

#### **Energy Management**

Culture for saving energy



## Why is energy use important?

- Energy is a source of greenhouse gas emissions
- EU Regulations heavily target industrial energy users
- Most Importantly!
  - Energy is a <u>cost</u> to your business
  - Increase competiveness in the market
  - You can't control what you don't understand



## **Energy Pyramid**



#### **Energy Efficiency**

#### **Energy Management**



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## Mapping Energy in your plant



# Secondary Energy

- Secondary energy is the energy source produced from a purchased energy source, such as:
  - Compressed air
  - Steam
  - Hot water
  - Chilled water
- Production and use of secondary energy should also be understood and mapped
- Each energy conversion has it's own production efficiency



#### Secondary Energy – Compressed Air

Effective energy utilisation



#### Secondary Energy – Boiler system



# Mapping Energy in your plant





# **Energy Mapping**

Benefits:

- Understanding energy use in each area of your process allows you to benchmark your performance
- Understanding primary and secondary energy use can help in identifying energy waste or inappropriate use



## **Metering & Monitoring**

- Metering is used to understand how much energy is **actually** being used by process.
  - Is your understanding correct?
  - Is there something happening
- Monitoring the information enables you to identify anomalies, check



#### Maintenance

- <u>Preventative maintenance</u>: Maintaining equipment to ensure equipment remains operating
- <u>Energy efficient maintenance</u>: Maintaining equipment to ensure equipment is operating efficiently



## Maintenance

#### **Electric motors**

 Dust accumulation on electric motors reduces the heat transfer from the cooling fins, causing the motor to run warmer – loss in efficiency

#### **Electricity supply quality**

- Unbalanced phase loading in the plant reduces the efficiency of 3-phase motors.
- Harmonics in the supply can cause loss of efficiency in plant equipment



## Waste minimisation

 Identification of inappropriate energy use, such as using compressed air for cleaning

 Identifying areas where energy is wasted, such as compressed air or steam leaks, poor insulation on chilled water or steam lines etc.



## **Production planning**

- Operating at full production optimised energy efficiency
  - Can the production schedule be altered to maximise process efficiency?
  - Elimination of process bottle-necks



# **Energy Index**

- Relation between production and energy use
- Variations due to such reasons as seasonal changes



Production



#### **Purchasing of equipment**

- Total cost of ownership should also be considered when purchasing new equipment
- Implementing a procurement policy for the purchase of energy efficient equipment is cheap



#### Life cost of an 11kW electric motor



Based on 4 000 hours of operation, initial purchase cost of €7000 and an electricity cost of €0,05 per kWh

#### **Energy Management Culture**

- Company intent on saving energy needs to be clear to employees
- Energy Champions can be assigned who are responsible for energy use in a certain area
- Talking about energy use
  - Leadership meetings
  - Toolbox talks



#### **Energy Management Culture**

- Example of activities:
  - Changing of lighting systems to more energy efficient option
  - Installing solar hot water for domestic hot water
  - Energy saving signage and general awareness campaign





