

NOxStar™ Plant Demonstration

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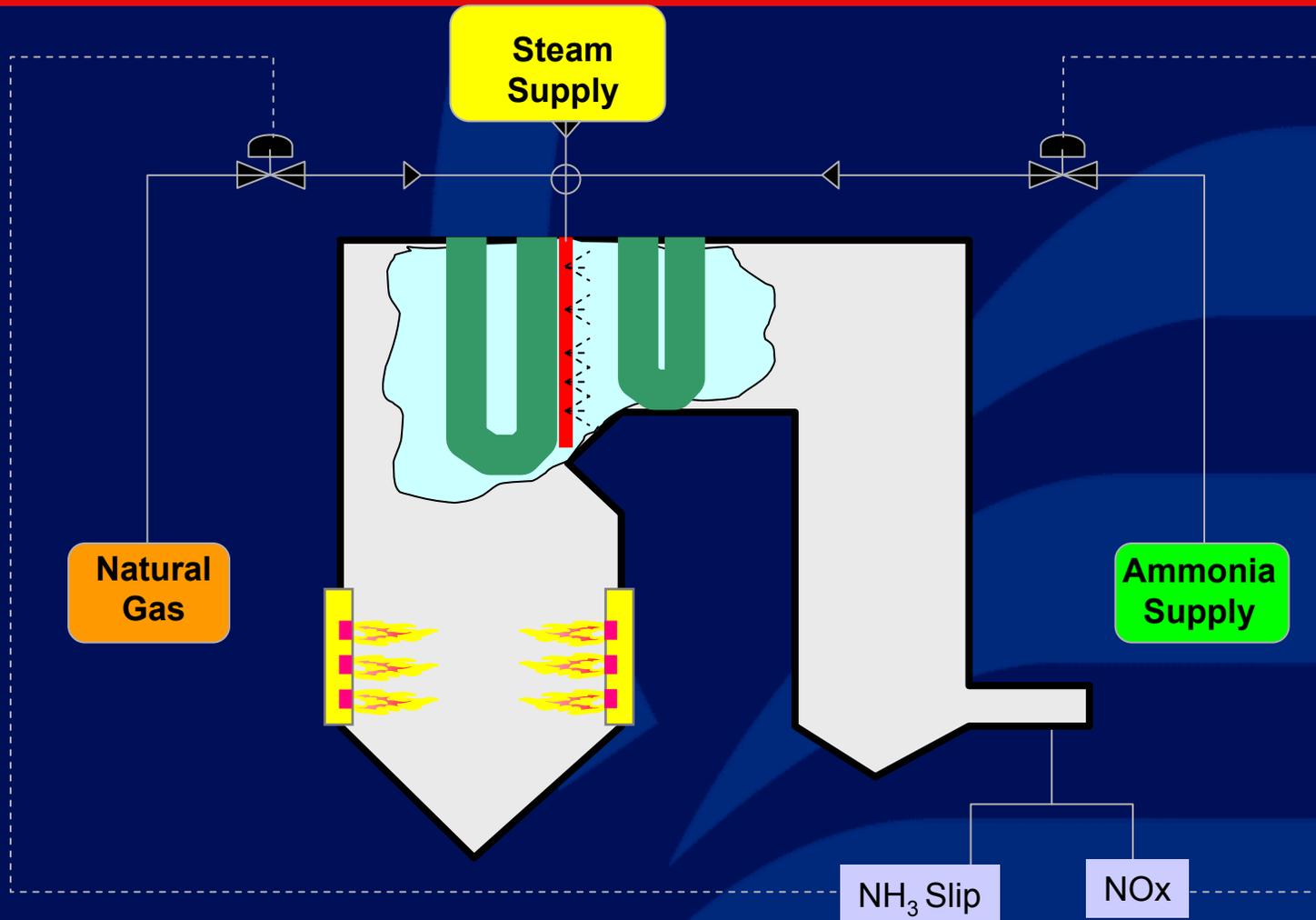
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NOxStar™ Process

- NOxStar™ is an auto-catalytic reduction process whereby controlled quantities of an NH₃ based reagent and a minute amount of hydrocarbon are continuously injected into the hot flue gas stream.
- Hydrocarbon auto-ignites to form a plasma of free radicals which auto-catalyzes the reaction of NH₃ and NO_x to nitrogen and water vapor.



NOxStar™ Application to Plant



NOxStar™ Development

- NOxStar™ process developed for pulverised coal combustion
 - Small scale – 0.55 mmBtu/h (160kW_t)
 - Large scale – 135 mmBtu/h (40MW_t)
 - Plant scale – 200 MW_e



NOxStar™ Development – Small Scale

- Small scale – 0.55 mmBtu/h (160 kW_t)
- Aims
 - Demonstrate process for coal firing
 - Demonstrate process for conditions appropriate to large boiler plants
 - Acquisition of parametric data for process design



NOxStar™ Development – Small Scale

- Parametric Testing

- NH₃:NO_x molar ratio
- Hydrocarbon type
- Hydrocarbon heat input
- Injector arrangement
- Flue gas temperature
- Residence time
- Inlet NO_x level
- Coal
- Cooling surface

- Performance

- Input parameters
- Outlet NO_x / NO_x reduction
- NH₃ slip
- CO



NOxStar™ Development – Small Scale

- High NO_x reduction achieved
 - Less than 0.10 lb/mmBtu from inlet of 0.45 lb/mmBtu (80% to 90% reduction)
- Low ammonia slip
 - < 5ppm
 - Ammonia continues to reduce downstream of reaction zone
- Wide temperature window
 - Better reduction at higher temperature



NOxStar™ Development – Small Scale

- Low hydrocarbon input
 - Sufficient to create plasma
 - Natural gas and propane equally effective
- Insensitive to coal type
 - USA, UK, world traded bituminous coals tested
- Unaffected by presence of heating surfaces
 - Can locate system in boiler cavity

