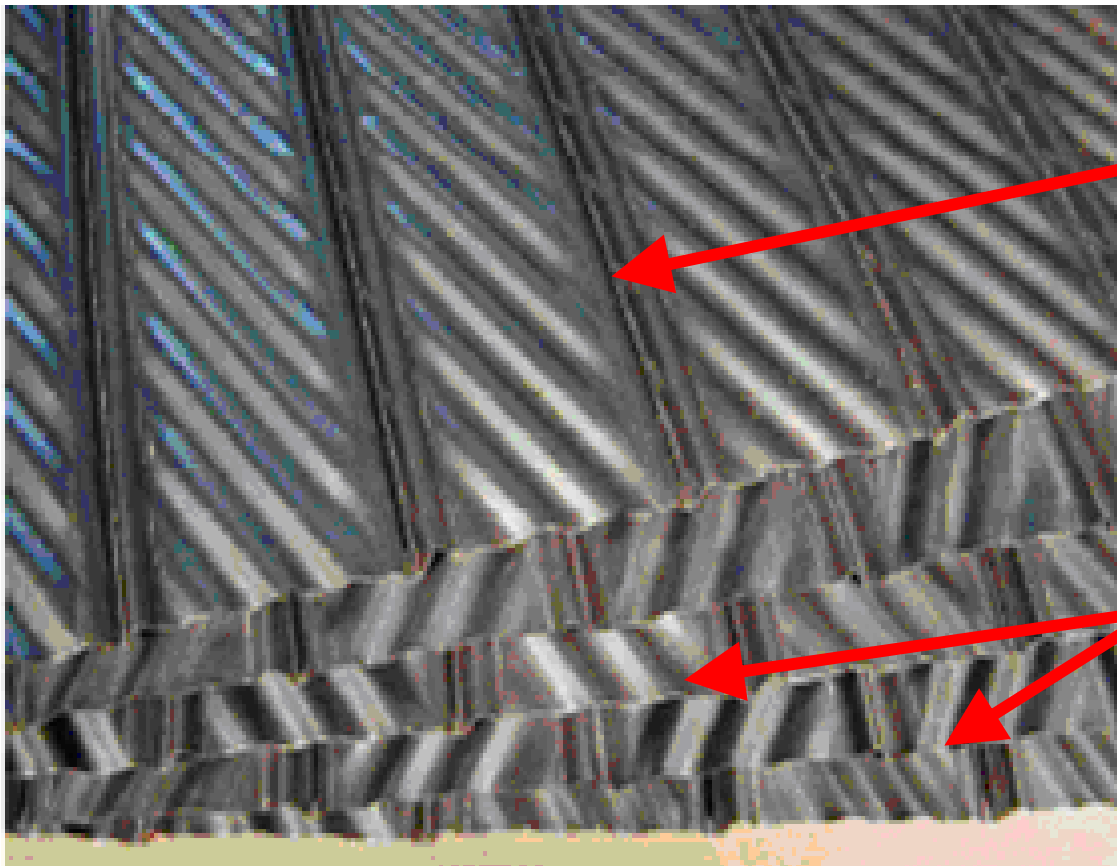


Original DU Element



**Undulations
in Same Direction**

New DU 7 Element Substitute for DL



**Deeper
Notches**

**Undulations
Opposite
Directions**

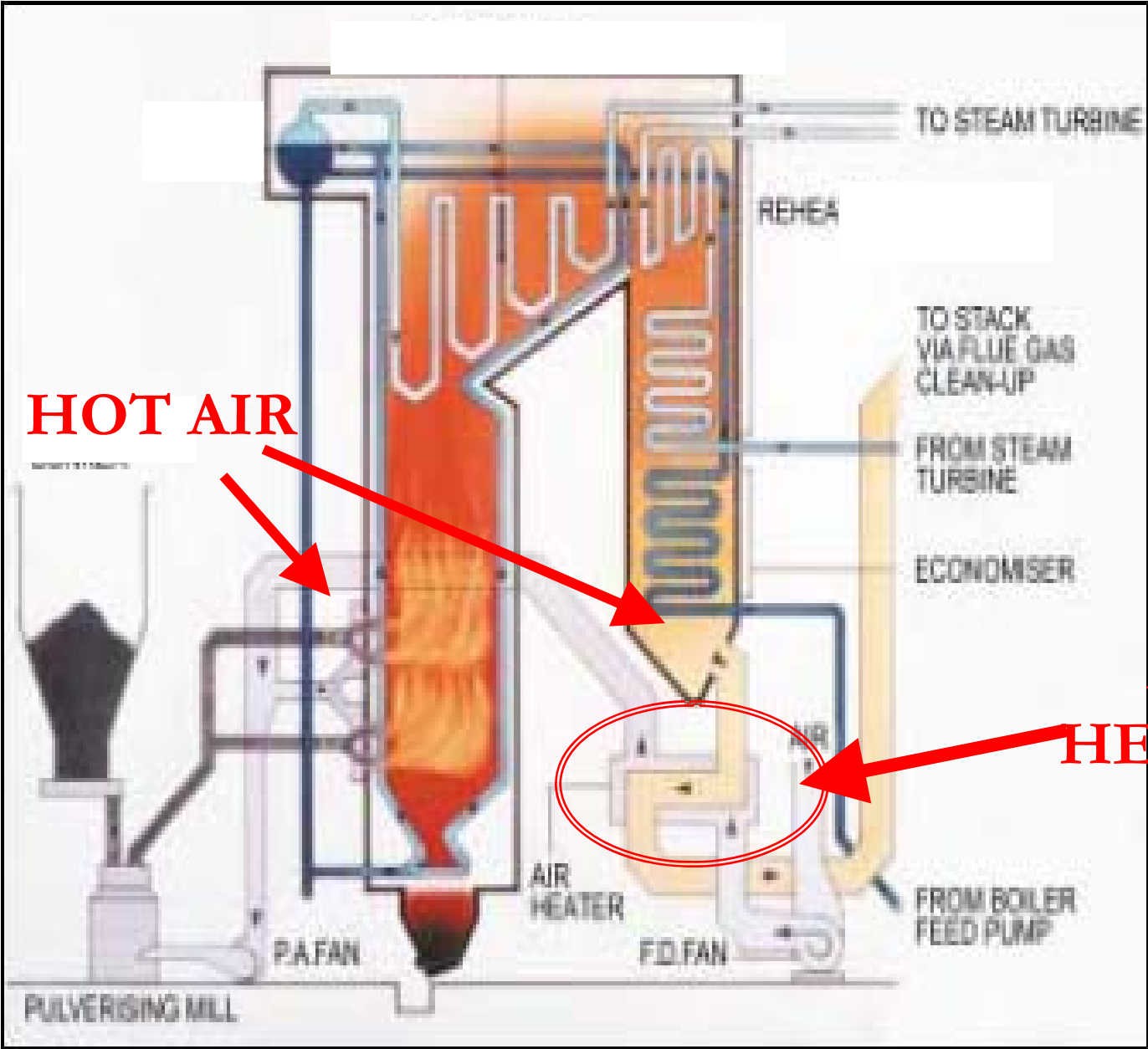
**ELECTRIC
POWER™**

STANDARD



ABS STYLE





Effects of Leakage

- Degrades APC Performance
- Poor Coal Drying - PRB Coal
- Mill Fires, Explosions
- Low Fan Capacity –Load Limits
- Added Station Load for Fans

