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# *Fixed-structure Sorbent Mercury Control*

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# Traditional Strategies for Mercury Control

Sorbent Injection

Mercury oxidation chemistry  
→ capture Hg in scrubber liquor

Fly ash contamination –  
Loss of sales/disposal costs

Additives (i.e., Br) can cause  
corrosion

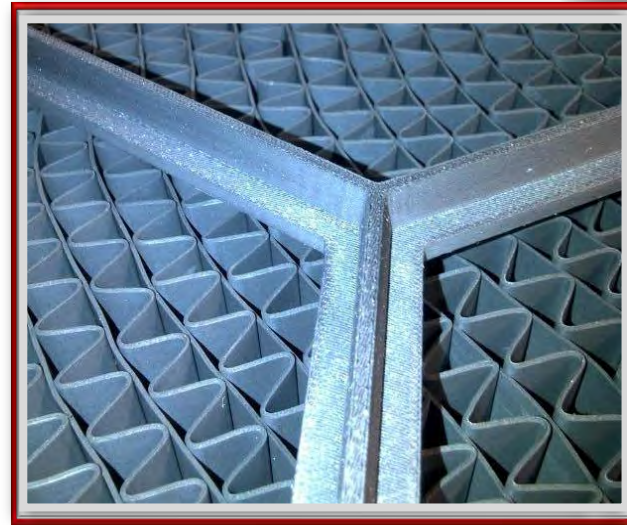
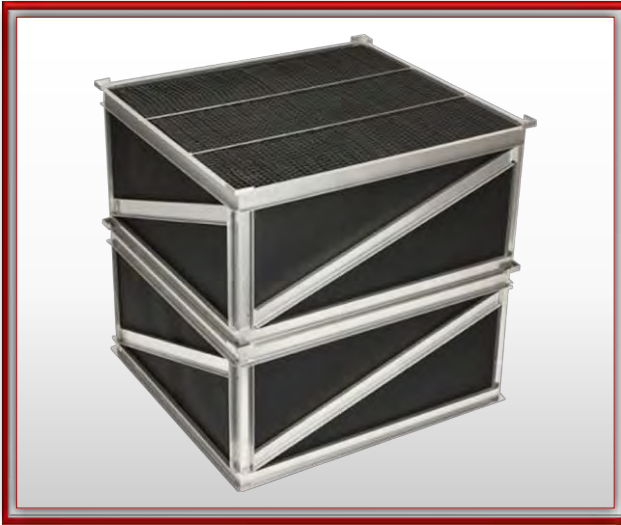
Additional PM burden on  
collector

Waste water treatment concerns  
(i.e., Br, Se)

Sensitivity ( $\text{SO}_3$ , Hg species)

Potential Hg Re-emissions from  
scrubber

# Fixed-structure Sorbent Mercury Control System

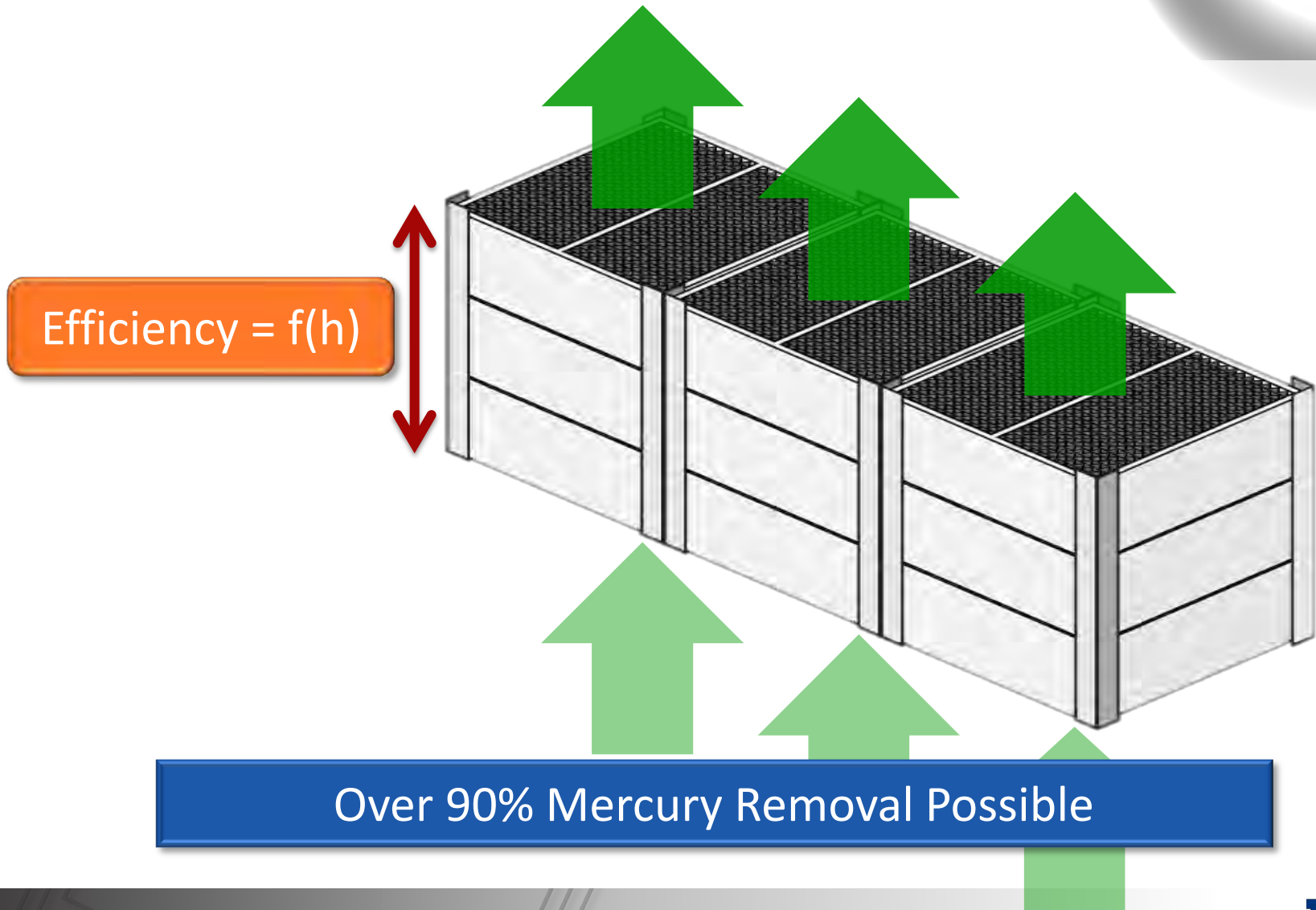


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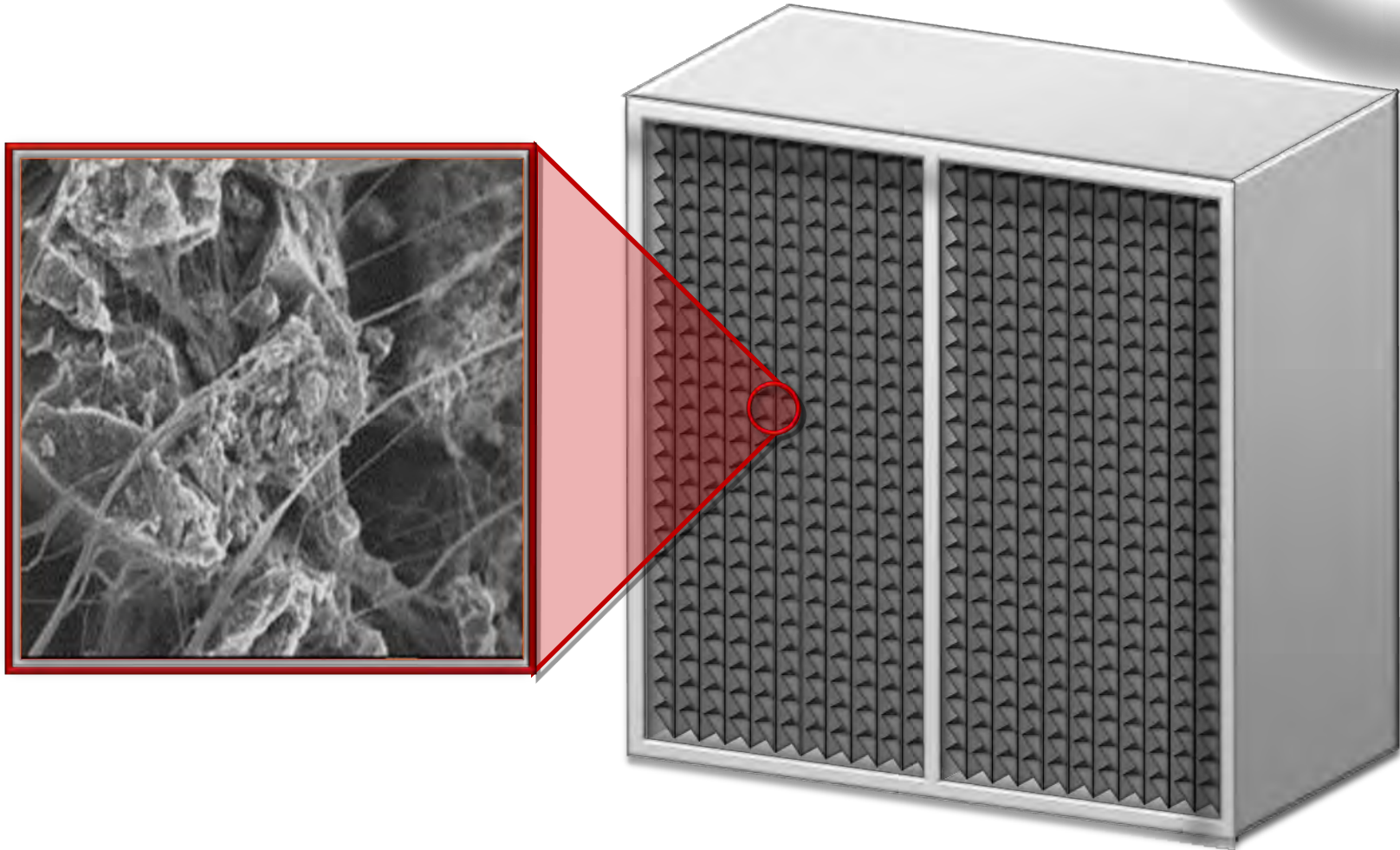
EPRI-Patented Concept for wFGD Applications

