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Abstract

In developing gas turbine projects many factors need to be assessed before a viable project is found. The efficiency of a gas turbine can be described in several ways and is affected by a variety of factors such as manufacturer, altitude, metrological conditions, etc. Efficiency (heat rate) is typically described using lower heating value (LHV), but in North America we purchase fuel and quote calorific values using higher heating value. For cogeneration projects the annual efficiency is also a factor that can have a big impact in the determination of project viability. This paper intends to describe the different types of efficiencies that are used and summarize the impact that efficiency has on in the pre-feasibility and feasibility stage of the project development. The paper will use the RETScreen International's Combined Heat and Power model to evaluate a project and show the impact of efficiency. Other factors impacting on the project development will also be discussed such as how a risk and sensitivity analysis can be used.

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Technical Paper

Introduction

This paper deals with what should be considered during the pre-feasibility and feasibility stage of project development. Different impacts of efficiencies and their definitions will be discussed. What effect does project location have on the project viability, and is it needed to know the difference between higher and lower heating value. The calculations were all performed using the RETScreen CHP model.

The RETScreen International Clean Energy Project Analysis Software is a decision support tool developed with the contribution of numerous experts from government, industry, and academia. The software, provided free-of-charge, can be used world-wide to evaluate the energy production, life-cycle costs and greenhouse gas emission reductions for various types of energy efficient and renewable energy technologies. The software also includes product, cost and weather databases; and a detailed online user manual. In early July 2005 there were over 63,000 users world wide. The CHP model is available in 21 interchangeable languages. Various parts of the algorithm have been validated against other programs or against values published in the literature. Despite the simplicity of the model, the accuracy of the model proves acceptable, at least at the pre-feasibility stage, when compared with other software tools or with experimental data. All figures and tables were generated from the RETScreen model and the on-line help feature.

This paper will concentrate on a gas turbine with a HRSG, the fictitious project is an industry that operates 24/7 somewhere in Canada. Part of the load is weather dependent. The project configuration is shown in Figure 1 below.

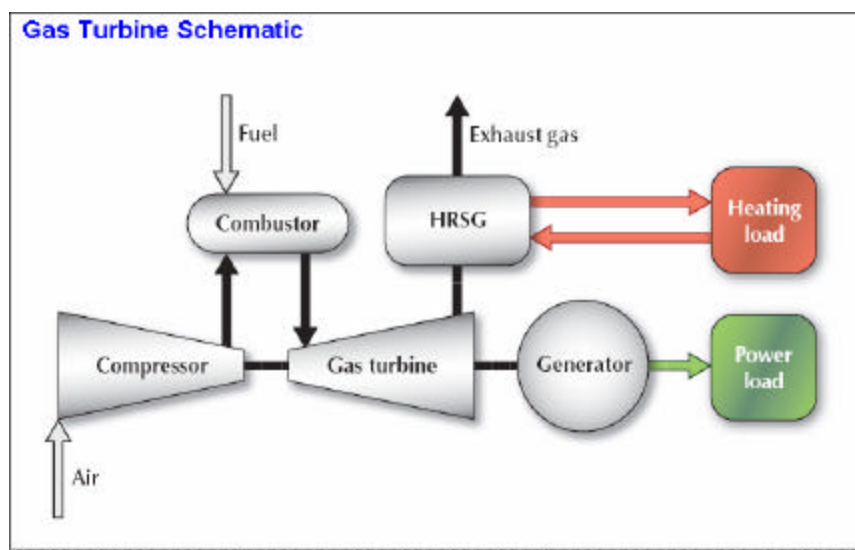


Figure 1: Typical gas turbine schematic.

Definition of efficiency

Definition, for the following discussion Heat rate and Heat recovery efficiency is defined as in the in Figure 2.

