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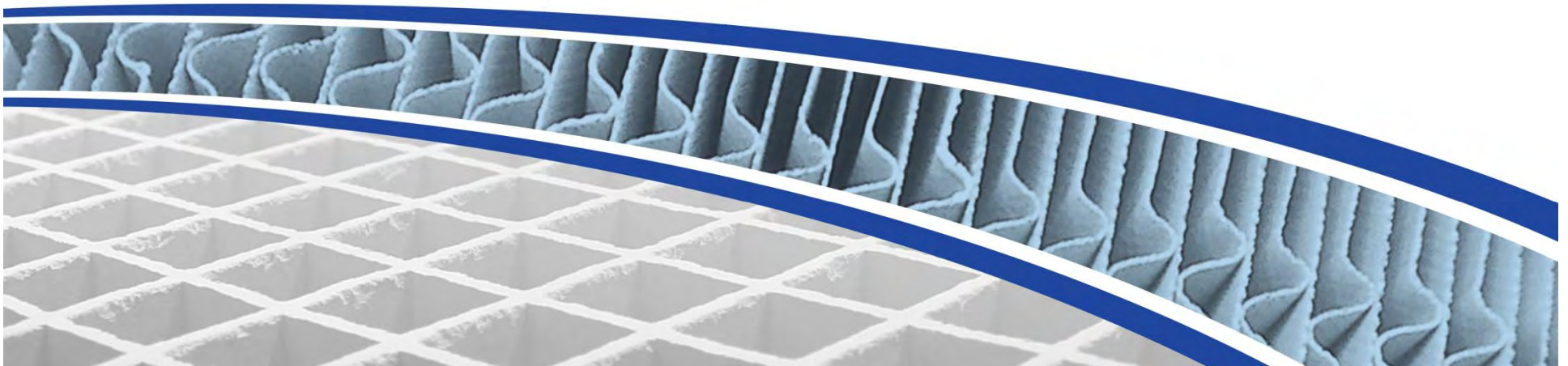
LaCygne Unit 1 and 2 SCR Reactor Design Features and Catalyst Management Comparison

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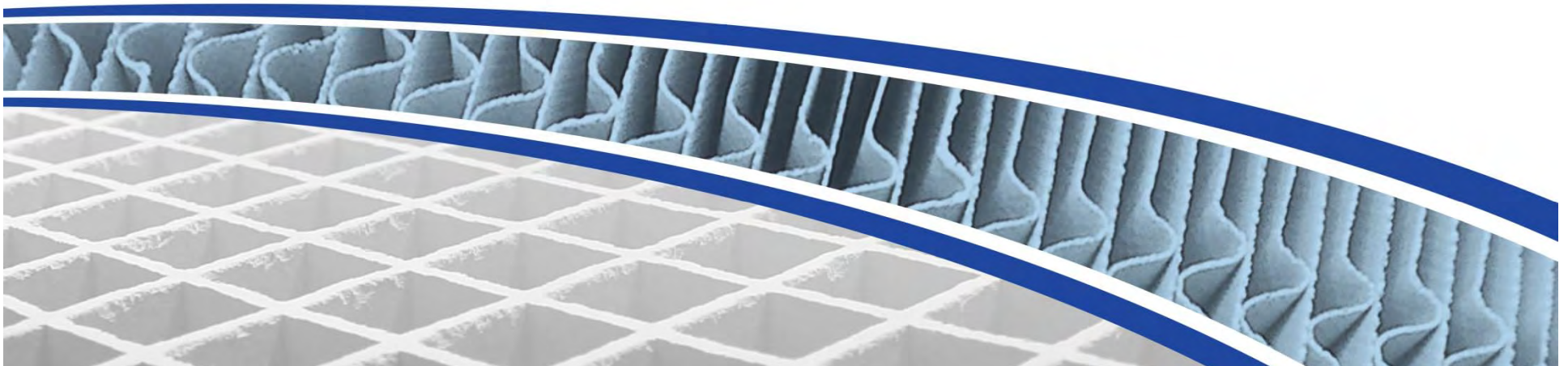
LaCygne SCR Comparison

Design and catalyst management optimization of vastly differing SCR systems:

Minimizing capital and O&M expenses while reducing operating risks.

- Presentation Road Map
 - Introduction
 - Unit Comparison
 - SCR Design Comparison
 - Catalyst Design Comparison
 - Catalyst Management Comparison
 - Conclusion and Questions

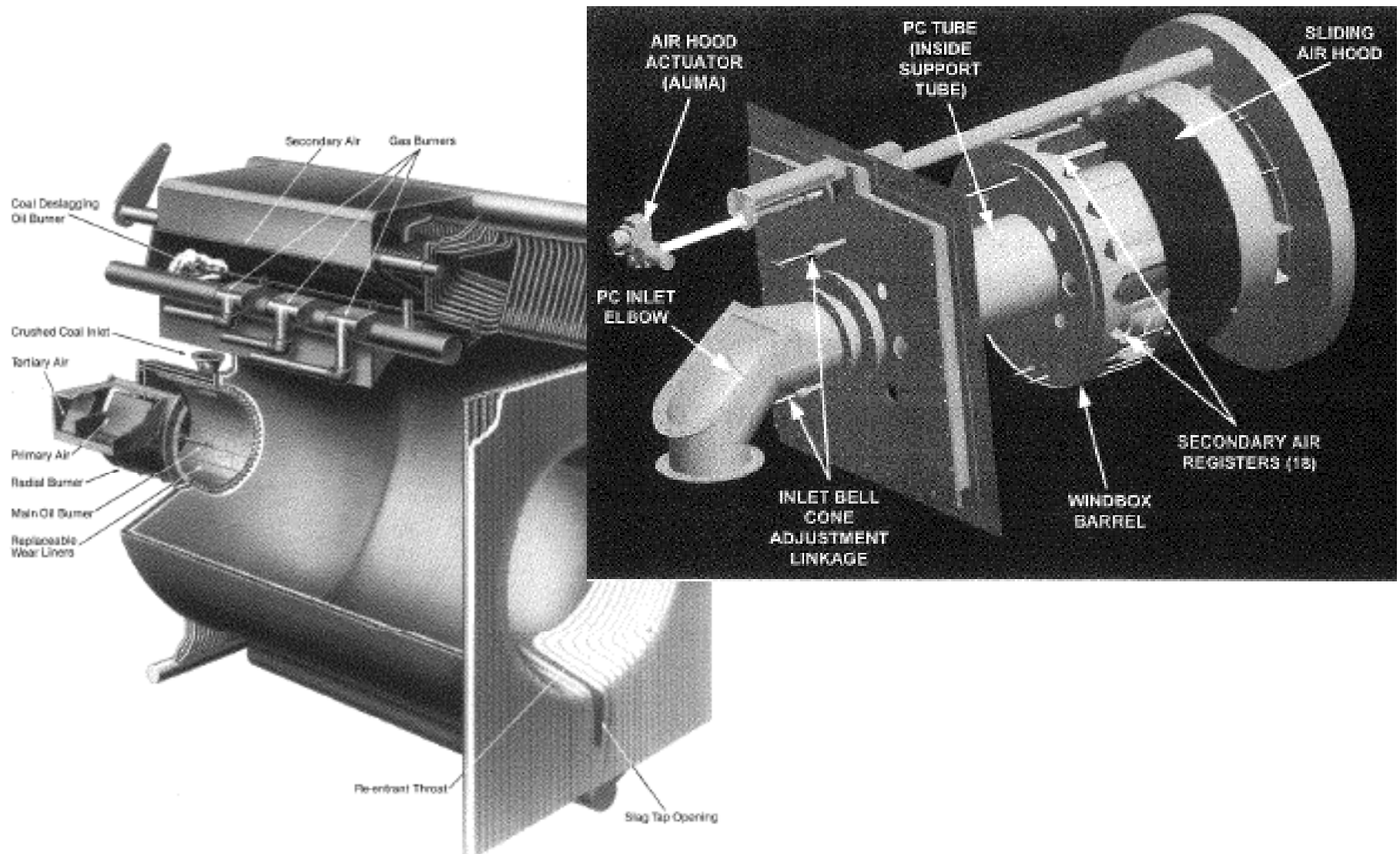
Unit & SCR Design Comparison



LaCygne Unit Comparison

| | LaCygne 1 | LaCygne 2 |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Gross Load | 815 MW | 715 MW |
| Boiler Burners | Cyclone | PC LNB |
| OFA | OFA | OFA |
| Boiler design NO _x | 1.0-lb/MBtu | 0.22-lb/MBtu |
| SCR Outlet NO _x | 0.10-lb/MBtu | 0.05-lb/MBtu |

LaCygne Unit Comparison - Burners



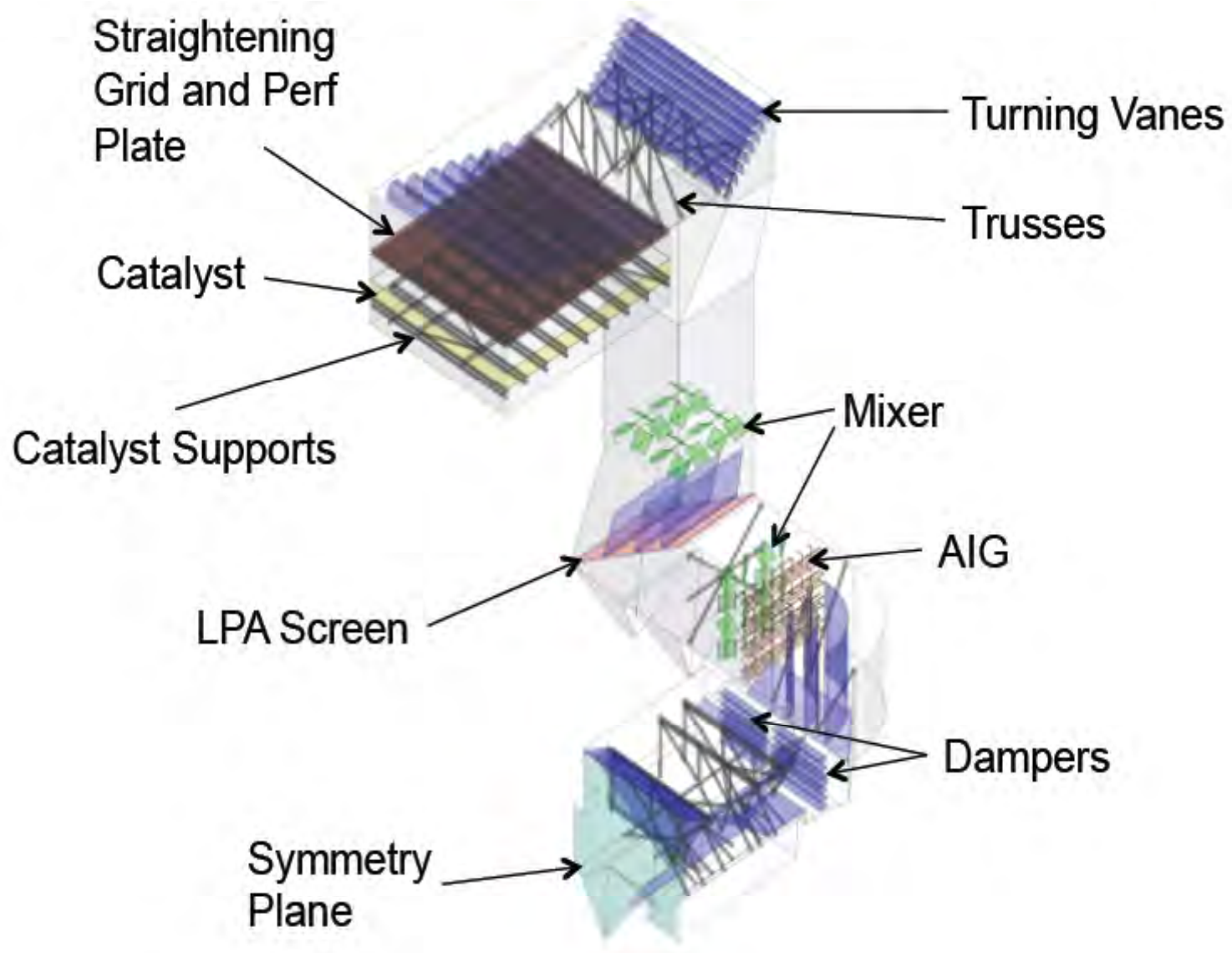
SCR Design Comparison

| | LaCygne 1 | LaCygne 2 |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Catalyst Life Guar | 3ppm at 24000 hr | 2ppm at 16000 hr |
| Inlet NO _x | 0.64-lb/MBtu | 0.25-lb/MBtu |
| Outlet NO _x | 0.09-lb/MBtu | 0.10-lb/MBtu |
| Face Velocity | 5.6 m/s | 5.0 m/s |
| Catalyst Layers | 3 + 1 | 3 + 1 |
| Initial Catalyst Type | 7.1 x 842 HC | 2 x 6.7 x 700 PL |
| Catalyst Layout | 2 x 8 x 13 | 2 x 8 x 12 |

