



Boiler MACT - One Time Energy Assessments Updated from March 2013 EE

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Scope of Energy Assessment

- What must be assessed?
 - Boiler **System(s)**
 - Process Heater(s)
 - Energy use system(s) accounting for at least XX% of the energy (e.g., steam, process heat, hot water, or electricity) production
 - Energy Use System includes systems that use energy provided by boiler or process heater
 - Process heating
 - Compressed air systems
 - Machine drive (motors, pumps, fans)
 - Process cooling
 - Facility heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning systems
 - Hot water systems
 - Building envelop
 - Lighting
 - OR other systems that use steam, hot water, process heat, or electricity provided by affect boiler or process heater.
 - Only include systems using energy clearly produced by affected boilers and process heaters

ENERGY USE SYSTEM

Process Heating

Heat Exchangers
Heat Tracing
Columns
Insulation
Etc.

Compressed Air

Plant Air
Instrument Air
Etc.

Machine Drives

Motors
Pumps
Fans
Turbines
Etc.

Process Cooling

Chilled Water
Glycol
Refrigerant
River Water Loops
Etc.

Facility HVAC

Heating
Ventilation
Air Conditioning

Hot Water Systems

Heat Exchangers
Insulation
Etc.

Building Envelop

Insulation
Windows
Etc.

Lighting

LED
CFL
Ballasts
Etc.

Other

Inert Gases
Turbine Generators?



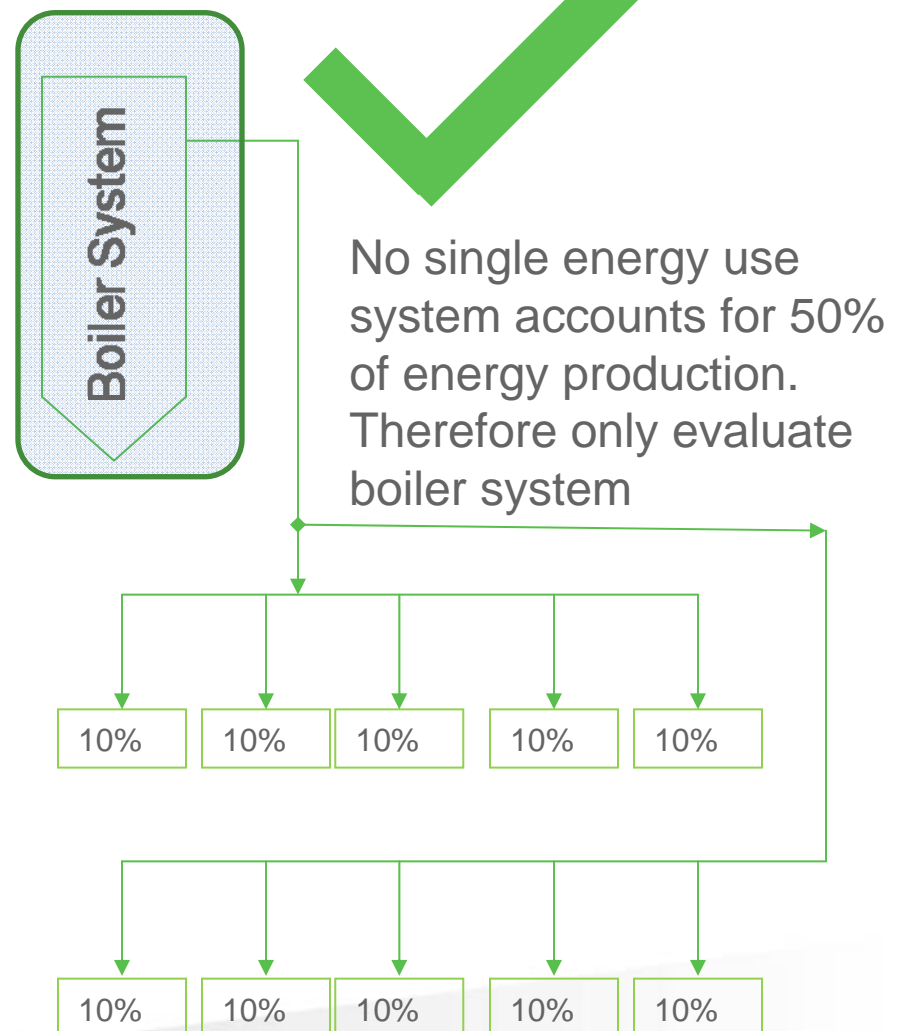
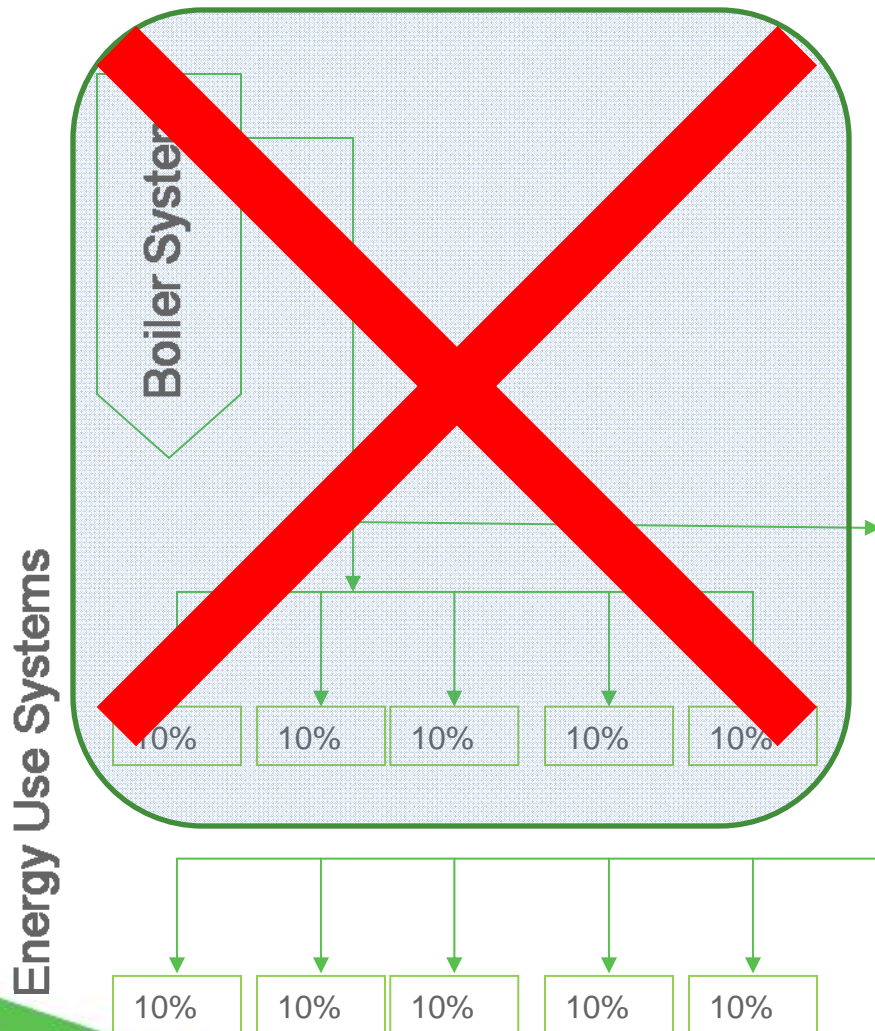
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 - Larger facilities have different requirements, be sure to read the definition in 63.7575 to see your specific requirements.

