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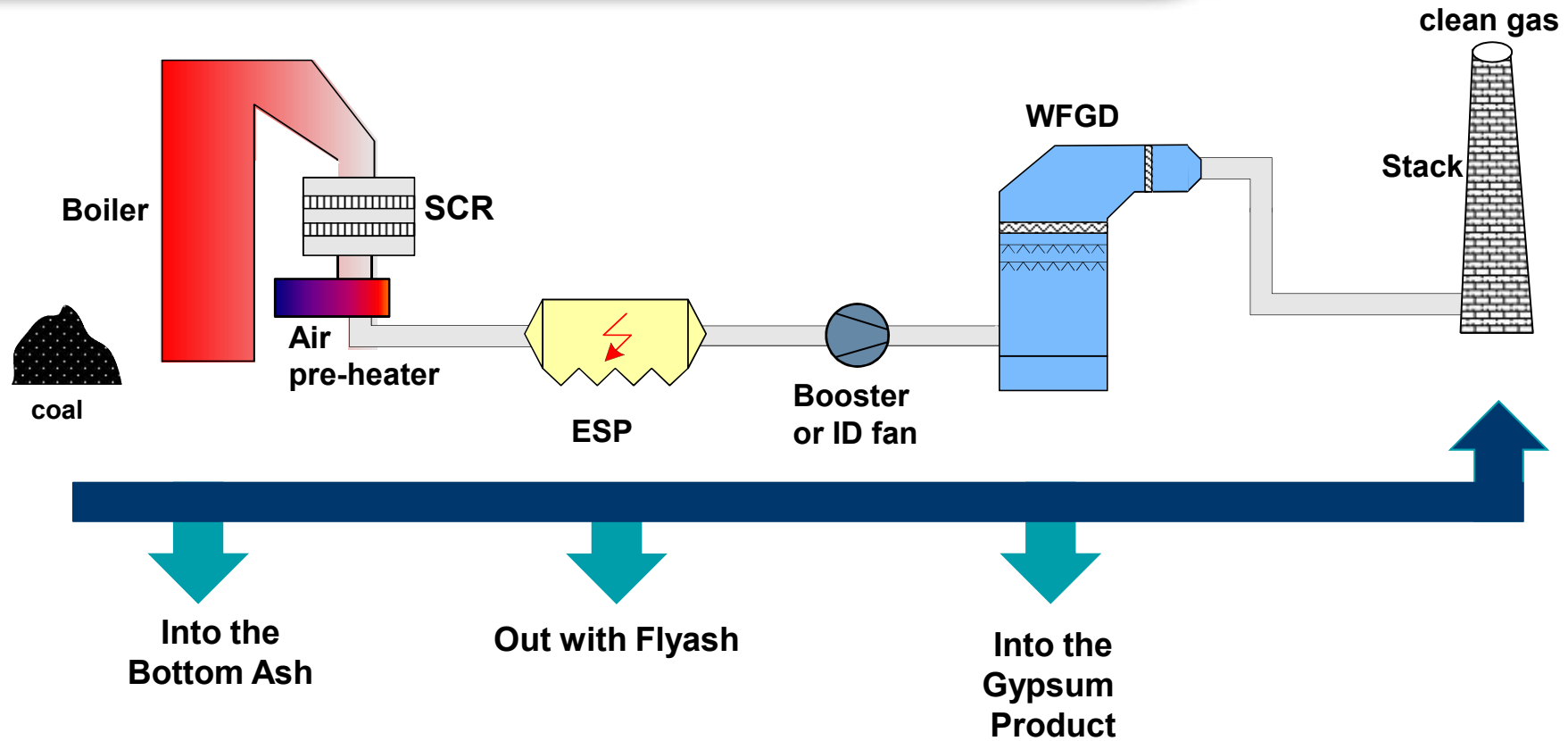