No Injection of Sorbents or Chemicals

Passive Operation – No moving parts



# W. L. Gore Sorbent Polymer Composite (SPC)

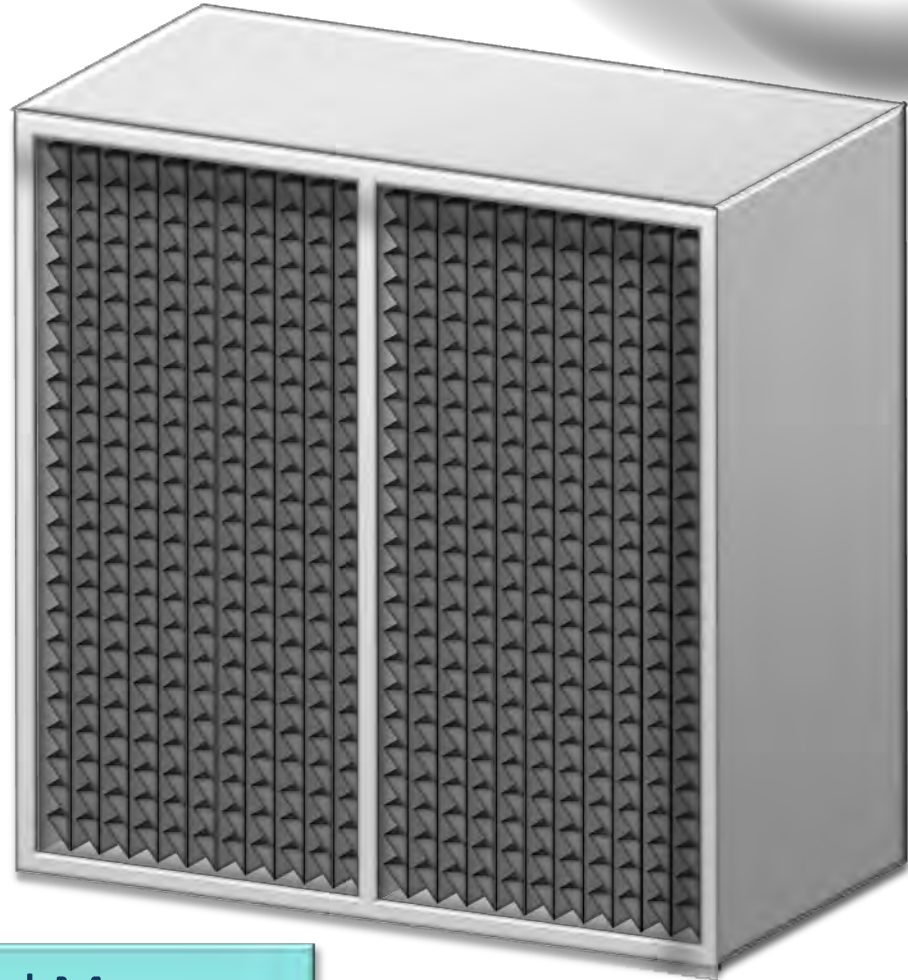


# Captures Elemental & Oxidized Mercury

Mercury is strongly bound  
within SPC

High capacity for mercury  
storage

Operates even in very wet  
gas streams



Elemental Mercury

Oxidized Mercury

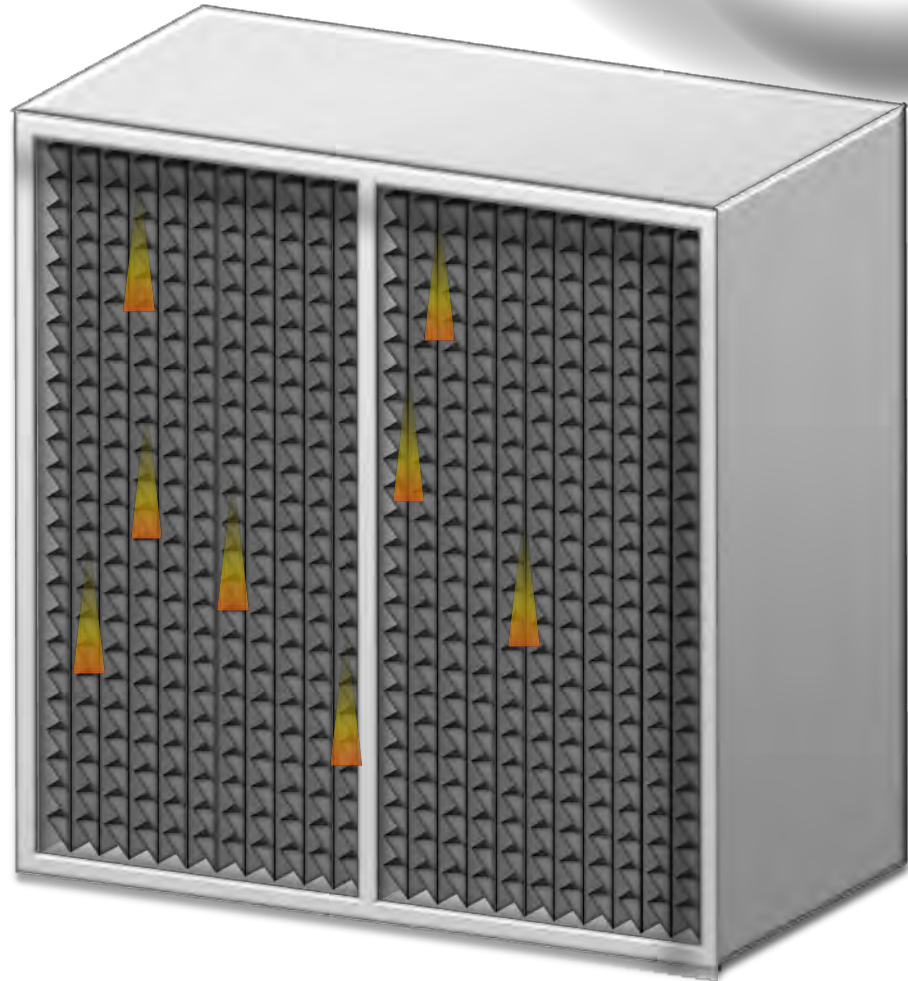
# SO<sub>2</sub> Removal Co-Benefit

SO<sub>2</sub> converted to liquid  
sulfuric acid

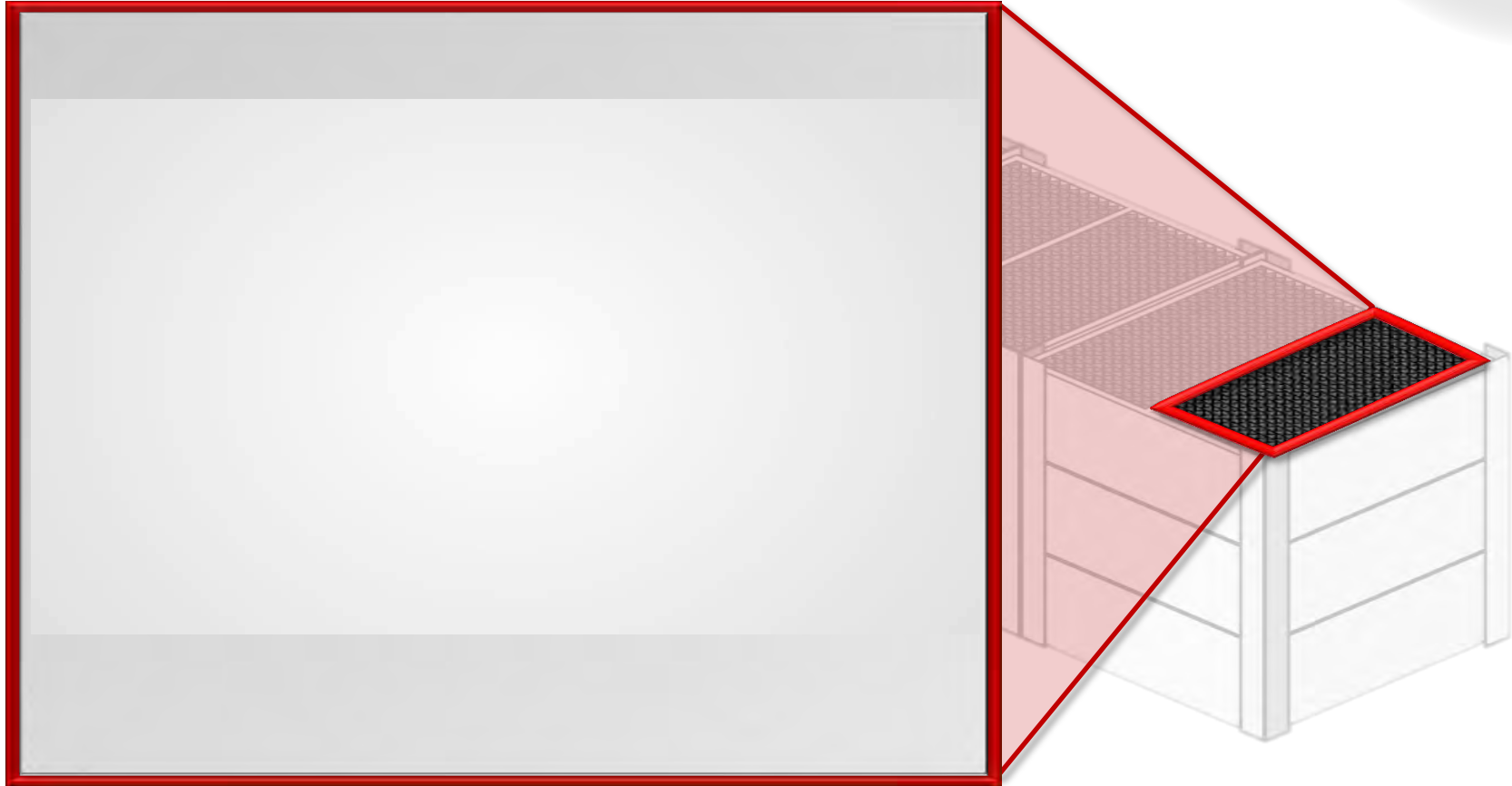
SO<sub>2</sub> removal is a co-benefit

SO<sub>3</sub> does not inhibit  
mercury capture

SO<sub>2</sub>



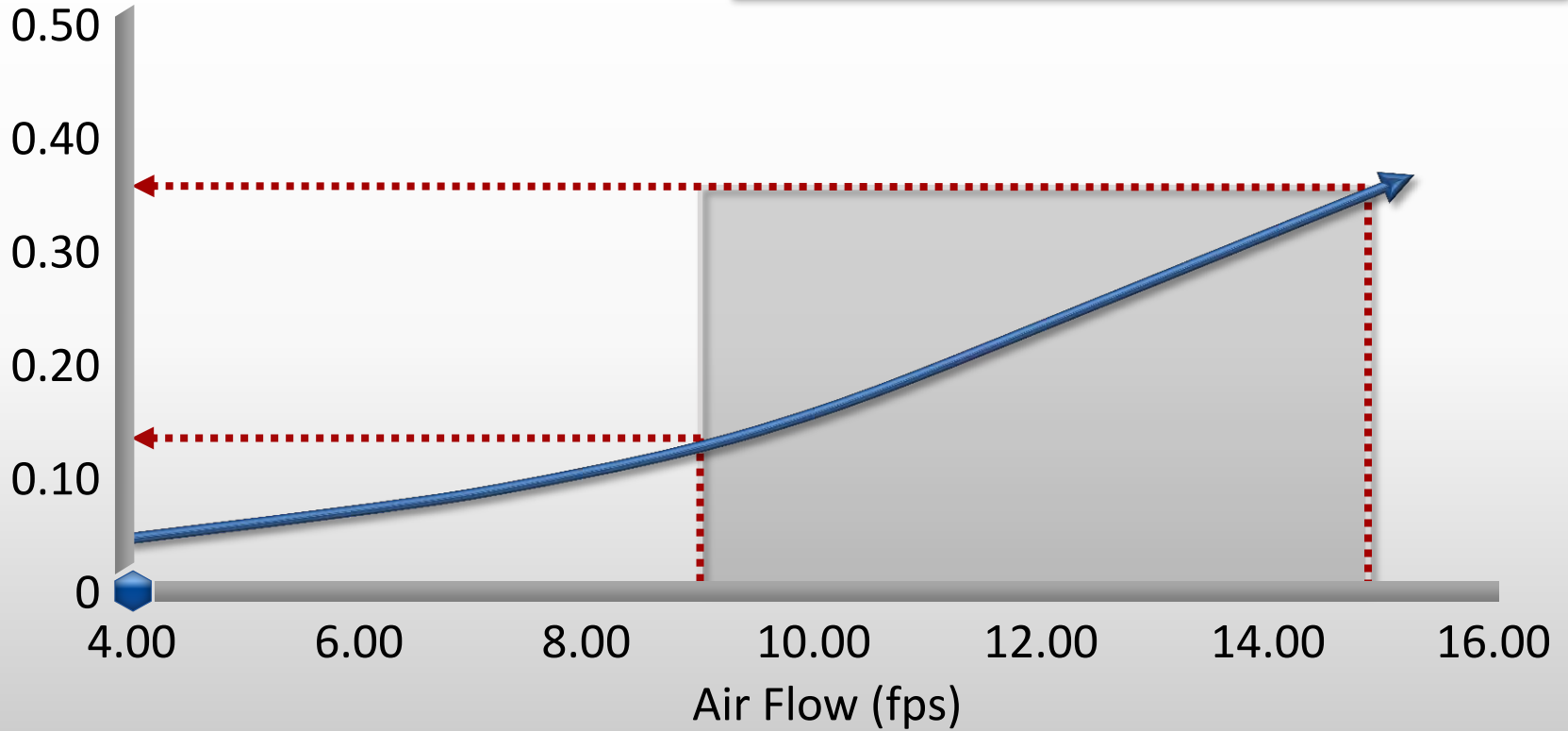
# Low Pressure Drop



# Pressure Drop

Pressure Drop  
(inwg)

1/8th - 1/3rd inch H<sub>2</sub>O per module



# Fixed-structure Sorbent Mercury Control System

No Carbon Injection

No Fly Ash  
Contamination

No Additional PM

No Bromine Injection

No Corrosion Concerns

No Wastewater Treatment  
System Impact

Low  
Impact

MATS  
Compliance

# Fixed-structure Sorbent Mercury Control System



No Moving Parts

No Adjustments In Use

No Regeneration  
Required

Low  
Impact

Low  
Maintenance

MATS  
Compliance

# Fixed-structure Sorbent Mercury Control System

Insensitive to  $\text{SO}_3$

Insensitive to Hg Species  
( $\text{Hg}^0$ ,  $\text{Hg}^{2+}$ )