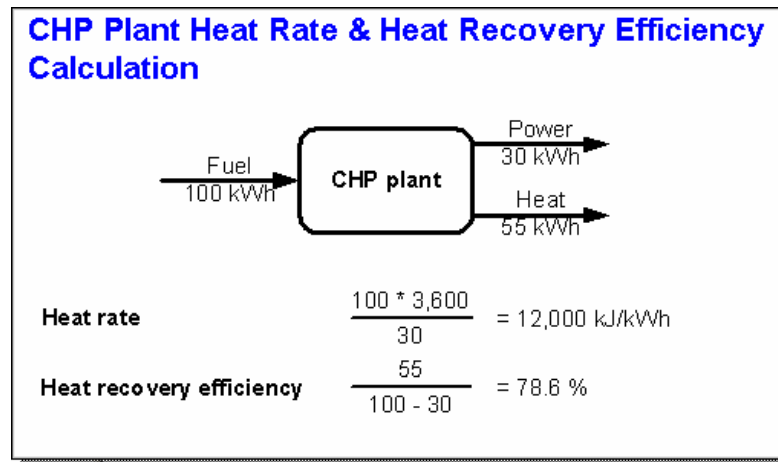


Figure 2: CHP Plant Heat rate and Heat recovery efficiency.

Heat Rate is also used for tax calculations. The definition for the tax calculations are different as it looks at the plants total efficiency (heat & power). Assuming the gas turbine is operating at its highest possible efficiency at all times the heat rate is calculated as shown in Figure 3.

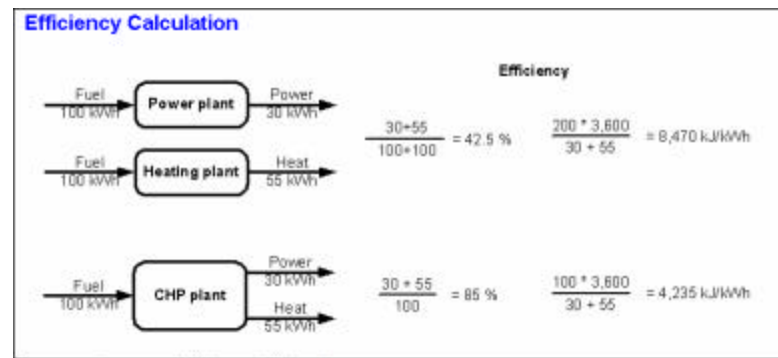


Figure 3: Heat rate definition for tax calculations.

The operating strategy of the gas turbine can change the heat rate (seasonal efficiency) substantially. This definition of heat rate is used for Canadian tax calculations such as class 43.1. Class 43.1 allows for an accelerated capital cost allowance if the energy project meets the specified heat rate (energy efficiency). The tax section of the RETScreen model can be used to calculate the tax benefits of meeting Class 43.1. Fuel consumption should be based on higher heating value. As an example if the waste heat cant be fully used at part of the year the heat rate will increase.

Heat rate for gas turbines

Equipment manufacturers typically quote the heat rate using lower heating values LHV. The figure below shows the quoted heat rate for gas turbines below 5 MW. Lower heating value is used for trading in most countries except for the US and Canada. For North America its very important that these numbers are converted to higher heating value.

Heating value is a measure of energy released when a fuel is completely burned. Depending on the composition of the fuel (amount of hydrogen) the amount of steam in the combustion products varies. Higher heating value (HHV) is calculated assuming the combustion product is condensed and the steam is converted to water. Lower heating value (LHV) is calculated assuming the combustion product stays in a vapour form.

For natural gas the difference between higher and lower heating value is approximately 10.3% and for diesel (#2 oil) it is 5.8%.

The following figures shows the Heat Rates for 34 gas turbines, using lower and higher heating values (natural gas).

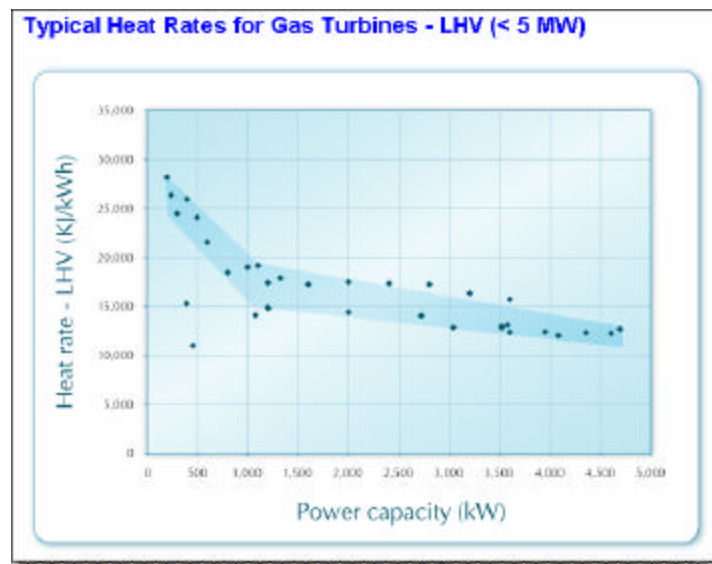


Figure 4: Typical heat rates for gas turbines – LHV (<5 MW).