Maintaining High Level Mercury Capture in wFGD Absorber

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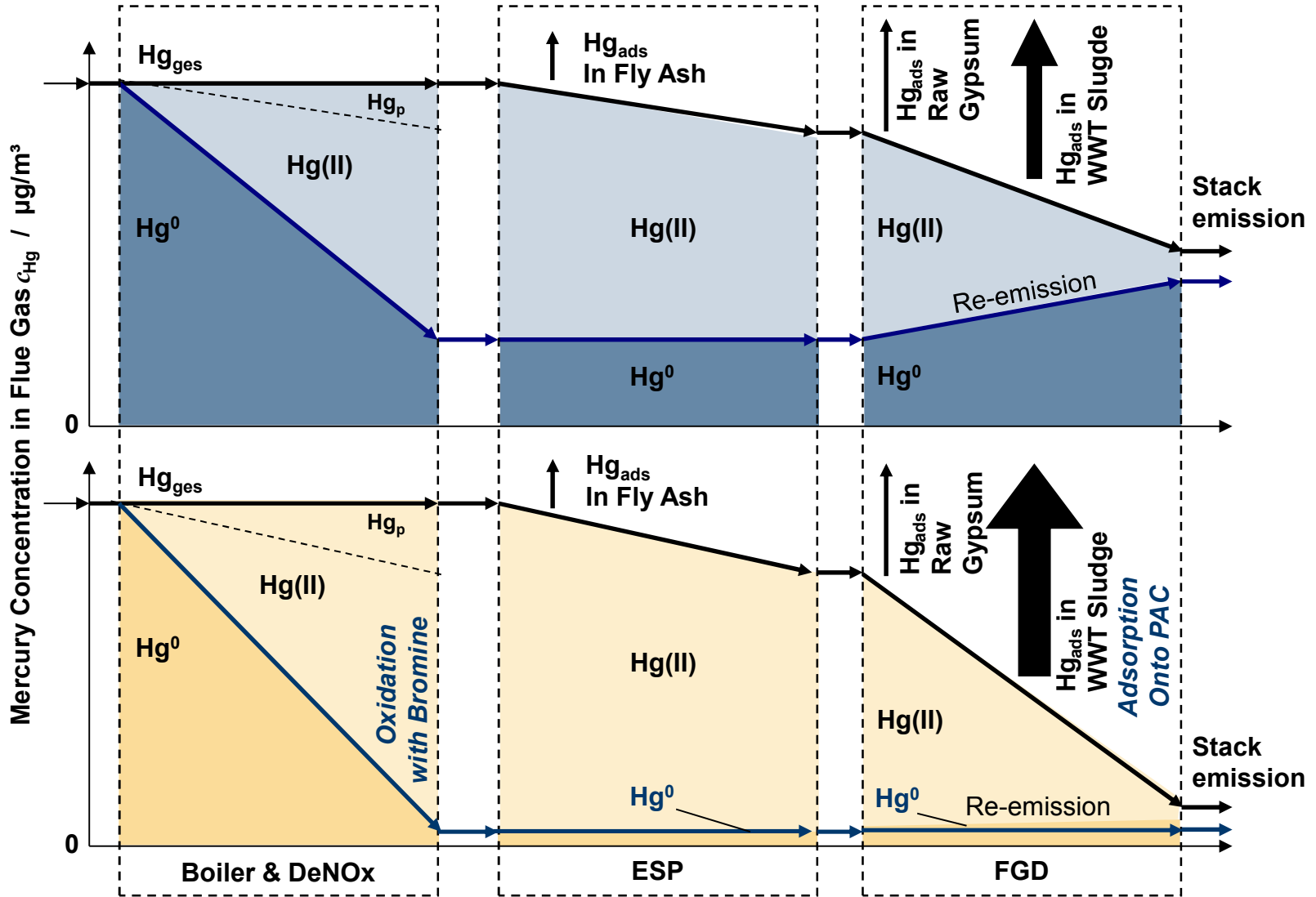
What is the fate of the Mercury?