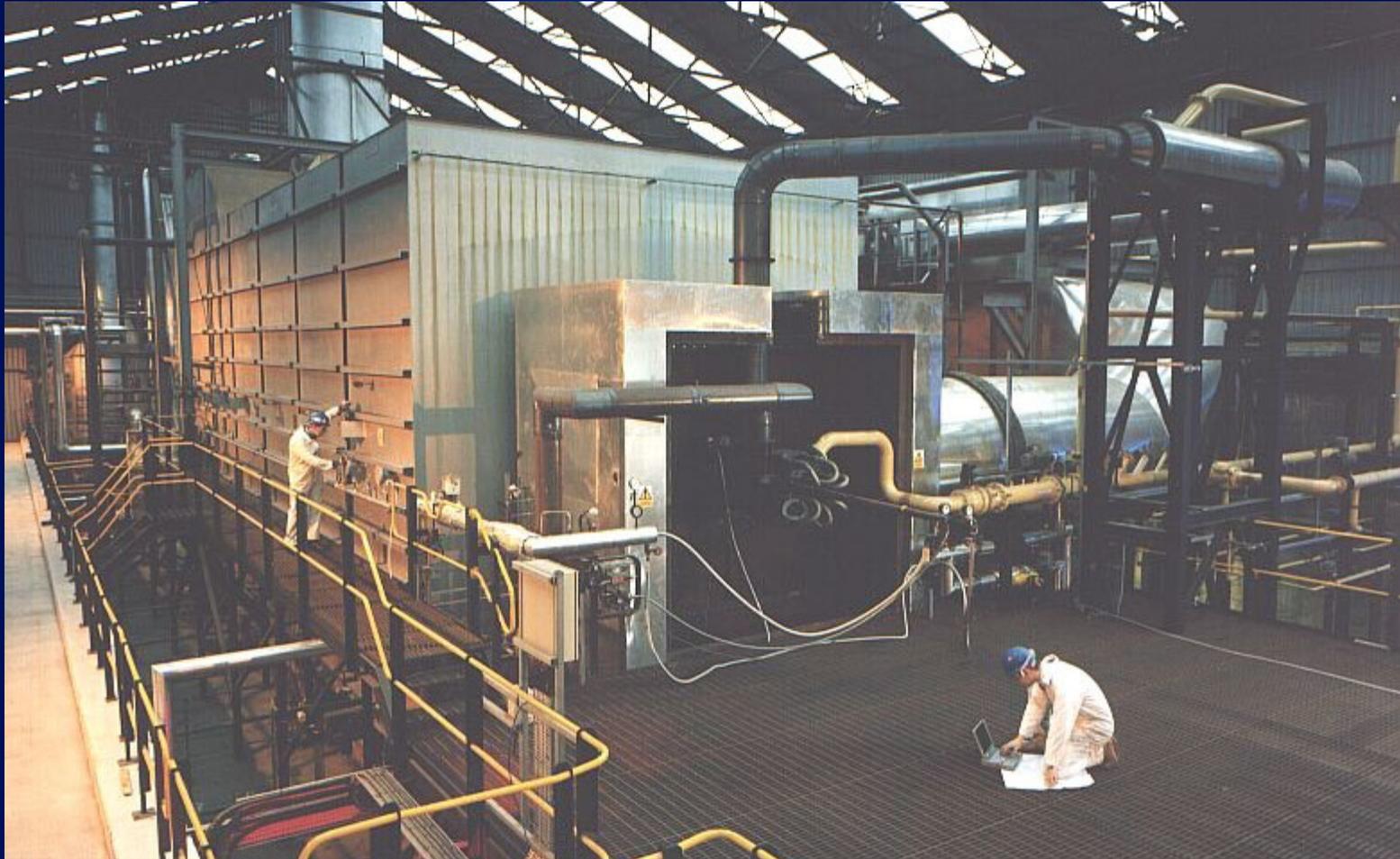


NOxStar™ Development – Large Scale

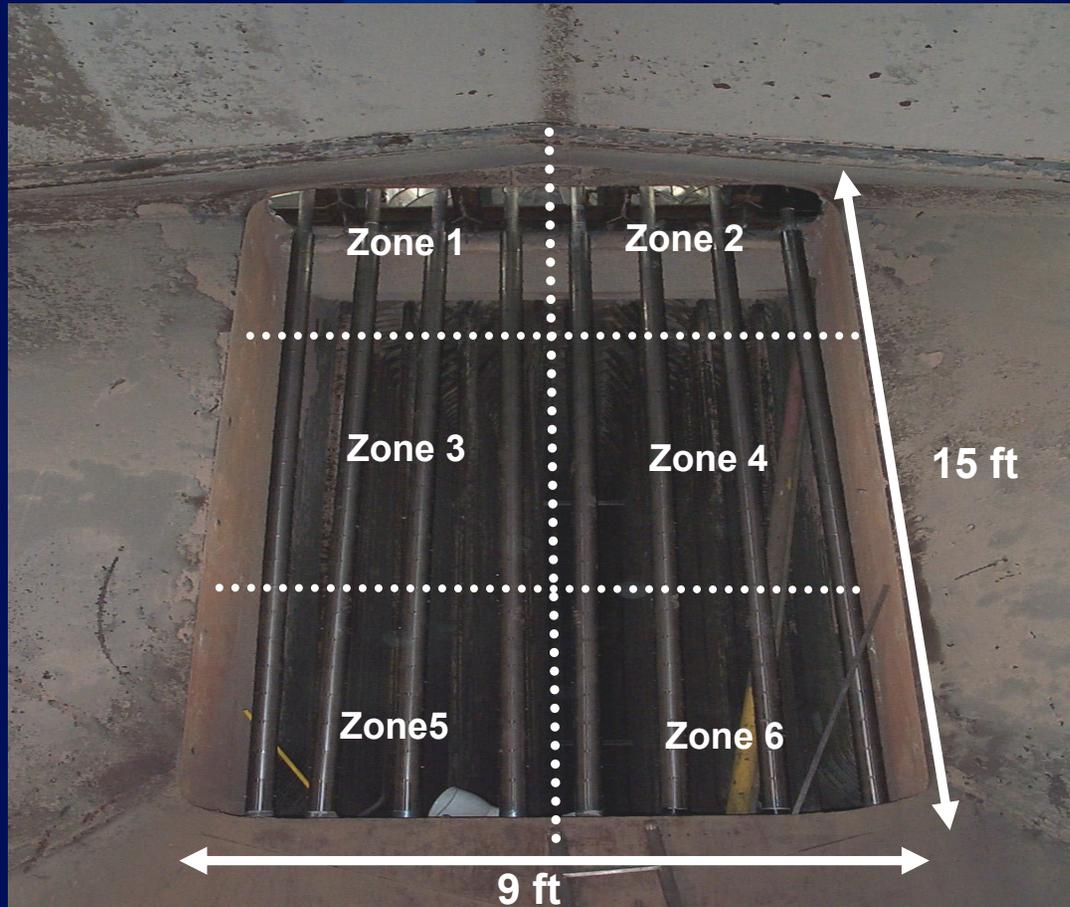
- Large scale – 135 mmBtu/h (40 MW_t)
 - Rig capacity 310 mmBtu/h (90 MW_t)
 - Injection lances physically similar to full scale
- Aims
 - Demonstrate scale up
 - Demonstrate injection lance design
 - Demonstrate multi-nozzle arrangement
 - Demonstrate process control



