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Power Generation**

**Components and Service for
Environment Control**

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500 Mio.Euro p.a.

Employes

1,000

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Who we are



GROUP PRESENTATION

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ISOTHERM PWR®

Flameless Pressurized Oxy-combustion Technology

**Energy
with emissions close to zero**

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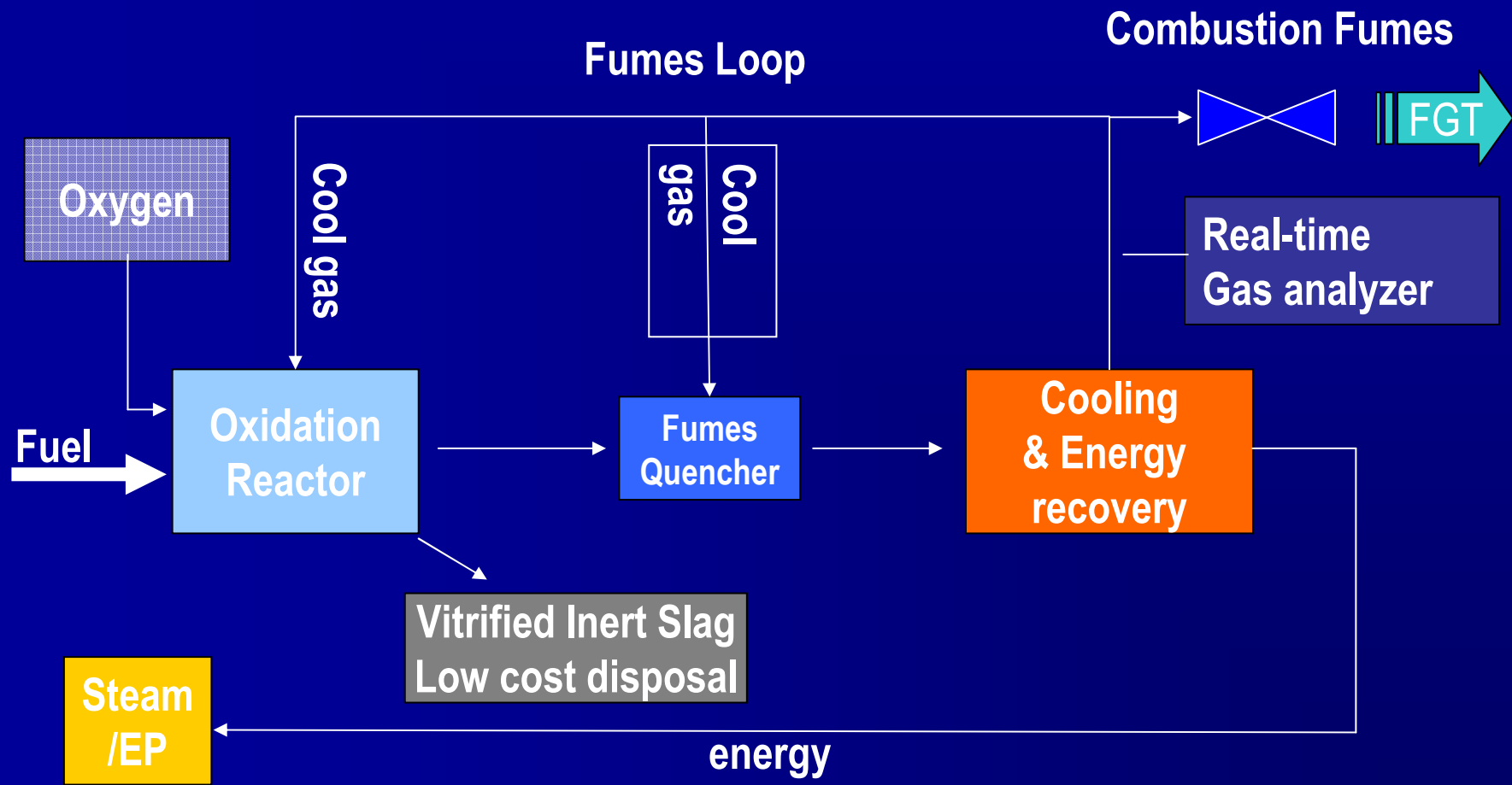
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ISOTHERM PWR