STEAG Process Goal

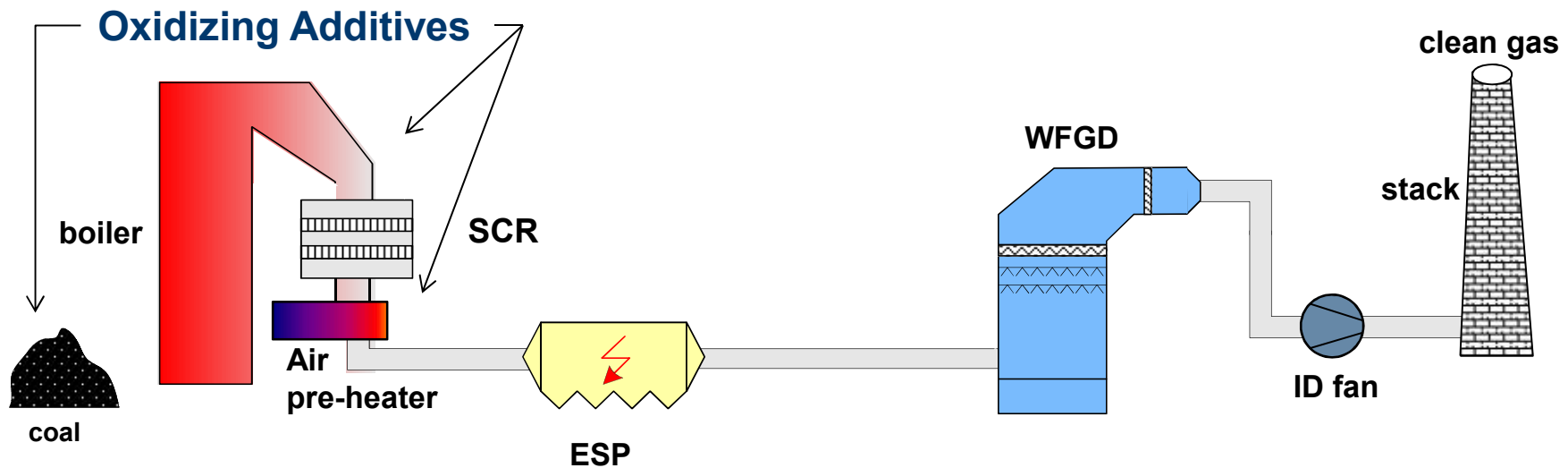


Current



STEAG Process

STEAG's Mercury Technology



- **The STEAG Technology's Key Points**

- Is a wFGD technology.
- Is a technology to capture the Mercury in the slurry and prevent re-emission of the Mercury.
- Has the capability to remove the Mercury from the gypsum product.

- **Requirements of the technology**

- Mercury needs to be oxidized form (Hg^{2+})

For STEAG it started at the Herne Power Plant



Herne Unit #4

- The Station is a 960 MW Station
- Unit #4 is a 500 MW unit (1989)
- Fuel Source - PC Coal, Wall Fired, bituminous coal (world sourced)
- Flow Gas Rate – 1.8 mm ACFM
- Environmental Equipment
 - High Dust SCR
 - ESP
 - Forced Oxidized wFGD
- Initial focus of technology was waste reduction