Fuel Flexibility

Re-emissions Barrier

Low  
Impact

Low  
Maintenance

MATS  
Compliance

Robust

# Fixed-structure Sorbent Mercury Control System

Long Module Lifetime

Low Operating Cost

Zero Footprint

SO<sub>2</sub> Removal Co-benefit

Low  
Impact

Low  
Maintenance

MATS  
Compliance

Cost  
Effective

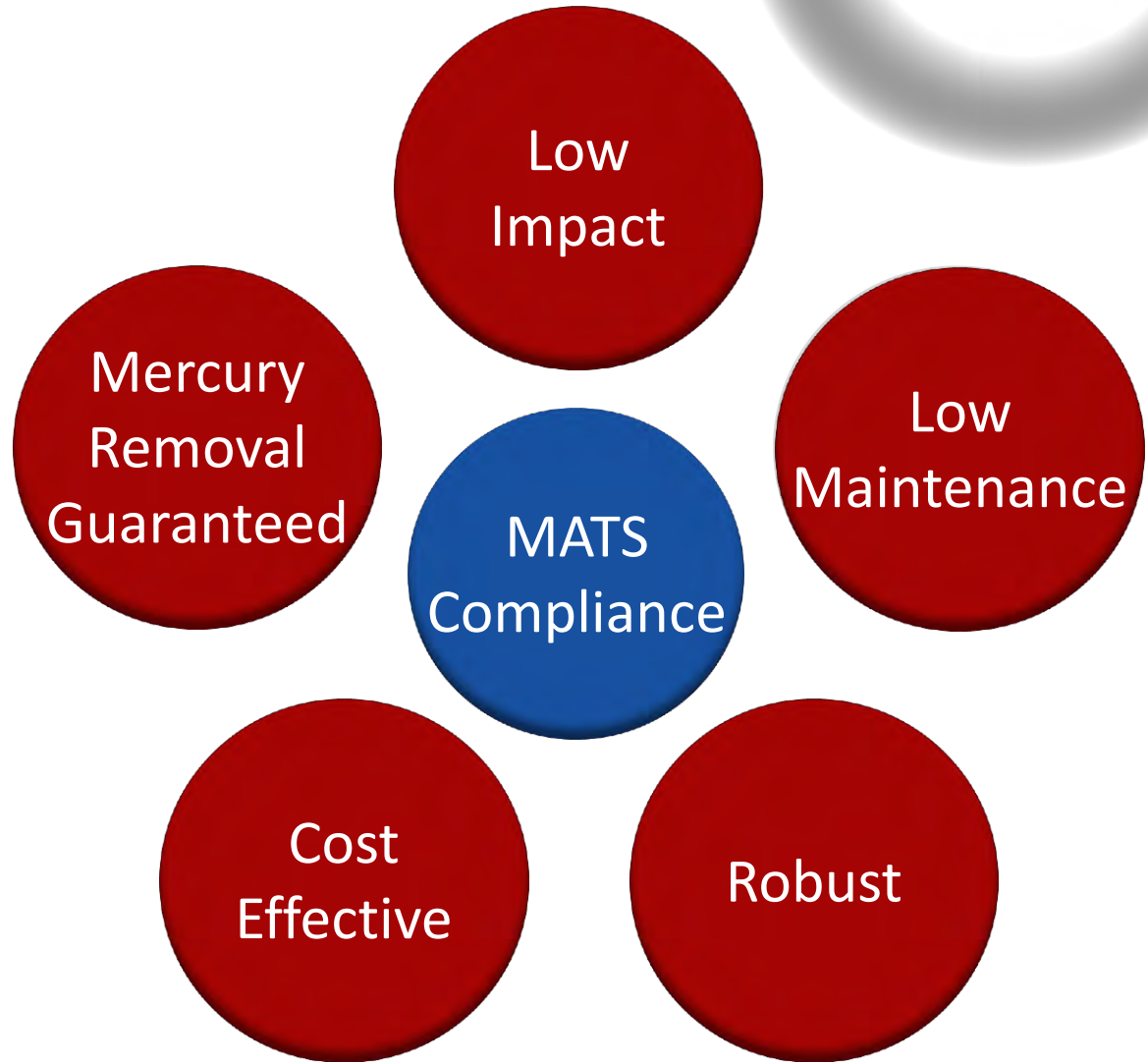
Robust

# Fixed-structure Sorbent Mercury Control System



“Tailpipe” solution

Commitment to Fitness-for-Use



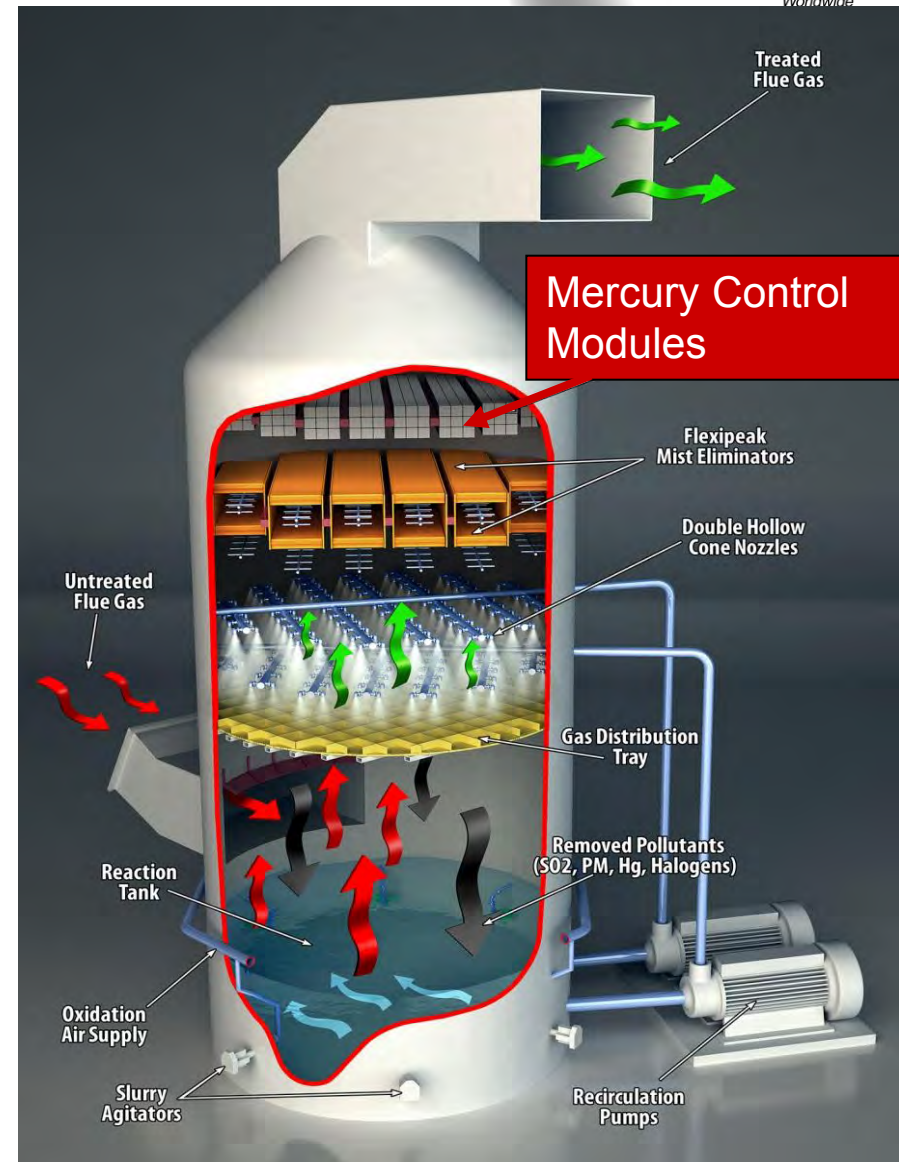
# Installation in Wet FGD

Modules located  
downstream of MEs

Relocation of MEs to  