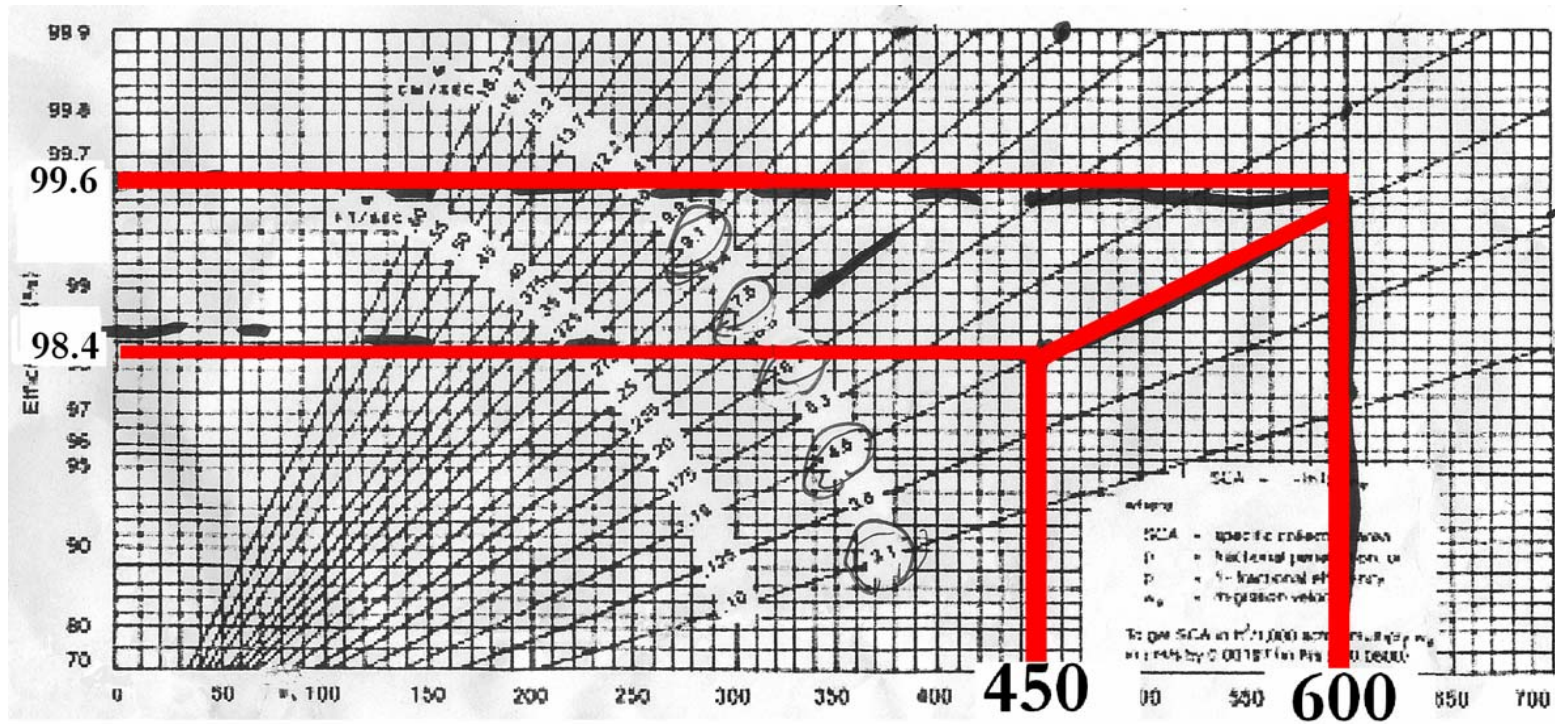
Effects of Air Heater Fouling

- Increased NOX Production
- Increased Desuperheater Spray
- Poor Flame Stability
- Increased Heat Rate
- Increased LOI

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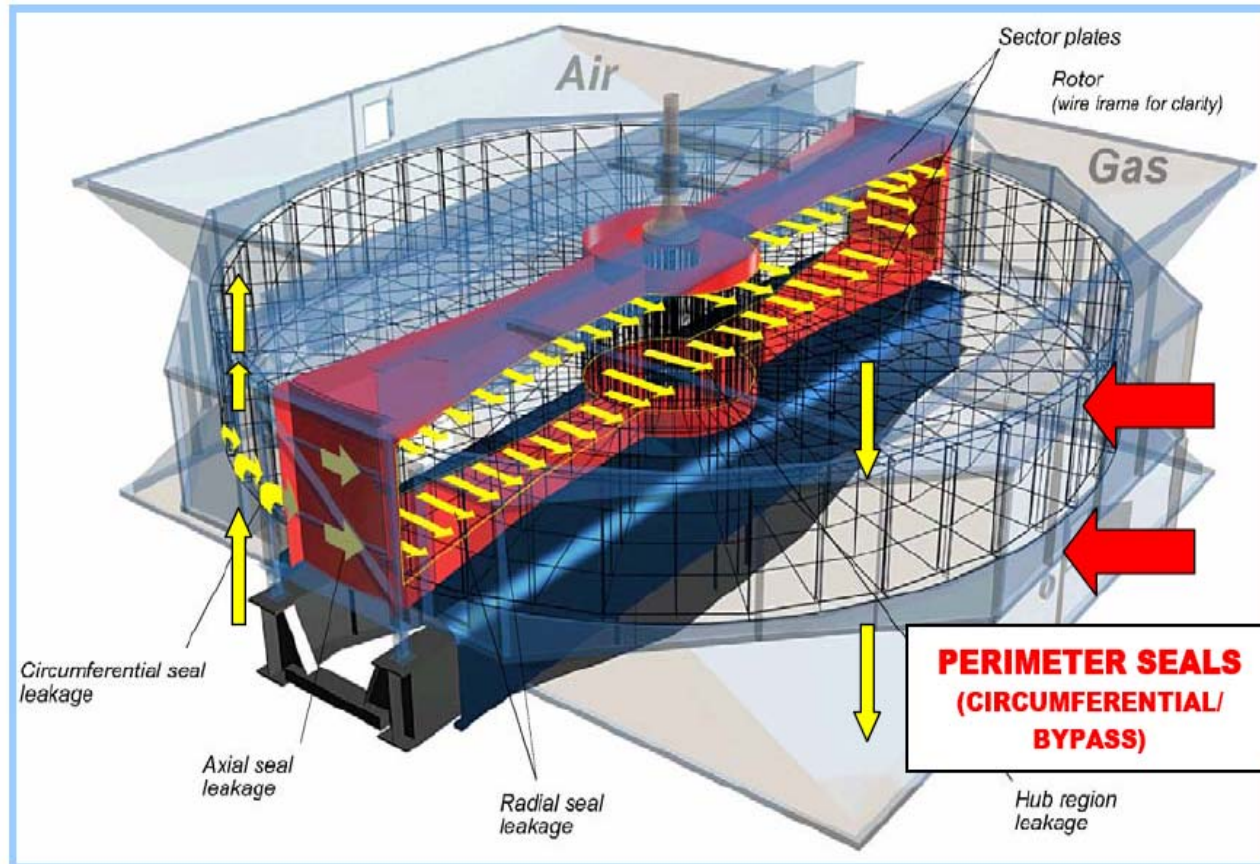
Effects of Leakage on ESP Performance