**FLAMELESS PRESSURIZED OXYDATION
TECHNOLOGY/PROCESS WITH HIGH
ENERGY RECOVERY FROM TOTAL
COMBUSTION OF “BROWN FUELS”**

ISOTHERM BLOCK DIAGRAM



ISOTHERM PWR® *Flameless Pressurized Oxy-combustion*

5 MWth Pilot Unit - Aerial View
in operation since 2004

120 ft X 60 ft

Blower

Fumes: Water
Condensation

**Small
Compact
Simple**
(few unit operation)

**Fully automated
Easy to operate**

Boiler

Fumes
Neutralization



Reactor

Feeding set

At Ansaldo CCA Test Rig
Gioia del Colle (BA) Italy

KEY SUCCESS FACTOR OF ISOTHERM PWR

- The lowest emissions rank that known combustion technologies can guarantee.
- The ashes are reduced to totally inert vitrified slugs.
- 96% of introduced heat (LHV) is recovered.
- High rangeability of the combustion process (from 10% to 100% in 1-2 hours)
- High acceptance of water content of the combustible (up to 60-70%)
- Compact relatively small plant
- Competitive capex.

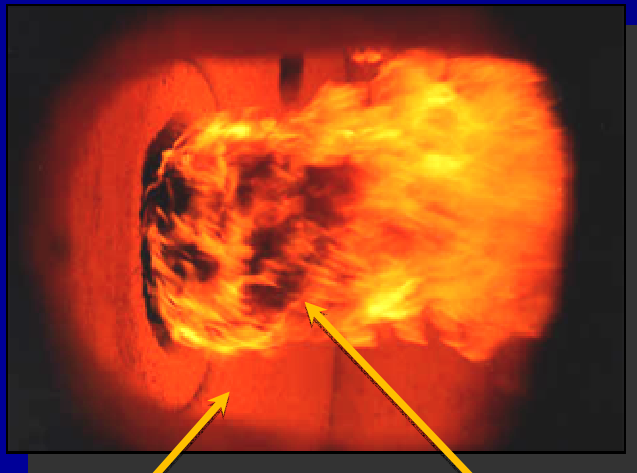
ISOTHERM Innovative Fundamentals

FLAMELESS UNIFORM HIGH TEMPERATURE

Traditional "flame" combustion

"chaotic"

non locally controllable



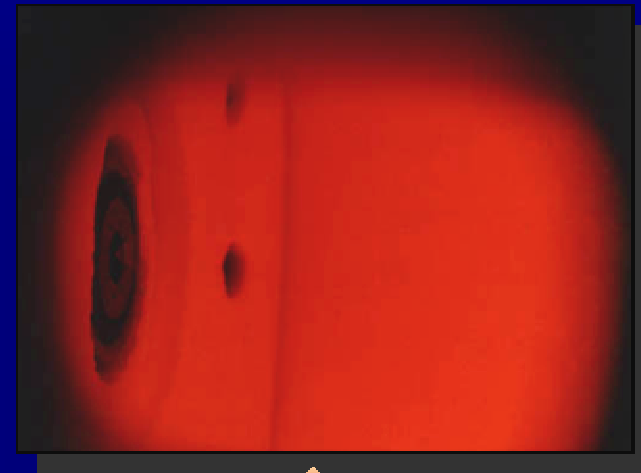
Cool Zone

Flame Front:
Peak Temperatures

Itea «Flameless combustion»

MILD, flameless, FLOX®, « volume comb.»

volume expanded - controllable



High Uniform Temperature

ISOTHERM Innovative Fundamentals

BOTH HEAVY AND FLY ASH MELTING

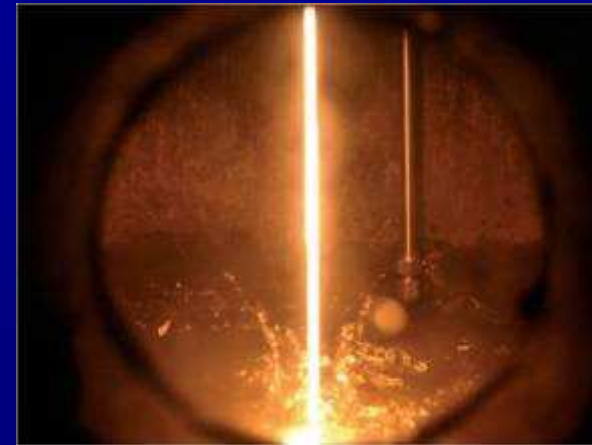
Ashes quantitative melting and coalescence is unique to Isotherm process.