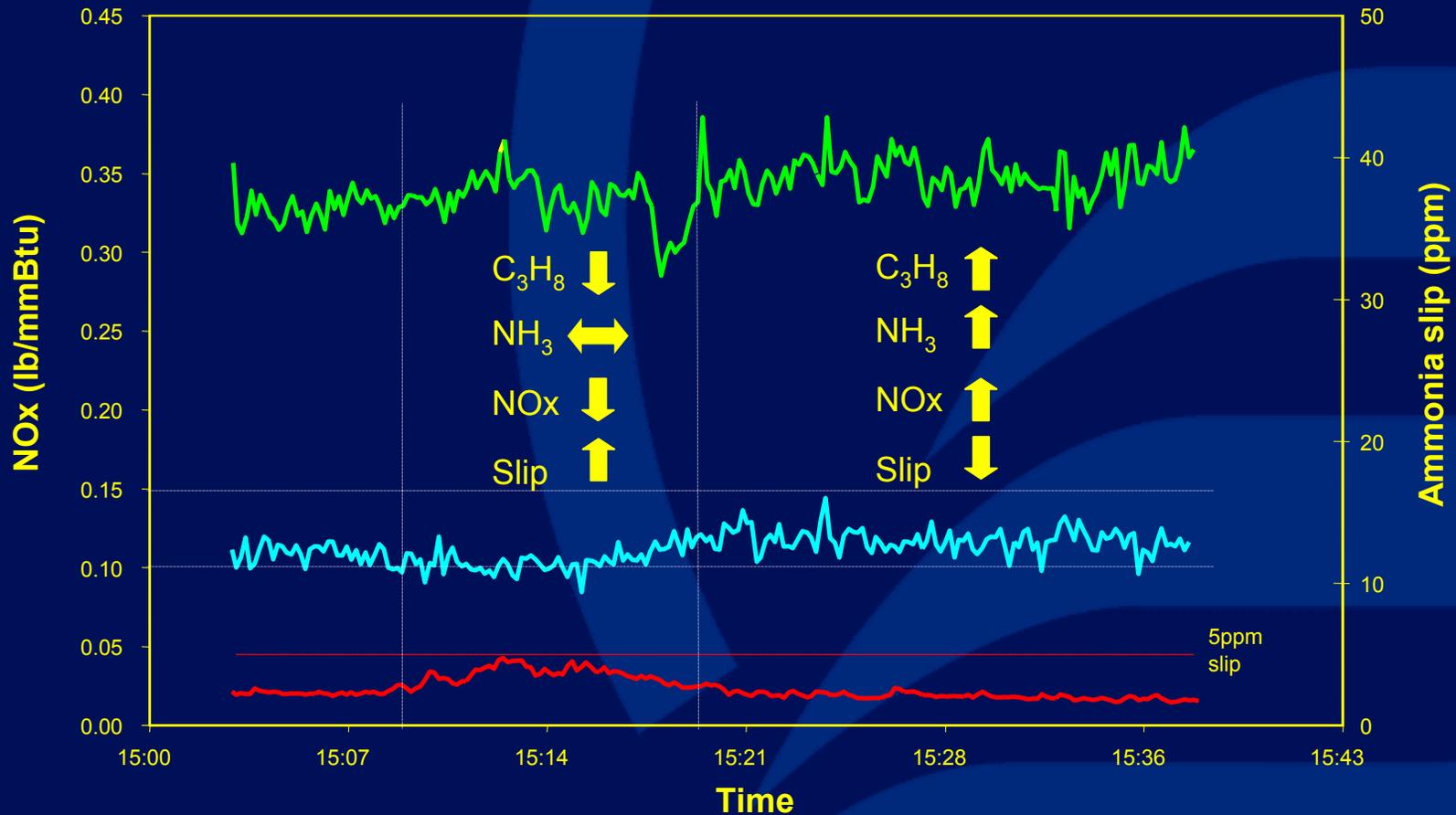
310 mmBtu/h (90 MW_t) Test Facility



NOxStar™ Injection Grid



NOxStar™ Process Control



— Inlet NOx (ppm) — Outlet NOx (ppm) — Ammonia Slip (ppm)



NOxStar™ Large Scale Performance

- Process scale-up demonstrated
 - $\text{NO}_x < 0.10\text{lb/mmBtu}$
 - NH_3 slip $< 5\text{ppm}$
 - Ability to control NH_3 slip
 - Ability to deal with non-uniform flow and temperature profiles