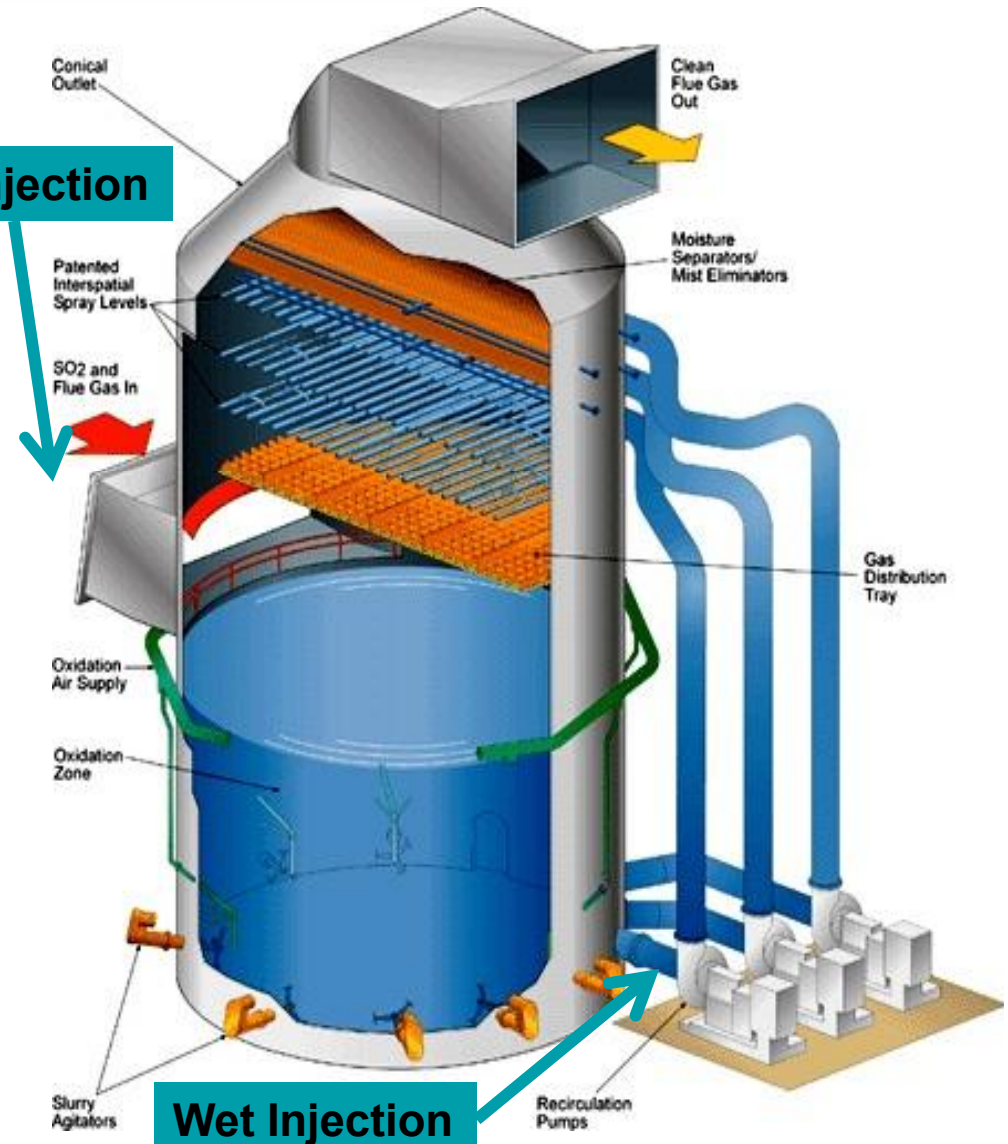


PAC Introduction



- **Capture Medium**
 - Powder Activated Carbon (PAC)
- **PAC Introduction**
 - Wet PAC Slurry - Absorber Recirculation System or Sump System
 - Dry PAC Injection – Upstream of the FGD Absorber
- **Capture Medium**
 - Powder Activated Carbon (PAC)

