Demonstration of a grate furnace boiler burning municipal solid waste (MSW).

High corrosion and high fouling are the main features of the combustion products of MSW. To prevent the boiler heat exchanger surface from corrosion and fouling, various of precautions are made to ensure that the flue gas entering the convective pass carries low amount of fly ash and the heat exchanger outside surface temperature is sufficiently low: 1) a U-shape radiant cooler is designed between the furnace and the convective heat exchangers to provide long residence time for fly ash to be separated from flue gas; 2) an evaporator, instead of a superheater as in a conventional coal power plant, is designed immediately downstream of the radiant cooler; 3) the two superheaters (CS2 & CS3) are designed as parallel flow heat exchangers.

A unique design of this plant design is the closed loop water cooling system for furnace grate cooling. Water heated in the grate is cooled in the coil which in turn transfers heat to the primary air. Another version of grate cooling design is shown in (S1-15b), in which the grate is cooled by feedwater.

As for emission control, a dry FGD is installed on the gas path. The dry FGD is composed of a dry scrubber and a baghouse. This combination is effective in sorbent utilization and control of pollutants such as SO2, HCL, dioxin, furan and heavy metals, etc.

MSW processing capacity of the plant is 500 tonne/day (550 ton/day), or 20.8 tonne/hr (23 ton/hr). The plant's gross output is 21.4 MWe and net is 19.6 MWe. Net efficiency is 27.3%. HP steam condition is 50 BarA /400 C (725 psia / 752 F).

As of Version 26, this model was updated to integrate the components of the boiler into a Boiler Assembly, enabling a cost estimation as well as output of overall dimensions, weight, and performance parameters.



Boiler Assembly[1] T-Q Diagram



ASME Boiler Energy Balance			
	HHV Based	LHV Based	
Energy input from fuel	80730	71755	kW
Credit due to entering dry air	-261,3	-261,3	kW
Credit due to moisture in entering air	-3,056	-3,056	kW
Credit due to sensible heat in fuel	-0,0082	-0,0082	kW
Credit due to sulfation	0	0	kW
Credit due to sensible heat in sorbent	0	0	kW
Credit due to auxiliary equipment power	0	0	kW
Total credits	-264,4	-264,4	kW
Total Energy in	80466	71490	kW
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Energy to steam and water	62596	62596	kW
Loss due to sensible heat in dry gas	6184	6184	kW
Loss due to moisture in fuel	3378	338,6	kW
Loss due to moisture from burning hydrogen	6599	661,4	kW
Loss due to moisture in air	71,47	71,47	kW
Loss due to unburned carbon	0	0	kW
Loss due to calcination of sorbent	0	0	kW
Loss due to radiation and unmeasured losses	2274,1	2274,1	kW
Total losses	18506	9530	kW
Total Energy out	81102	72126	kW
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ASME fuel efficiency (Output/Input)	77,54	87,24	%
ASME gross efficiency (Output/(Input+Credits))	77,79	87,56	%
Energy input from fuel is based upon fuel beating value at 25 C			
Zero enthalov: dry gases & liguid water at 25 C			
The entering air enthalpy is calculated based on air temperature before air beater			-
The leaving as enthalpy is calculated based on flue gas temperature after the last heat exchanger at 168.9.C			-
Evaluation of this table per ASME PTC-4			
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P[bar] T[C] M[t/h] %W[wt% solid]