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Accounting for 50%...Collectively? Or Individually?



Excerpt from EPA's Boiler MACT Q&A

Source: <http://www.epa.gov/airtoxics/boiler/boilermactqanda.pdf>

Q71. I would like to get clarification on the wording that is in the definition for the energy assessments in DDDDD and JJJJJ. I have heard two different interpretations. As an example:

For facilities with a combined heat input capacity of < 0.3 trillion BTU/yr, the boiler systems and any on-site energy use systems accounting for at least 50% of affected boilers energy production must be evaluated.

So as an example:

If a facility has a single boiler that provides steam to ten end uses with each end use accounting for about 10%.

- First interpretation: The boiler and five of the end uses would need to be evaluated (since 5 of them add up to 50%)**
- Second interpretation: Only the boiler would need to be included since none of the end uses exceeds the 50% threshold.**

Which interpretation is correct?

A. The second interpretation would be correct in the example situation.

Energy Use Systems Segmentation

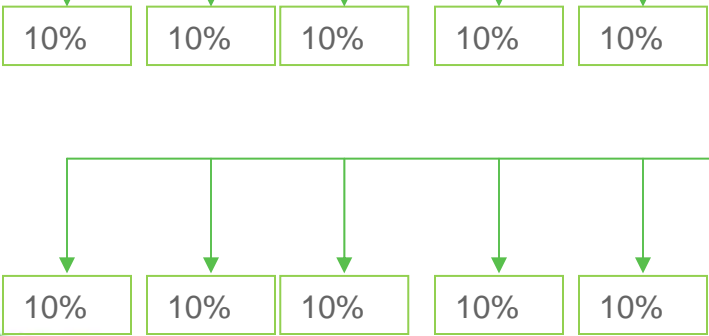
- From Definition of *Energy Assessment*.
 - The on-site energy use systems serving as the basis for the percent of affected boiler(s) and process heater(s) energy production ...**may be segmented by production area or energy use area** as most logical and applicable to the specific facility being assessed (e.g., product X manufacturing area; product Y drying area; Building Z)

How Do You Separate Energy Use Systems?