Dry Injection

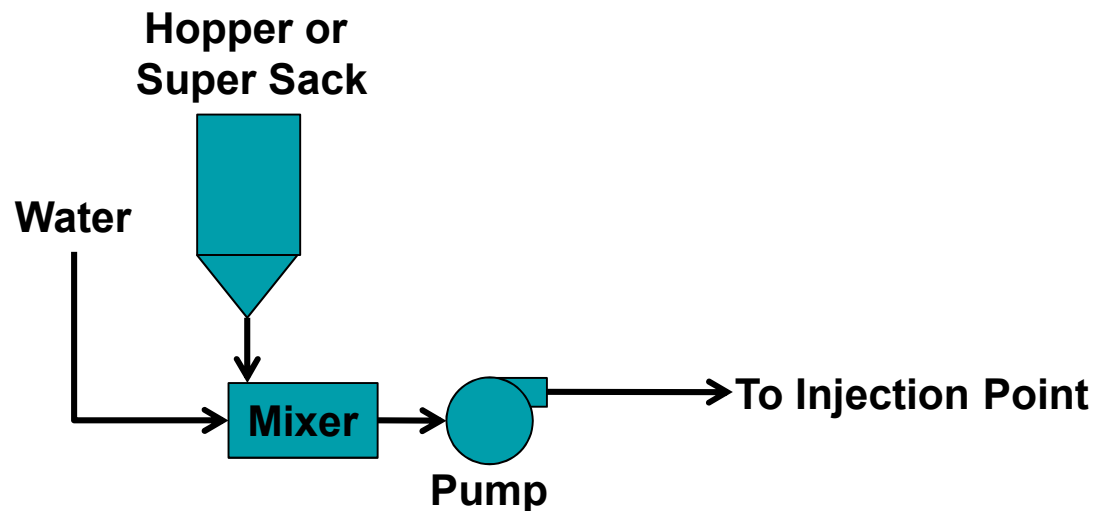


Wet Injection

PAC Feed System

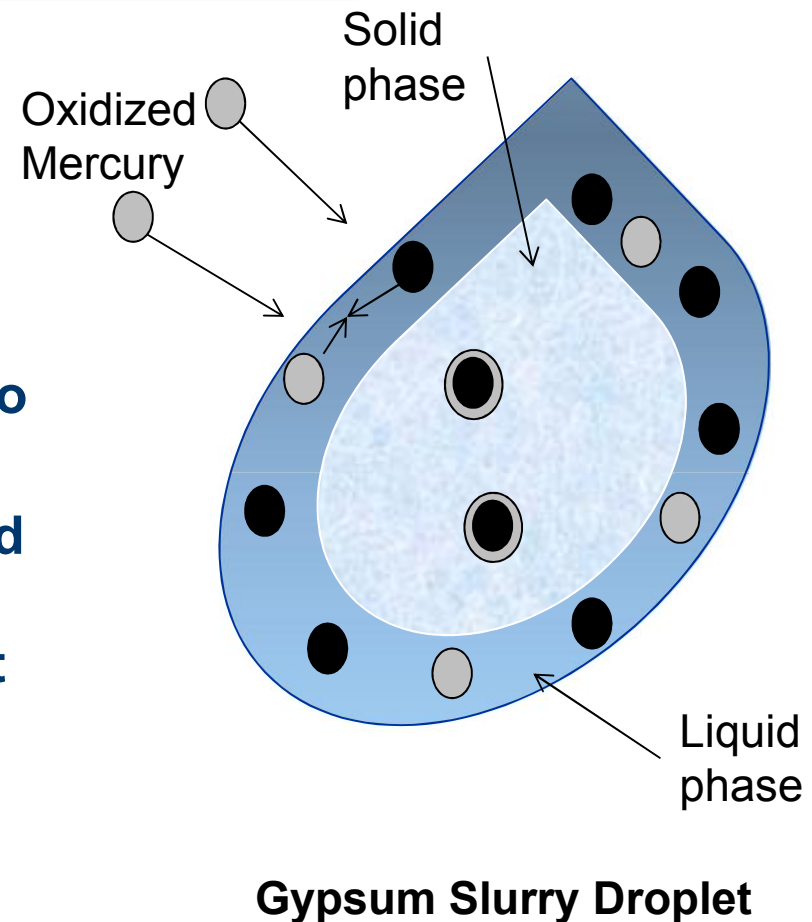


- **Feed System is a Dosing not Continuous Feed System**
- **Preferred System is a Wet Feed system**
 - **Simple System**
 - **Lower CapEx Cost**
 - **Multiple Unit Configuration**