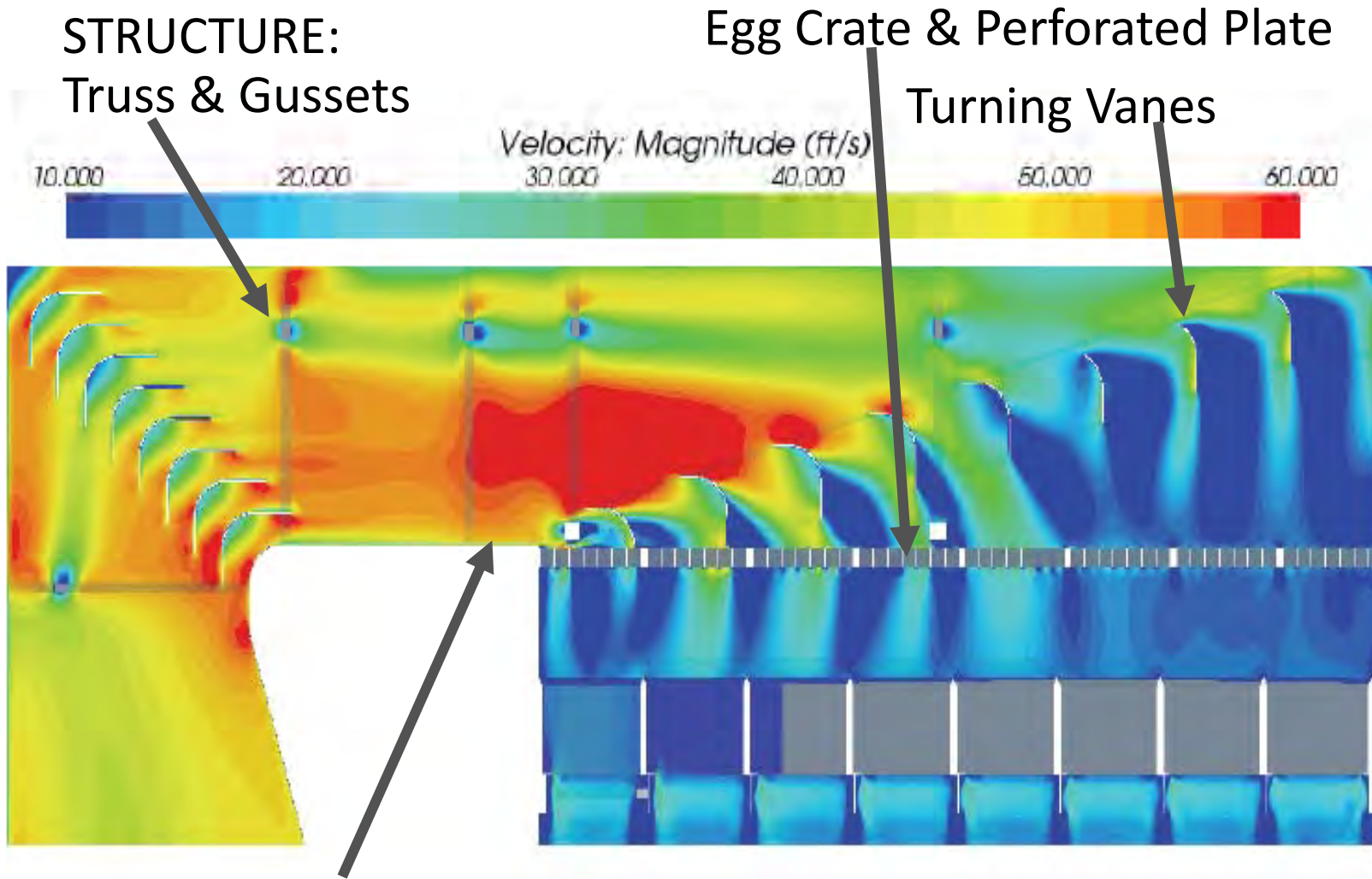
SCR Design Comparison

| | LaCygne 1 | LaCygne 2 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| NH3:NOx Distrib | +/-5% Mean | +/-5% Mean |
| Temp Distribution | +/- 20 F | +/- 20 F |
| Velocity Distribution | 100% in 15% RMS (~30% Mean) | 85% in 10% Mean 100% in 15% Mean Phy Model 40 pts |
| Minimize Flow Recirc in Hood | - | Mutual Agreement |
| CFD model criteria | Hood = 2M cells | Model all flow obstructions. Hood > 5M cells |
| Phy model criteria | Model flow device | Model all > 6" |

SCR Design Comparison – L1 Layout



SCR Design Comparison – L1 CFD



Inlet transition, Truss & Gussets create high flow

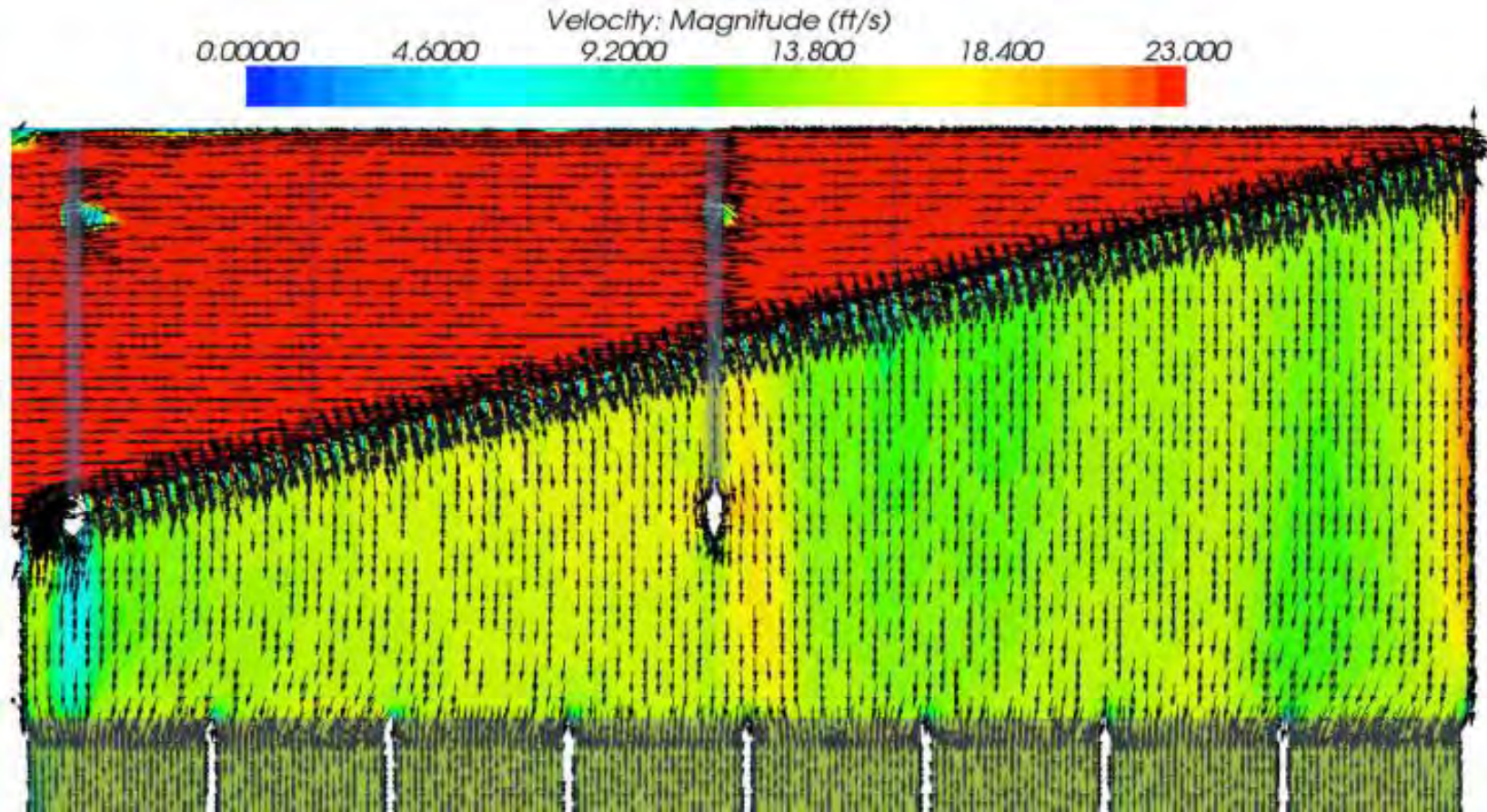
SCR Design Comparison – L1 Ash Pluggage

Excess Flyash Pluggage –Layer 2 2nd Seal Strip



SCR Design Comparison – L1 Hood Mod

Vectors show very good straight flow in the hood.



- Graduated Straightening Grid (GSG) with variable perforated plate - uniform, vertical, non-recirc flow
- Egg Crate structural members removed

SCR Design Comparison – L1 GSG CFD

CFD Flow Modeling Shows GSG Benefits

| | Baseline | GSG | Desired |
|---------------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Flow +/- 15% | 58% | 91% | 100% |
| Flow +/- 30% | 94% | 99% | Not Used |
| RMS | 17.5% | 9.5% | Not Used |