Boiler System

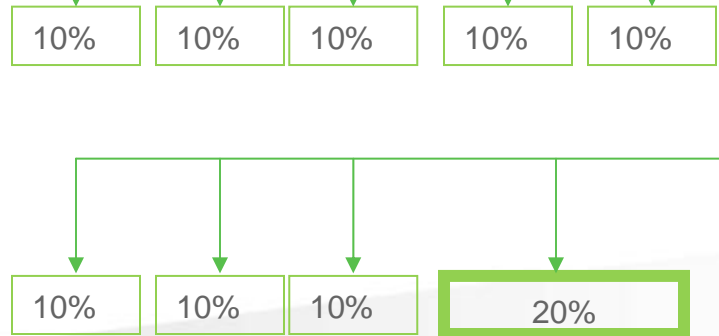
Situation: Large facility that must assess systems accounting for **20%** of energy production

Energy Use Systems

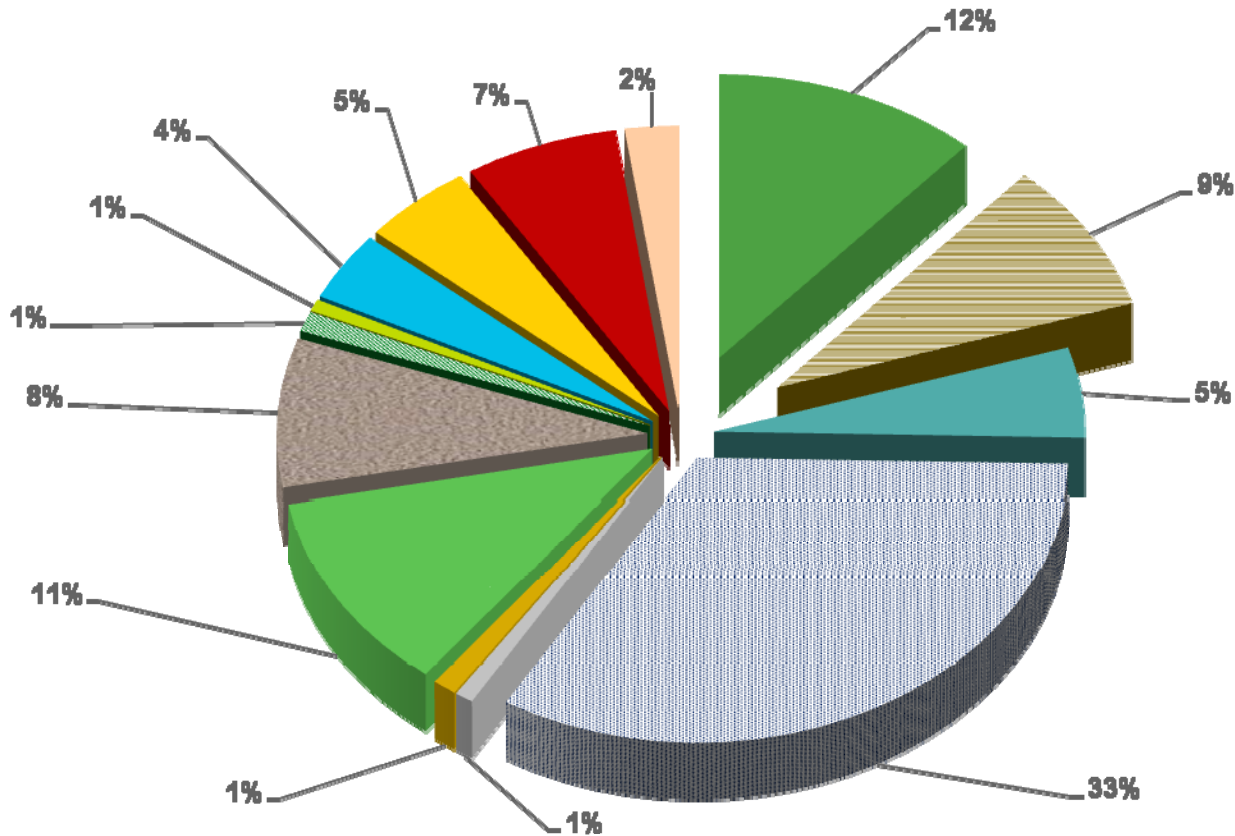


Boiler System

Watch out: Could an auditor decide that two of your energy use systems should have been called one?



Steam Usage By All Users Percent of Total



If the vast majority of the output from the 12% operating area supplies material for manufacturing in the 9% operating area (highly integrated site), do I have to consider these one area even though our own accounting system doesn't do so?