➤ Quantitative Melting

➤ Liquid phase triggers

Slag coalescence

Molten slag drained at combustor bottom



"Slugging" process

Molten slag quenched in a water bath

Vitreous Granular

Zero Residual Carbon

Impervious to Heavy Metal Leaching

Fully inert



ISOTHERM Innovative Fundamentals

BOTH HEAVY AND FLY ASH MELTING

Vitreous Ashes Vs Heavy ashes morphology



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ISOTHERM PWR® - Application boundaries Energy from brown fuels

ITEA flameless process outperforms competitors specifically for:

Treatment of Industrial hazardous waste from

- Petrochemical, fine chemical
- Pharmaceutical
- Industrial sludges,
- Refinery

Energy from low ranking fuels:

- biomass
- bitumen
- coal

ISOTHERM® Process Profile:

- High Temperature Pressurized OXY-Combustion*
- Complete Oxidation (six-nine conversion)*
- Vitrified inert slag from ashes*
- Flue gas post-treatment: neutralization only*
- High yield heat recovery, 100% at high energy level*
- Compact hardware per unit power*
- Effluents after FGT ~75% CO₂ 25% H₂O*

Industrial waste-to-energy applications

ISOTHERM PWR® commercial unit is 15 MWth capacity

KEY FEATURES vs competing technologies

Far lowest airborne emission
(from 10 to 1000 time lower)

no dioxin, furan, HPA, zero soot

Solid residues: No leaching ashes

both heavy and fly ashes transformed
into vitrified inert slag

Ease to operate

simple, compact, full automation
ample rangeability (10 – 100%)
water content up to 70%

Favorable economics

much higher energy yield, lower
treatment residues disposal cost.

Industrial waste treatment

Case Overall Figures

CASE: Petrochemical waste from plastic material production

(e.g.: Styrene and Phenol heavies, ketone, bitumen)

Waste calorific value	KJ/Kg	37,509
Capacity	(Kg/h)	2,000
Oxygen consumption	(Kg/h)	5,240
Steam production (t/hr)	t/h	19.81
		400°C - 40 bar
Power consumption (Oxygen prod. included)	kW	1,800

Industrial waste treatment: overall emissions

Flue Gas Emissions		
Noxious Gas:	EU 2000/76	Isotherm PWR®
CO	50 mg/m ³ , peak value 200	< 1 mg/m ³
NO _x	200 mg/m ³ , peak value 400	< 100 mg/m ³
SO _x	50 mg/m ³ , peak value 200	< 30 mg/m ³
TOC	10 mg/m ³ , peak value 20	<0.05 mg/m ³
HCl	10 mg/m ³ , peak value 60	< 0.1 mg/m ³
PAH	0,1 mg/m ³	<0.0001mg/m ³
Dust (total)	10 mg/m ³ , peak value 30	< 1 mg/m ³
PM 2.5	Not yet regulated (Industrial avg. 1.000 - 5.000)	<10 µg/m ³
Dioxin, Furans	0,1 ng/m ³	<0.0001 ng/m ³
Heavy metals	0,5 mg/m ³	< 0.1 mg/m ³
SOOT	Not yet regulated	Zero
CO ₂ %v (in flue gas)	8	>85

Industrial waste to energy applications

ISOTHERM PWR® unit already commercial: 15 MWth capacity

➤ **CAPEX**

2000-3500 \$/kW

Oxygen production Unit included (VSA)

Steam Turbine excluded

➤ **EFFICIENCY**

28% Net Electrical Efficiency

with standard Steam Turbine

(40 bar, 400°C superheated steam)

➤ **ENERGY RECOVERY**

>93% heat recovery

100% at high energy level

Industrial waste treatment
ITRO Pte
ROTARY – SOFINTER partnership
pioneers Isotherm waste-to-energy industrial development

Isotherm 15 MWth plant — Jurong, Singapore



Energy from BIOMASS applications

Case overall figures

ISOTHERM PWR® commercial unit is a 15 MWth capacity

- **CAPEX** *1800 – 2800 \$/kW*
Oxygen production Unit included (VSA)
Steam Turbine included
- **EFFICIENCY** *28% Net Electrical Efficiency*
- **Energy recovery** *>93% heat recovery*
100% at high energy level

Energy from BIOMASS: performance

Incoming characterization

• Biomass dry	Kg/hr	4,350
• Biomass moisture (60% !!)	Kg/hr	6,600
• LHV (dry)	KJ/Kg	18,000
• LHV (as such)	KJ/Kg	5,800

Oxygen consumption	(Kg/h)	5,960
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Power production	MWhr/y	40,560
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net green power production	MWhr/y	35,200
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Power consumption	MWhr/y	5,360
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Energy from BIOMASS cont'd

AIR EMISSIONS

	ISOTHERM performance	Environment Unique Text, L.152/2006 (italian legislation by EU directives)
TOC (TOTAL ORGANIC CARBON)	1.0 mg/m³	30mg/Nm ³
Total Dust	3.6 mg/m³	30mg/Nm ³
CO	10 mg/m³	250 mg/Nm ³
NO2	100mg/m³	400 mg/Nm ³
SO2	50 mg/m³	200 mg/Nm ³