ABS Build-up at Precipitator Inlet



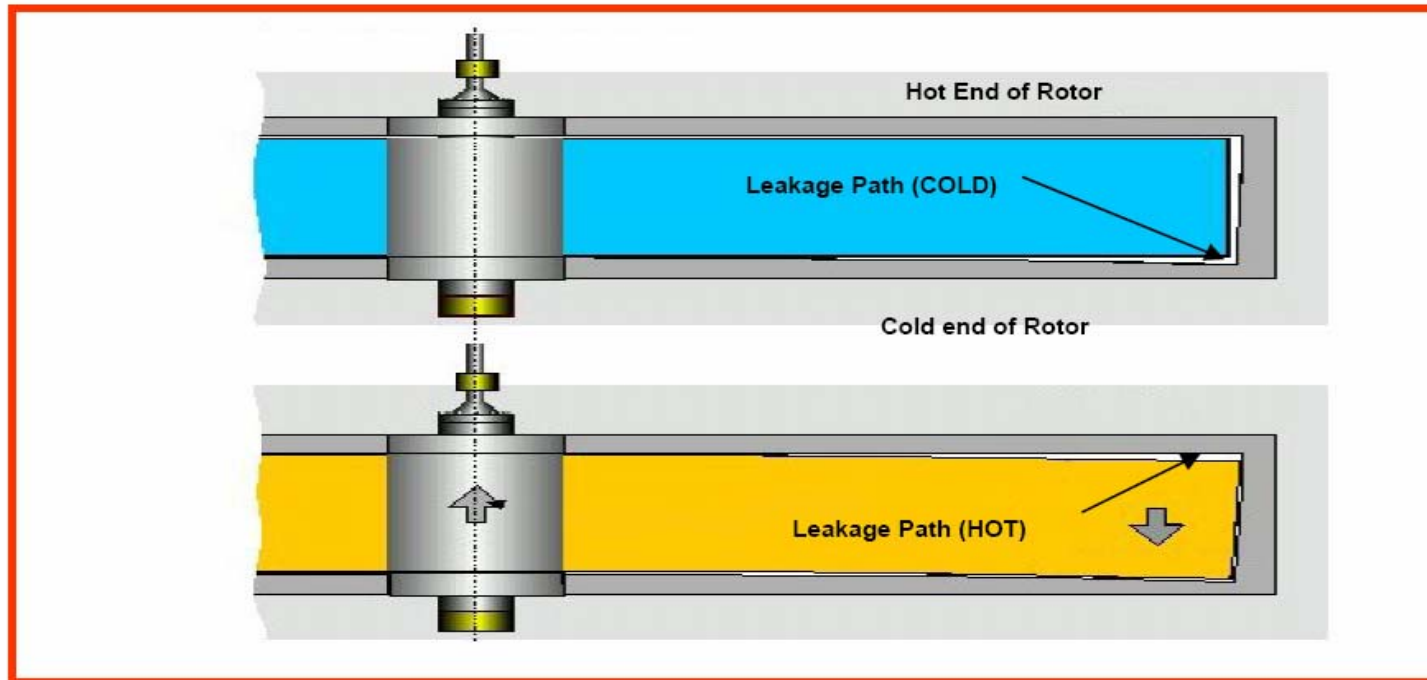
What is leakage ?