SCR Design Comparison – L1 I-Beam Ash Guards



Regenerated Catalyst Erosion



Catalyst Damage from Vacuuming & Dry Ice Blasting



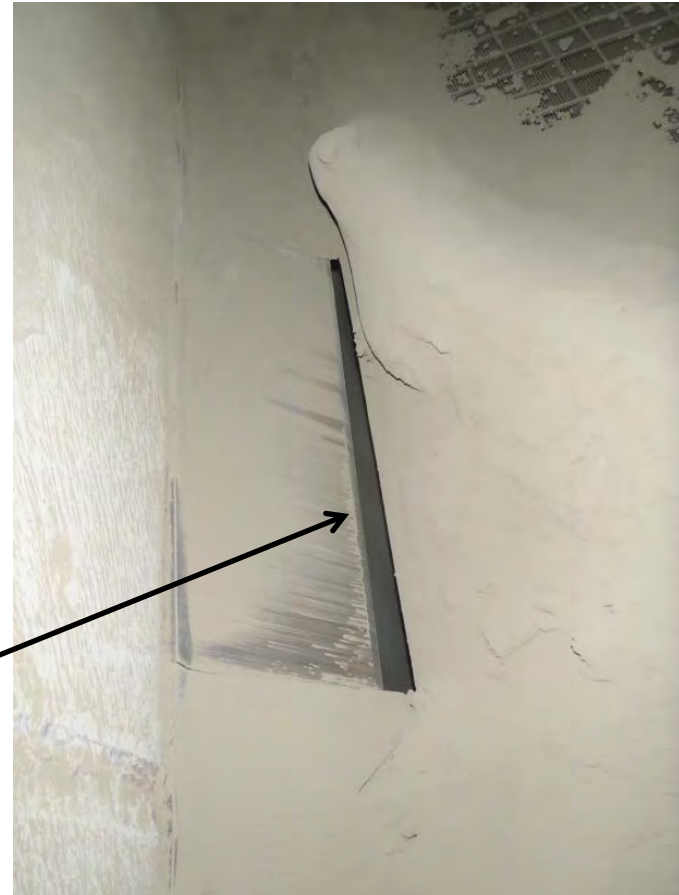
Module Seal Damage Causing Bypass



Flue gas tunneling through ash piles

Module seal gap

Wall Seal Damage Causing Bypass

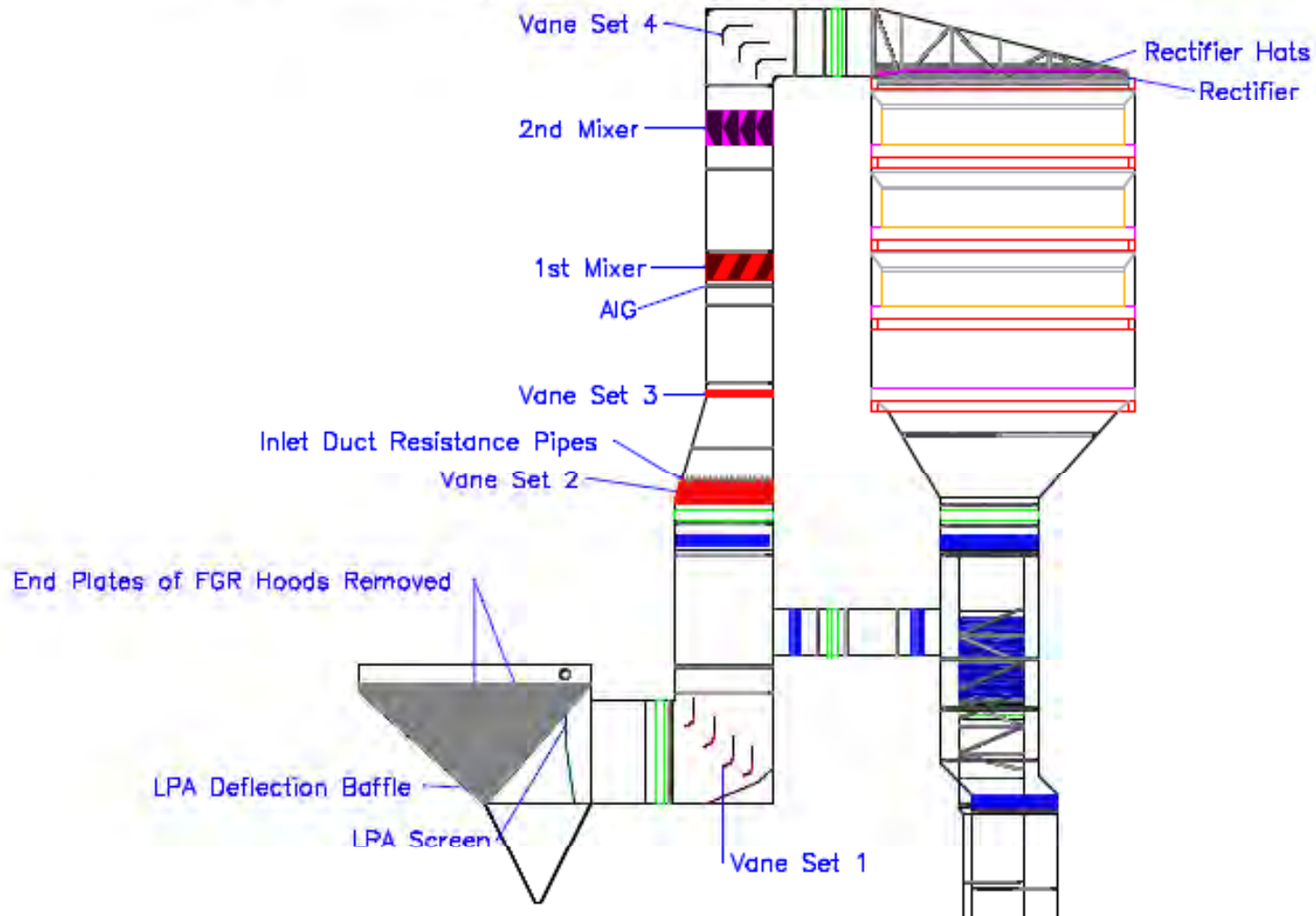


Wall seal damage

SCR Design Comparison - L2 Layout

Recommended Flow Control Devices

Overview of Flow Control Devices



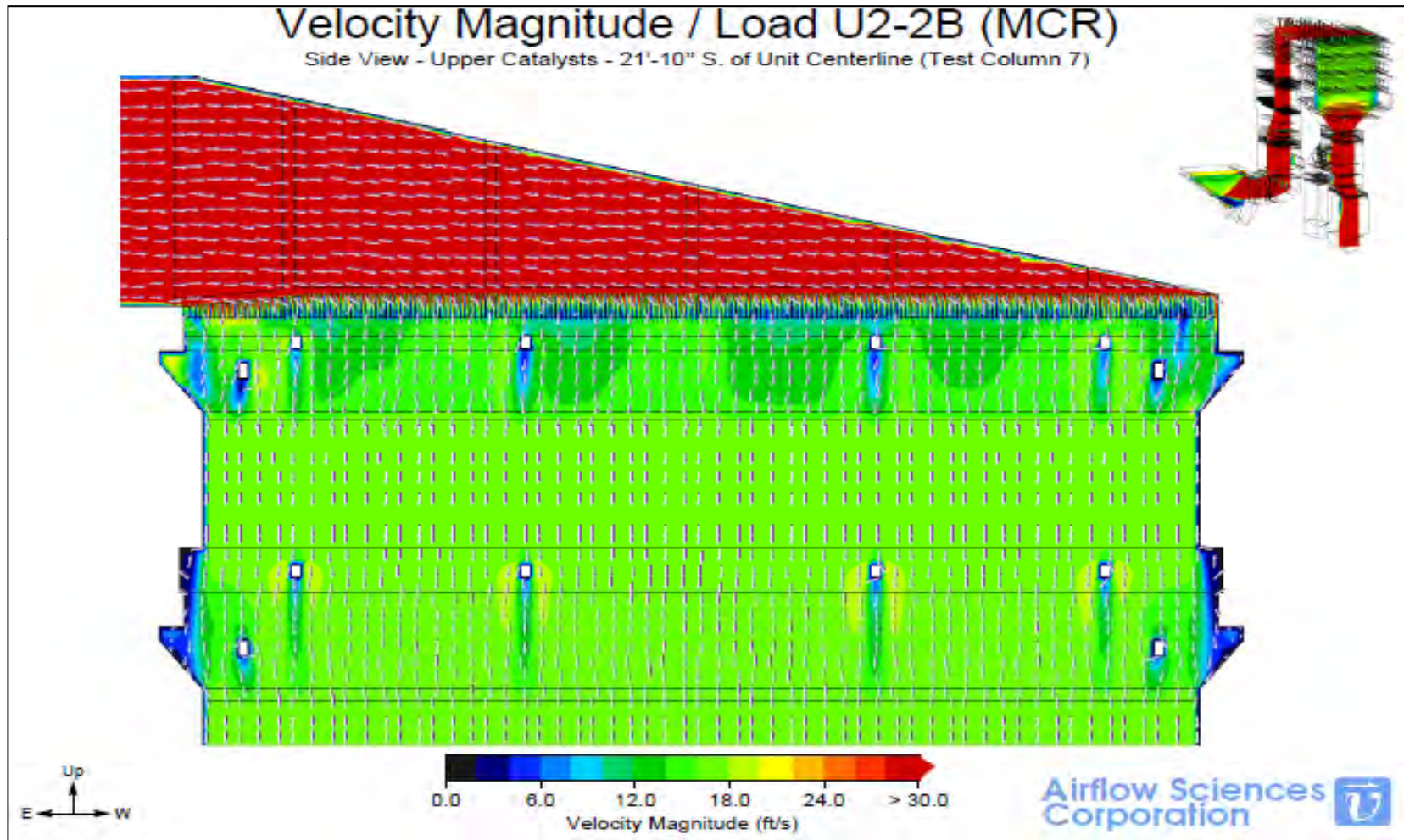
SCR Design Comparison – L2 SCR

| | L2 Physical Model | Desired |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Flow +/- 10% | 87.5% | 85% |
| Flow +/- 15% | 99% | 100% |

CFD & Physical SCR Modeling agree

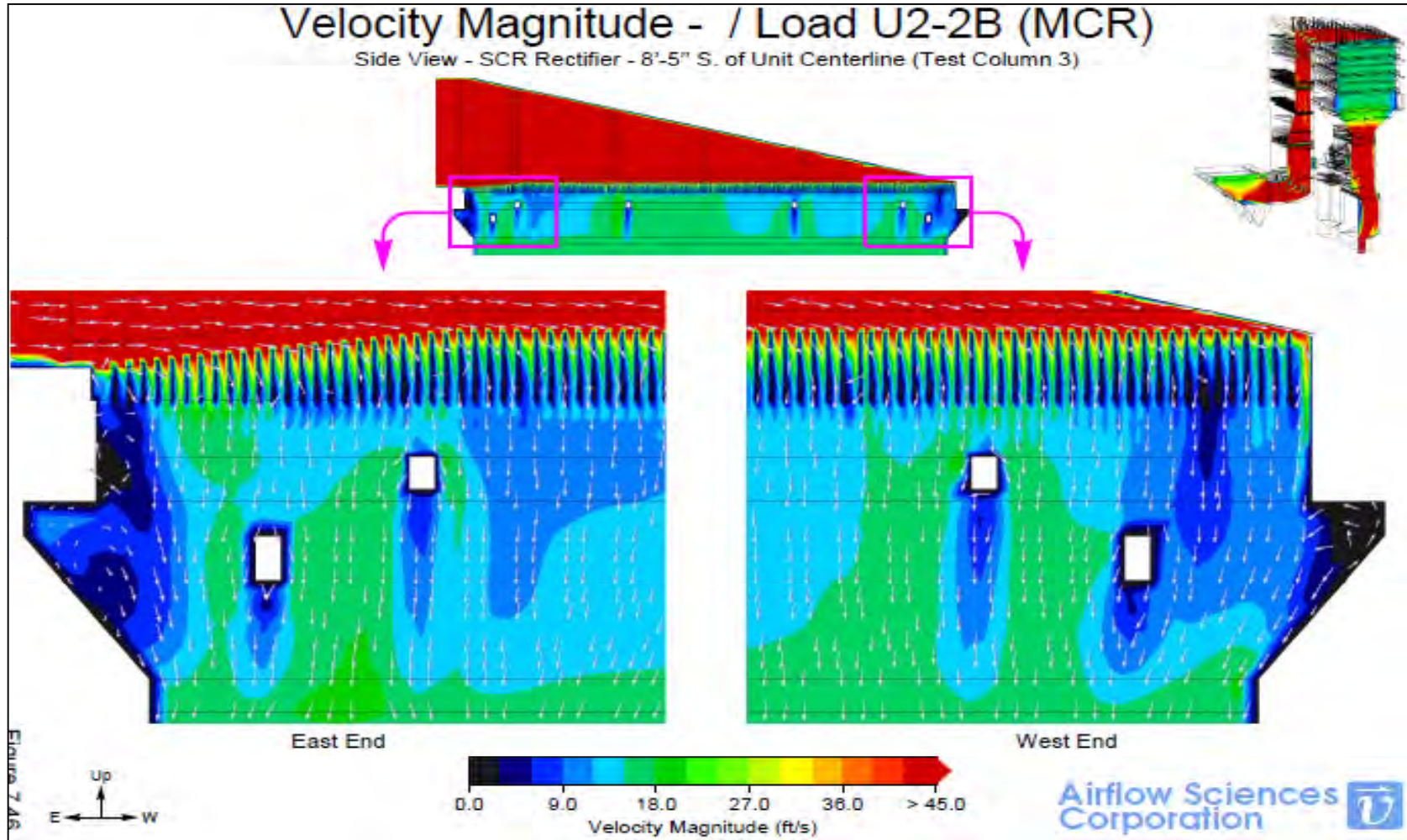
SCR Design Comparison – L2 CFD

Uniform, vertical, non-recirc flow. CFD & Physical Model agree. Model criteria. Ash guards. Outage layup heater.



SCR Design Comparison – L2 CFD

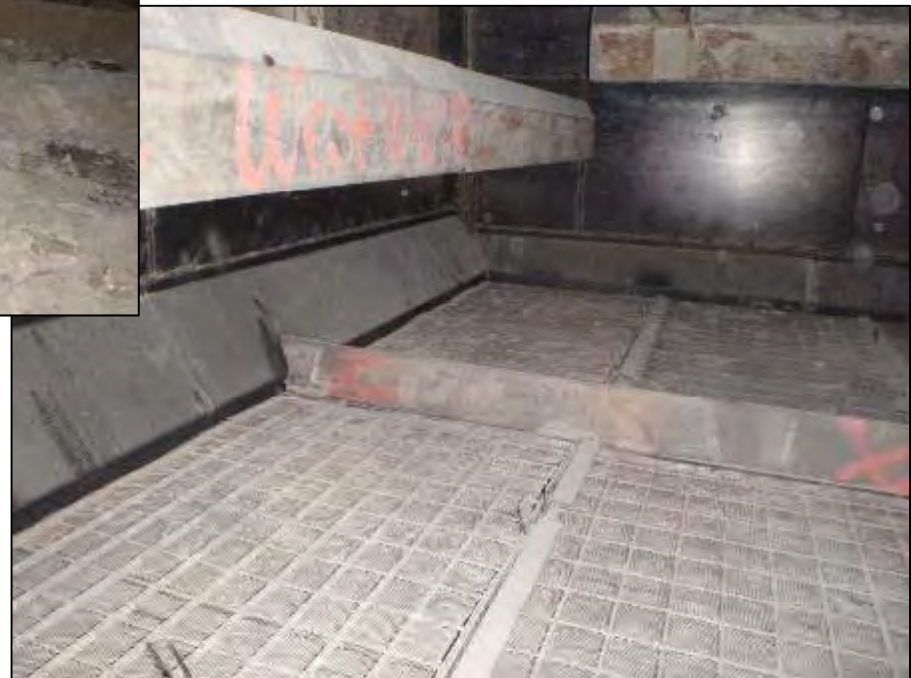
Flow recirculation at catalyst wall seals



L2 I-Beam Ash Guards



L2 Wall Cavity Shields



Catalyst Pluggage Due to Seal Design

- Ash accumulation on module edge below seal
- Accounts for 5% pluggage

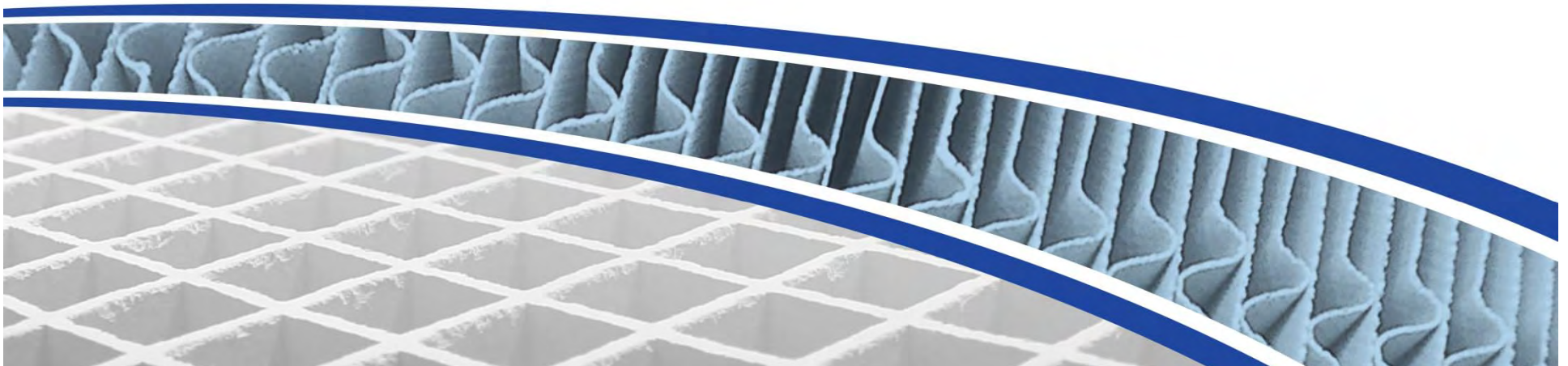


Catalyst Damage from Vacuuming & Dry Ice Blasting

- Plate misalignment from cleaning and resulting pluggage
- Delamination from ice blasting