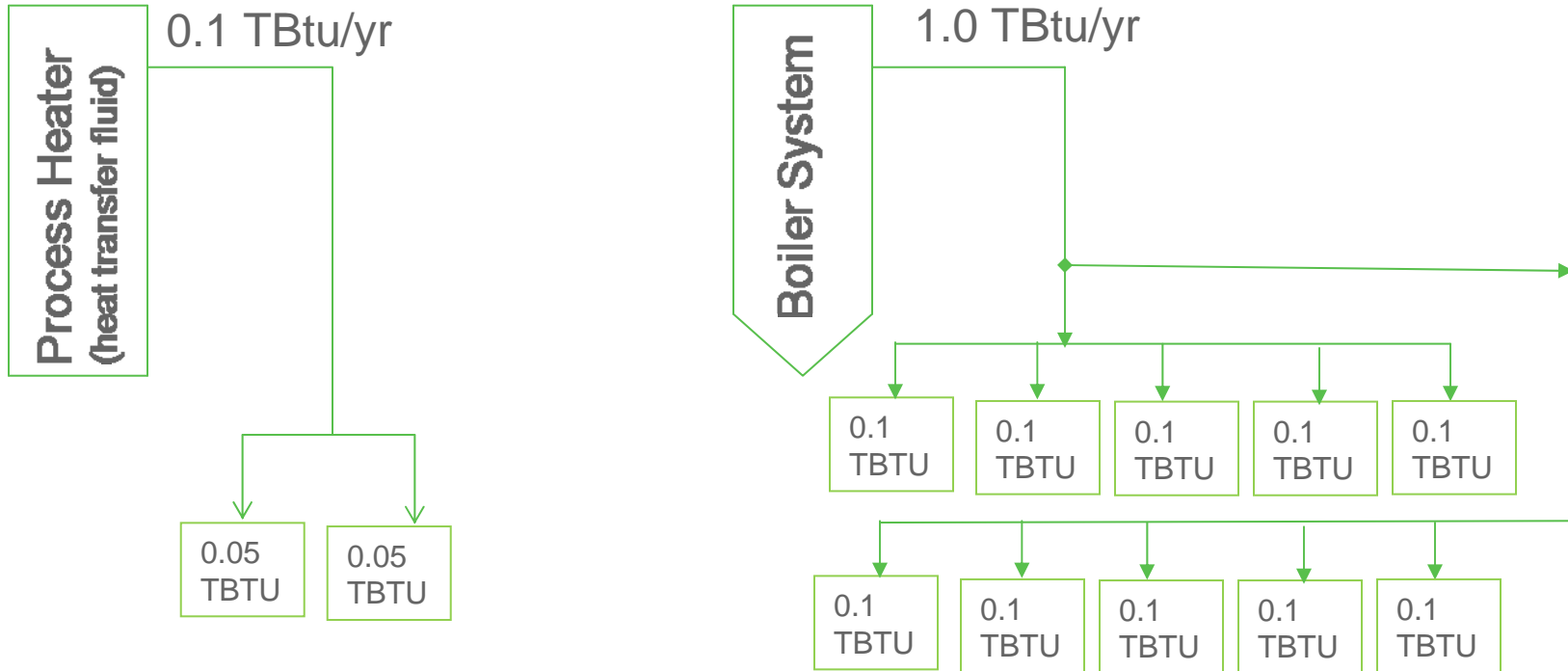
Read carefully and consider this...

- From definition of *Energy Assessment*

- 1) The energy assessment for facilities with affected boilers and process heaters with a combined heat input capacity of less than **0.3 TBtu/yr**... The boiler system(s) and any on-site energy use system(s) accounting for at least 50% of the affected boiler(s) energy production (steam, hot water, process heat, or electricity) will be evaluated....
- 2) The energy assessment for facilities with affected boilers and process heaters with a combined heat input capacity of **0.3 to 1.0 TBtu/yr**... The boiler system(s) and any on-site energy use system(s) accounting for at least 33% of the energy production will be evaluated....
- 3) The energy assessment for facilities with affected boilers and process heaters with a combined heat input capacity of greater than **1.0 TBtu/yr**... The boiler system(s), process heater(s), and any on-site energy use system(s) accounting for at least 20% of the energy production will be evaluated....

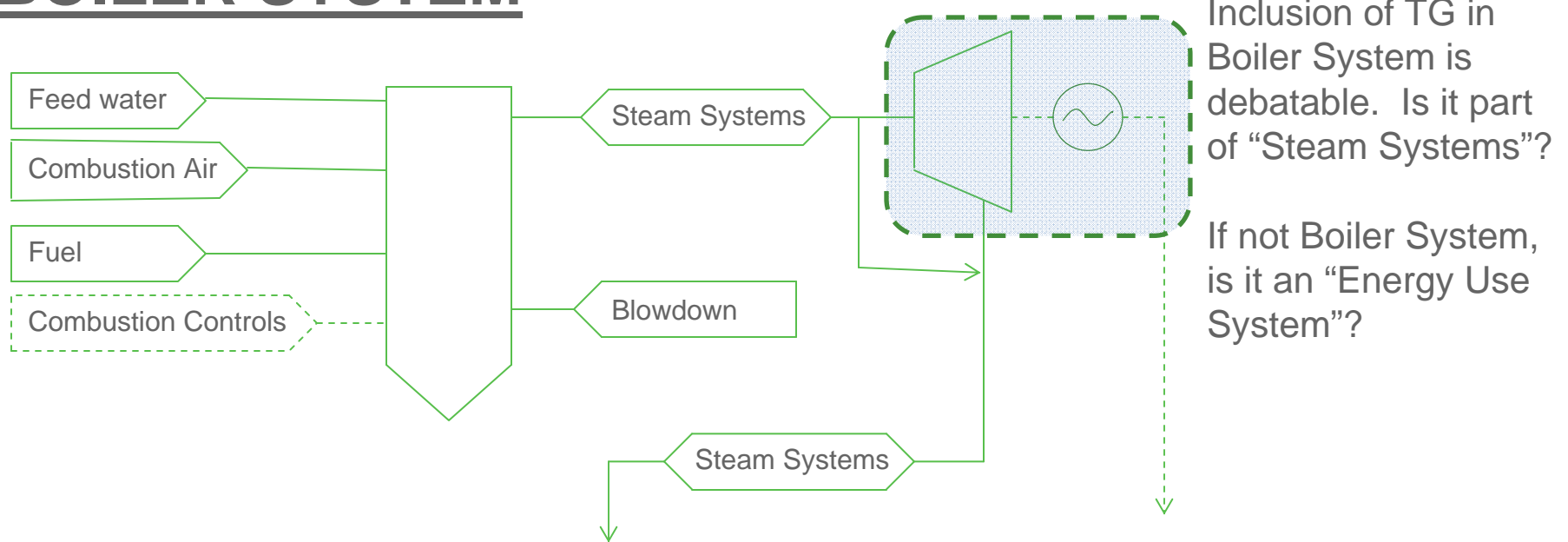
Questions to consider: Does this mean small and medium size facilities don't have to assess process heaters? Or what about energy use systems from process heaters for small facilities?