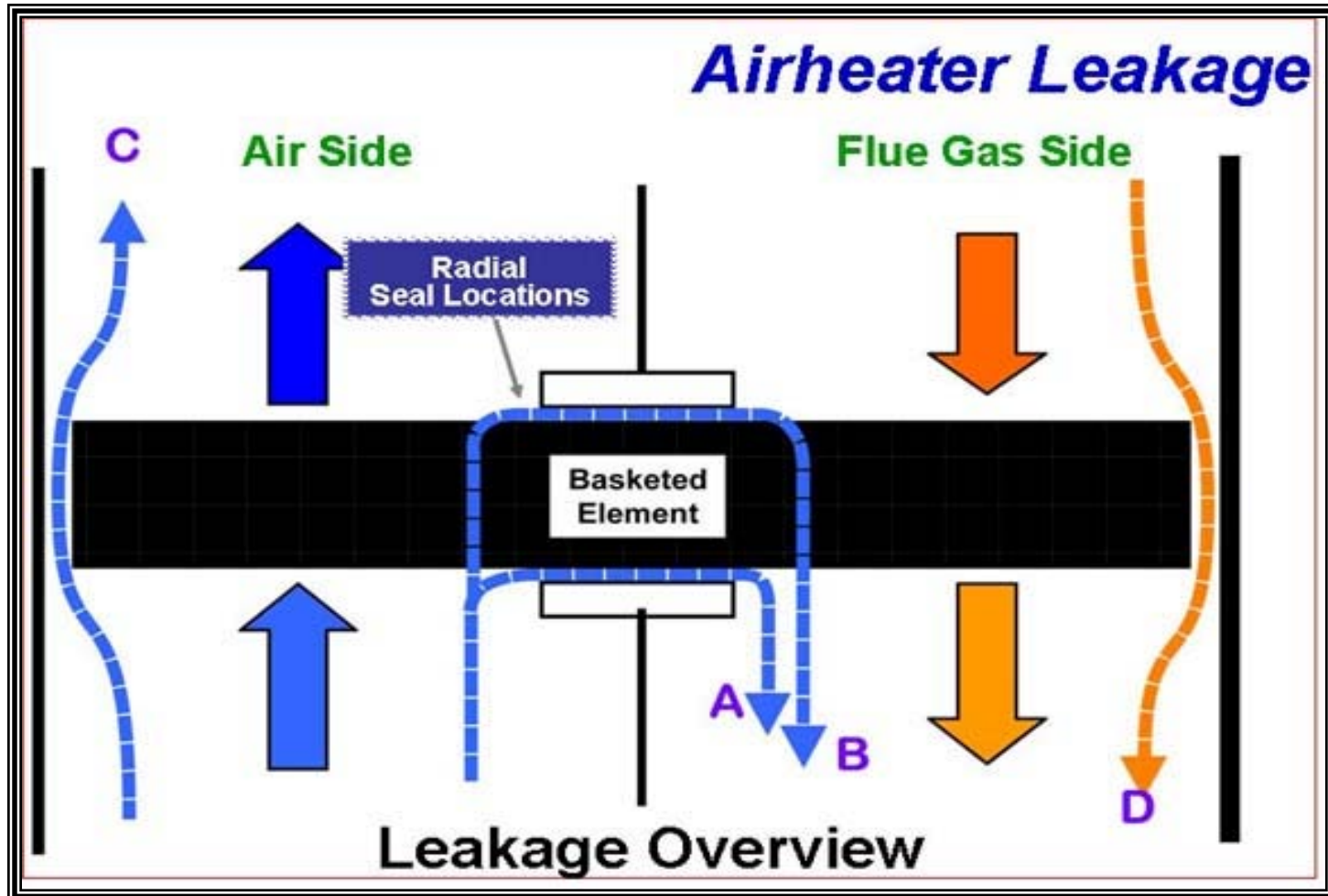
APPENDIX 1
FIGURE 1

Thermal Turndown

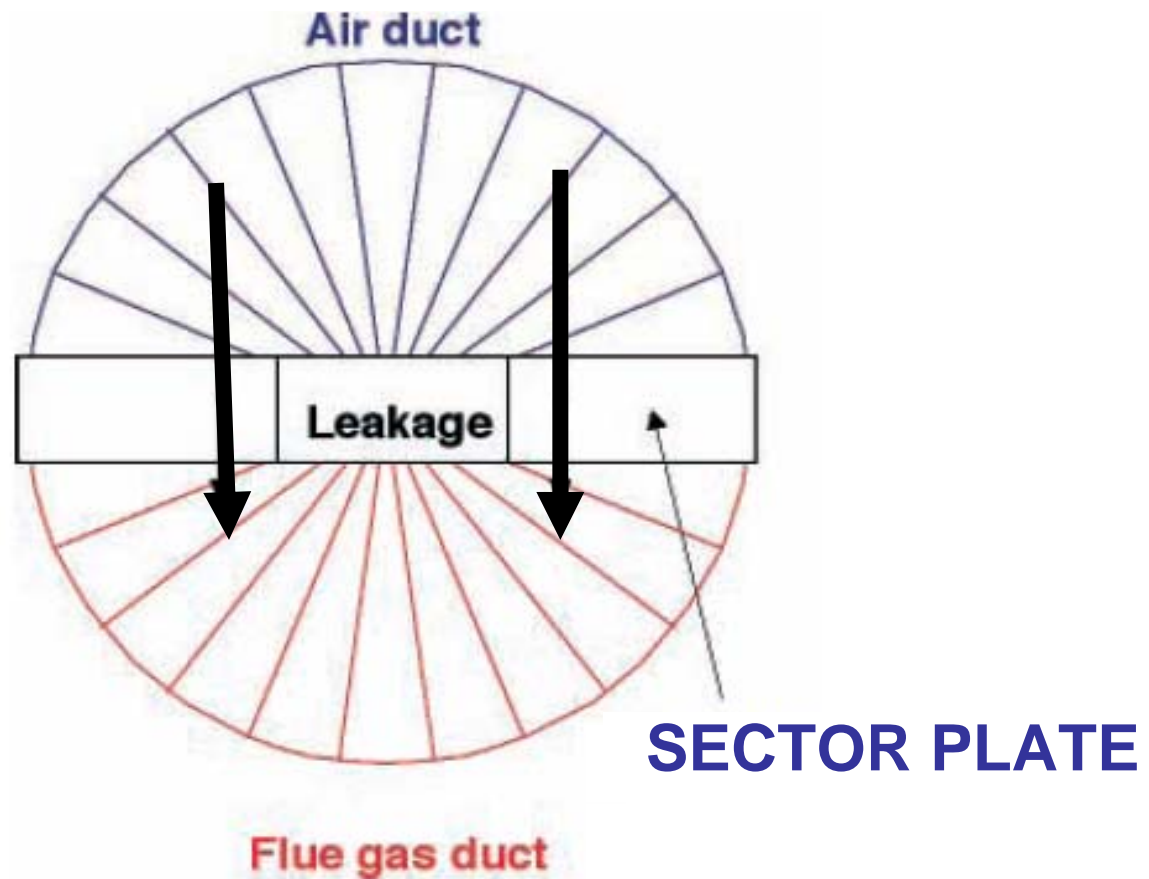
Blue = Cold Condition of Rotor
Yellow = Hot Condition of Rotor