Vitrified slag

SiO2	32,2
P2O5	25,6
Al2O3	12,7
CaO	10,8
Fe2O3	7,7
Cr2O3	7,8
K2O	3,1
TiO2	1,8
ZnO	0,3
MnO	0,1

Energy from Coal

Why ITEA Isotherm PWR

- *Emission close to zero;*
- *No more pulverization, but Coal grinding only (fed as coal water slurry);*
- *Itea slugging technology means flue gas almost with near-zero ashes;*
- *Itea slugging technology provides unique advantages firing low rank coal, with high ash content, and low melting T ashes;*
- *Itea Isotherm PWR means high rangeability at constant performance: from 10% of full capacity, both for the combustor and for the USC boiler;*
- *USC boiler unique rangeability, and fast load change response, performance (Ansaldo-Itea);*
- *Ease of further improvements such as turbo-expander;*
- *Ease CCS.*

Near-Zero Emission Power from Coal

ISOTHERM PECULIAR ADVANTAGES

Process Core

- Flexible Fuel Capability (i.e. broad spectrum of low ranking fuels)
- Reduced fuel pre-treatment (grinding only) capital and operating cost
- Global efficiency, CO₂ capture included, at least comparable with more popular ZEP technology candidates
- Lower Capex (<75% vs competitor), core unit compactness for retrofit
- No ashes residues
- No air uptake (no CO₂ dilution)

Energy Cycle

- ✓ Simplified coal logistic (water slurry)
- ✓ 80 times less volume, 10 times less heat turnaround losses
- ✓ 100% heat recovered at high energy value (605 °C, 240 bar, USC steam)
- ✓ High combustor rangeability (from 10 to 100%)
- ✓ High boiler (Ansaldo-Itea) rangeability (10 to 100%)
- ✓ Promptness in fulfilling rapidly varying power load demand;
- ✓ Ease for further yield improvement (turboexpander)
- ✓ Ease for synergism with advanced (ceramic membrane) Oxygen separation process₂₃

Energy from Coal CCS applications

DEVELOPMENT PATH ENEL ITEA

- ✓ 5 MWth Unit in operation since 2007**
- ✓ 15 MWth Unit**
- ✓ 48 MWth pilot unit : detailed engineering completed**
- ✓ 320 Mwel - Feasibility study stage**

Energy from Coal

NO FLUE GAS !!!

NO STACK !!!

**EFFLUENTS ARE READY
FOR SUBSOIL INJECTION
AND STORAGE !!!**

Chemical analysis of the effluents	Isotherm PWR®
CO	< 1 mg/m ³
NO _x	< 100 mg/m ³
SO _x	< 30 mg/m ³
TOC	<0.05 mg/m ³
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SOOT	Zero
CO ₂ v (in flue gas)	>93 %

