

## Boiler Controls Upgrade

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**Combustion efficiency** is an indication of the burner's ability to burn fuel. The amount of unburned fuel and excess air in the exhaust are used to assess a burner's combustion efficiency.

An Efficient Boiler Combustion is at minimum excess air levels of 15% (3% as Oxygen) for a conventional burner and 25% (5% as Oxygen) for low emissions burner.

Hence, the lower the O2 the higher the efficiency, lesser Fuel used, and lower CO emissions.





The old B1 Boiler Controls use **Mechanical single point** Linkage system to control both the air and fuel supply opening.

The New B1 Boiler Controls Uses **Parallel Positioning Servo Motors** which independently controls the air and fuel supply opening.

Servo Motors have linearity of +/- 1% this provides a better repeatability and accuracy than the linkage system.



#### Challenges

- Gaps on current system High O2 readings with hysterisys creating low Efficiency and High NG Consumption, ageing and complicated controls system that impacts MTBF and MTTR.
- Overseas Support Logistics on Parts Delivery and Manpower needs to be properly planned and coordinated.
- Knowledge & Experience Insufficient In-house knowledge and experience on Boiler Controls System, Annual PM Inspections, and Air Fuel Curve Tuning.

#### Learnings

- Developed In-house Annual PM Inspection Checklist and Job-Aid.
- Acquired In-house Air Fuel Curve Tuning Capability.







- Knowledge and Capability
- Increased Reliability
- Increased Efficiency

Month	Boiler Efficiency
Nov 2019	72 % Eff
Jan 2020	75 % Eff
Mar 2020	83 % Eff
May 2020	86 % Eff



- Eco points
- 2020 EENP Awards
- Annualized NG Savings  $\rightarrow$  30k USD
- Indirect Savings  $\rightarrow$  15k USD



### Increased Efficiency

Parallel Positioning Lag Boiler Start-Stop cycle Air Fuel Curve Tuning



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