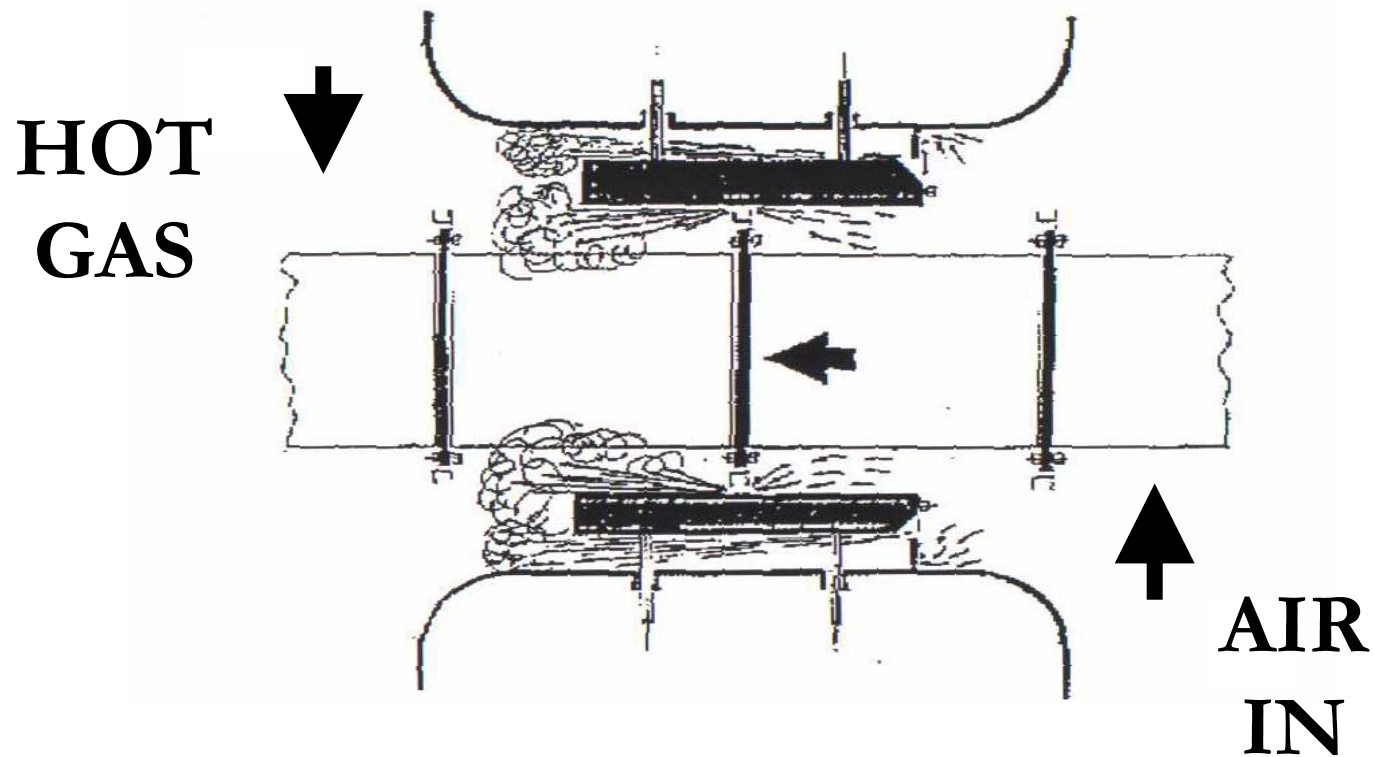
Leakage Paths in the Airheater

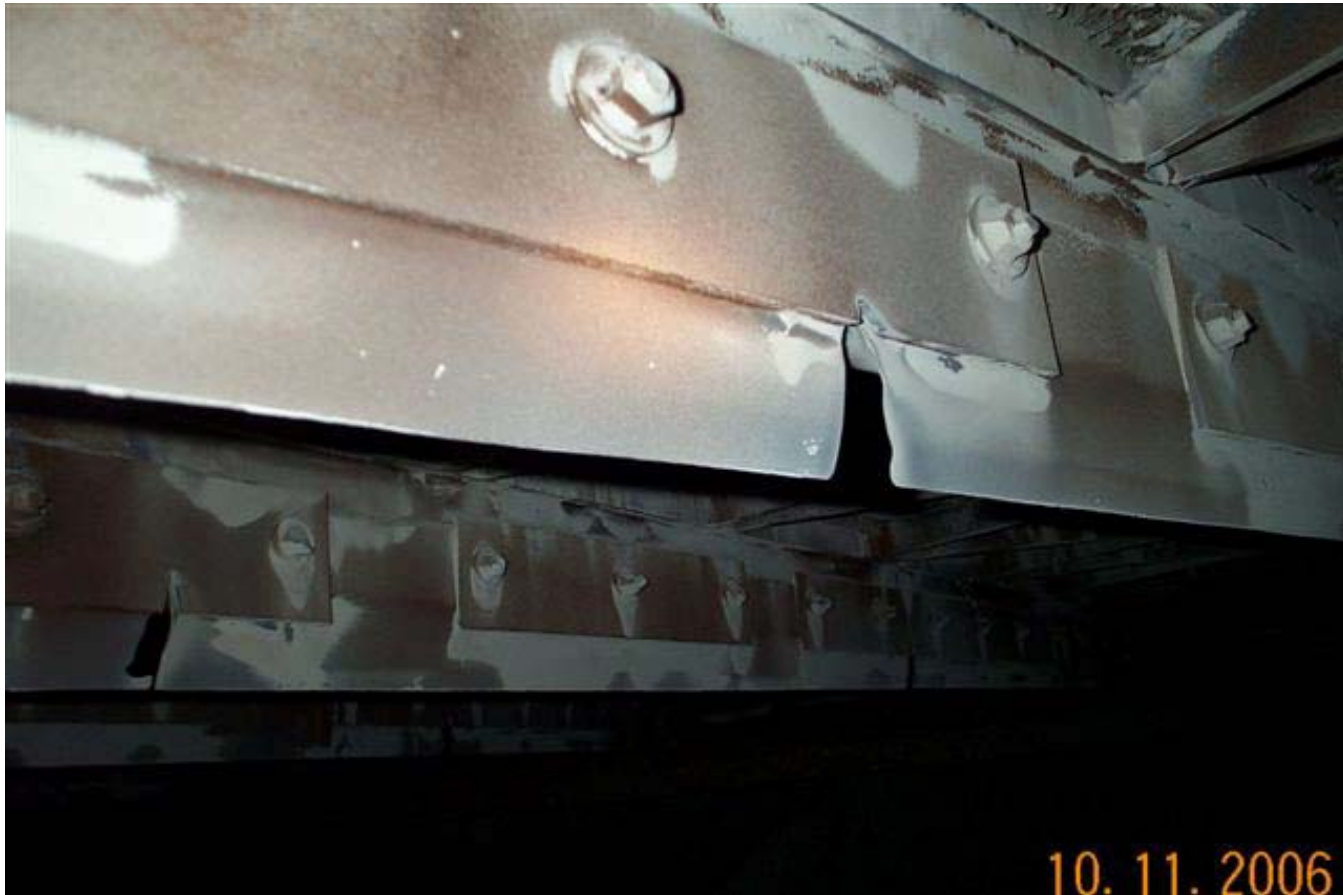


Leakage Path Through Radial Seals



Leakage through Radial Seals