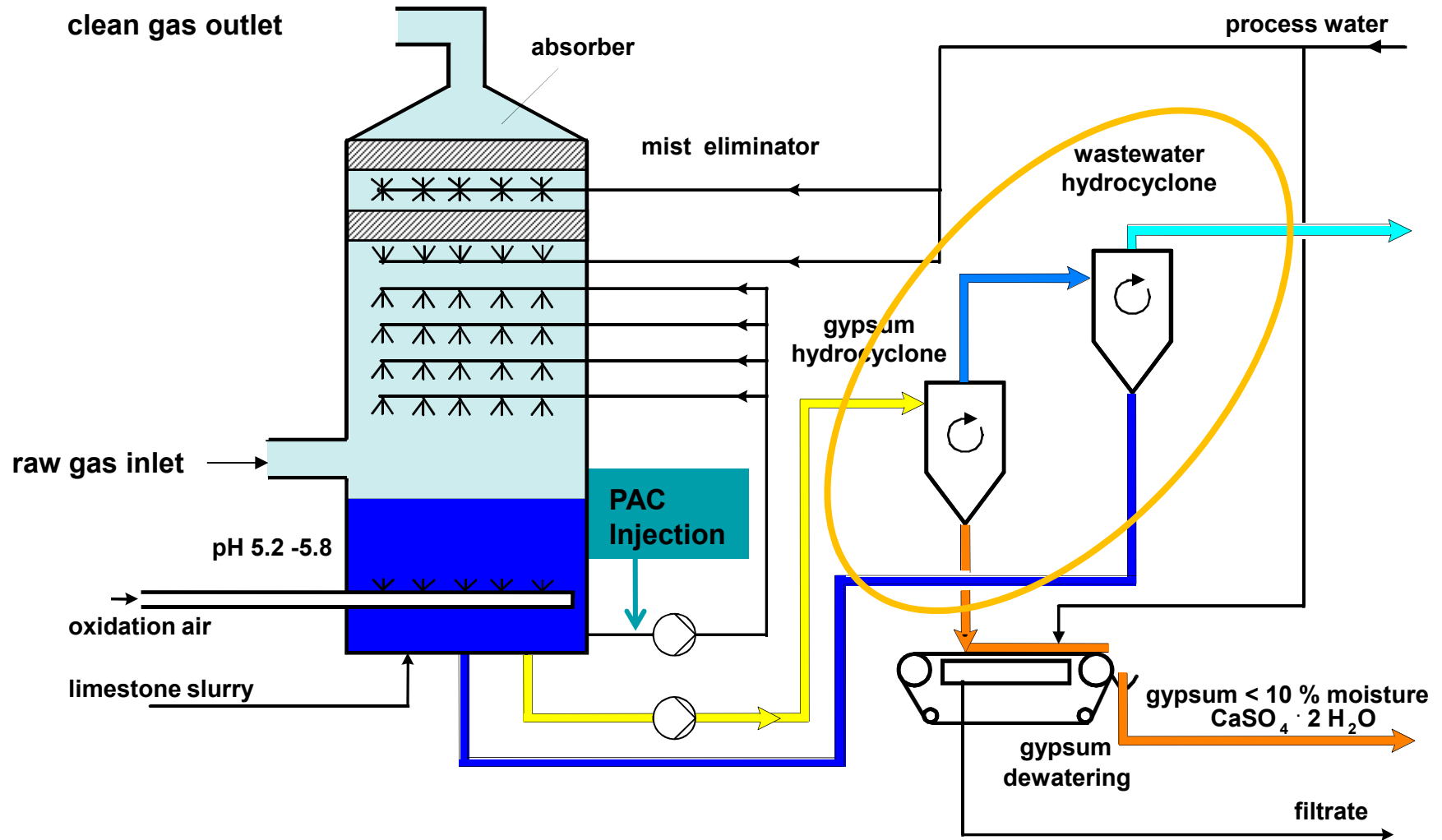


What Happens in the FGD Absorber

- **The FGD does the mercury capture process.**
- **STEAG adds carbon to the liquid phase of the droplet.**
- **Oxidized Mercury is absorbed into the gypsum slurry droplet**
- **The Oxidized Mercury is adsorbed onto Mercury. The Mercury is captured at this point and will not re-emit.**
- **The Mercury is now in the solid phase of the gypsum slurry droplet.**



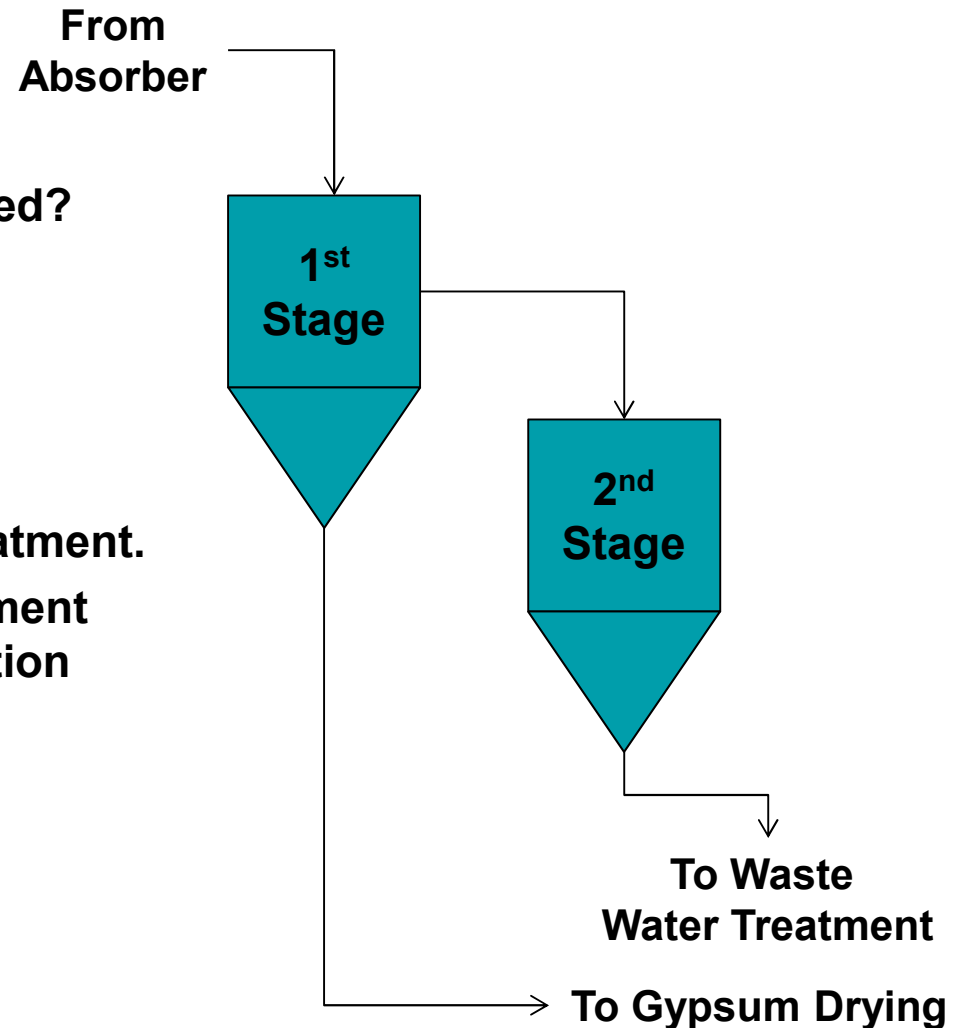
The STEAG Process



Removal of the Mercury



- **Decision Cycle**
 - Is the Gypsum being sold?
 - Does Mercury need to be removed?
 - Landfill / Product Liability.
- **Hydrocyclones is the Mercury Separation System**
 - Mercury to the Waste Water Treatment.
 - Hydrocyclone separation equipment may need to be 2 stage separation system.
 - Adjustments in the separation equipment may be needed.