Energy from Coal

Demo Unit overall figures

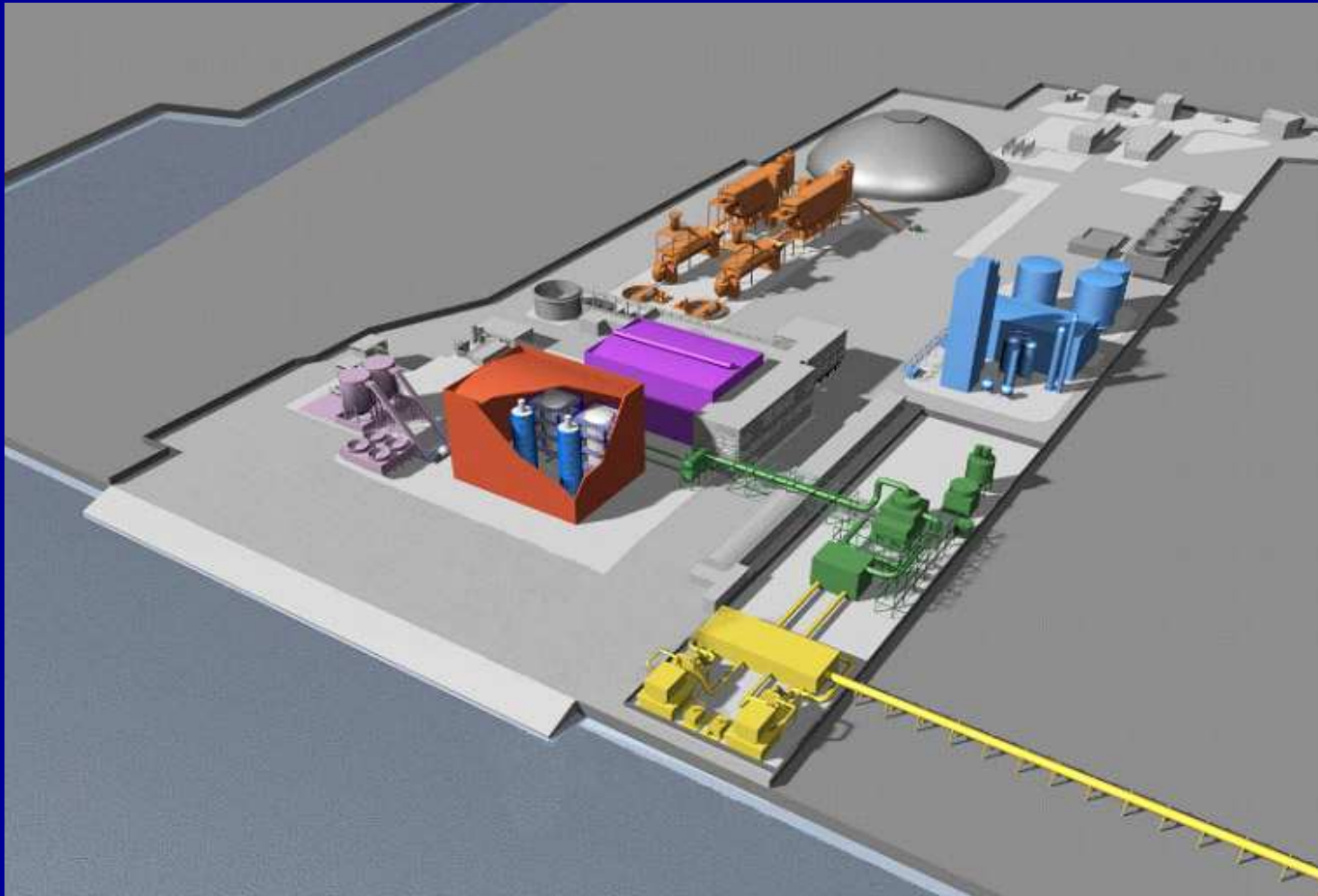
Thermal and Mass balance

for a 320 MW coal fired power generation demo Unit

Coal flow rate	130000 kg/h
Oxygen consumption	267000 kg/h
Net Energy production	2560000 MWh/y
Vitrified slag flow rate up to	28000 kg/h

Energy from Coal

2015 TARGET: 320 MWe COAL FIRED PLANT



CCS competitive positioning

Figures scaled up for 1,000 MWe unit

	Post-combustion Capture (amine scrubbing)	IGCC	Atmospheric Oxy-combustion	ITEA-ENEL Flameless Pressurized Oxy-Combustion
Yield el.	33.5% [2]	34% *	31.5% - Enel 31.5% [1] *	35.5% -Itea-Enel 34.9% [1] *
CAPEX	2867 \$/kW [2]	4,500 \$/kW [3]	3,600 \$/Kw * *	< 2,300 \$/kW * *
Standby to full-load time	up to 6 hours		up to 6 hours	30 minutes
Low rank coal or lignite	N/A	N/A	N/A	Applicable 55% [4]

* Including energy for cryogenic Oxygen and CO2 compression

* * including ASU separation unit and CO2 compression up to 60 barg

Ref.1: MIT J. Hong et al. - *Analysis of oxy-fuel combustion power cycle utilizing a pressurized coal Combustor* – Energy 34 (2009) 1332–1340

Ref.2: DOE, NETL – *Pulverized Coal Oxy Combustion Power Plant* - (2007)

Ref.3: DOE, NETL Futuregen Project : IGCC 150 MWe demonstration unit CAPEX 1.6 B\$

Ref. 4 Coal price-equalized equivalent yield

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ISOTHERM PWR ITEA TECHNOLOGY / PROCESS PATH

TRADITIONAL APPROACH TO COMBUSTION

Flame combustion

- Chaotic process/non controllable
- Possible formation of dangerous products during combustion



- expensive/complex fumes treatment lines
- Dangerous non combusted ashes with sometime problematic disposal
- Plants with limited rangeability
- Low CO₂ concentration in outlet fumes

ITEA APPROACH

Pressurised flameless oxy-combustion

- Combustion controlled to its completion
- Total absence of dangerous products during combustion
 - no dioxine
 - no furanes
 - no soot



- Simple fumes treatment
- Non combusted ashes reduced to vitrified inert slugs
- High plant rangeability (10 => 100%)
- High CO₂ concentration (95%) in outlet fumes

THANK YOU !

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