HIGH VELOCITY RADIAL SEAL LEAKAGE

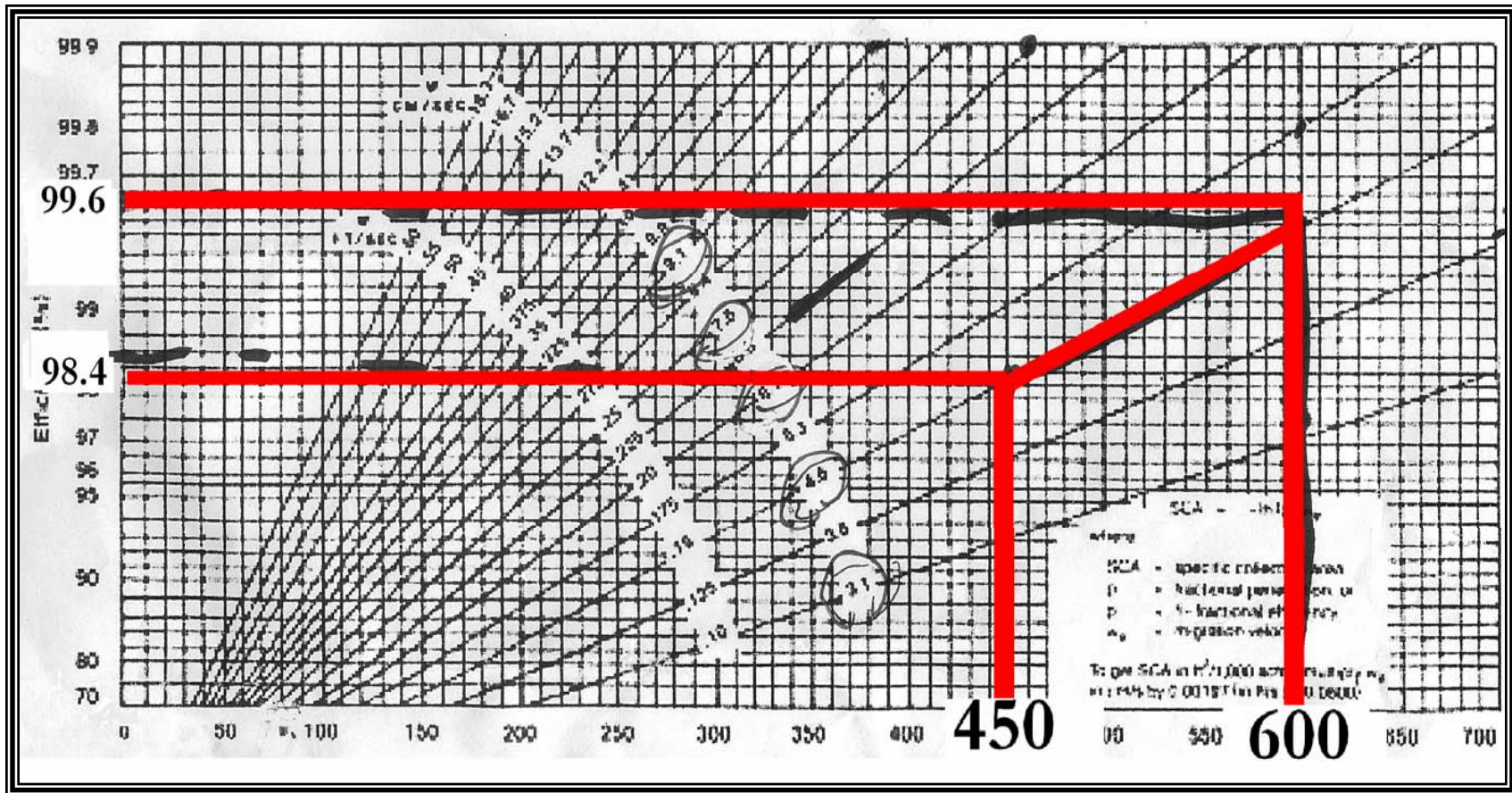


Cold End Sector Plate Erosion

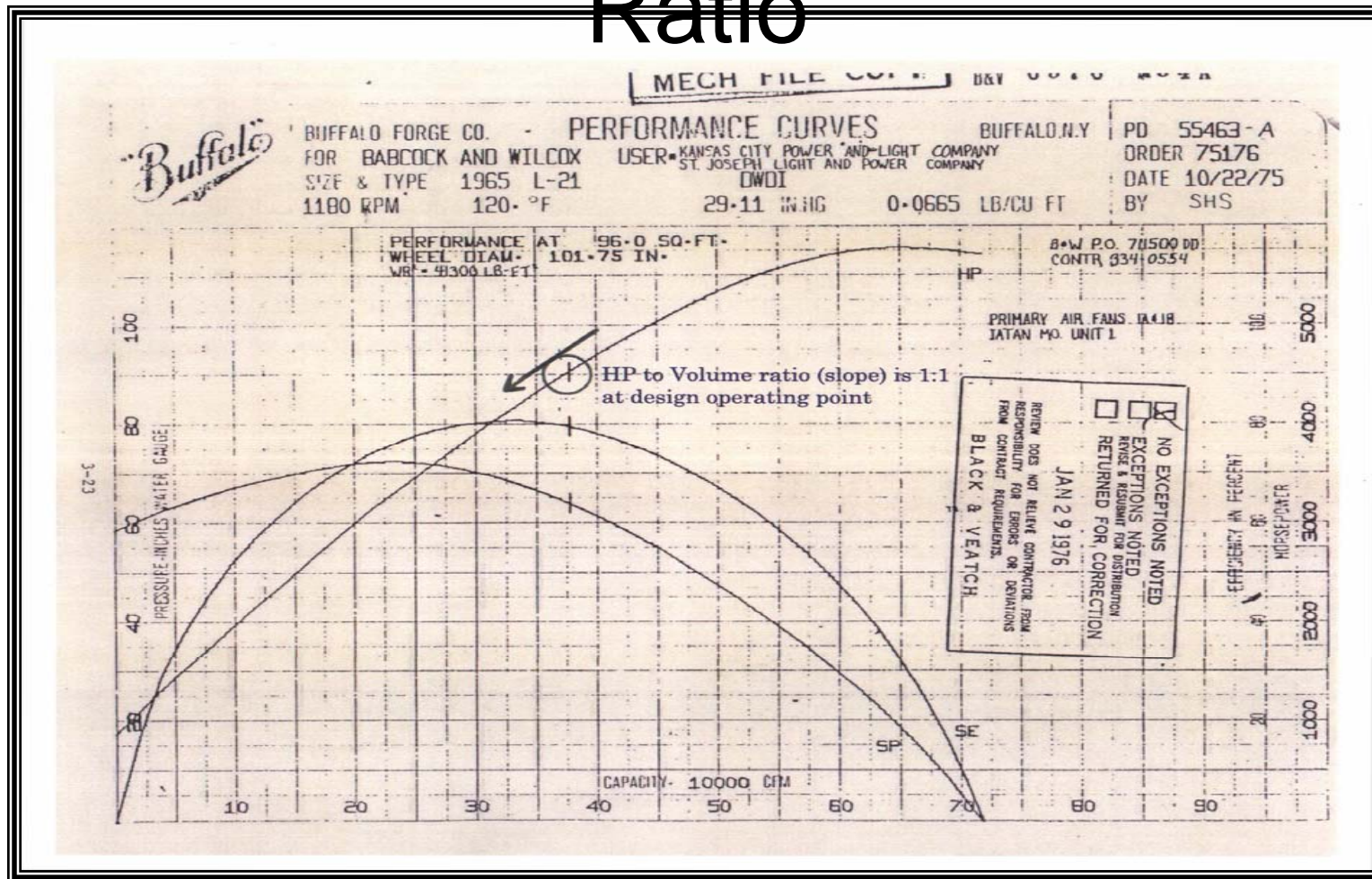
Cost Effects of Increased Radial Seal Leakage