STEAG System Testing



- **Significant Increase in Testing in the last Quarter.**
 - Mercury removal decision by 2015.
 - Proof of concept.
- **STEAG Testing Plan**
 - Installation of a dosing System.
 - Inventory building of the PAC material.
 - Testing Analysis
 - Mercury Absorber Inlet (oxidized / elemental Mercury)
 - Mercury Absorber Outlet (oxidized / elemental mercury)
 - Absorber Slurry Purge (Mercury split – liquid to solid)



STEAG Demonstration Project



- **Types of Fuels**
 - PRB Units
 - High Sulfur Eastern Bituminous
 - PRB / Eastern Bituminous Blend
 - World Source Bituminous
- **wFGD Reagents**
 - Limestone
 - Sodium
- **Unit Arrangements**
 - High Dust SCR w/ wFGD (Limestone)
 - Tailing End SCR w/ wFGD (Limestone)
 - High Dust SCR w/ wFGD (Sodium)



STEAG's Walsum Station



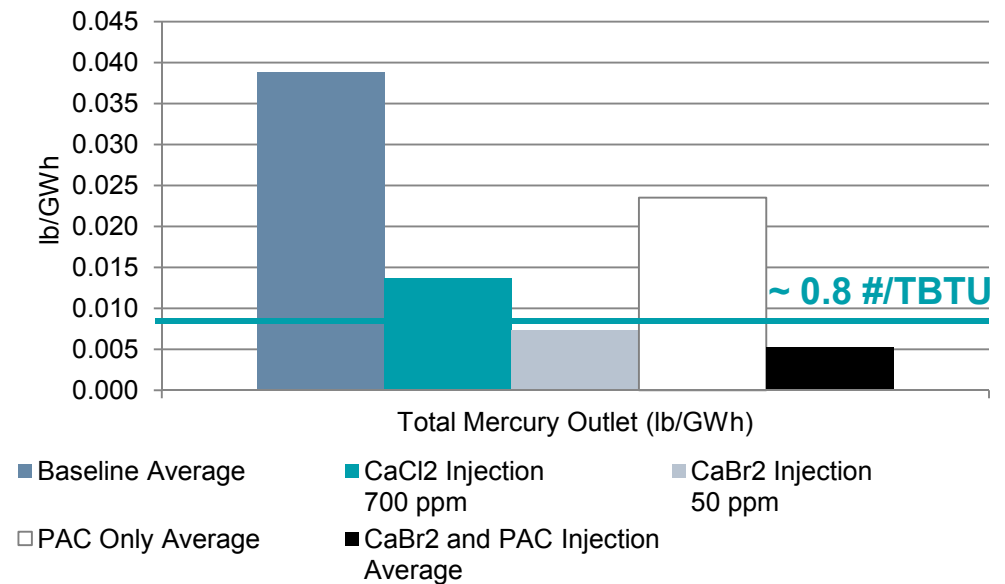
Evonik Marl Station

Testing Results

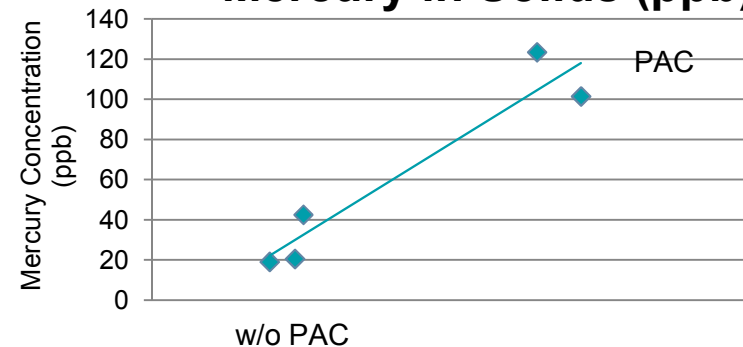


- Unit with SCR & FGD.
- PAC only in an wFGD absorber shows reduction improvements (reduction in the re-emission).
- Combination of PAC & CaBr₂ can meet emission requirements. This is a 95% Mercury capture.
- Mercury bonds to the PAC Material.
- PAC injection rate ~ 0.3#/mmACFM
- Results show re-emission with additive is achieved.
- Similar results are seen on the various fuels.