Figure 5 shows the heat rates converted to HHV for natural gas.

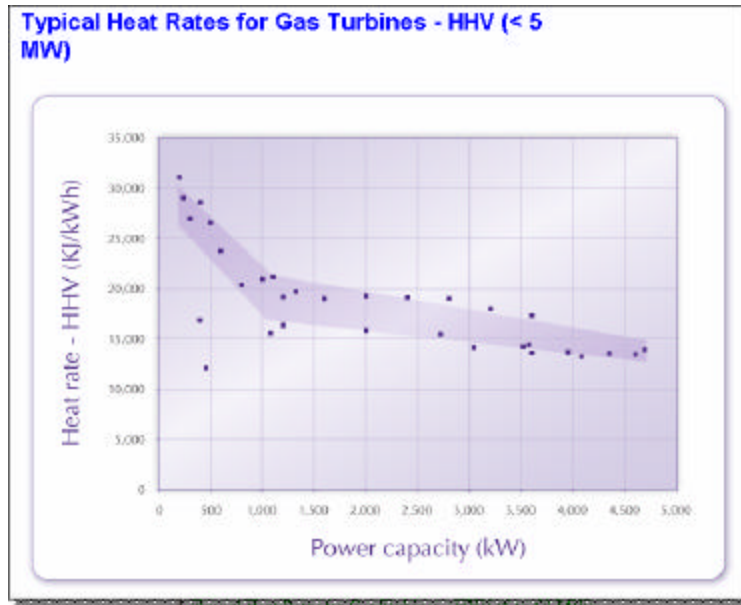


Figure 5: Typical heat rates for gas turbines – HHV (<5 MW).

Heat rates quoted are based on ISO conditions. Several factors affects the heat rate for the gas turbine, such as altitude, humidity, ambient temperature and degradation. The figures and values shown are typical numbers and needs to be confirmed for each individual machine in the design stage of the project development.

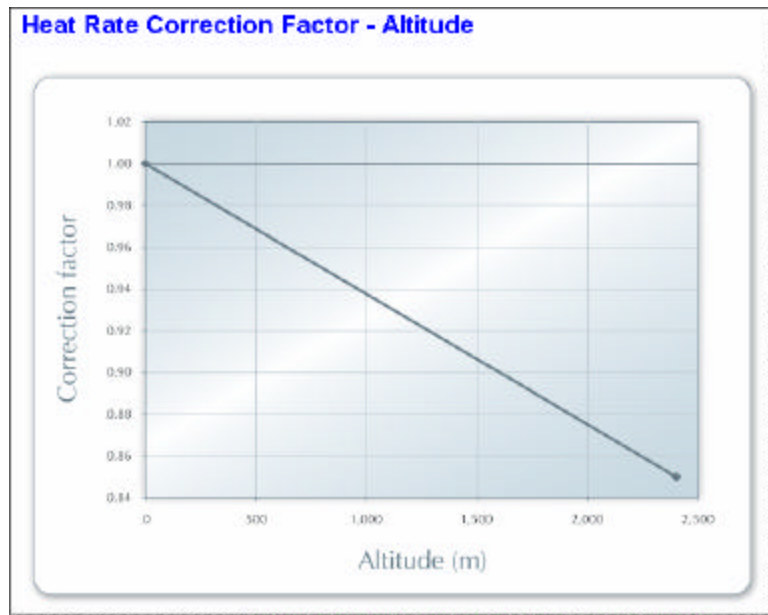


Figure 6: Typical heat rate correction factor for altitude.

Figure 7 shows the distribution of the elevation of 314 Canadian weather stations. The majority of station being below 200 m elevation giving the altitude correction to less than 2%.