- As a percentage of total FD fan flow radial seal leakage can range from 7% to 30%
- Radial seal leakage affects both ID and FD fans
- Radial seal leakage degrades the performance of back end air pollution control equipment
- Increased pressure drop of 4 inH₂O from ABS fouling can increase cold end leakage 2% to 6% of FD fan flow.

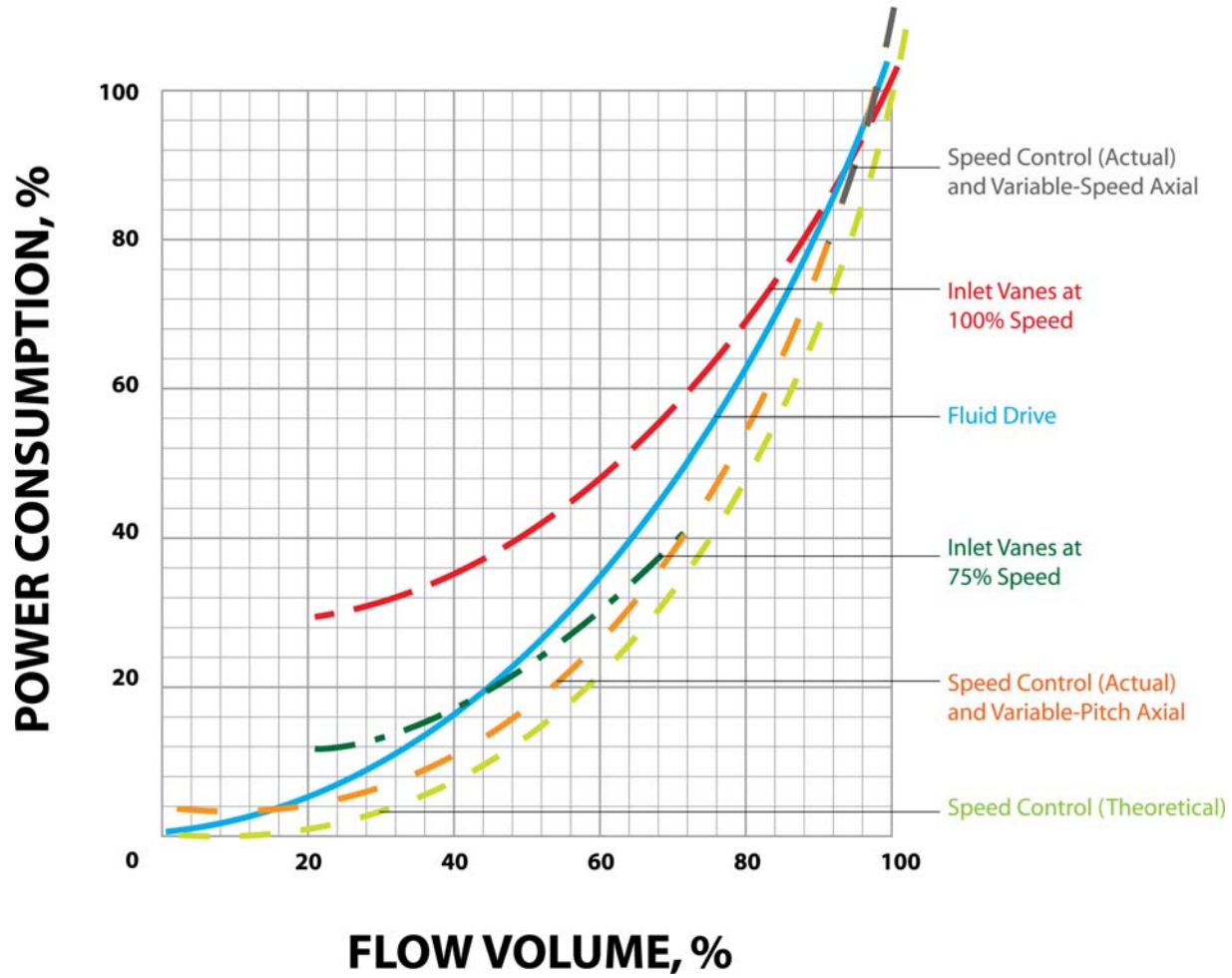
Effects of Leakage on ESP Performance



Fan Curve: Horsepower to Volume Ratio



Power Consumption vs. Volumetric Flow