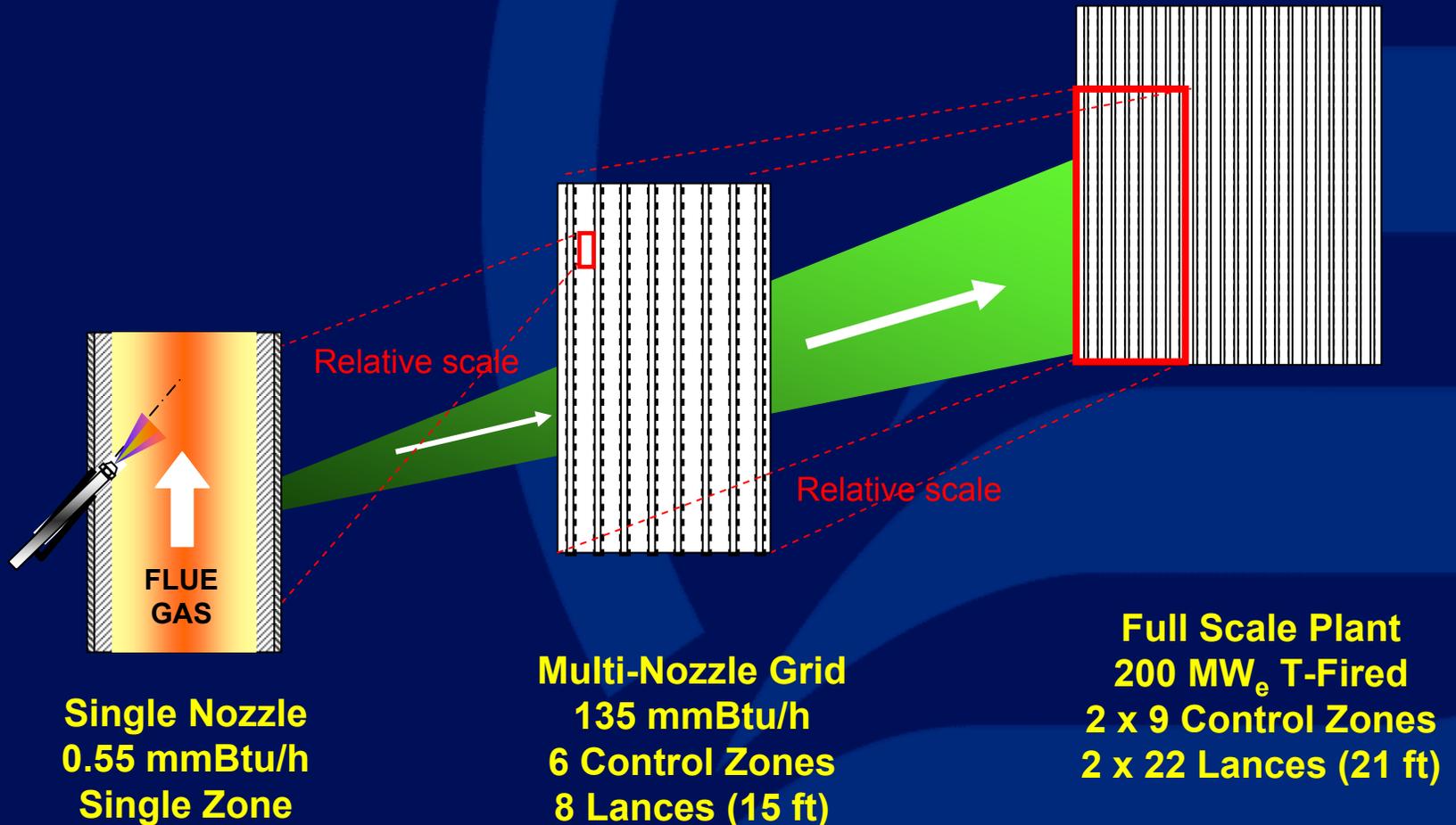


NOxStar™ Plant Scale Demonstration

- Full scale plant demonstration
 - TVA's Kingston Power Station
 - 200 MW_e
 - Tangentially fired
 - Twin furnace design
 - Baseline NO_x 0.55 lb/mmBtu
 - “Difficult” temperature & velocity profiles
 - Boosted OFA & NOxStar™ installed



Scale-up : Test Facilities to Plant



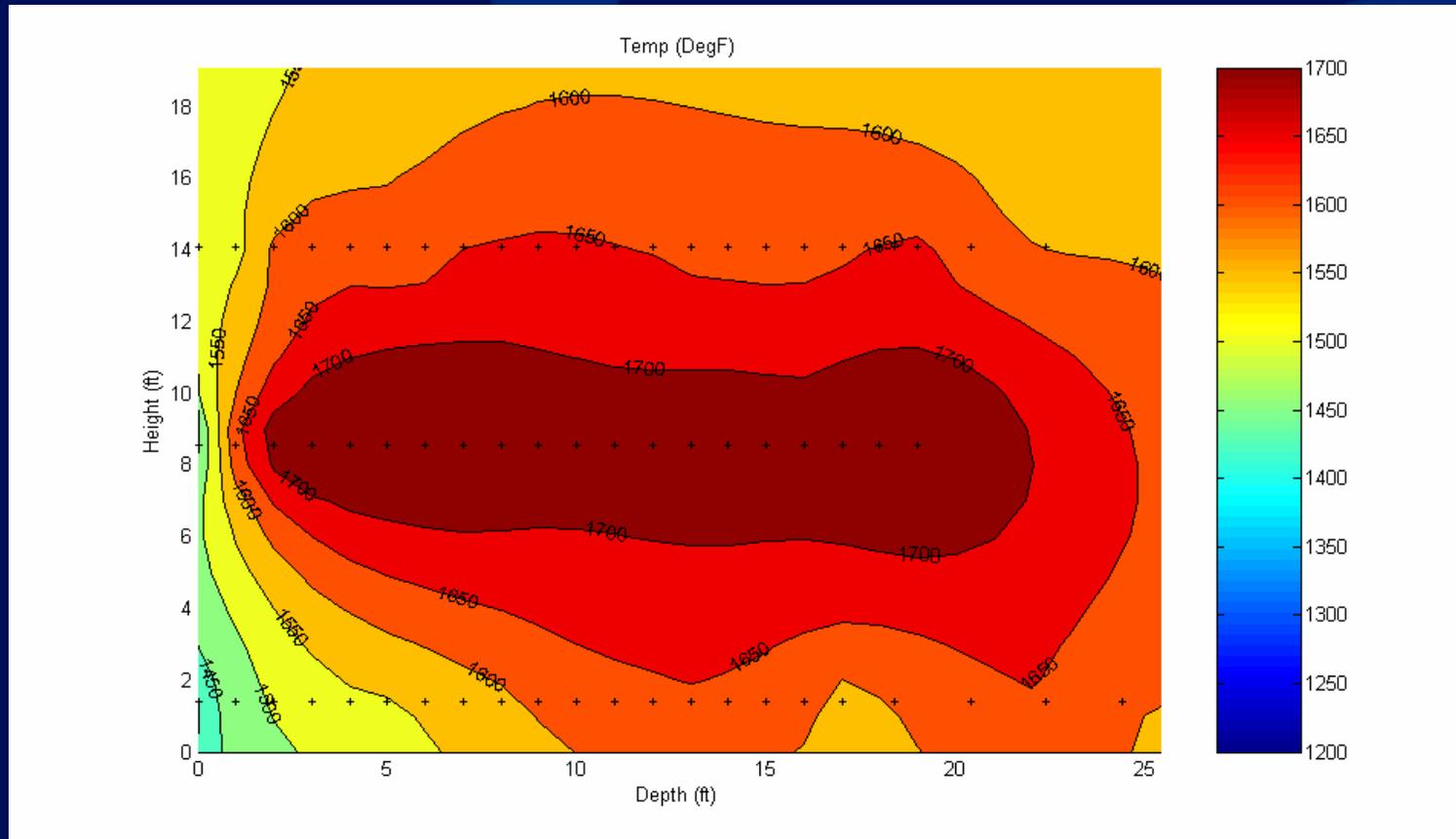
Single Nozzle
0.55 mmBtu/h
Single Zone

Multi-Nozzle Grid
135 mmBtu/h
6 Control Zones
8 Lances (15 ft)