Your Opinion Please



1. If you can say, “0.05 TBTU is only **4.5%** of the total energy production of the site.” Then you *may not* have to do an assessment on those energy use systems.
2. If you say, “0.05 BTU is **50%** of the energy production supplying those systems.” Then you may **MUST** do an assessment on those energy use systems.

BOILER SYSTEM

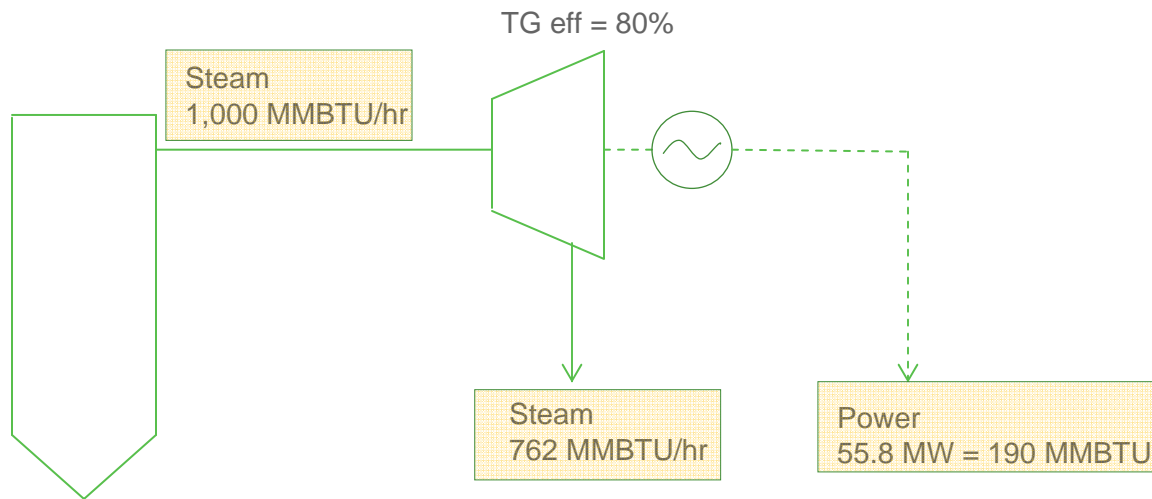


■ What must be assessed?

● Boiler **System(s)**

- Means boiler and associated equipment
 - Feed water system
 - Combustion air system
 - Fuel System (including burners)
 - Blowdown system
 - Combustion control systems
 - Steam systems
 - Condensate return systems

What is Energy Production?



Is Energy Production 1,000 MMBTU/hr?

If so, the TG used >20%, therefore probably falls under energy assessment, assuming you didn't call it part of the Boiler System

Is Energy Production 1,000 MMBTU/hr + 55.8MW?