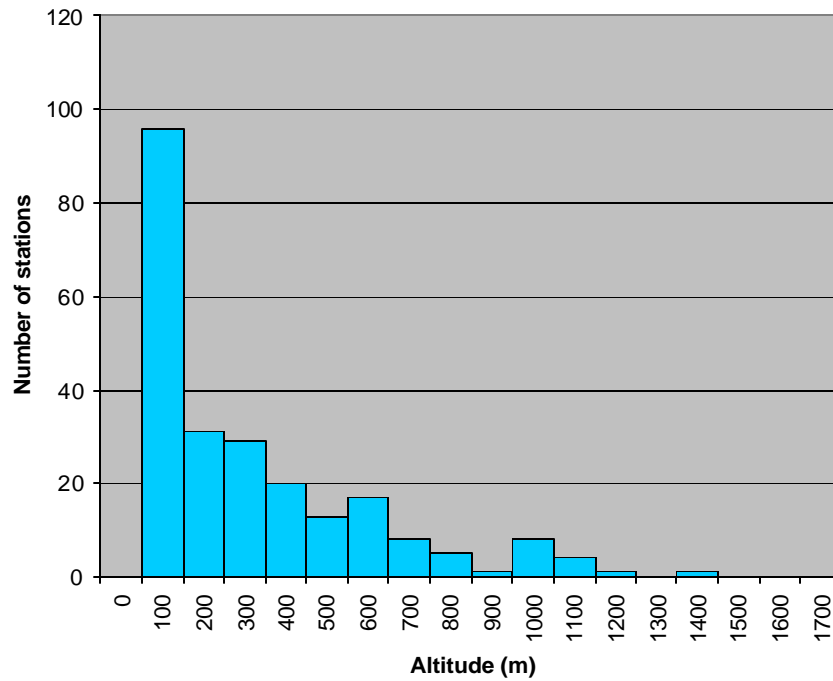


Figure 7: Altitude of Canadian weather stations.

Specific humidity also effects the gas turbine performance. Most weather station data will give a relative humidity calculated. Some station provide relative humidity expressed as two values for every month. The data provided can either be minimum or maximum values or values for the morning and afternoon. The relative humidity will then be converted for the monthly average temperature and converted to specific humidity.

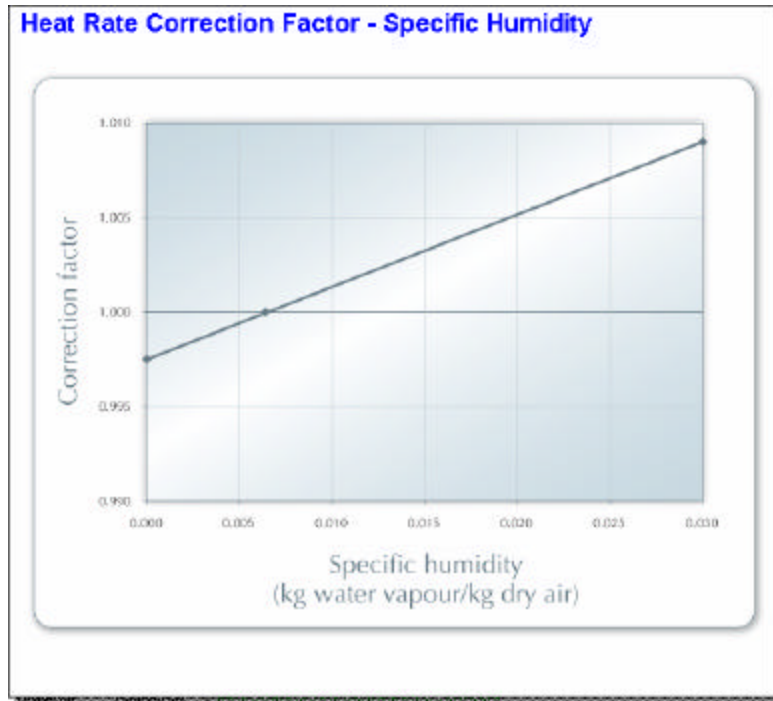


Figure 8: Typical heat rate correction factor for specific humidity.

Ambient temperature also has an effect on the performance of the gas turbine. Figure 9 shows a typical correction factor for the ambient temperature. If the project is viable the manufacturer need to supply the data for the selected equipment. Conditioning of the inlet air will also change the system performance.