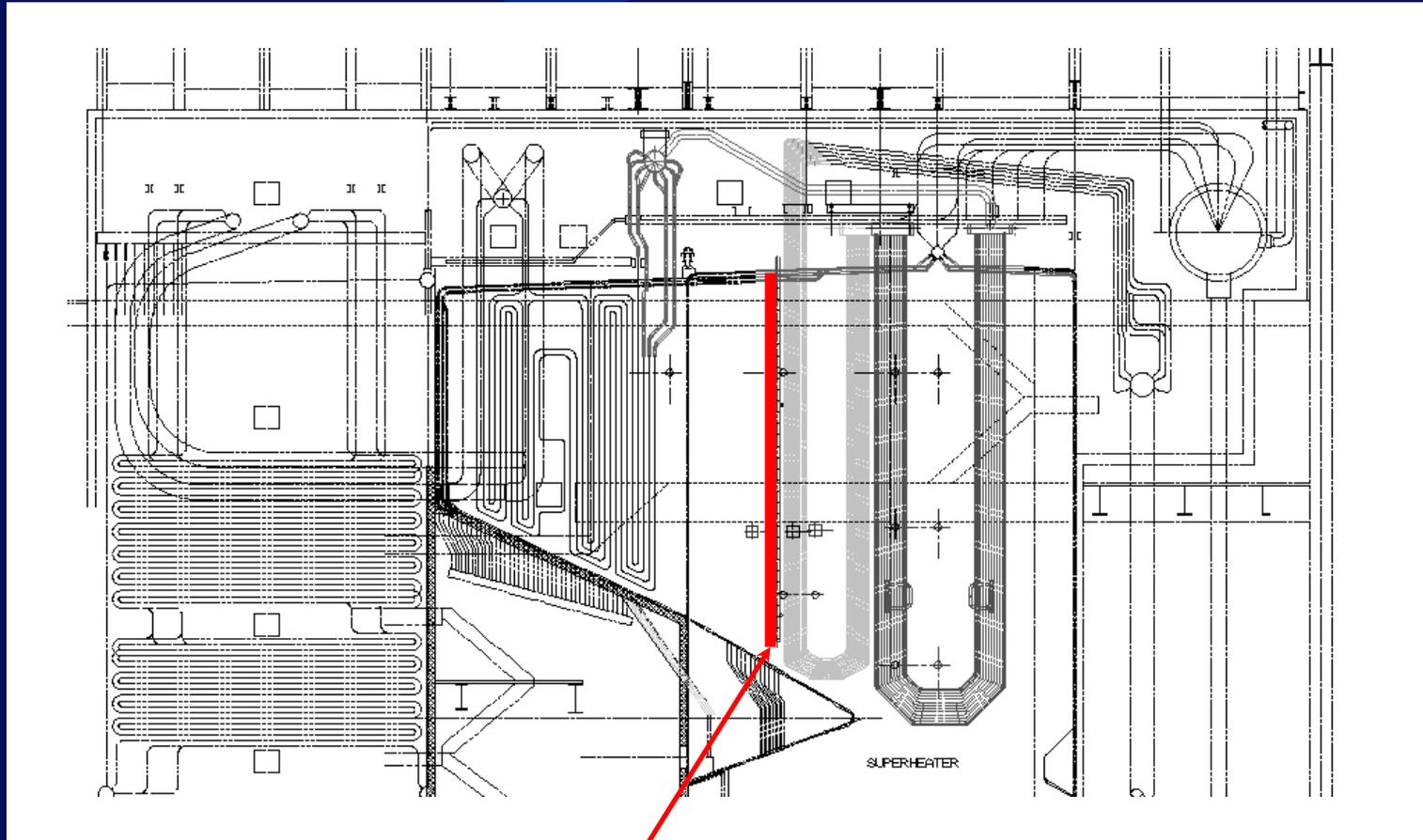
Full Scale Plant
200 MW_e T-Fired
2 x 9 Control Zones
2 x 22 Lances (21 ft)