Outlet Mercury All Tests



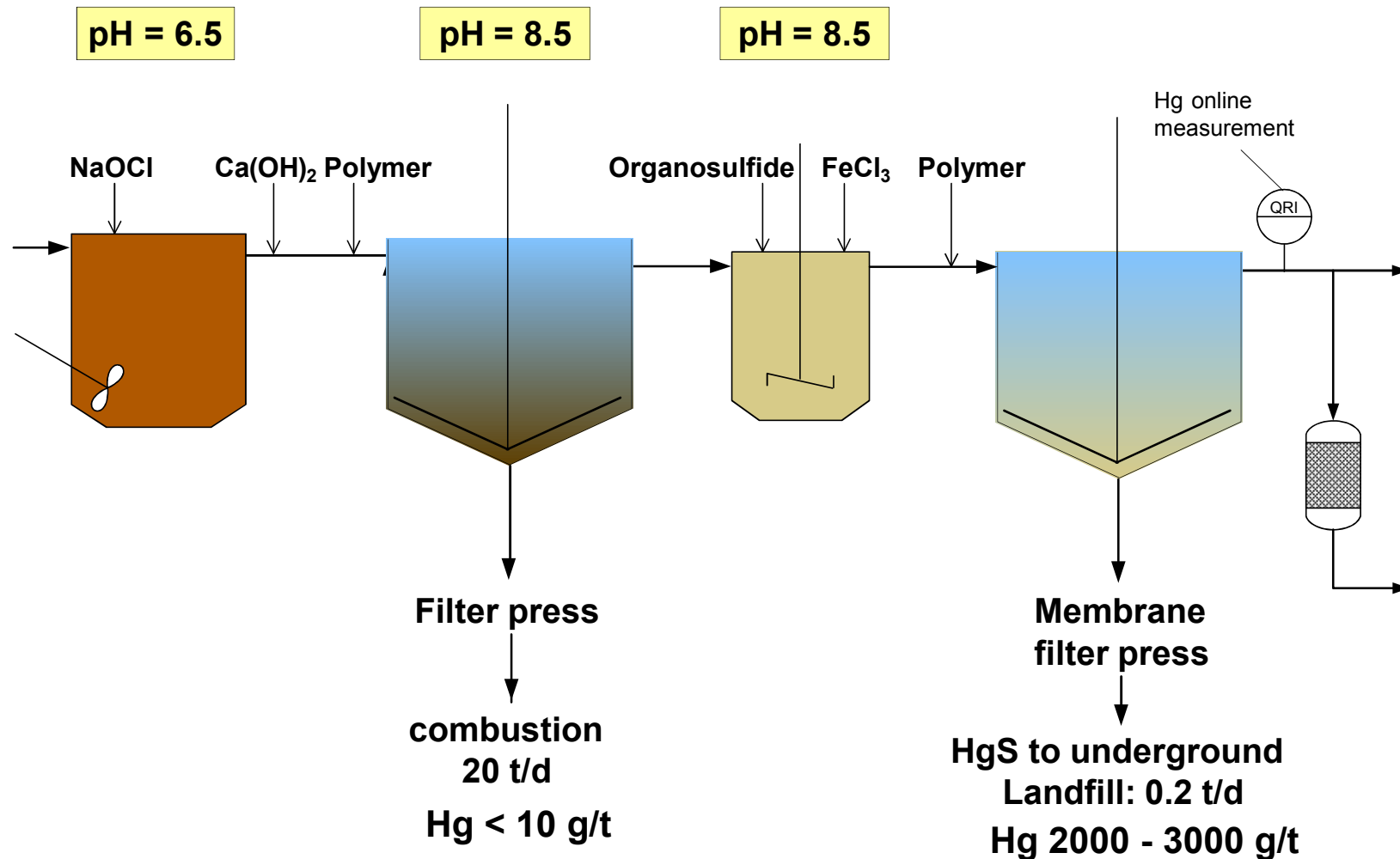
Mercury in Solids (ppb)



FGD Waste Water Treatment



Wastewater treatment plant



Conclusions



- **STEAG's Process is a wFGD re-emission prevention process.**
- **Oxidized Mercury is required. This is probably the Hardest part of obtaining a high removal.**
- **Process will work on all fuels and configurations.**
- **The process can sequester the Mercury providing a Mercury free gypsum Product w/ STEAG's 2 stage WWT process.**
- **Very low rates of PAC material to prevent re-emission.**
- **Multiple units can be feed from one dosing skid.**



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