create space

Structural analysis to  
support load

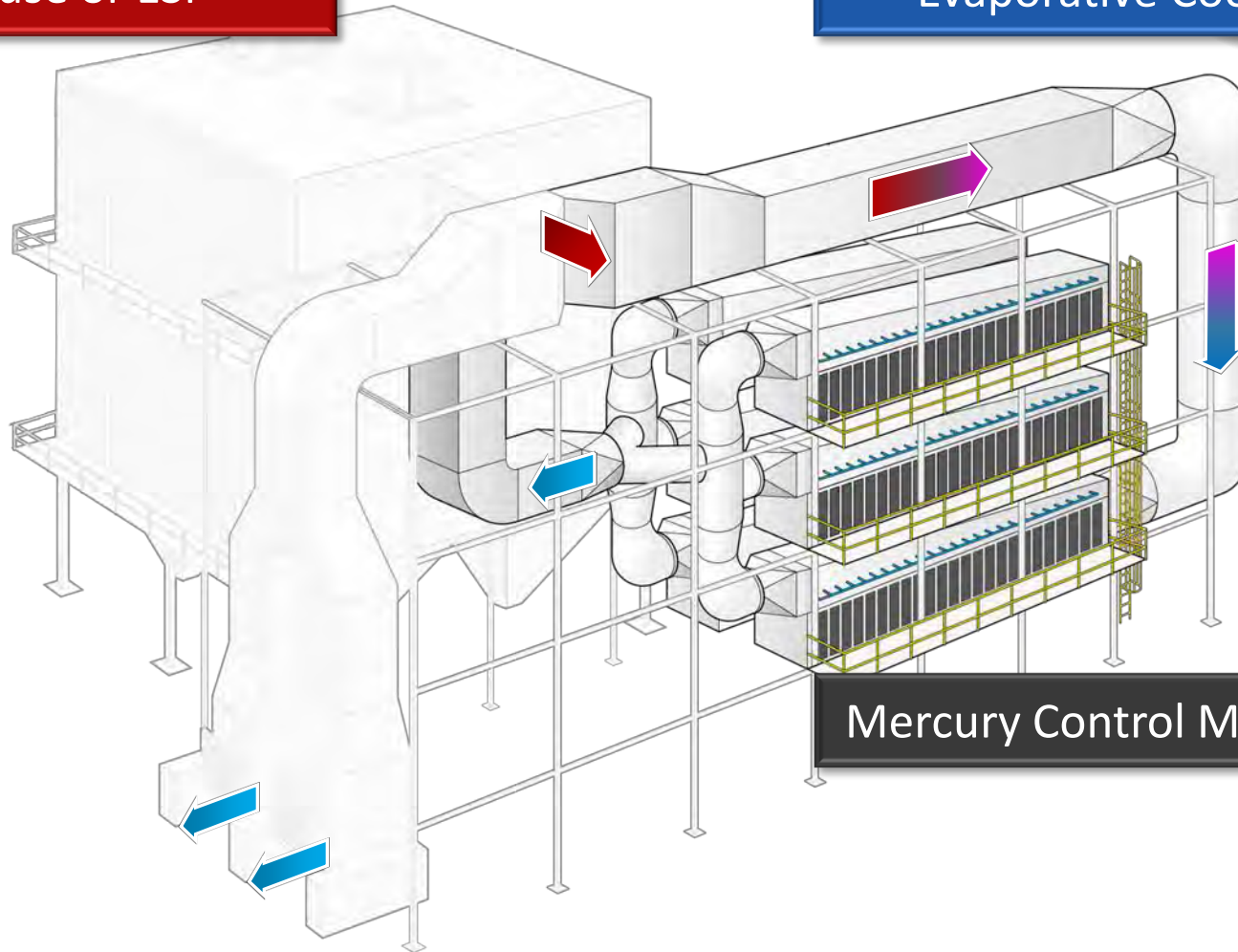
Proper selection of  
materials



# Installation without Scrubber

Baghouse or ESP

Evaporative Cooler



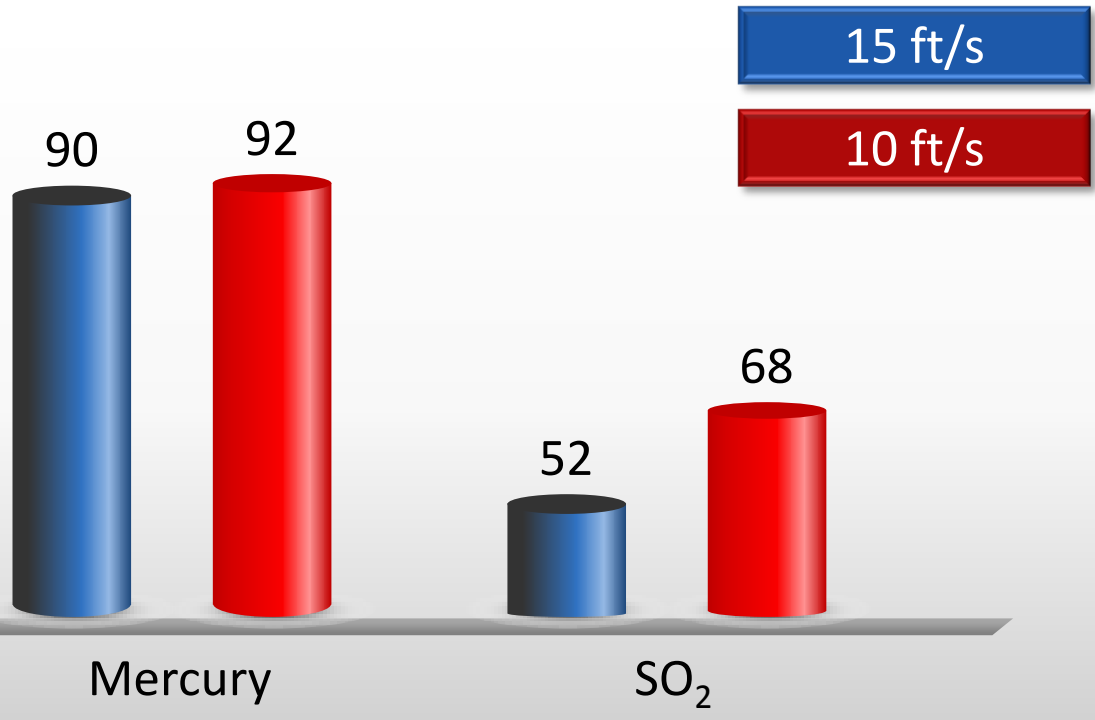
Mercury Control Modules

# 180 Day Test Pilot - Yates



Removal Efficiency (%)

100  
90  
80  
70  
60  
50  
0



15 ft/s

10 ft/s

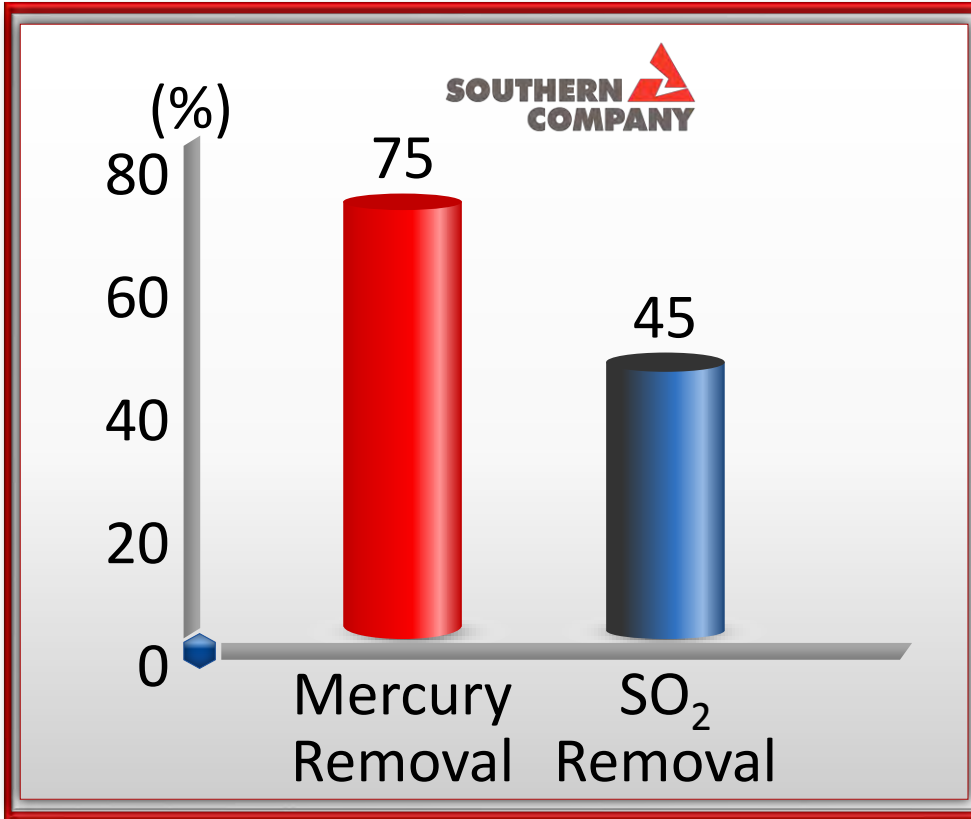
Mercury

SO<sub>2</sub>

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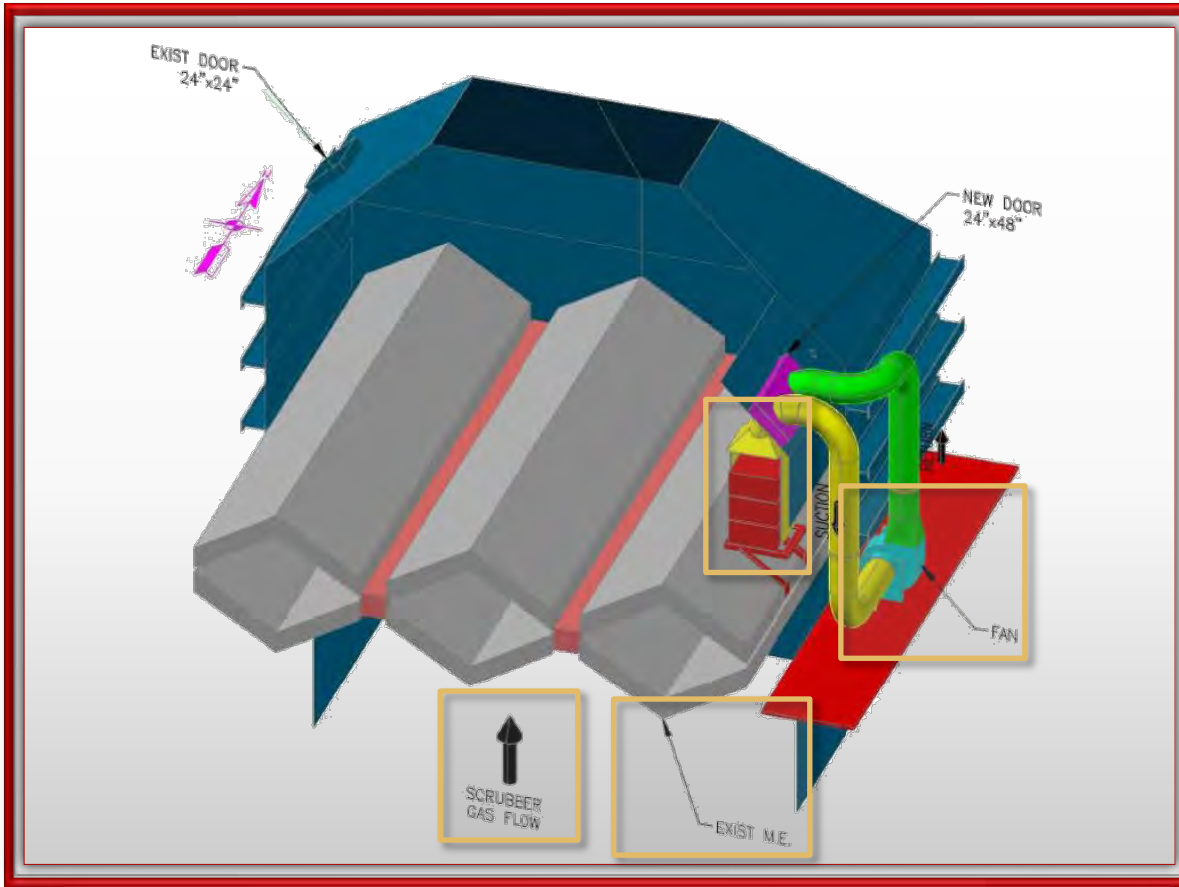
# Additional Pilot Testing Underway - Gorgas