RH Flue Gas Temperatures (Calculated at Injection Grid) based on HVT Testing



SH Injection Lance Location

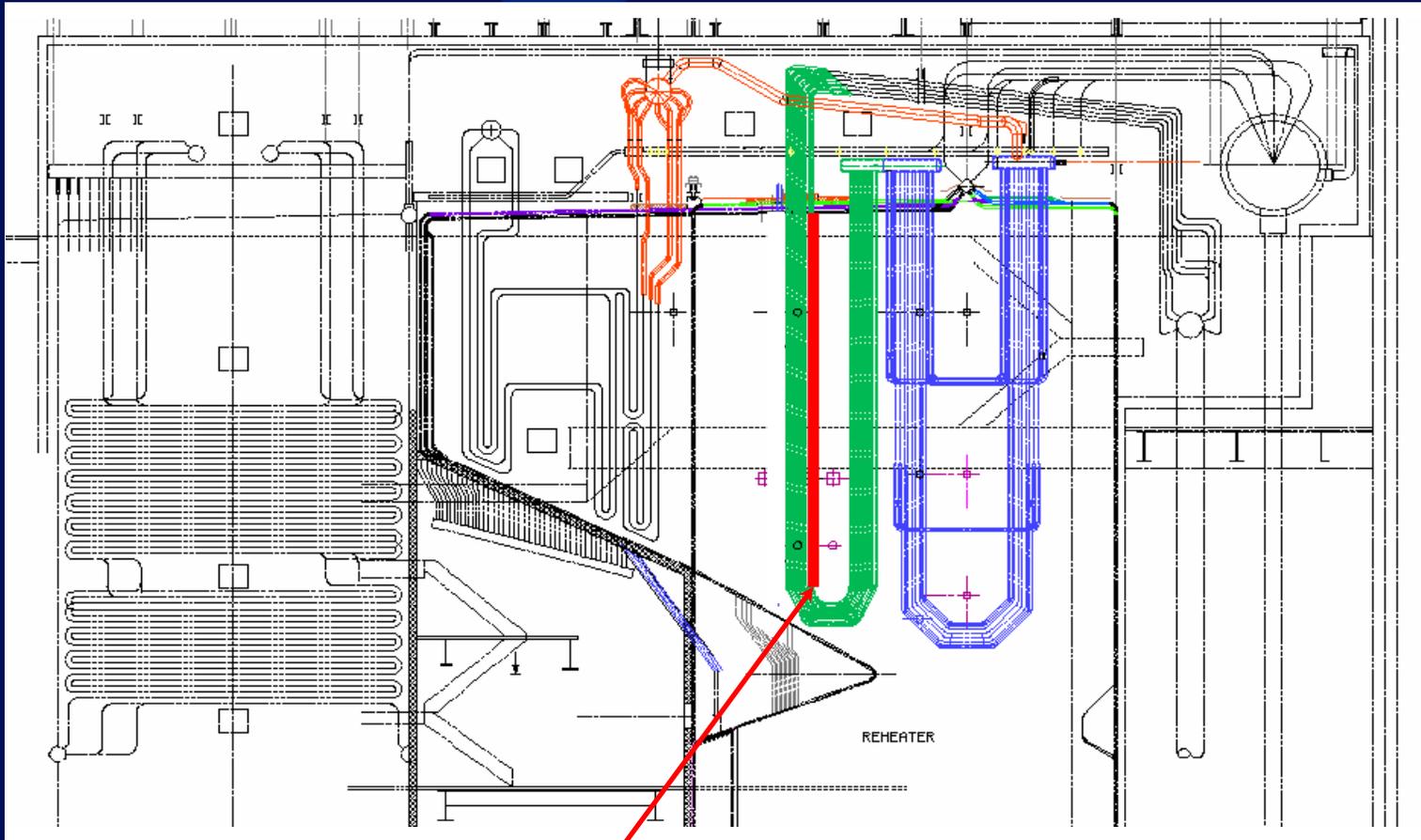


Injection Lances



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RH Injection Lance Location



Injection Lances



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Injection Lance Installation

22 Lances
9 Zones



NOxStar™ Plant Scale Demonstration

- Total NO_x reduction of 68% to 0.17 lb/mmBtu
 - NOxStar™ reduction was 53%
 - Ideal process temperature not obtained
 - Below ~1700°F at injection location
 - Ideally >1825°F desired
- NH₃ slip < 5ppm
- Repeatable
 - Repeatability confirms good controllability



Ammonia Slip

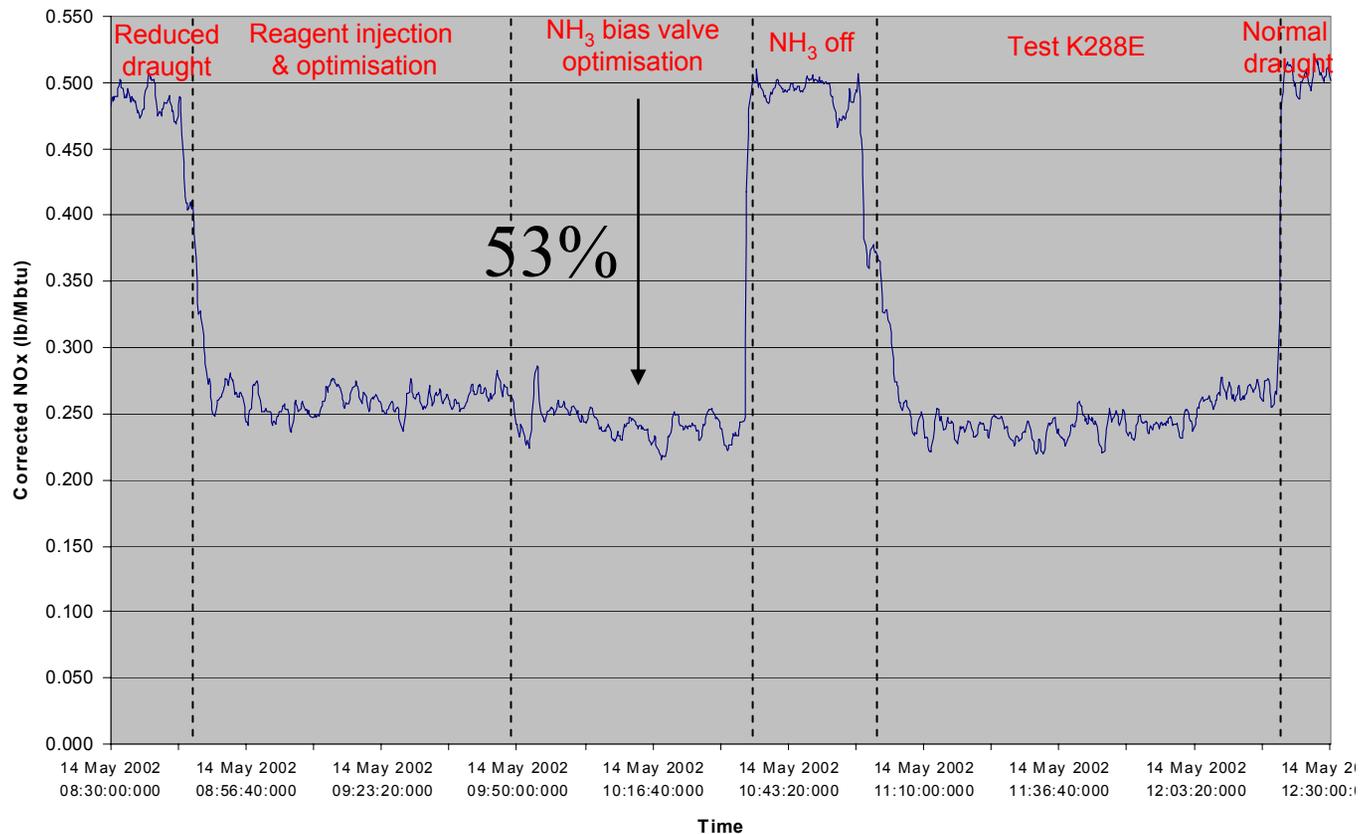
On-Line vs. Wet Chemistry

1. Laser NH_3 analysers located downstream of air heater, wet chemistry measurement is upstream
2. Generally good agreement between wet chemistry measurement and on-line analysers when full duct covered



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Average NOx Emission Levels in Superheat Furnace (lb/Mbtu)