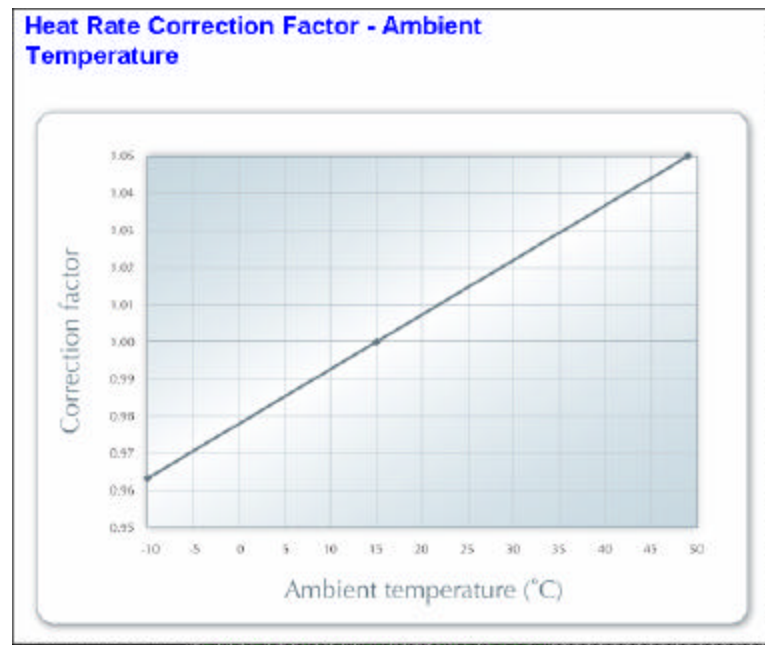


Figure 9: Typical heat rate correction factor for ambient temperature.

In the RETScreen weather database there are 259 stations in Canada that are below 55 degrees North. Plotting the frequency of the yearly average temperature will produce the following graph.

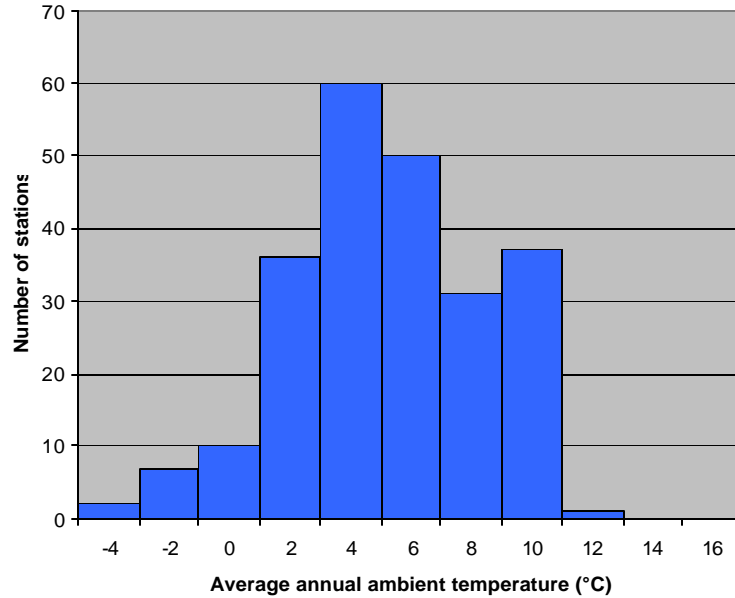


Figure 10: Average annual ambient temperature of Canadian weather stations.

Degradation of the turbine performance will also change the fuel consumption and power produced. Degradation over time can be in the 3% range for a gas turbine.

Figure 11 shows a summary of typical effects of different factors to be considered during the feasibility stage of the project.

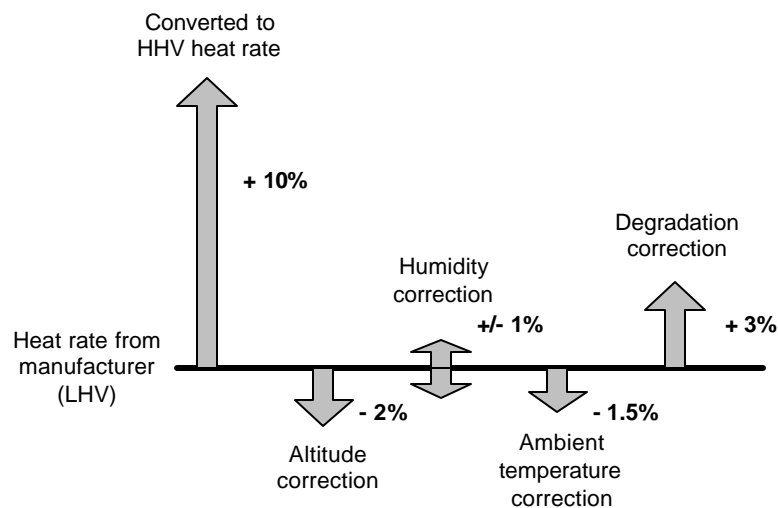


Figure 11: Correction factors for heat rate.