Post-scrubber slip-stream (3000 cfm)

4 module stack (4' high)





Experience full scrubber carry-over

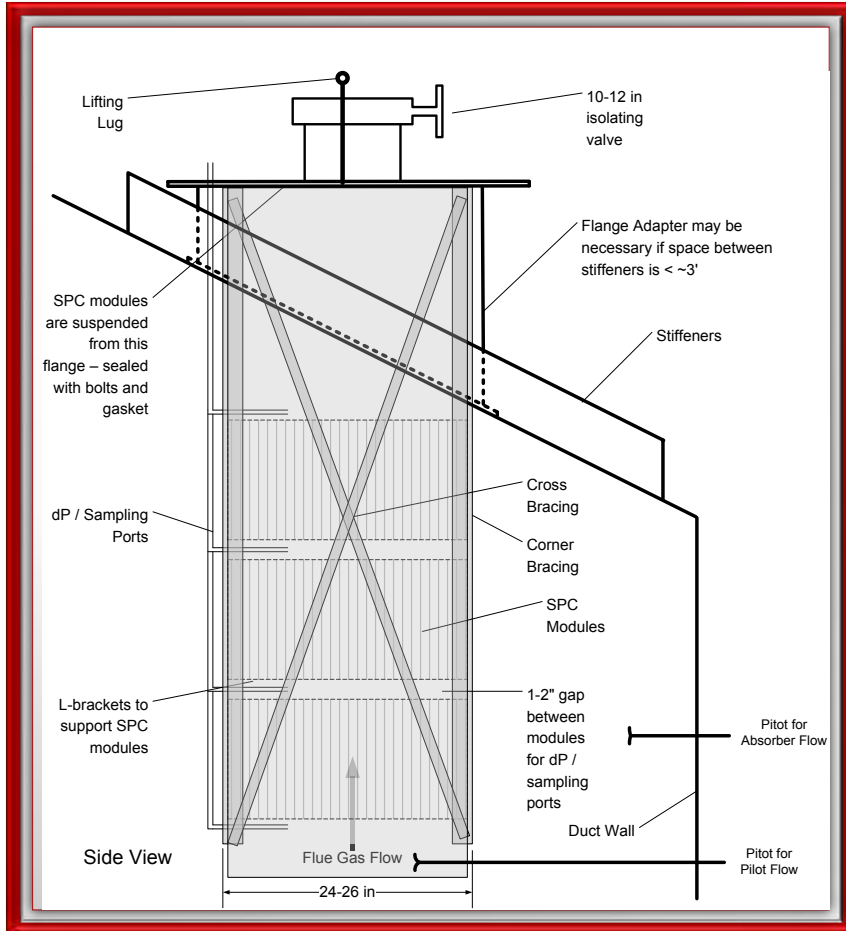
Hg, SO<sub>x</sub>, & ΔP measurements





Three Module Stack

# Coal Creek Pilot Location Operational Impact



Limited flexibility for locating pilot due to structural beams

Proximity to ME (8in) & uneven flow distribution

Some solids accumulation on one side of leading edge of 1st module

No impact on pressure drop or Hg removal performance



CFD modeling suggests liquid deposition from high velocity

Module surface retracted by two feet to increase distance from ME

Wash system installed for periodic (15sec/6hr) wetting of upstream face

Subsequent operation demonstrated no evidence of accumulation

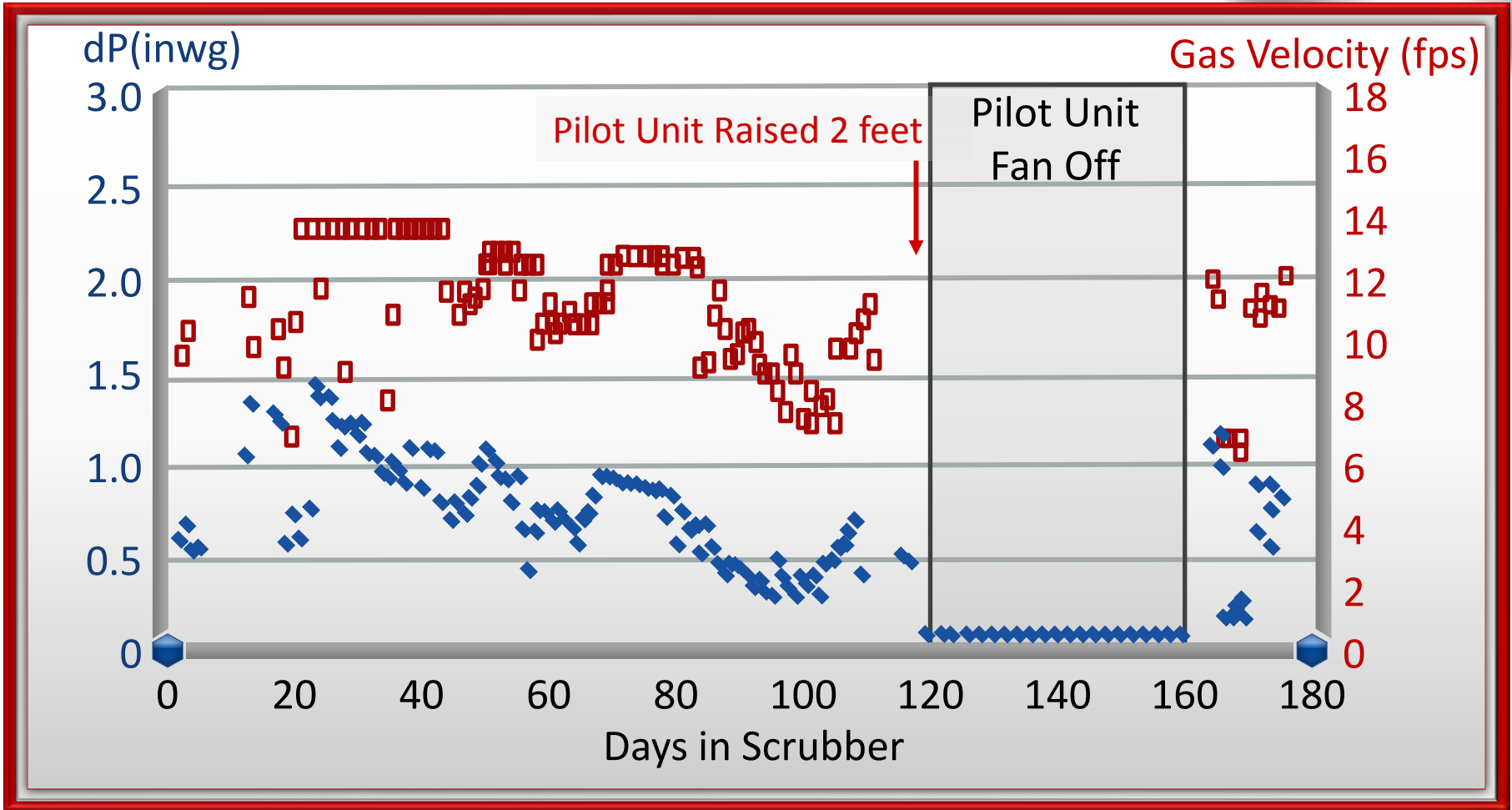


Jan 22: Leading Edge of Modules  
Viewed through scrubber window

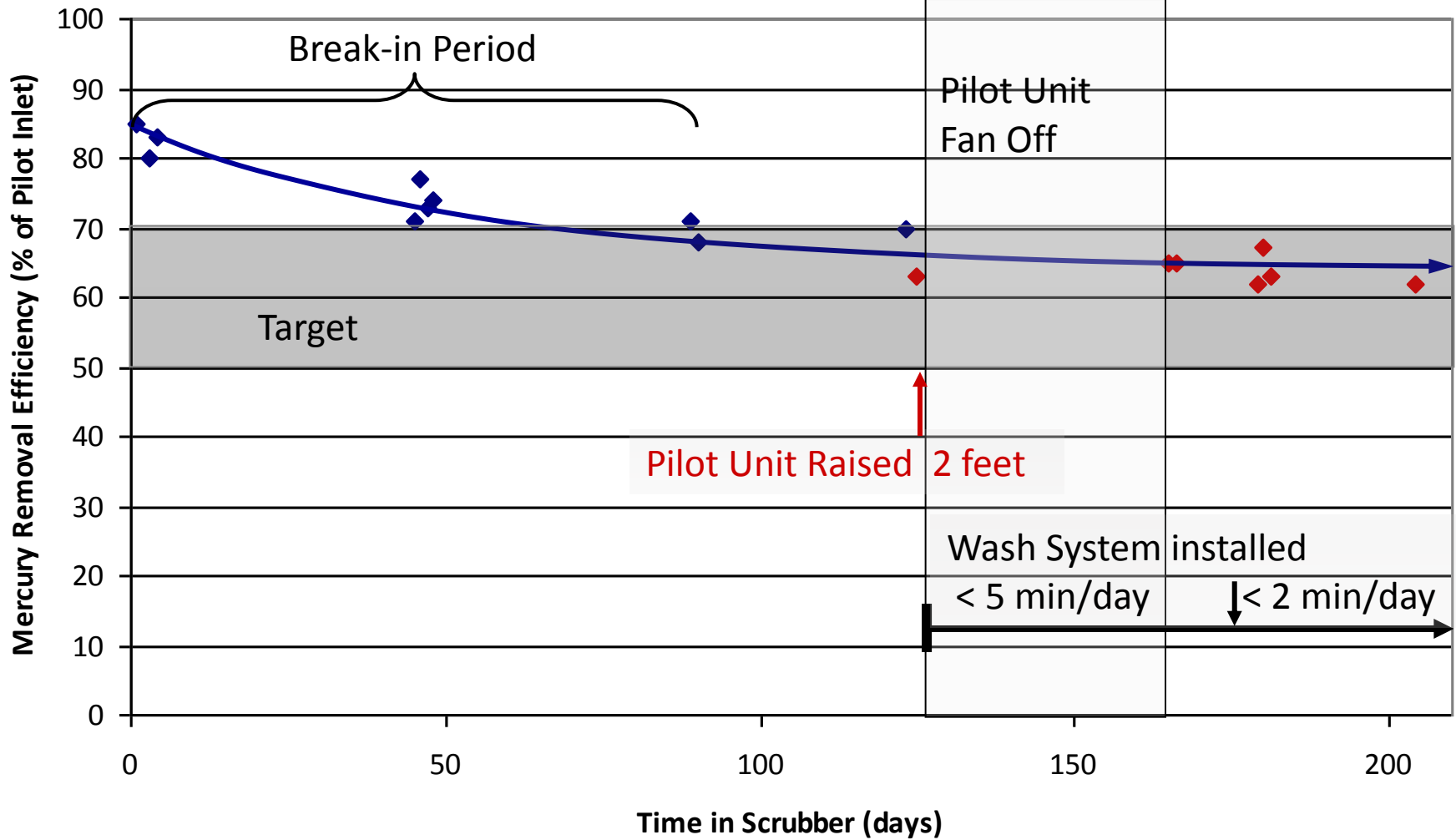
Top View of Module Removed  
for inspection