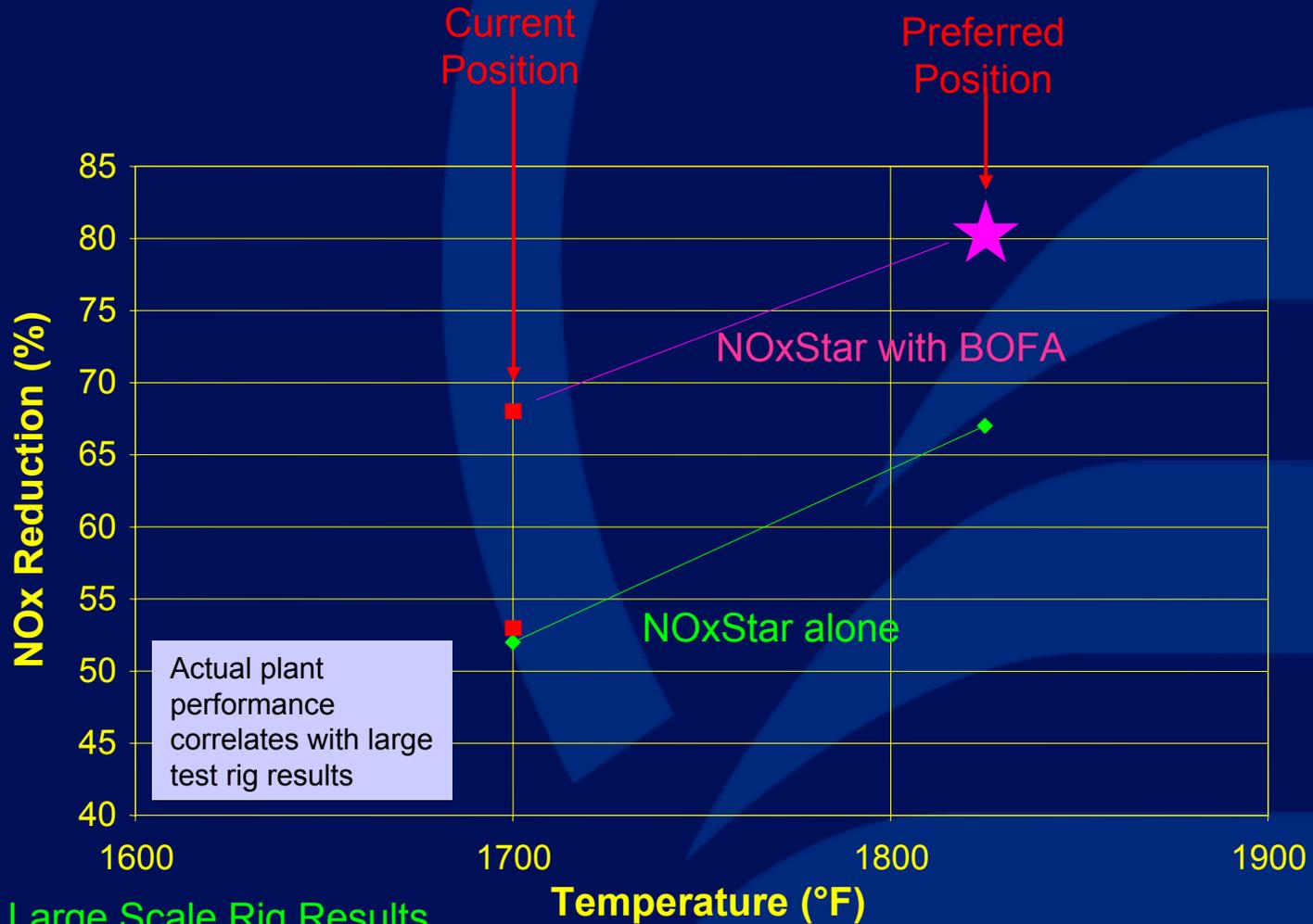


Effect of grid location

- Locating the grid further upstream will result in increased temperature and increased time at temperature
- The increased temperature will result in an improvement of 10 percentage points in NO_x reduction
- The increased residence time will result in a further 4 to 5 percentage points in NO_x reduction



NOxStar™ Rig and Plant Performance



◆ Large Scale Rig Results

■ Plant Results



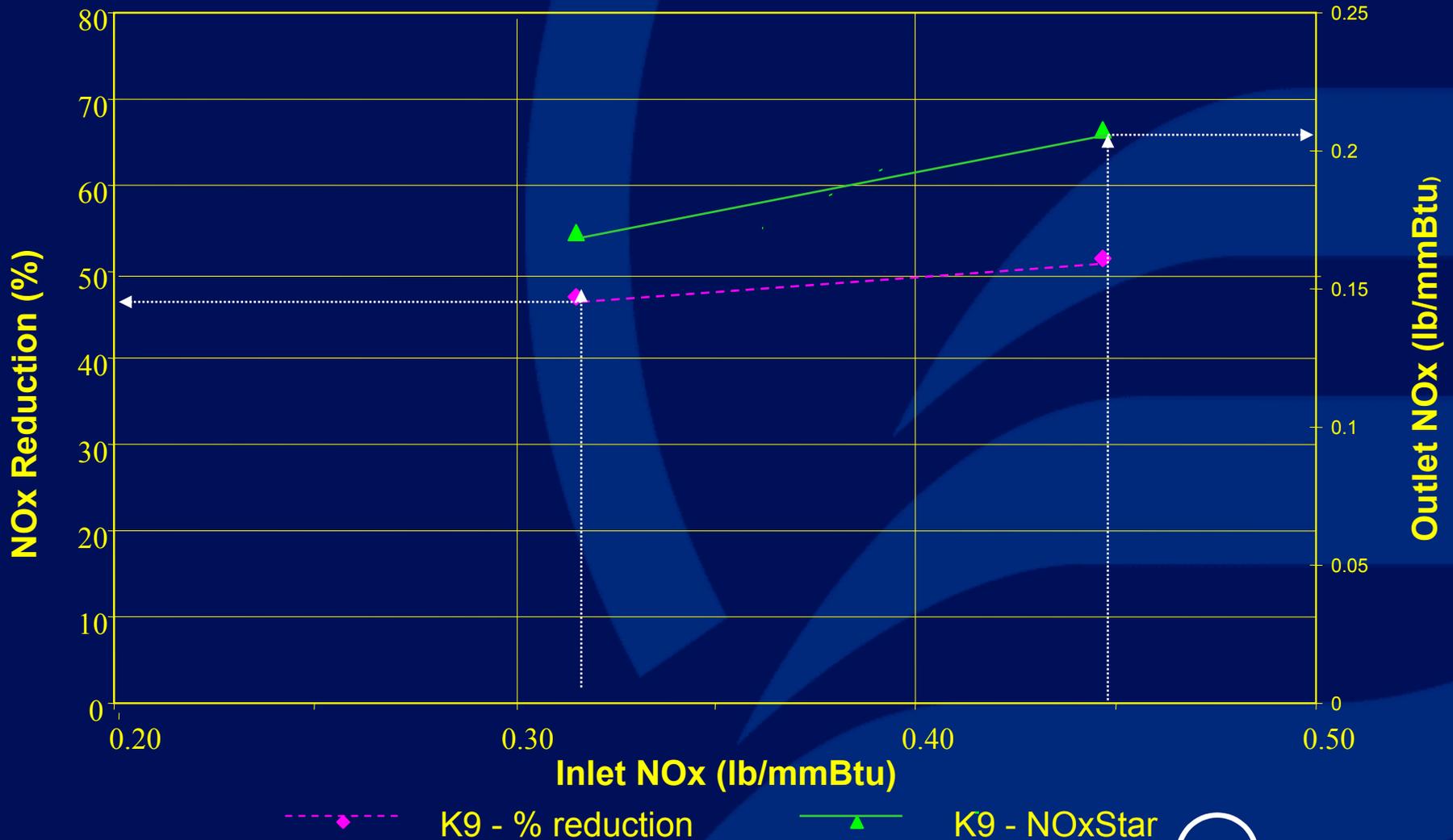
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Effect of Inlet NO_x