Initial Catalyst Design Comparison

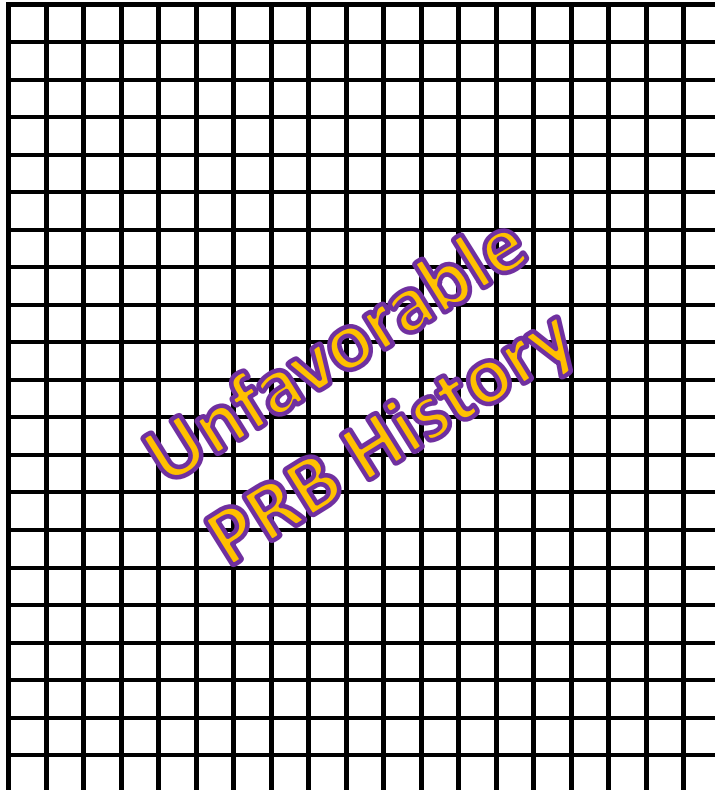


Key Design Considerations

- Catalyst Geometry
 - PRB ash propensity for pluggage
 - Small pitch → reduced volume, competitive price
- Catalyst Deactivation (Sizing Margin)
 - Design K/Ko predicted by catalyst supplier
 - Less design margin → reduced volume, competitive price

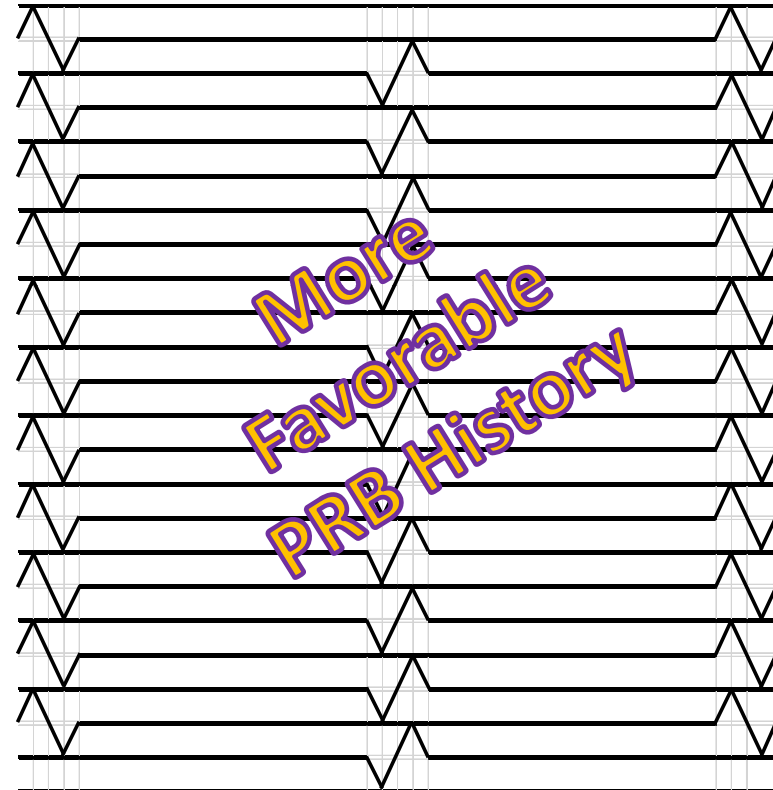
Initial Catalyst Geometry

LaCygne Unit 1
7.1 mm Pitch Honeycomb



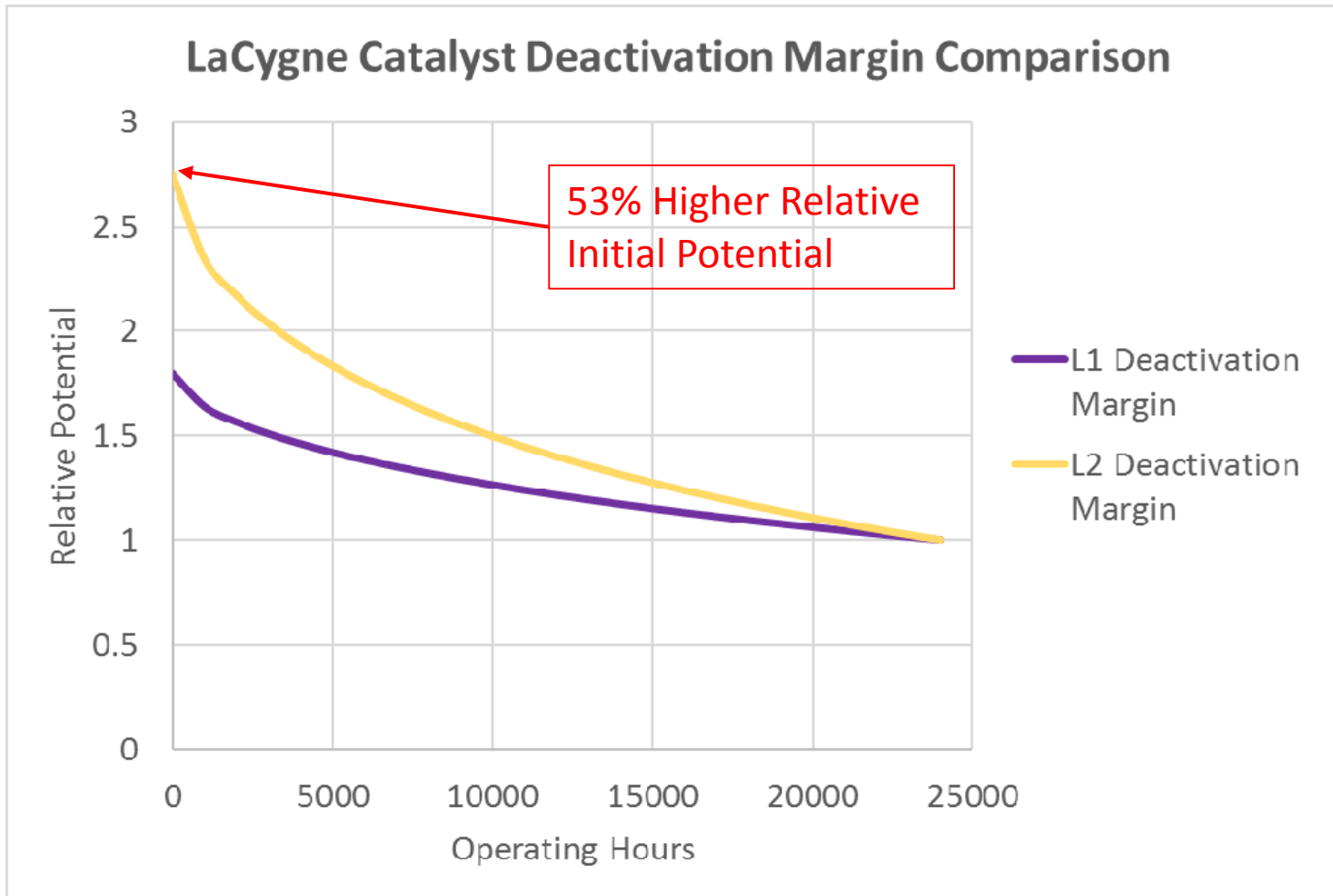
- 6.4 mm hydraulic opening
- 80% open area
- 500 m²/m³ specific SA

LaCygne Unit 2
6.7 mm Pitch Plate



- 11.6 mm hydraulic opening
- 88% open area
- 306 m²/m³ specific SA

Catalyst Deactivation Margin



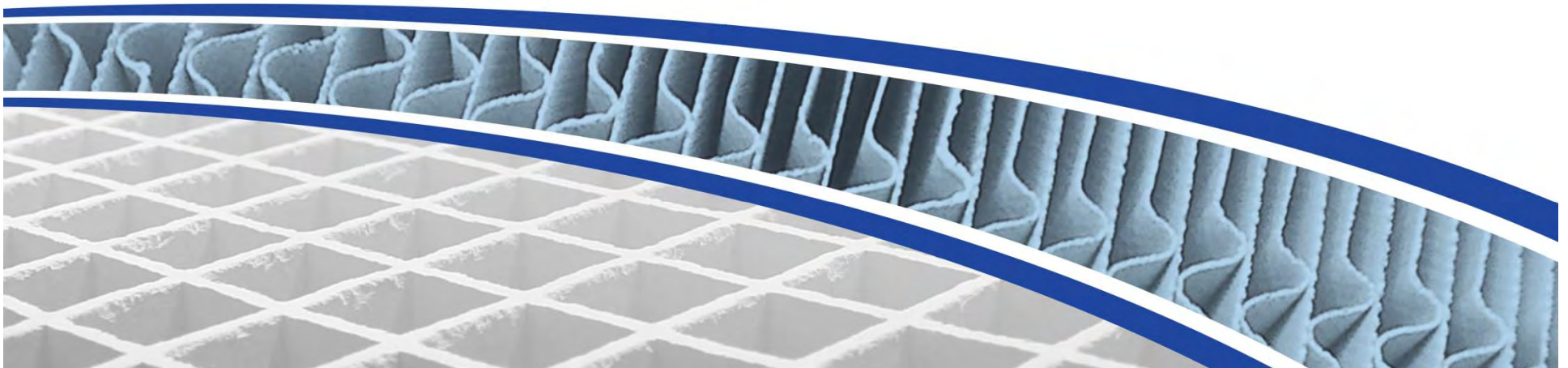
LaCygne U1 Catalyst Layer History

- 2007 original catalyst – Supplier A 7.1 mm HC
- 2009 full replacement – Supplier A 8.2 mm HC
- 2011 – New L1 CERAM 8.2 HC / Rejuv L2 / Vacuum L3
- 2012 full replacement – Regen Supplier B 5.7 mm PL / Regen Supplier A 8.2 mm HC / Regen CERAM 8.2 mm HC
- 2012 SCR hood modification
- 2015 – New CERAM 5.7 mm PL (2015, 2018) / Regen Supplier B 5.7 mm PL (2015)

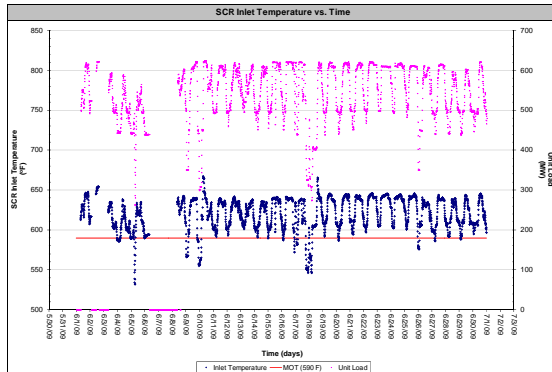
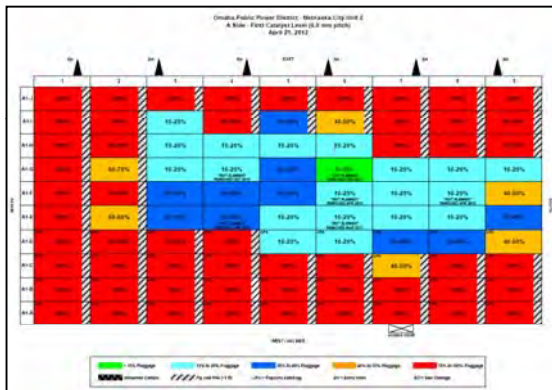
LaCygne U2 Catalyst

- Supplier C 6.7 mm PL (original catalyst 2014)
- 3+1 layer arrangement
- Full height layers requested by KCP&L
 - Greatly increased catalyst design margin
 - Minimum overall cost impact compared to SCR project

Catalyst Management

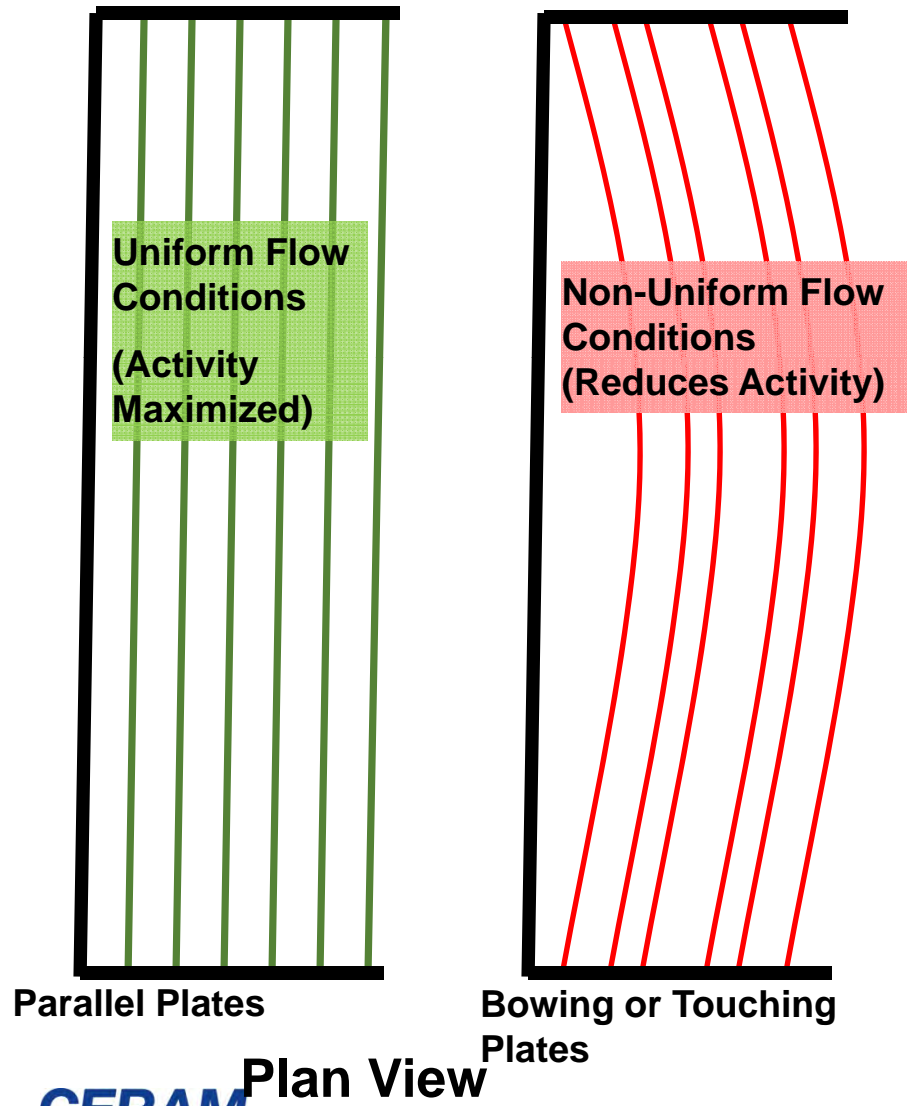


Key Aspects of Effective Catalyst Management Planning



- Catalyst Testing:
 - Accuracy and Consistency
 - Benchmarking (Round Robins, 3rd Party)
 - Consider Activity Measurement Bias
 - ❖ Low – Premature Catalyst Additions
 - ❖ High – Increased Operating Risks/Costs
- Assessment of Mechanical Conditions
 - Pluggage
 - Catalyst Mechanical Condition
 - Others (i.e. Seal Integrity, Flow Correction Dev.)
- Assessment of Operating Conditions
 - DeNO_x Demand – SCR Process Requirements
 - Boiler Operations – Affecting “Operating” Reactor Potential