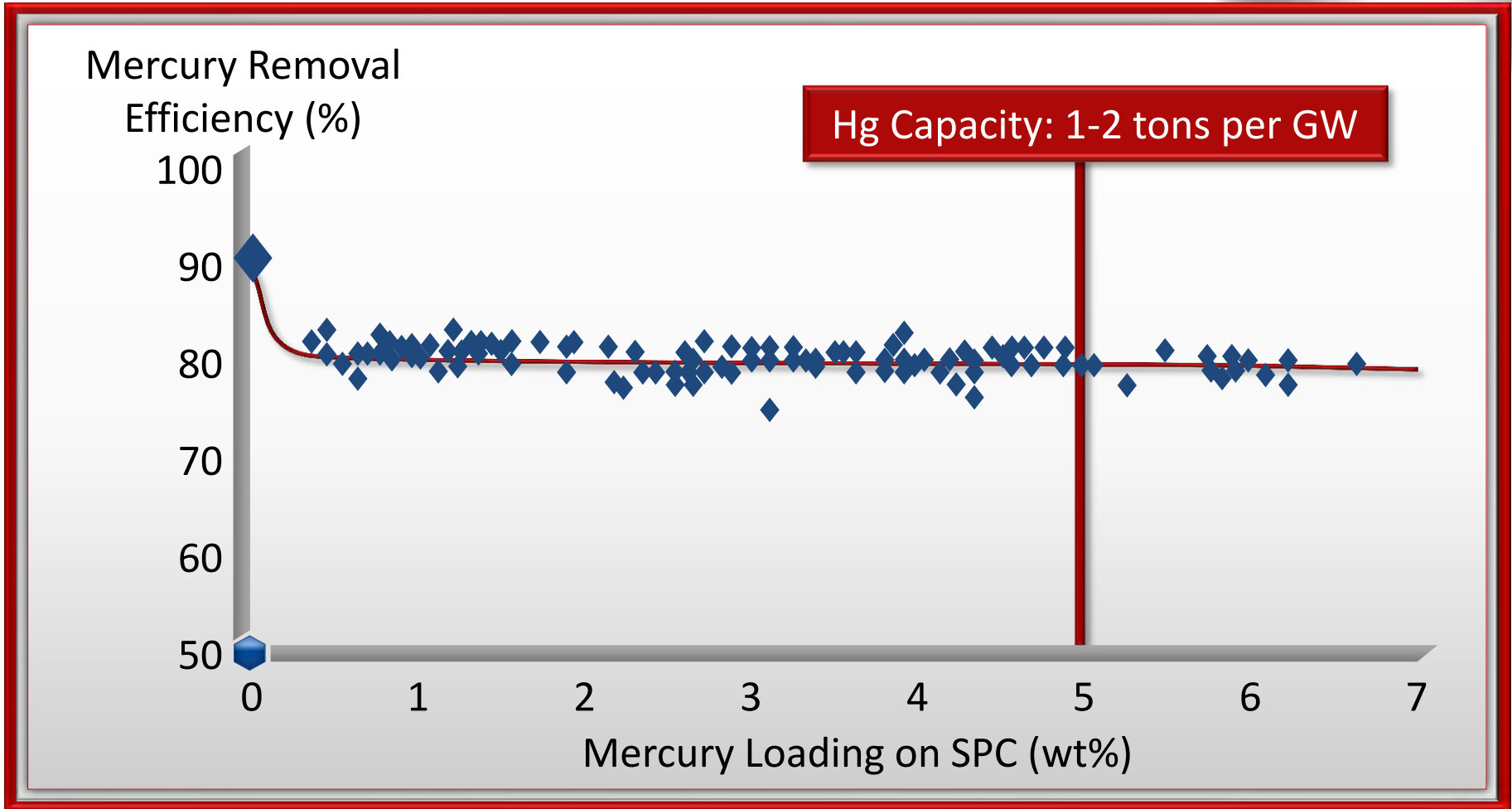


# Pressure Drop Across the Coal Creek Pilot



# Mercury Removal – Coal Creek Pilot





Measured removal on 6" SPC length scaled to 48" removal efficiency

# Variable Mercury Emissions – No Adjustments

Hg Concentration

$\mu\text{g}/\text{Nm}^3$

120

Hg Inlet Concentration

100

Hg Outlet Concentration

80

60

40

20

0

0

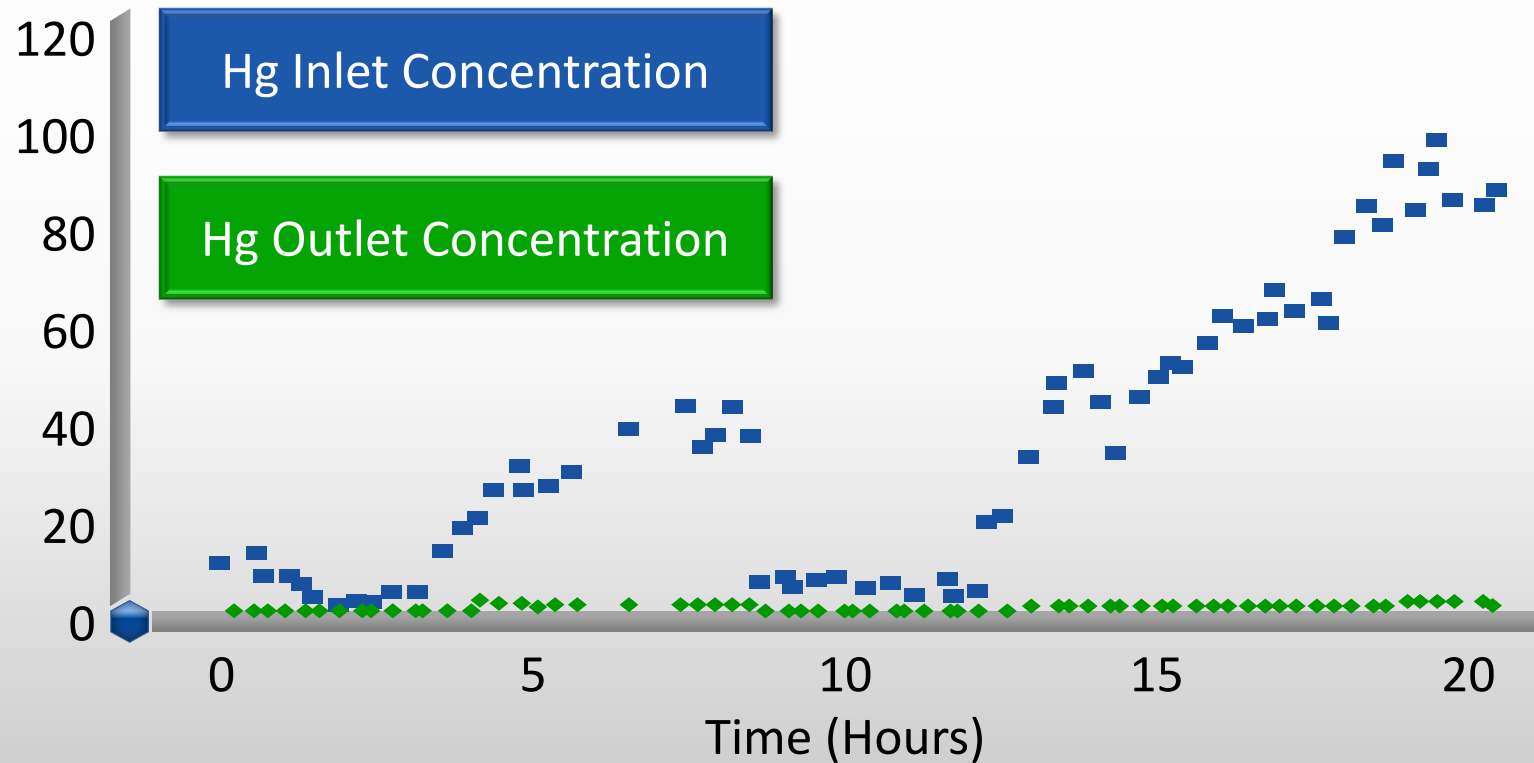
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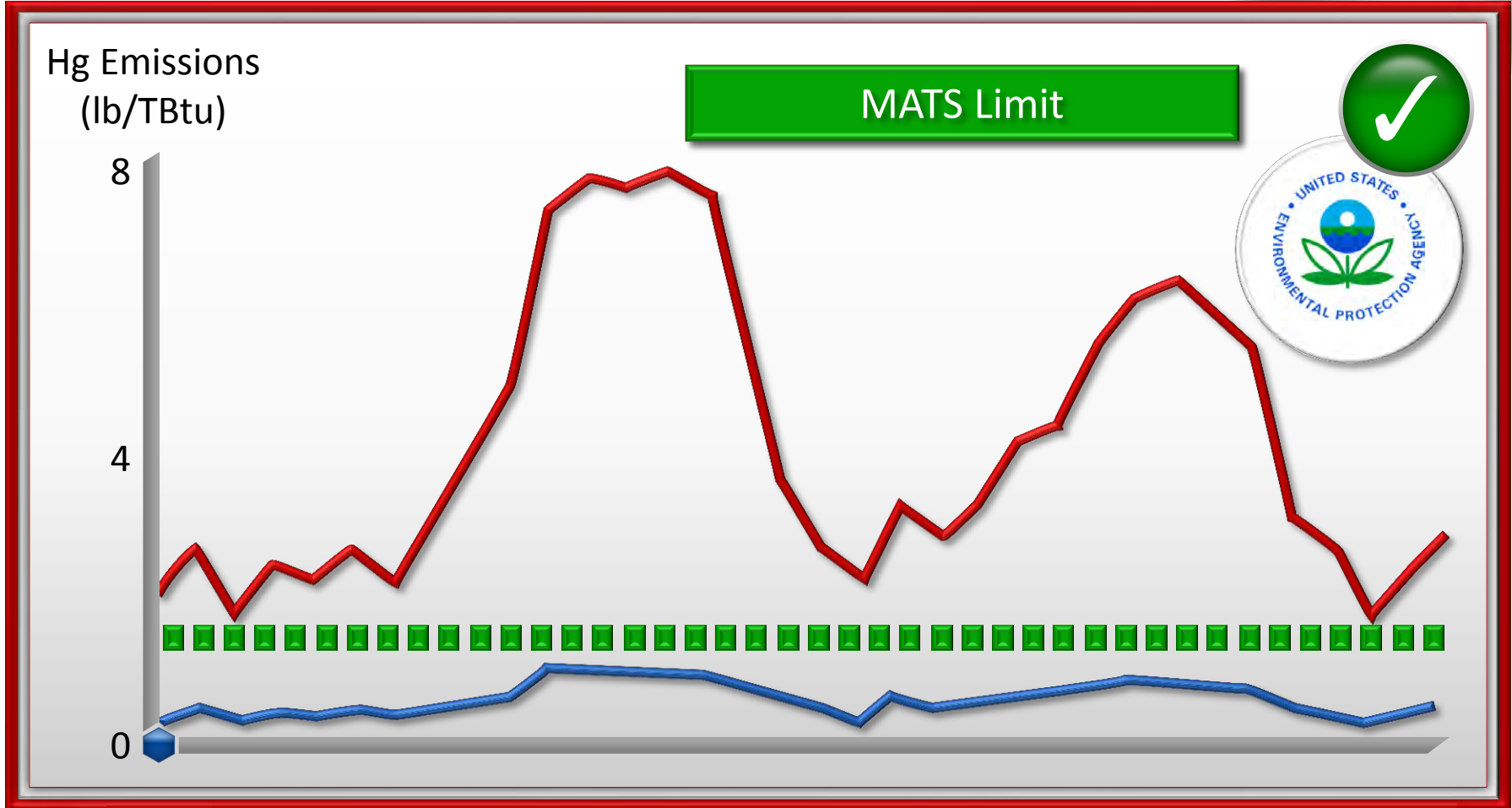
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Time (Hours)