- Reduced NO_x at the inlet to the NOxStar™ reaction zone leads to
 - Significant reduction in outlet NO_x
 - Minor impact on %age NO_x reduction



Kingston 9 Effect of Inlet NO_x



NOxStar™ Plant Scale Demonstration

- Performance of NOxStar™ process demonstrated
- Control of reagent supply to individual zones demonstrated
- Optimisation of reagent supply to account for gross mal-distributions in flow and temperature demonstrated
- Nozzle blockage not a problem
- NOxStar™ process is readily retrofittable to utility boilers



K9 Lance Operational History

- Lances brought into NOxStar™ operation in January 2002
- NOxStar™ testing carried out on Reheat furnace through January and February 2002 with limited testing on Superheat furnace
- NOxStar™ testing carried out on Superheat furnace through April and May 2002



K9 SH Lance Condition

- Superheater lances and nozzles remain in relatively good condition
- Nozzle flow paths in good condition
- No lance distortion
- Insulation and cladding in good condition



K9 RH Lance Condition

- Reheater lances experienced problems
- Cooling water leaks led to nozzle blockage and lance distortion
- Cooling water leak is attributed to interrupted flow of cooling water
- All lances removed

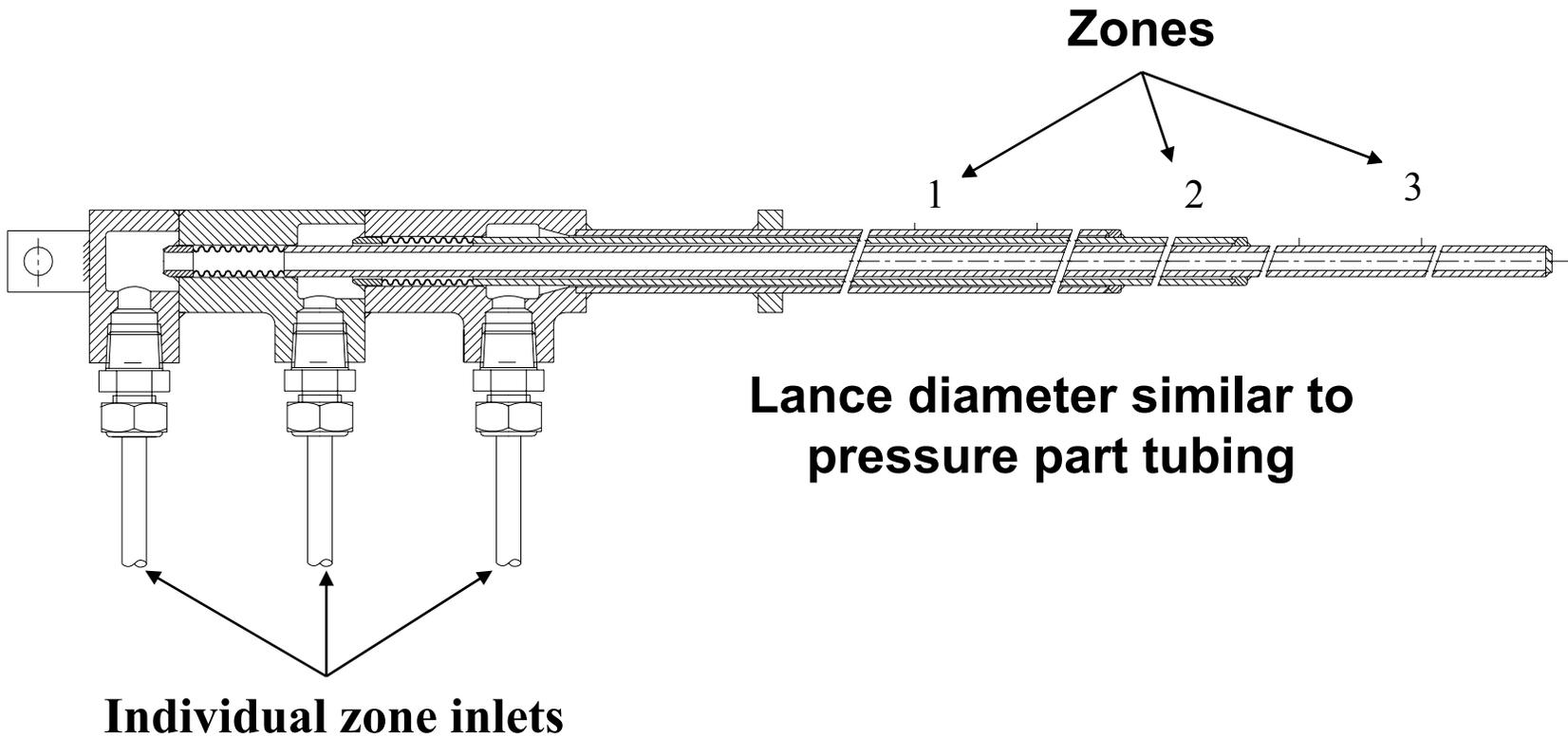


Latest Lance Improvements

- Reagent/Hydrocarbon/Steam now pre-mixed before entering lance
- Lances steam cooled
- Lance comprises 3 concentric pipes to achieve 3 zone control
- Nozzles are now larger diameter, drilled holes



NOxStar™ Steam-Cooled Lance



Next NOxStar™ Commercial Installation

Location: TVA Colbert Station Unit 4
Boiler Capacity: 200 MW_e
Schedule:
-Installation Q4 2003
-Commissioning Q1 2004



Conclusions

- The NOxStar™ technology is performing as predicted
- Performance goals can be achieved with lances located in the correct temperature zone
 - Achieve overall NOx reductions of 65-75%
 - Manage the ammonia slip to < 5 ppm
 - Minimize the impact on plant heat rate
 - Minimize auxiliary fuel consumption