Operating Reactor Potential Affected by Catalyst Mechanical Condition



- Plate Bowing or Touching Reduces Operating Reactor Potential
- Varying Flow Widths and Touching Plates Lead to Non-Uniform Flow
- Non-Uniform Flow Reduces Operating Activity (Reactor Potential)

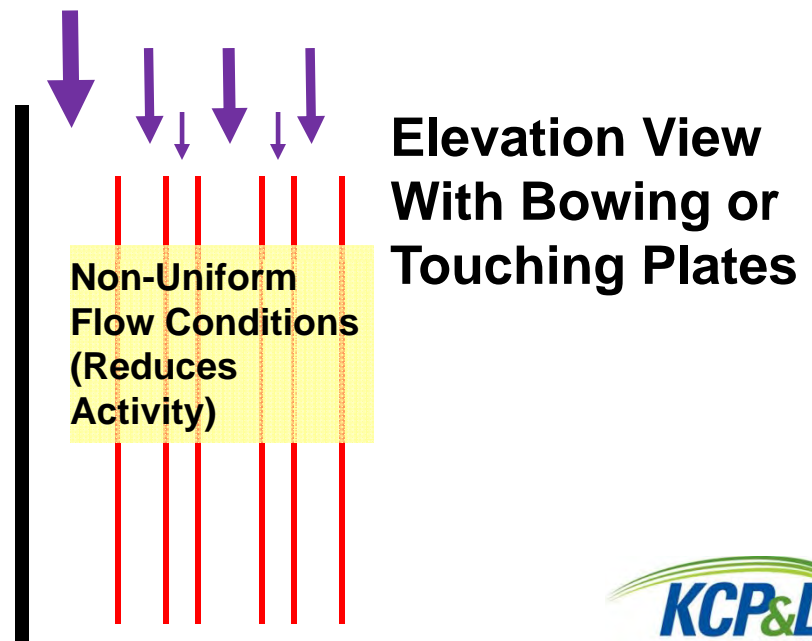
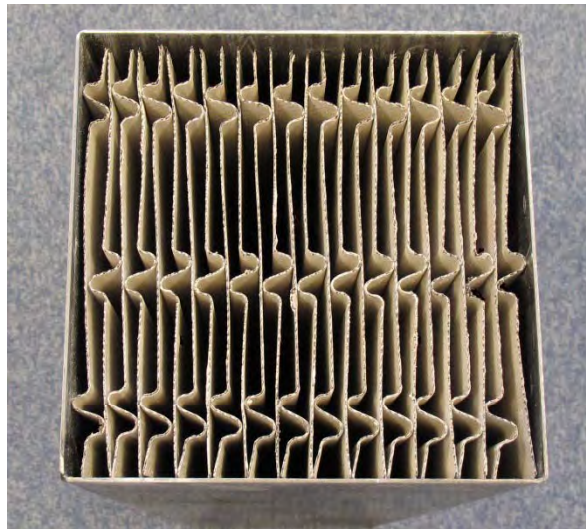


Plate Catalyst Activity Measurement Affected by Mechanical Integrity

- In the Laboratory Plate Spacing Can be Nearly Ideal (Maximizing Activity)
- In the Reactor Plate Spacing Can Only be Assured by Maximizing Geometric Uniformity Design
 - Plate Thickness
 - # of Spacers
- Deficient Geometric Uniformity Can Reduce Operating Activity by 4 to 8 Nm³/m²h (10 to 20%)

Plate Prepared for Laboratory Testing (forced to ideal spacing!)