Radial Seal

DuraMax™ Radial Seal



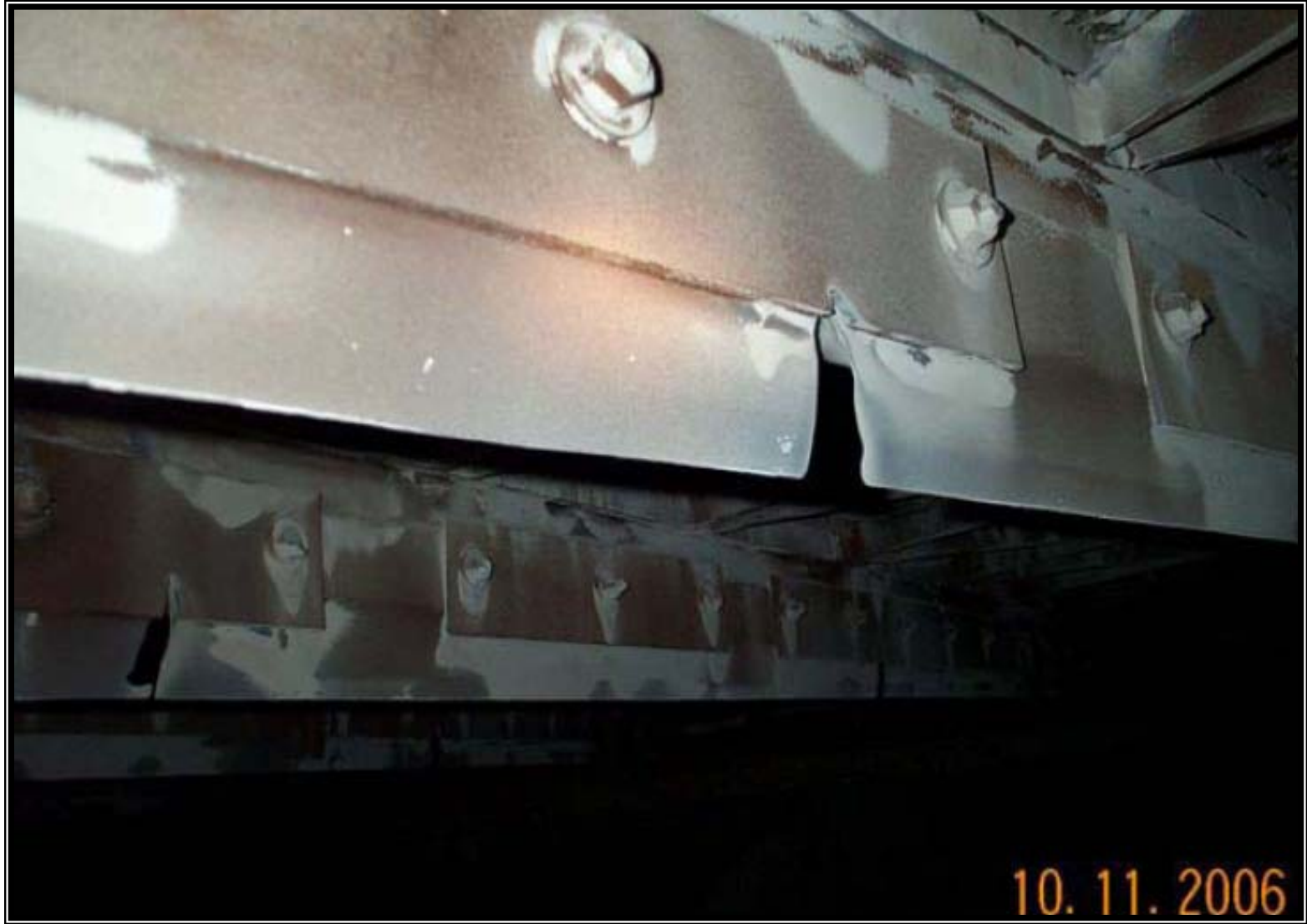
Before Contact



**Contact with
Sector Plate**



**High Performance
Radial Seal**

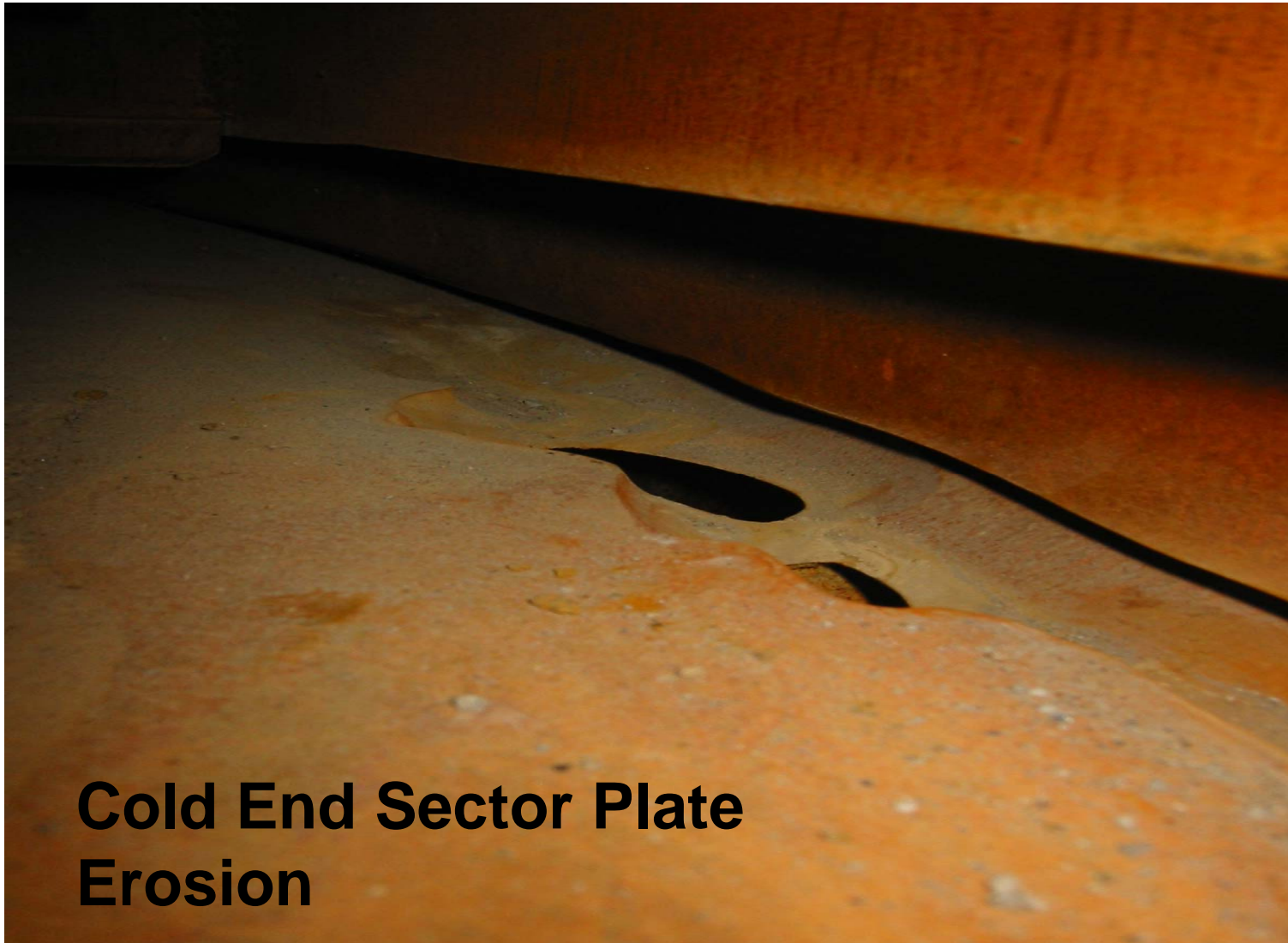


Gaps Between Worn Standard Radial Seals and Sector Plate



Hot End Sector Plate Erosion





**Cold End Sector Plate
Erosion**

Fan Power Savings from Reduced Leakage

FAN	Before (AMPS)	After (AMPS)
3A ID FAN	572	459
3B ID FAN	691	468
3A FD FAN	131	125
3B FD FAN	128	113