# Simple Solution for Scrubber Re-emissions



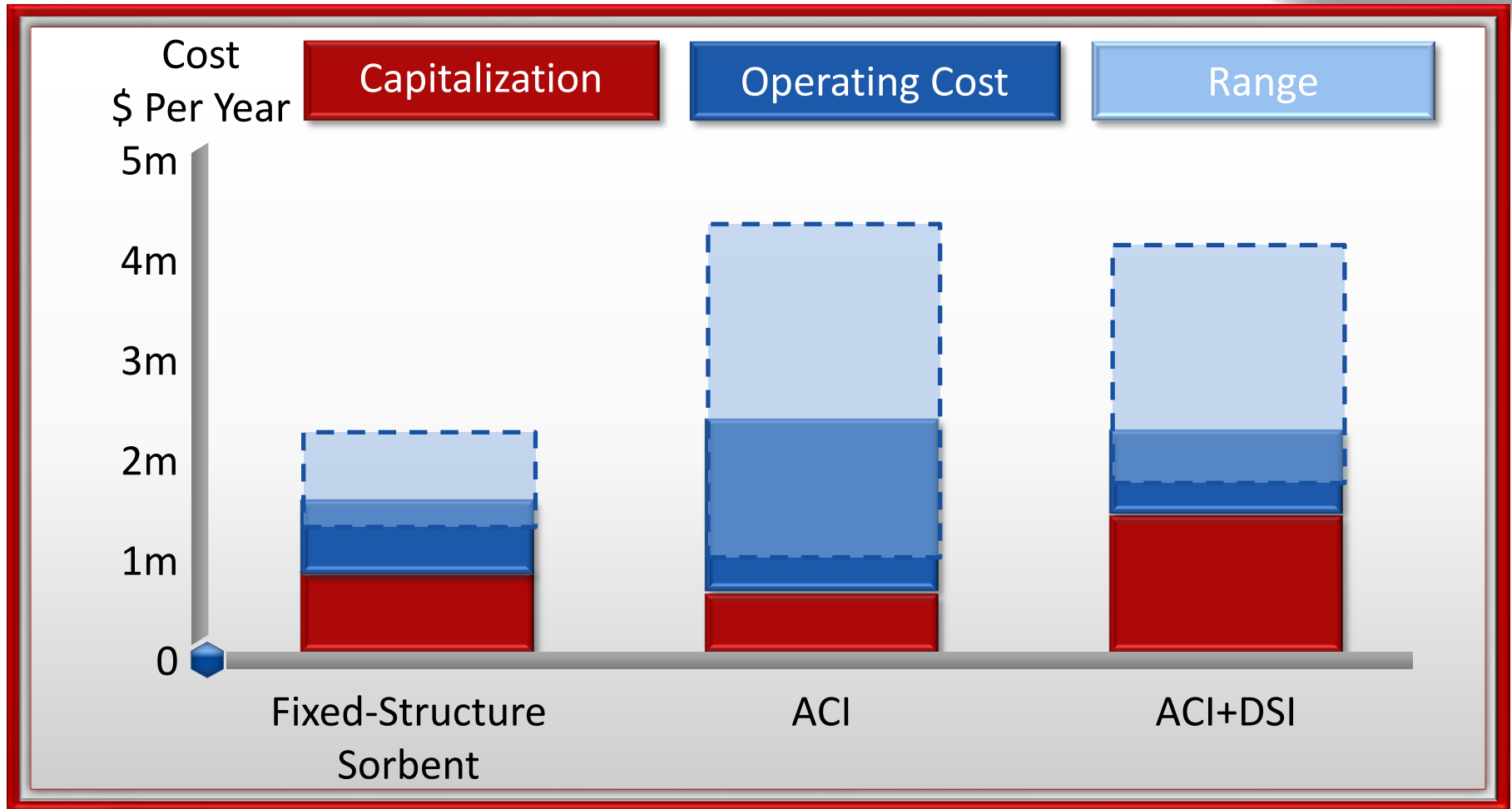
# Cost Model: Key Assumptions



<u>Hg control option</u>	<u>Assumption</u>	<u>Bituminous</u>	<u>Lignite</u>
<b>Fixed-structure Sorbent</b>	Module Life	5 yrs (range 3 – 9)	5 yrs (range 3 – 9)
<b>ACI</b>	PAC Inj. Rate (#/MMacf)	3 (range 1 – 5)	
<b>ACI plus DSI</b>	DSI Inj. Rate (#/hr)	700 (range 525 – 1050)	
	PAC Inj. Rate (#/MMacf)	1 (range 0.5 – 3)	
<b>Brominated ACI</b>	Br-PAC Inj. Rate (#/MMacf)		3 (range 1 – 5)
<b>Calcium Bromide</b>	Concentration on Coal (ppm)		100 (range 50 -150)
<b>Unbrominated ACI plus CaBr</b>	PAC Inj. Rate (#MMacf)		3 (range 1 – 5)
	CaBr <sub>2</sub> Inj. Rate (ppm)		25 (range 15-50)
<b>General Assumptions:</b> 500 MW Unit size 15% capitalization factor Fly ash value: \$7/ton (range 1-18) Fly ash disposal: \$10/ton (range 5-20) Fly ash sale lost $\geq$ 3lb/MMacf		70% Hg reduction needed for MATS Compliance PAC costs: \$0.75/lb (range \$0.50-1.00) Br-PAC costs: \$1.25/lb (range \$1.00-1.50) CaBr <sub>2</sub> costs: \$1.25/lb (range \$1.00-1.50) Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub> costs: \$100/ton (range \$75-130)	

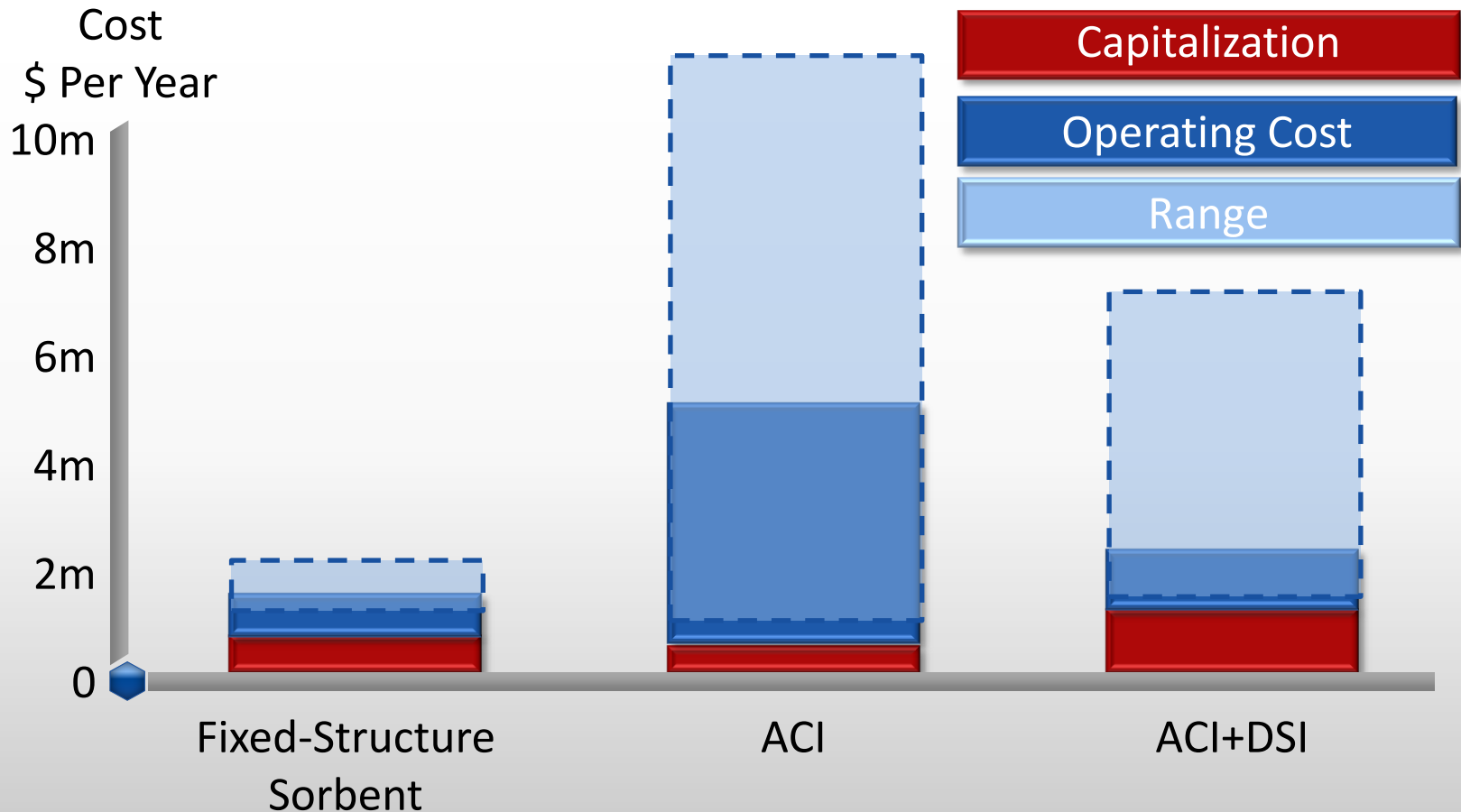
# Protected Cost of Mercury Reduction Technologies