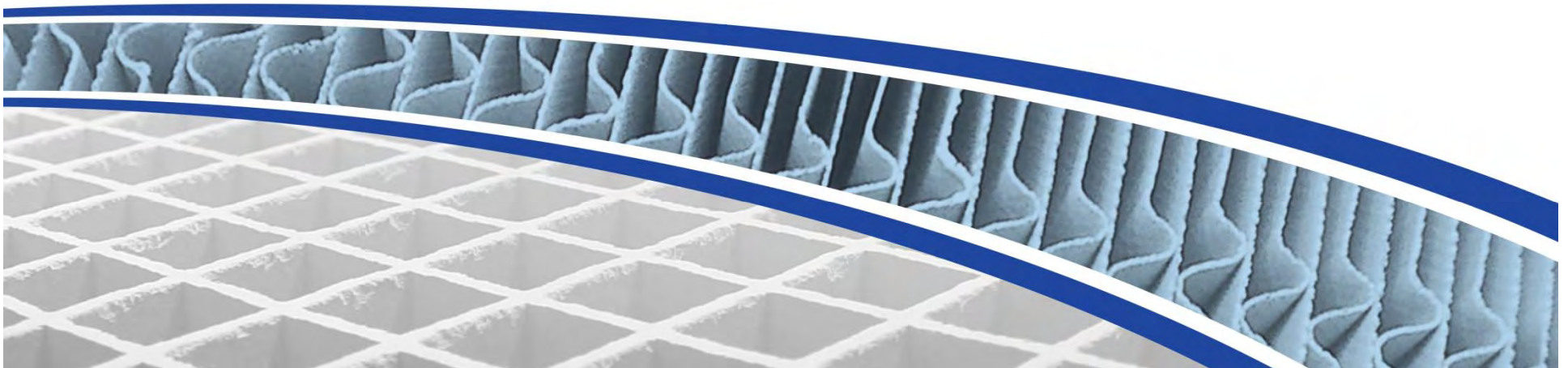


Competitor Plate in Reactor

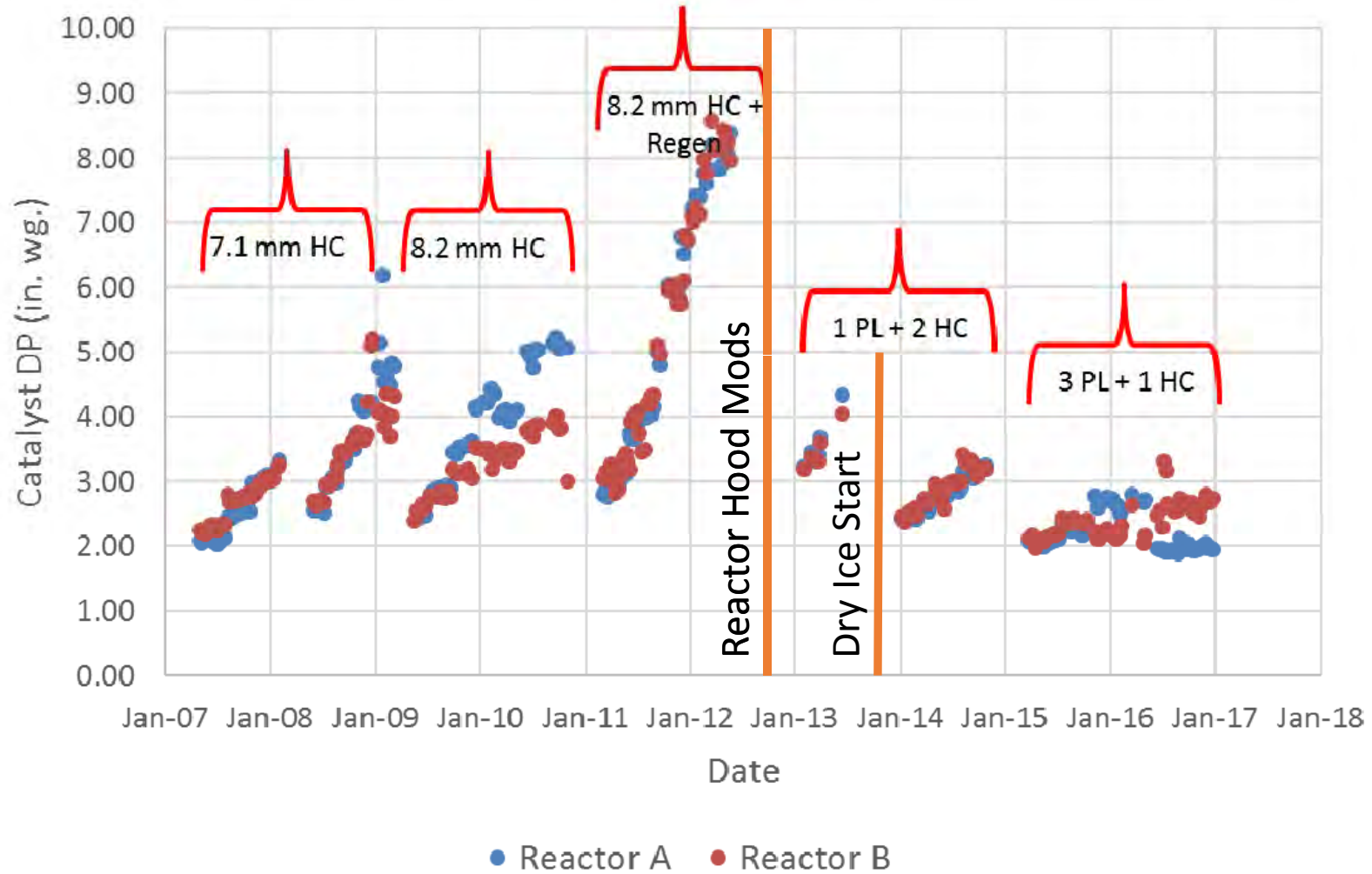
Post Operation

3 Spacers/Plate

Catalyst Pluggage



LaCygne Unit 1 Full Load Catalyst DP

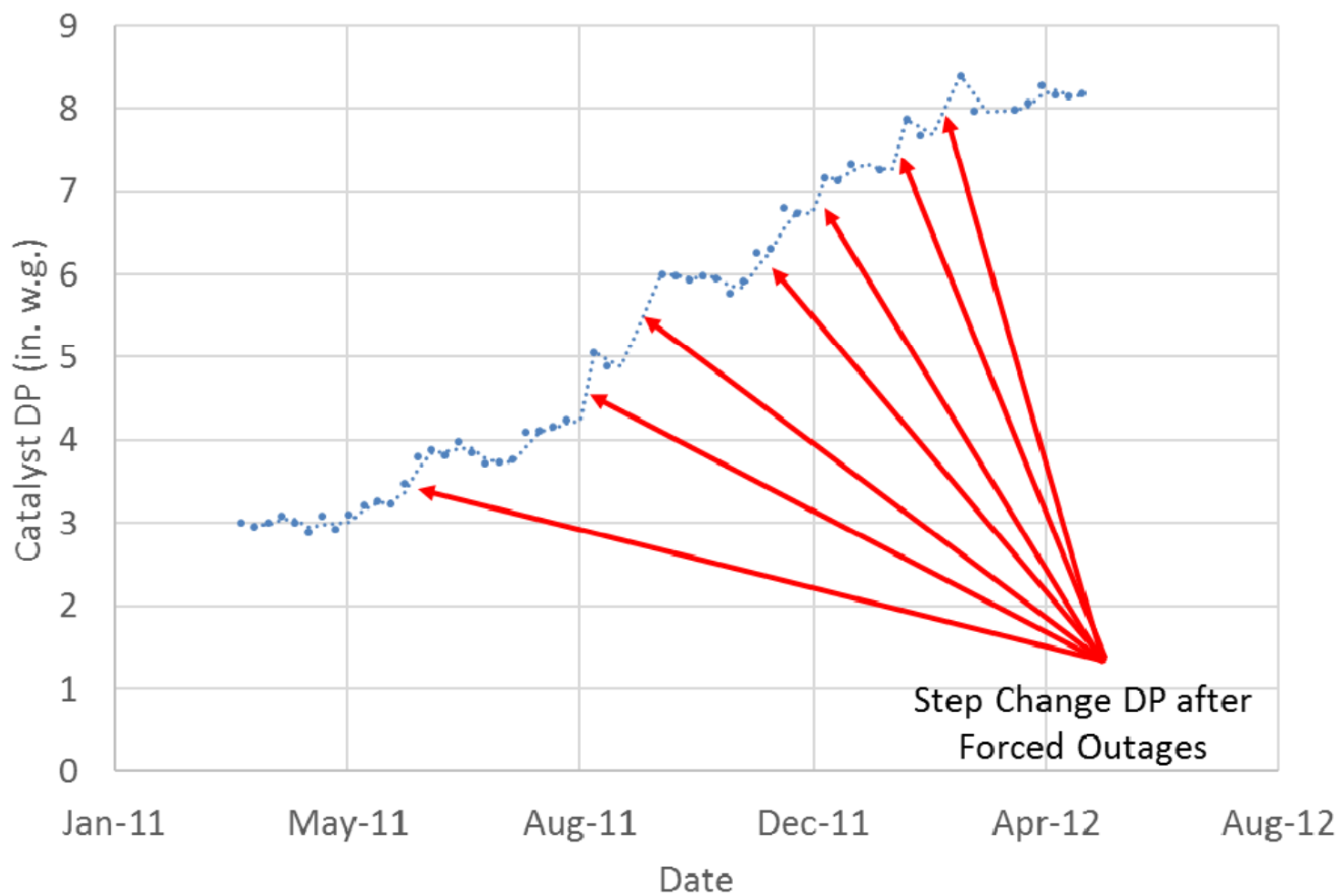


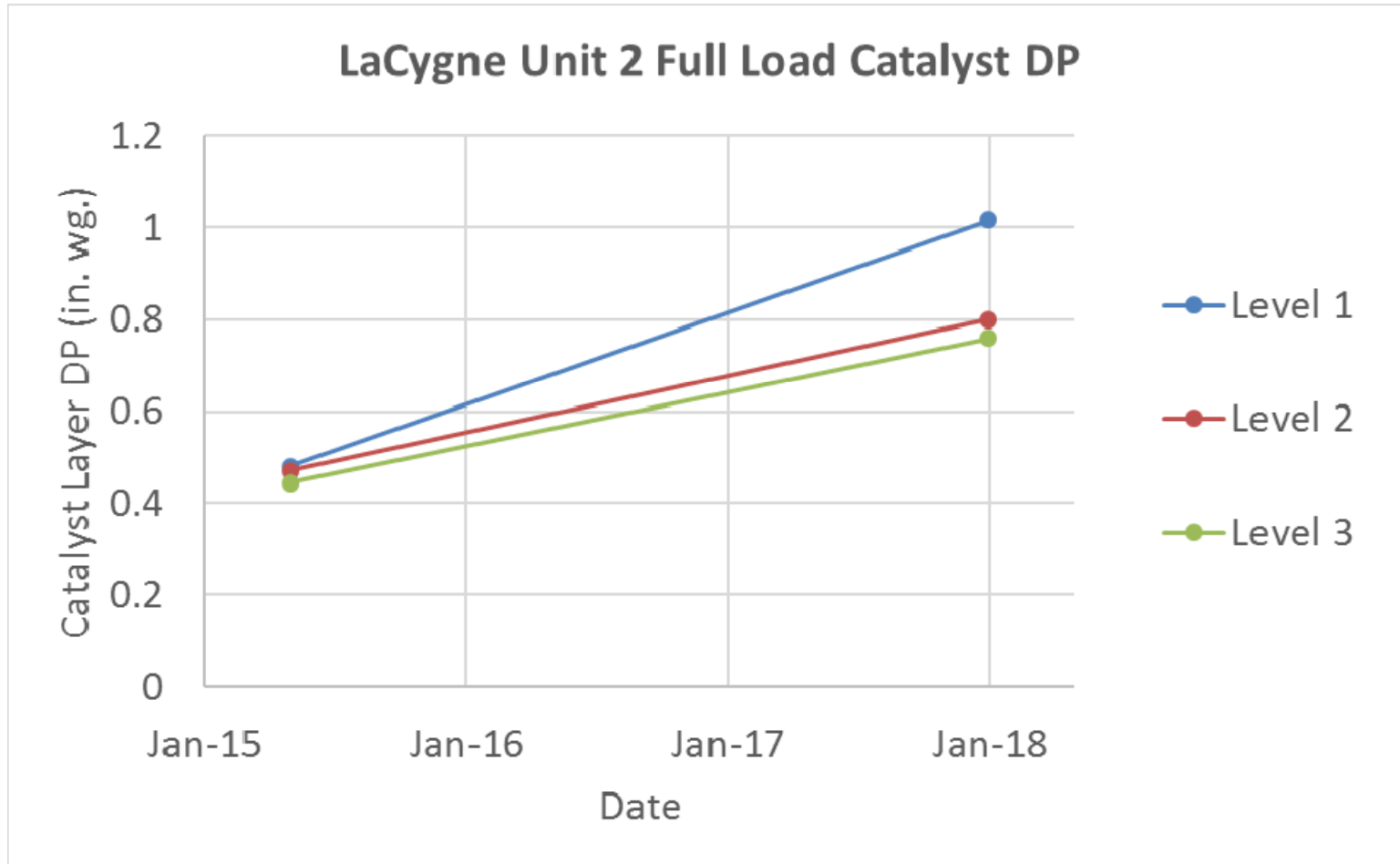
Dry Ice Blasting

- First Performed in December 2013
- Approximately 45% of modules cleaned
- Reduced average pluggage from 29% to 9%
- Used again in future outages on modules >20% plugged



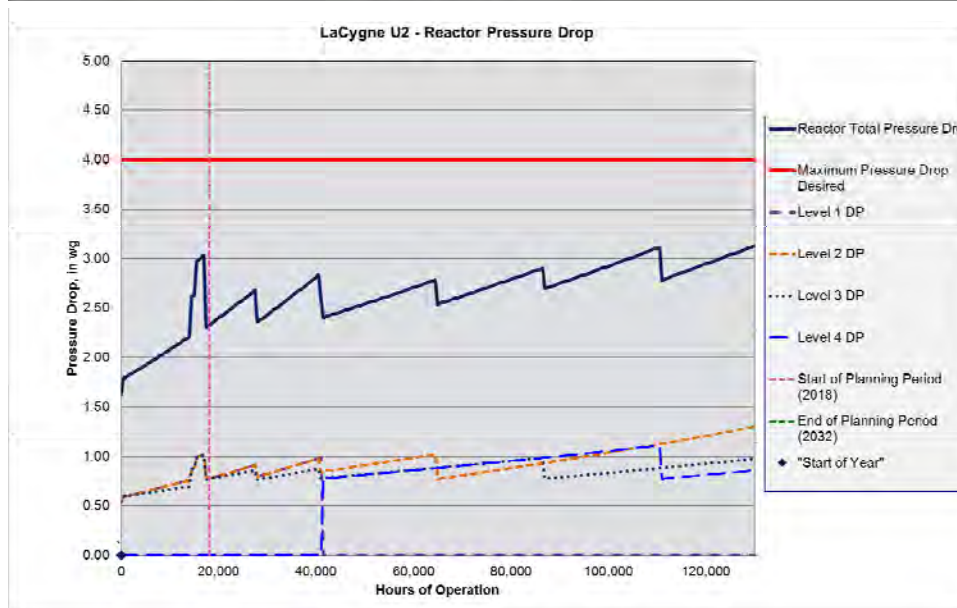
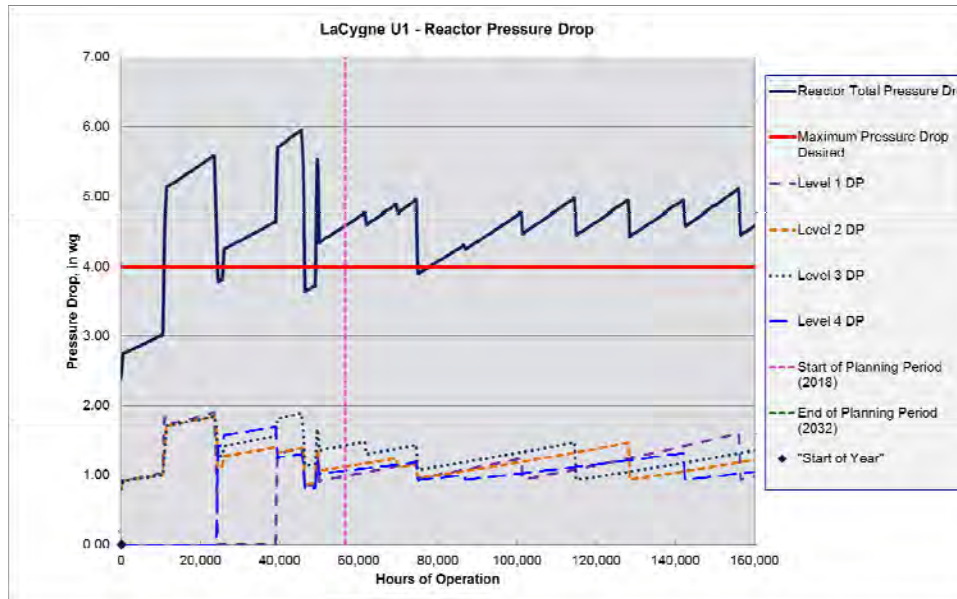
DP Step Changes Due to Ash Sloughing on Outages



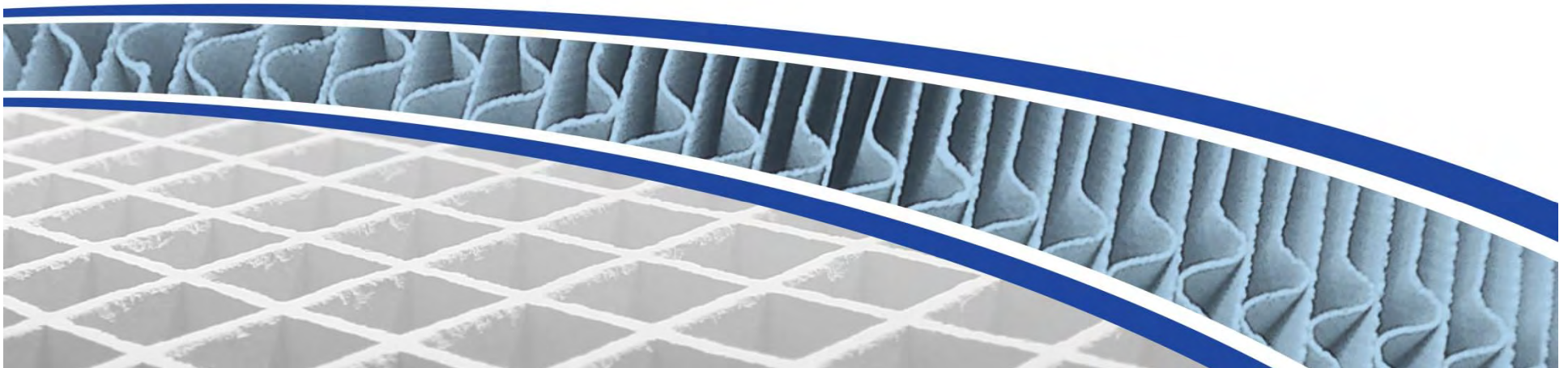


Average 22% pluggage after 30 months

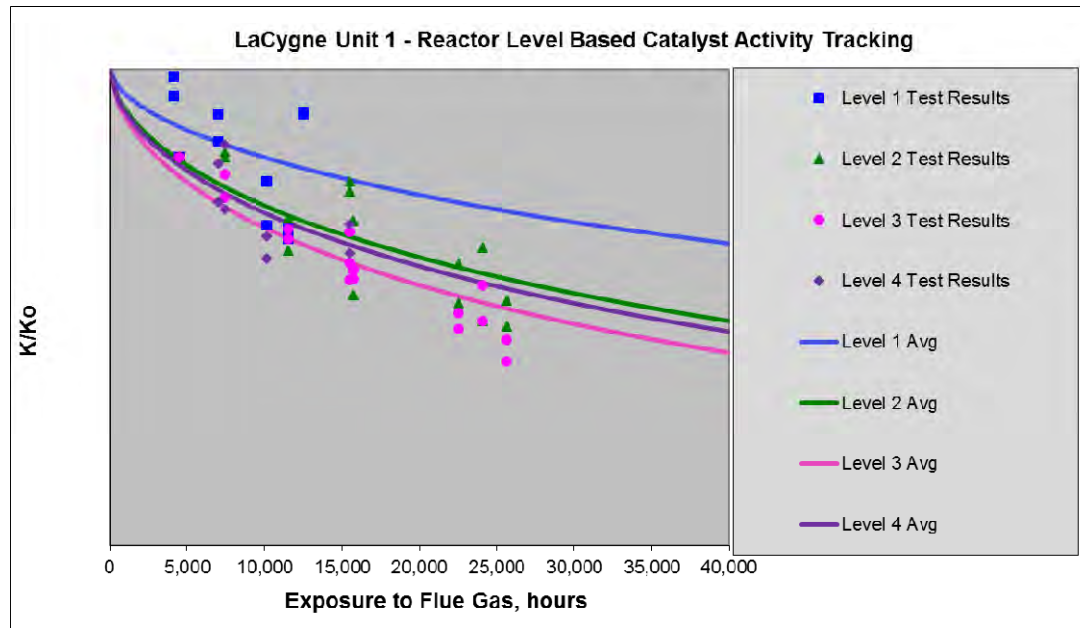
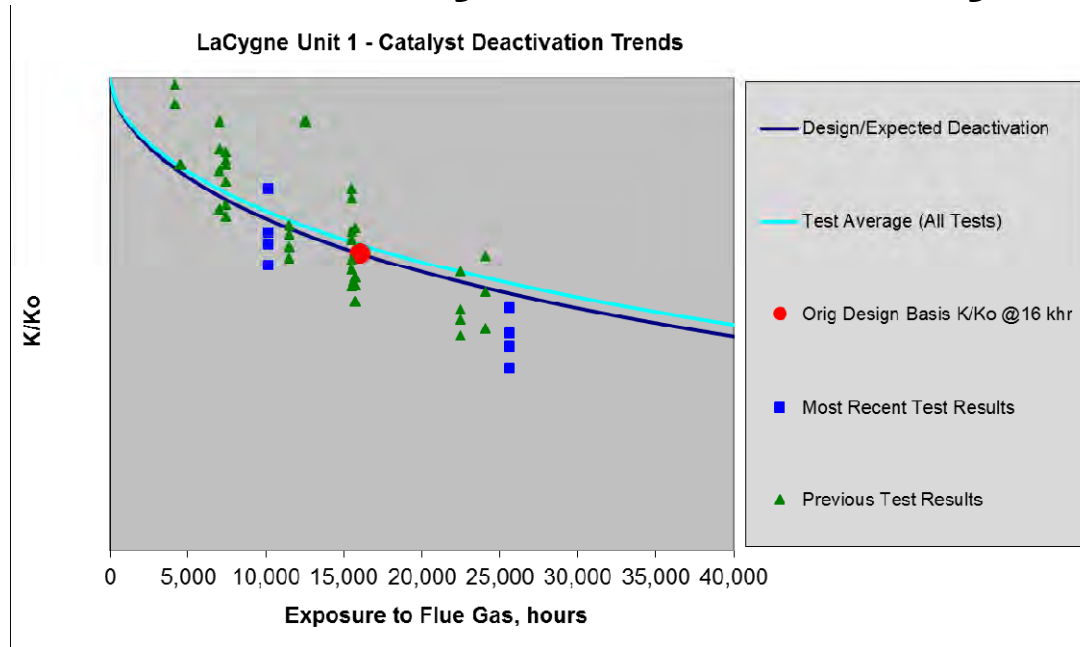
Model Catalyst DP Trends