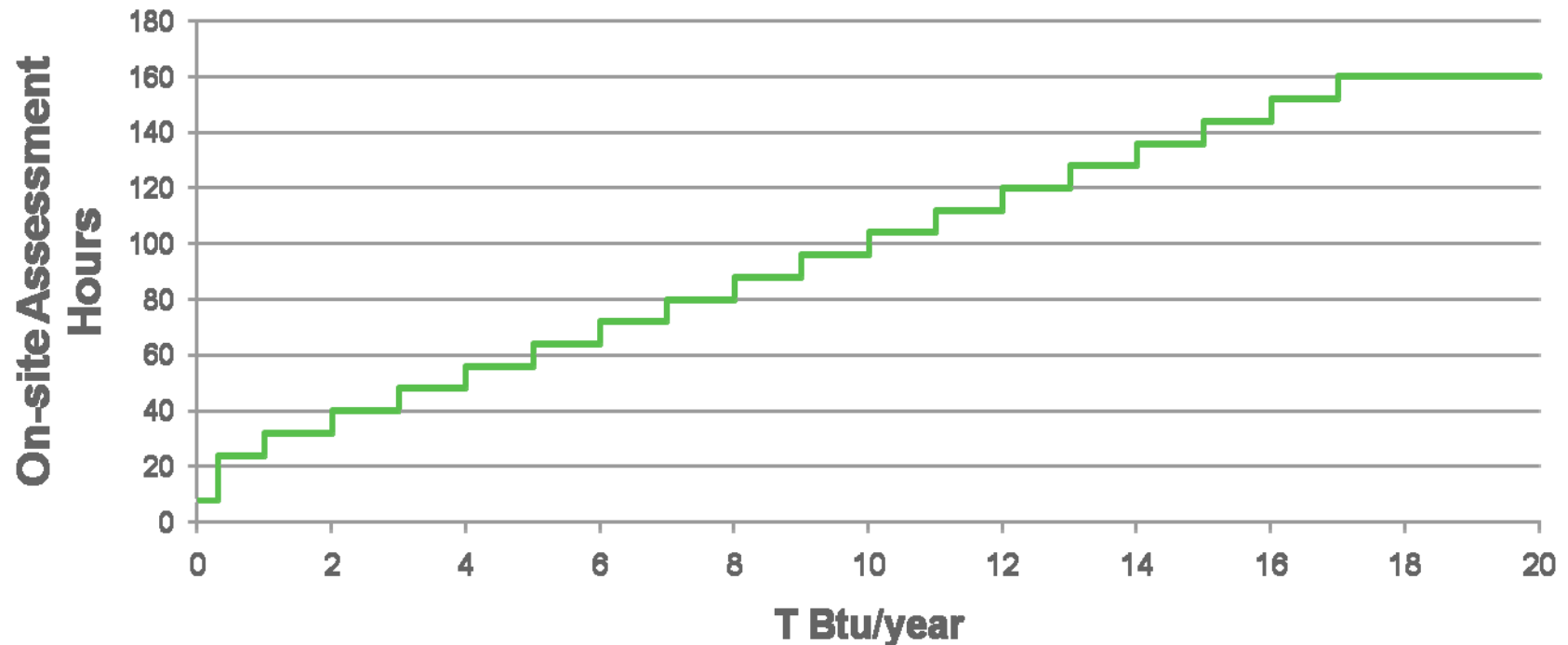
If so, you've just violated 1st Law of Thermodynamics.

Is Energy Production 762 MMBTU/hr + 55.8MW?

If so, anything larger than 20% of 952 MMBTU/hr needs to be analyzed

This method gets messy if you have multiple TGs and multiple pressures

Assessment Time Requirements



- Multiply above numbers by 115 to get MMBTU/hr
- Definition says to not exceed the above hours, but may go longer.
 - No specified minimum



Qualified Energy Assessor Definition

- Someone who has demonstrated capabilities to evaluate energy savings opportunities for steam generation and major energy using systems, including, but not limited to:
 - Boiler combustion management
 - Boiler thermal energy recovery, including
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 - Conventional combustion air preheater, and
 - Condensing economizer.
 - Boiler blowdown thermal energy recovery
 - Primary energy resource selection, including
 - Fuel (primary energy source) switching, and
 - Applied steam energy vs direct-fired energy vs electricity
 - Insulation issues
 - Steam trap and steam leak management
 - Condensate recovery
 - Steam end-use management



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Qualified Energy Assessor Definition (cont.)

- Capabilities and knowledge includes, but is not limited to:
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 - Boiler-steam turbine cogeneration systems
 - Industry specific steam end-use systems.

Qualified Energy Assessor

- No certification required
 - Only “demonstrated” capabilities
- Can be done in house
 - No brief case required



What are you looking for?



■ Energy Conservation Measures

- Implemented to improve the energy efficiency of the boiler or facility

■ Cost Effective

- A measure with <2 year payback
- Must develop list of all cost effective energy conservation measures

What are you looking at?

- Visual inspection of boiler or process heater system
- Operating characteristics, specifications, procedures, constraints
- Inventory of major energy use systems
- Architectural/Engineering plans, O&M procedures/logs, fuel usage
- Energy Management practices

Reporting



- Include a **signed certification** that the energy assessment was complete with your Notification of Compliance Status.
 - NoCS is due 60 days after compliance date

- It does NOT say...
 - Include results of assessment
 - Include final report of assessment
 - Include list of cost effective energy conservation measures

Timing



- Can use an energy assessment performed after January 1, 2008
 - It is okay to make modifications to an old assessment to fit MACT requirements
- Must be complete before January 31, 2016.

ISO 50001

“Energy Management Systems”

- If you have an Energy Management Program that is **COMPATIBLE** with ISO 50001 you DO NOT have to perform a one-time energy assessment.