## Bituminous Coal, 500MW – No Impact on Fly Ash Sales



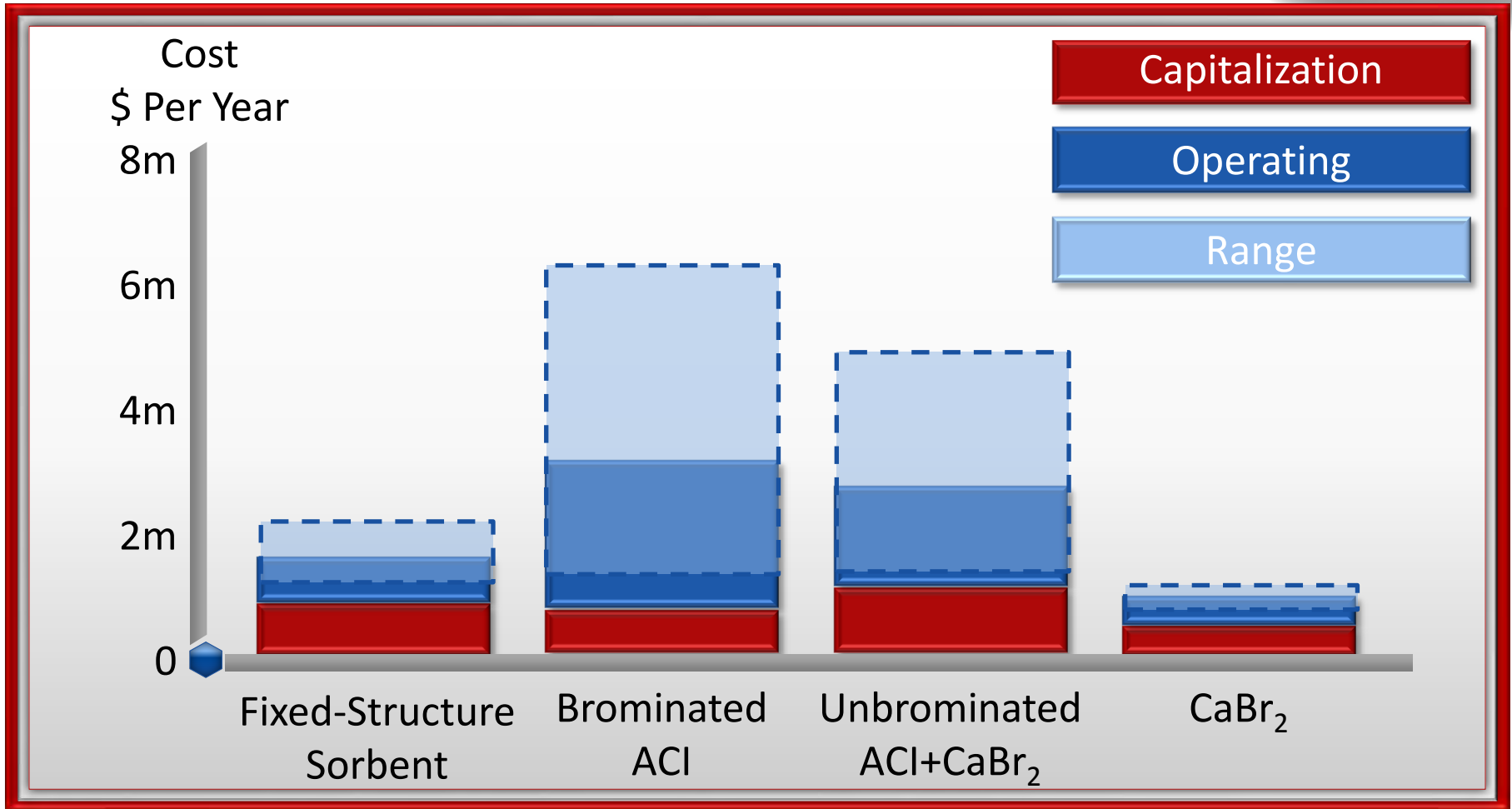
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## Bituminous Coal, 500MW – with Fly Ash Impact



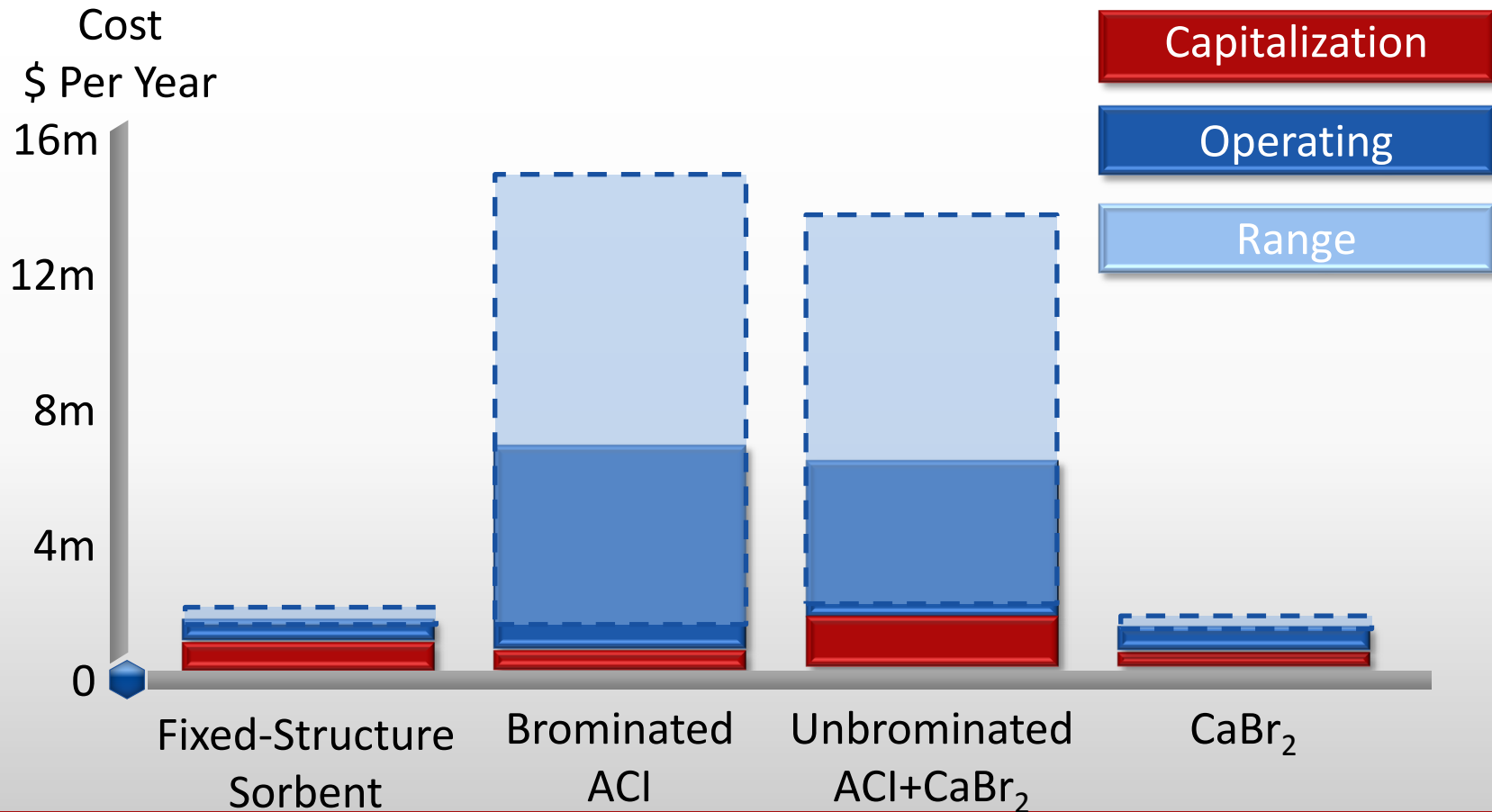
# Protected Cost of Mercury Reduction Technologies

Lignite coal, 500MW – No Impact on Fly Ash Sales



# Protected Cost of Mercury Reduction Technologies

## Lignite coal, 500MW – with Fly Ash Impact



## Pilot Testing

Continue existing pilot tests

New applications (i.e., unscrubbed sites)

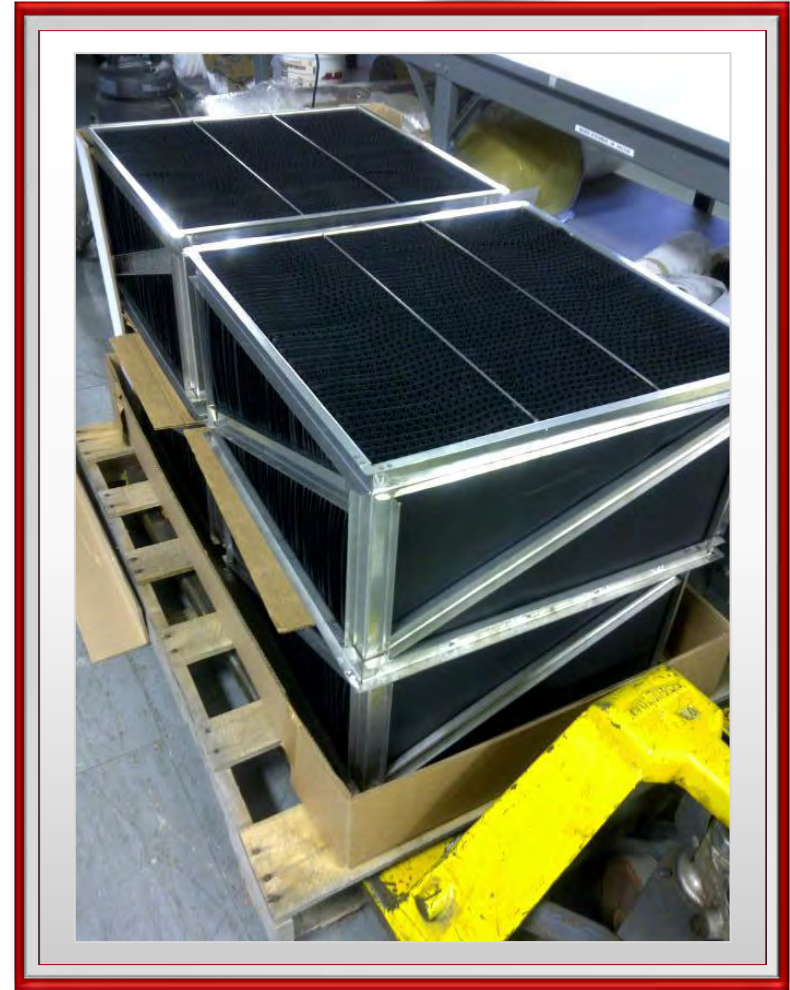
## Multiple full-scale installations in 2013

2-3 in power applications (in-scrubber)

2-3 in non power (cement, incinerator)

## High volume manufacturing

Available Fall 2013



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