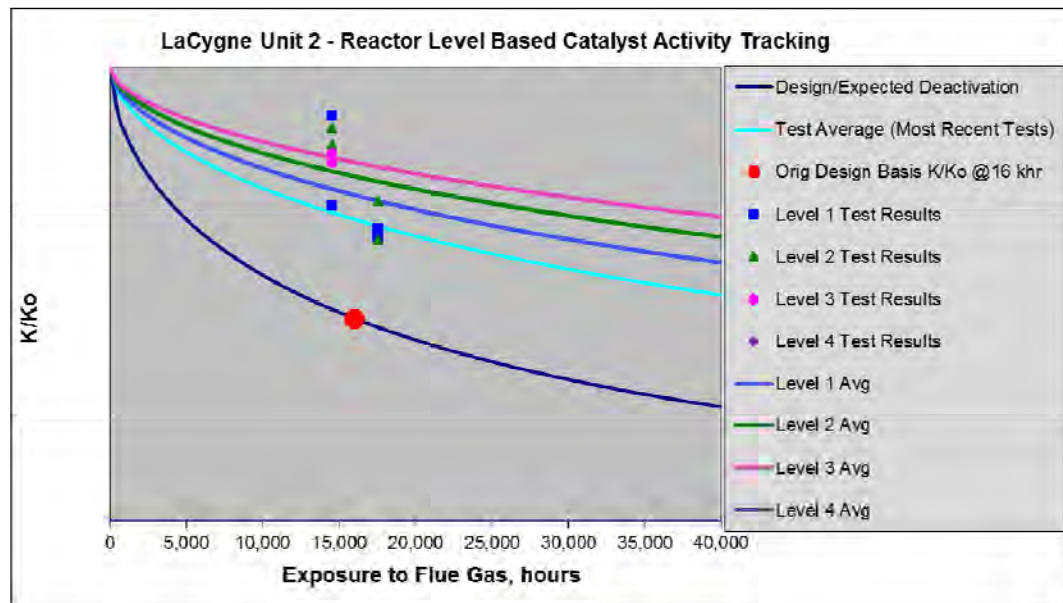
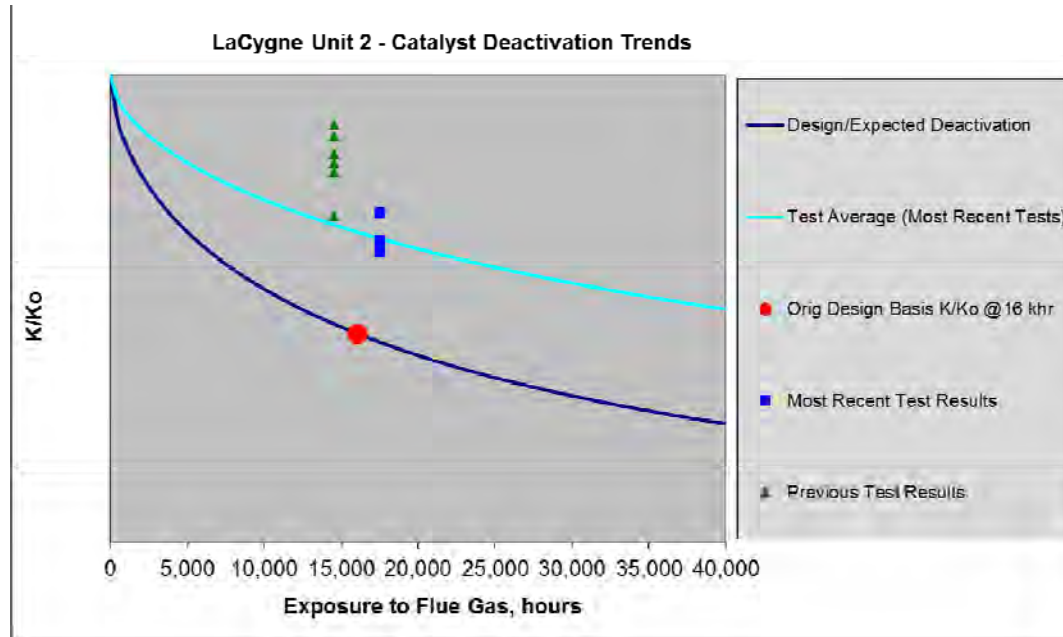
Catalyst Testing



LaCygne Unit 1 Catalyst Test History

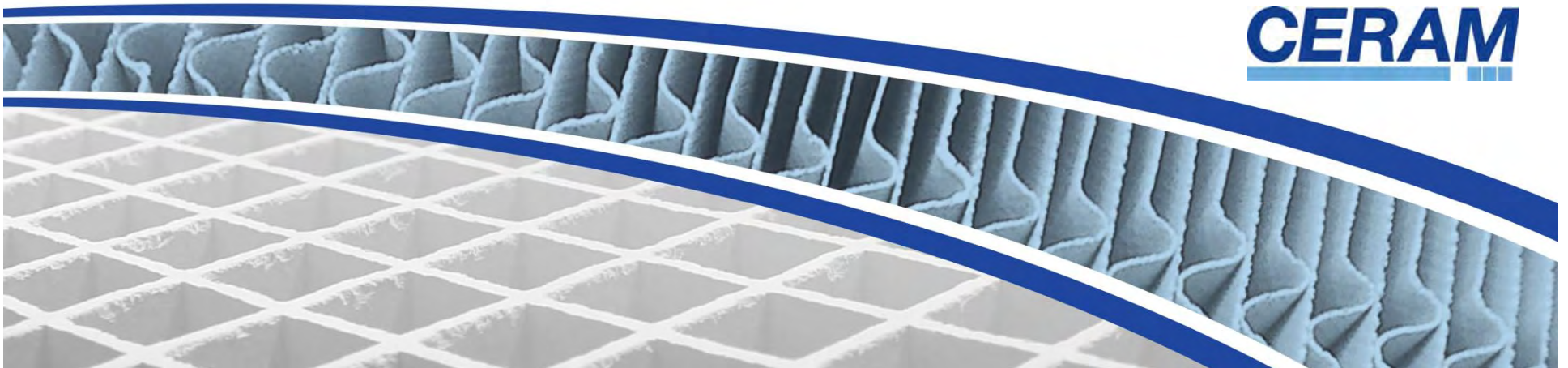


LaCygne Unit 2 Catalyst Test History



LaCygne Unit 1 Catalyst Management Plan

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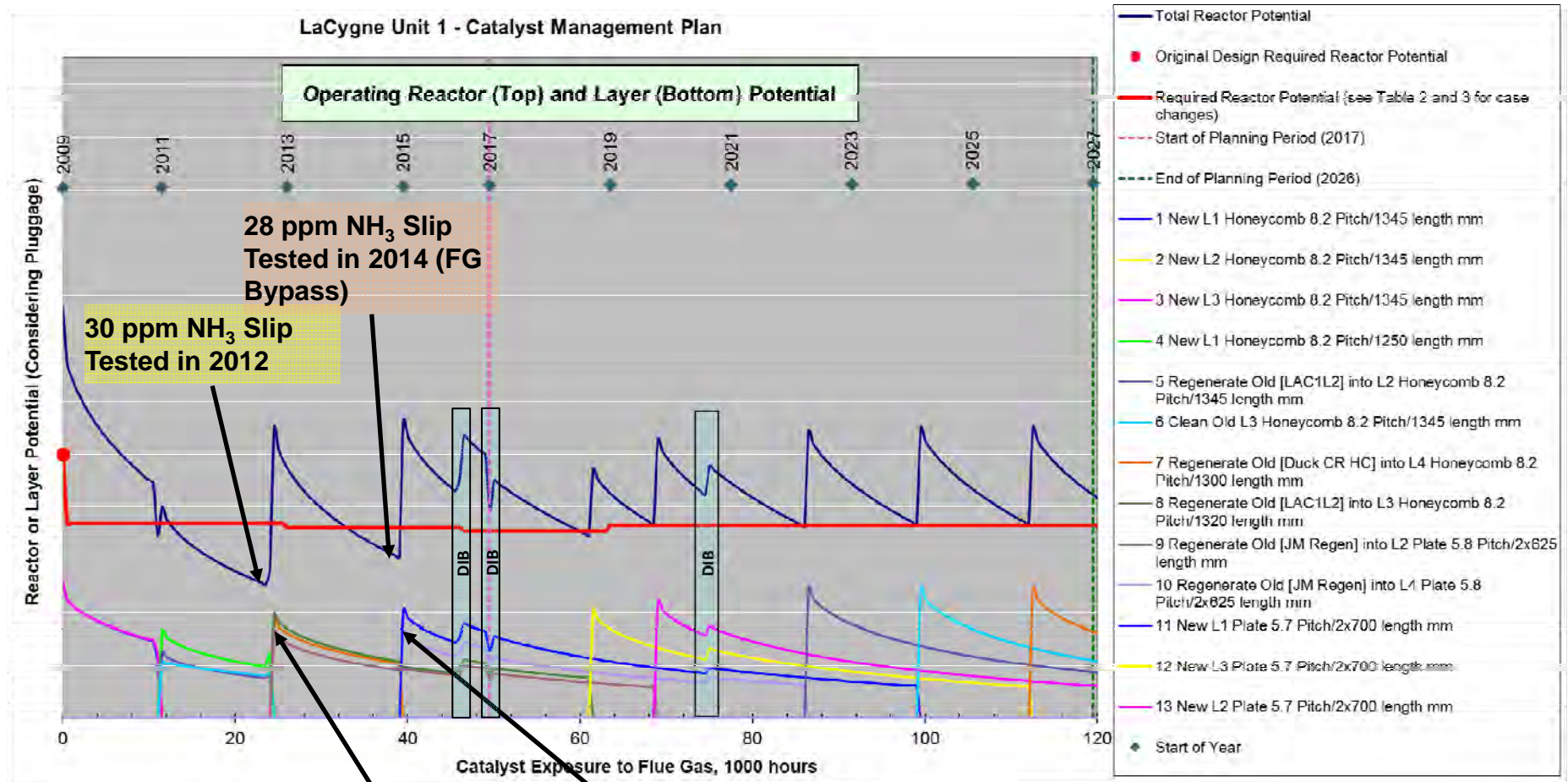


LaCygne U1 SCR Operating Cases

| Unit or Fuel Case Description | Units of Input | Original Design Basis | Post LNB Operations |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Inlet NOx | lb/MBtu | 1.000 | 0.643 |
| Inlet NOx, ppmvd @3%O2 | ppmvd@3%O2 | 725.0 | 490.0 |
| Outlet NOx | lb/MBtu | 0.080 | 0.085 |
| Ammonia Slip ppmvd @3%O2 | ppmvd@3%O2 | 2.0 | 5.0 |
| Fuel Burn Rate, MBtu/hr | MBtu/h | 8,100 | 7,877 |
| DeNOx Gas Temp, F | F | 700 | 706 |
| Oxidation Gas Temp, F | F | 700 | 706 |
| Economizer Outlet Flow @DeNOx Gas T | acfm | 4,000,000 | 3,895,229 |
| Economizer Outlet Gas Pressure | in wg | -14.5 | -14.0 |
| Economizer Outlet Flow | Nm3/h wet | 2,785,722 | 2,750,200 |
| Relative Potential Required | | 1.00 | 0.71 |
| Gas Analysis at SCR Inlet: | | | |
| Oxygen, wet % | % | 2.10 | 2.31 |
| Moisture, % | % | 14.00 | 13.46 |
| Carbon Dioxide, % wet | % | 13.85 | 14.32 |