ISO 50001

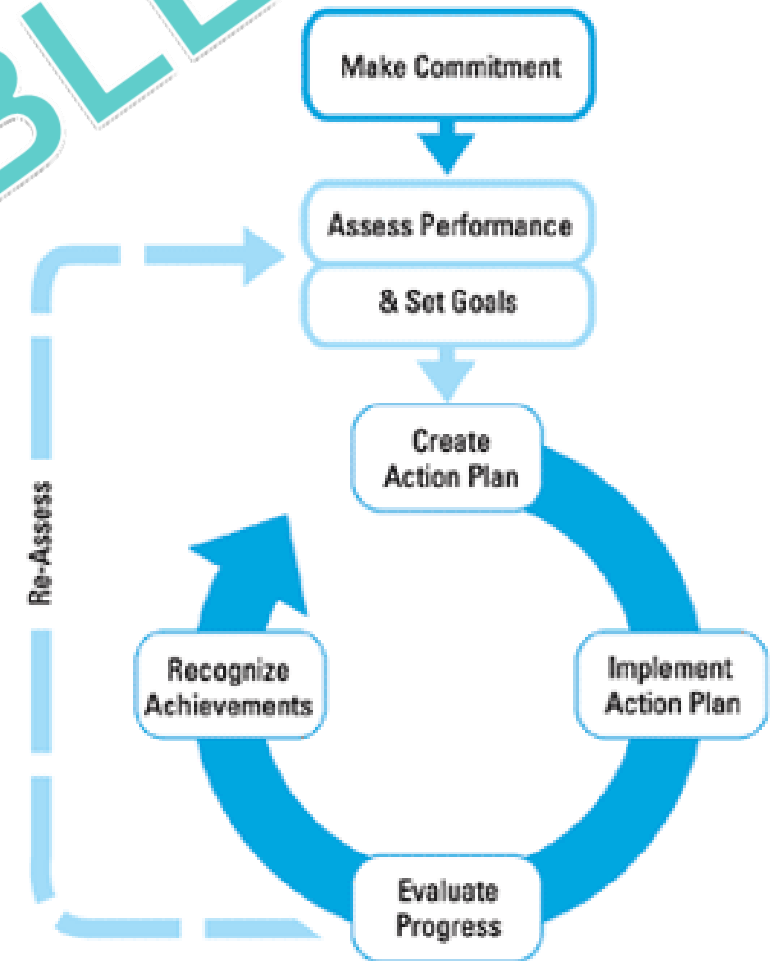
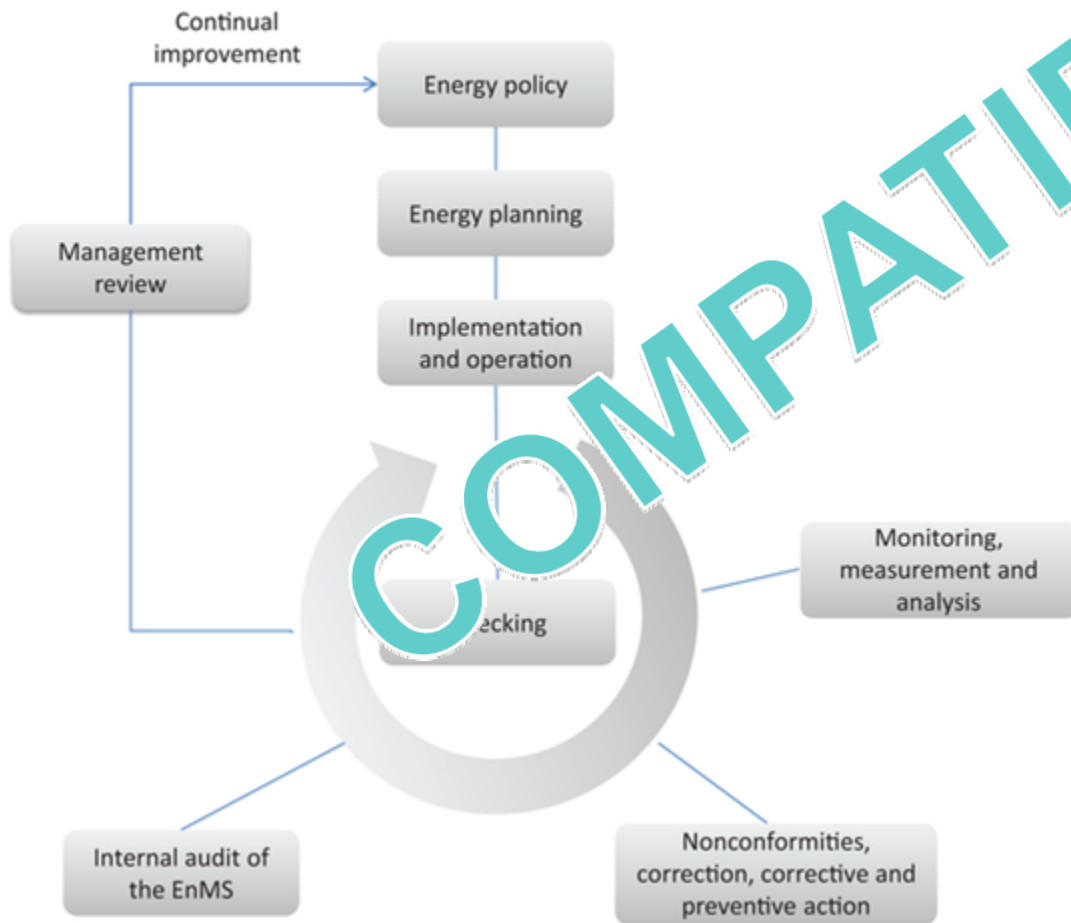
Energy Management System Model

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Energy Management Overview

http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=guidelines.guidelines_index

Figure 1 — Energy management system model for this International Standard



Put On Real World Hat



Energy Assessments

- Are worth doing
 - Typically pay for themselves
 - Resulting investments usually low risk
- However, they are not free
 - Marginal facility is worried about paying bills, not doing projects with a short payback period.

Typical Energy Assessment

- Before onsite visit
 - Operating area receives questionnaire. They list
 - Utilities used
 - Consumption
 - Metered? Calculated? Assumed?
 - Known opportunities
 - Known problems
 - Procedures
 - Drawings
 - Constraints
 - Energy Assessor(s) review information
 - Familiarization
 - Look for obvious (to someone with an energy hat) opportunities
 - Heat integration
 - Control valves operating <50% downstream of pump
 - Etc.

Typical Energy Assessment (cont.)

- During onsite visit
 - Field walk down
 - Leaks
 - Missing Insulation
 - Condensate to ditch
 - PRV blowing through
 - Faulty steam traps
 - Etc.
 - Operating area describes process (flow diagrams)
 - Brainstorm energy savings opportunities
 - VFD instead of control valves
 - Heat integration
 - Metering
 - Lighting
 - Eliminate heating then cooling (or vice versa)
 - Heat Exchanger effectiveness
 - Etc.

Note:

This will be a detailed and thorough list generated.

Typical Energy Assessment (cont.)

- After onsite visit
 - Estimate cost and benefit of brainstormed ideas
 - Start off with “back of napkin” quality
 - Increase estimate quality if project has potential
 - Present “good” projects to operating area
 - Typically further refinement is needed to list
 - “No, you can’t do that because _____”
 - “That will work but savings won’t be that high because _____”
 - Refine estimates and place qualifying projects in the capital project hopper
 - **to be chosen when it makes good financial sense.**

Site Manager Hat



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Site Manager's Dilemma

- An energy audit that identifies several cost effective energy conservation measures should feel like a success.
 - Company will save money in the long run
 - Profits increase
- However, that long list now feels like a liability.
 - Will EPA/State ever ask to see your list?
 - You don't have to submit it but will they ask for it when you do a construction permit?
 - Can it fall into the hands of NGO?
 - Will they demand to see if a public comment period ever comes up for your facility?
 - Confidential information (energy costs, energy:product)
 - What if you never do a single identified project?

Other Liabilities

- MACT does not specify the quality of “the list”
 - Low quality estimate will likely show low cost and high savings
 - “Back of napkin” energy savings are usually fairly easy & accurate but capital cost can be +/- 100% for complex projects.
 - High quality estimates are expensive to obtain
 - We should be able to throw out high risk solutions
 - Shutdown a pump so others can run more efficiently
 - Now you don’t have an operating spare
 - Use less steam and heat product to low end of specification
 - Now you have more off quality product
 - How long is the list valid?

Be careful not to over react to these liabilities



“I THOUGHT I TOLD
YOU TO DO A **BAD**
JOB ON THAT
ASSESSMENT!”

Some Tips

- While brainstorming during an energy assessment
 - Be reasonable
 - If you wouldn't do it (too risky), don't write it down
 - Recognize that there probably are some improvements that can and should be done
 - I wouldn't want to tell Agency that my assessment found nothing.
- Estimating
 - Apply appropriate contingencies based on quality of estimate
- Reporting
 - Any item listed as a “Cost Effective Energy Conservation Measure” needs to be a feasible project.
 - Don't have it listed and be forced to tell Agency you really can't do it

DEFINITIONS



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More definitions from 63.7575

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- Cost-effective energy conservation measure means a measure that is implemented to improve the energy efficiency of the boiler or facility that has a payback (return of investment) period of 2 years or less.
- Boiler system means the boiler and associated components, such as, the feed water system, the combustion air system, the fuel system (including burners), blowdown system, combustion control systems, steam systems, and condensate return systems.

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Table 3, Item #4

- An existing boiler or process heater located at a major source facility, not including limited use units
 - Must have a one-time energy assessment performed by a qualified energy assessor. An energy assessment completed on or after January 1, 2008, that meets or is amended to meet the energy assessment requirements in this table, satisfies the energy assessment requirement. A facility that operates under an energy management program compatible with ISO 50001 that includes the affected units also satisfies the energy assessment requirement. The energy assessment must include the following with extent of the evaluation for items a. to e. appropriate for the on-site technical hours listed in 63.7575
 - (a) A visual inspection of the boiler or process heater system
 - (b) An evaluation of operating characteristics of the boiler or process heater systems, specifications of energy using systems, operating and maintenance procedures, and unusual operating constraints.
 - (c) An inventory of major energy use systems consuming energy from affected boilers and process heaters and which are under the control of the boiler/process heater owner/operator
 - (d) A review of available architectural and engineering plans, facility operation and maintenance procedures and logs, and fuel usage.
 - (e) A review of the facility's energy management practices and provide recommendations for improvements consistent with the definition of energy management practices, if identified.
 - (f) A list of cost-effective energy conservation measures that are within the facility's control.
 - (g) A list of energy savings potential of energy conservation measures identified.
 - (h) A comprehensive report detailing the ways to improve efficiency, the cost of specific improvements, benefits, and the time frame for recouping those investments.