Operating case developed from 3 Months of 10-minute data analysis

LaCygne Unit 1 CMP



Full Regen Replacement

New L1, Regen L4

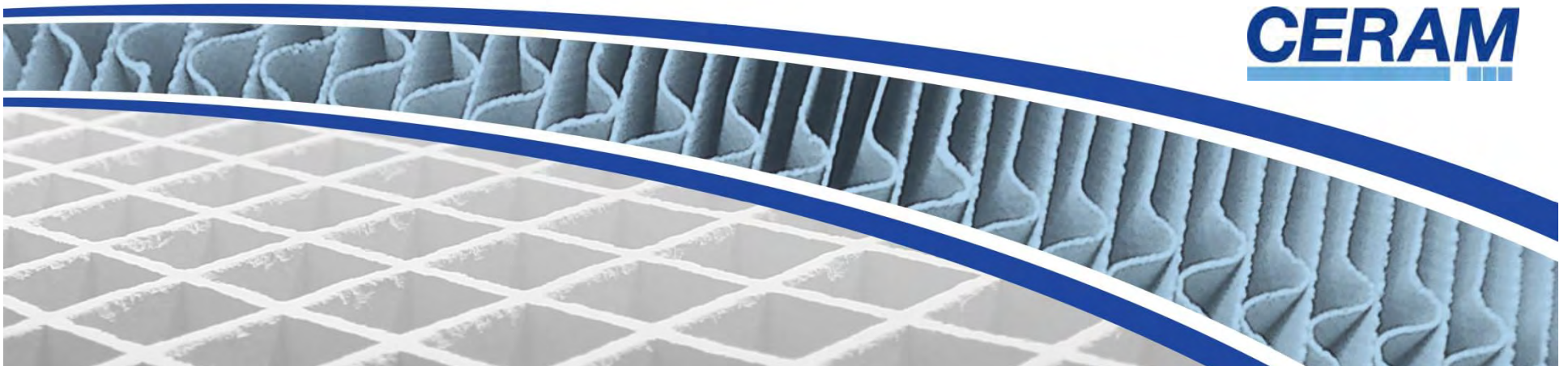
8 Catalyst Layers Installed 2007 thru 2012 Mods

5 Catalyst Layers Installed 2012 thru 2017

3 Catalyst Layers Planned 2017 thru 2022

LaCygne Unit 2 Catalyst Management Plan

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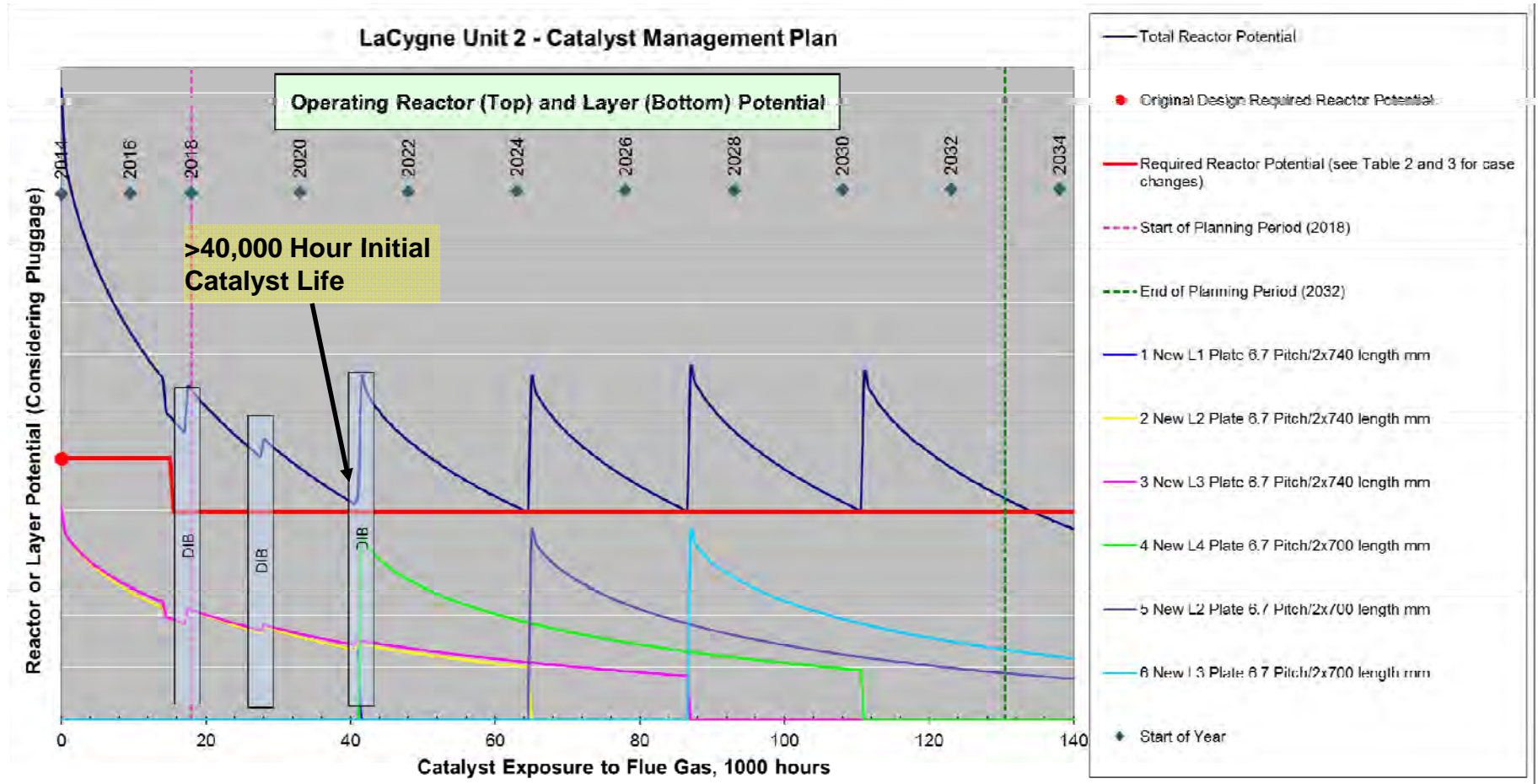


LaCygne U2 SCR Operating Cases

| Unit or Fuel Case Description | Units of Input | Original Design | Actual Operations |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Inlet NOx | lb/MBtu | 0.220 | 0.250 |
| Inlet NOx, ppmvd @3%O2 | ppmvd@3%O2 | 167.0 | 186.0 |
| Outlet NOx | lb/MBtu | 0.050 | 0.100 |
| Ammonia Slip ppmvd @3%O2 | ppmvd@3%O2 | 2.0 | 5.0 |
| Fuel Burn Rate, MBtu/hr | MBtu/h | 6,982 | 7,120 |
| DeNOx Gas Temp, F | F | 772 | 738 |
| Oxidation Gas Temp, F | F | 772 | 738 |
| Economizer Outlet Flow @DeNOx Gas T | acfm | 3,466,000 | 3,643,507 |
| Economizer Outlet Gas Pressure | in wg | -6.0 | -6.0 |
| Economizer Outlet Flow | Nm3/h wet | 2,245,407 | 2,503,306 |
| Relative Potential Required | | 1.00 | 0.80 |
| Gas Analysis at SCR Inlet: | | | |
| Oxygen, wet % | % | 2.00 | 2.31 |
| Moisture, % | % | 13.00 | 14.16 |
| Carbon Dioxide, % wet | % | 13.00 | 14.36 |

Operating case developed from 3 Months of 10-minute data analysis

LaCygne Unit 2 CMP



CMP Economic Analysis 2018 - 2032

| 15 Year Net Present Value Analysis | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| | Unit 1 | Unit 2 |
| Number of Catalyst Layers | 8 Layers | 4 Layers |
| Catalyst Related Expenditures | \$ 11,208,000 | \$ 5,903,000 |
| Fan Energy Costs for Reactor Pressure Drop | \$ 5,835,000 | \$ 3,414,000 |
| DeNOx System Ammonia Cost | \$ 29,932,000 | \$ 7,316,000 |
| Total Net Present Value of Plan (2018 to 2032) | \$ 46,975,000 | \$ 16,633,000 |
| NPV NOx Removal Cost of Plan (2018 to 2032) | \$223 per Ton | \$325 per Ton |

- Unit 1 twice the number of catalyst layers
- Unit 1 4X ammonia consumption (cyclone vs. PC)
- Unit 2 higher cost per ton of NOx

The Goal:

- **Manage Operating Risk**
- **Minimize Capital & O&M \$\$\$**



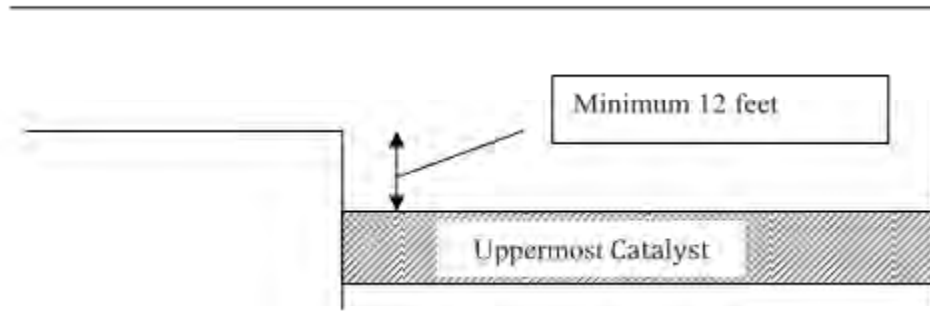


Figure 4 – Minimum Distance to First Catalyst Layer

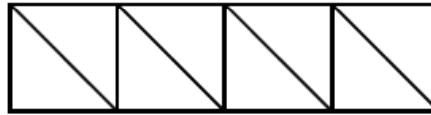


Figure 5 - Type 1 Internal Bracing Configuration - not allowed when oriented perpendicular to the direction of gas flow, but can be used in parallel to gas flow.

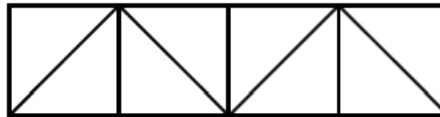


Figure 6 - Type 2 beam structure – not allowed within 1.5 hydraulic diameter of SCR reactor inlet plane when oriented perpendicular to the direction of gas flow, but can be used in parallel to gas flow.

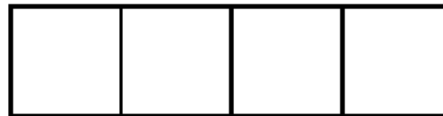


Figure 7 - Pipe structure – allowed when oriented perpendicular to the direction of gas flow.

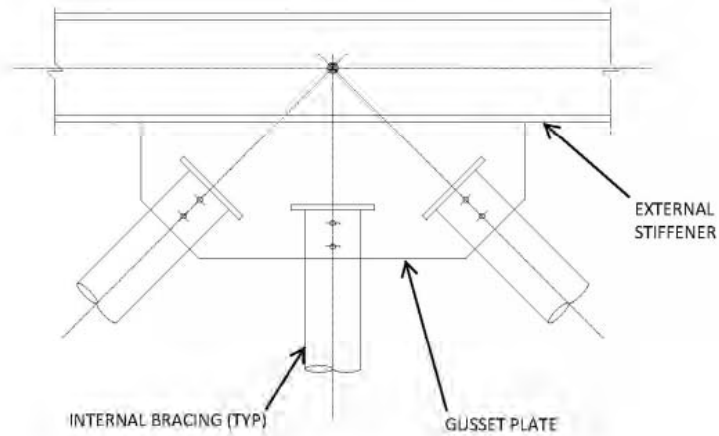


Figure 8 - Example of unacceptable gusset plate design

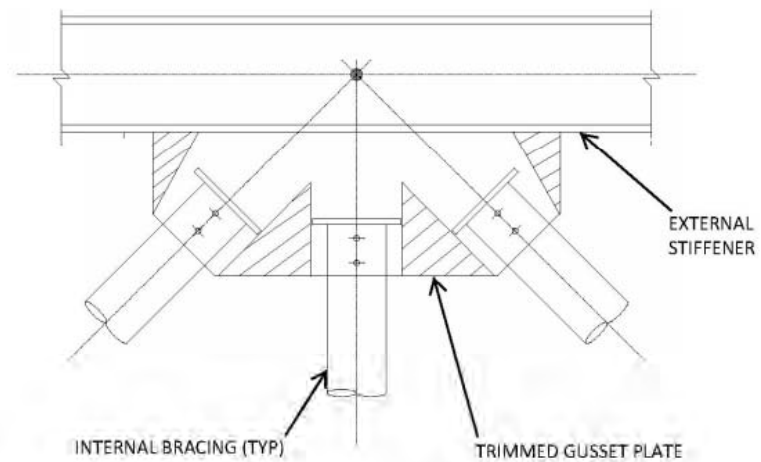


Figure 9 - Example of acceptable gusset plate design. A maximum 2" stress radius can be added to the cutouts, if required by the Contractor's design.

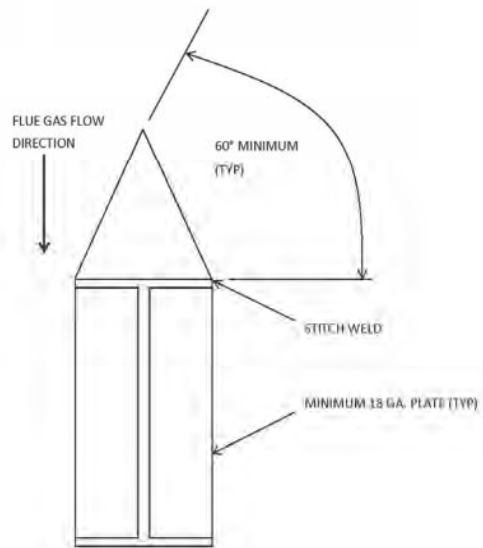


Figure 10- Example of deflector plate design for structural members parallel to gas flow (Type 1 – totally enclosed beam).

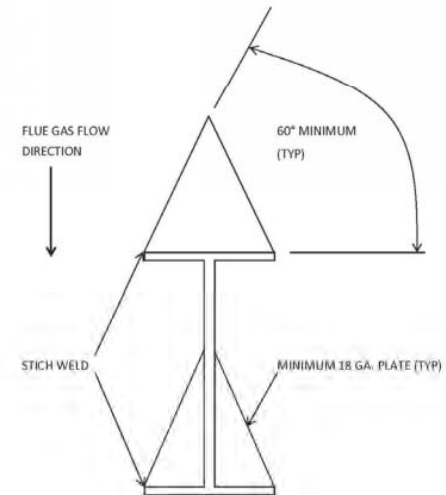


Figure 11 - Example of deflector plate design for structural members parallel to gas flow (Type 2 – partially enclosed beam).