Project definition, Cost and Financial analysis

To study the impact of the heat rate a typical project was defined. The project has a heating and power load characteristics as shown in the figure below. The power load peaks in the summer due to a cooling load. This should initiate an investigation to see if it is financially attractive to introduce absorption cooling. But for this paper this opportunity will be ignored.

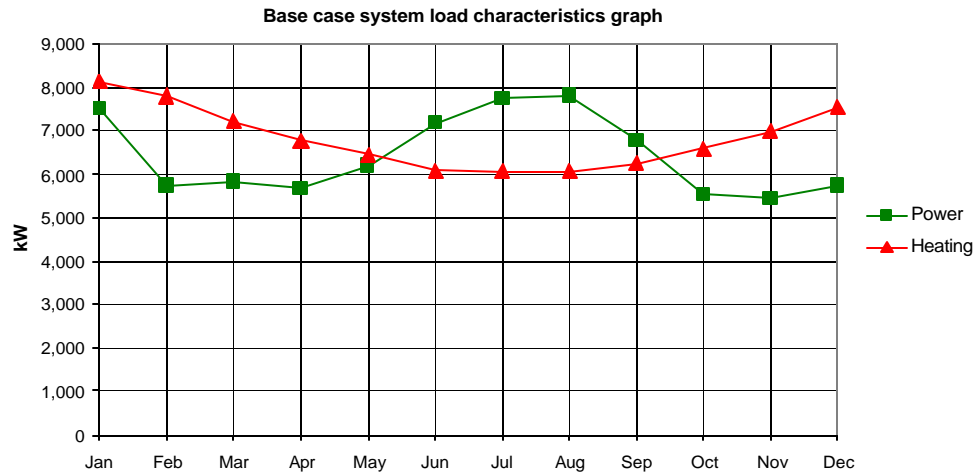


Figure 12: Heating and power load characteristics for project.

The following table summarizes the assumptions made for the project.

| Assumptions | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Fuel type | | Natural gas - GJ | |
| Fuel rate | \$/GJ | 7.50 | |
| Availability | h | 8,300 | |
| Power capacity | kW | 5,071 | |
| Heat rate | kJ/kWh | 13,431 | |
| Heat recovery efficiency | % | 62.5% | |
| Electricity export rate | \$/MWh | 30 | |
| Electricity rate - proposed case | \$/MWh | 110 | |
| Electricity rate - base case | \$/kWh | 100 | |
| End-use energy efficiency measures | % | 5.0% | Heating |
| End-use energy efficiency measures | % | 3.0% | Power |
| Operating strategy | | Full power capacity output | |
| Cost analysis | | | |
| Base load - Gas turbine | kW | 5,071 | 1,500 |
| Contingencies | % | 10.0% | \$7,606,500 |
| Interest during construction | 8.0% | 12 | \$8,367,150 |
| O&M | \$/MWh | MWh | 42,089 |
| | | | 7.5 |
| | | | \$315,670 |
| Financial Analysis | | | |
| Fuel cost escalation rate | % | 2.0% | |
| Inflation rate | % | 2.0% | |
| Discount rate | % | 10.0% | |
| Project life | yr | 25 | |
| Debt ratio | % | 70.0% | |
| Debt interest rate | % | 7.0% | |
| Debt term | yr | 10 | |
| Effective income tax rate | % | 30.0% | |

Figure 13: Assumptions made for the proposed project.

The installed cost of a gas turbine varies, but for this exercise it has been assumed to be \$1,500/kW installed cost, add 10% contingency and interest during the 12 month construction period and we have a total cost of \$8,700,000 (\$1,720/kW). The above assumptions are user inputs in the CHP model and the values entered can be considered typical.

The selection of operating strategies will depend on the value of the heat and power. It might also change over the year. Different operating strategies will be tried to gauge the impact on the project.

| Operating strategy | Efficiency Heat rate Btu/kWh |
|----------------------------|---|
| Full power capacity output | 5,573 |
| Power load following | 5,573 |
| Heating load following | 4,703 |

Figure 14: Efficiency (heat rate) for different operating strategies .

The Financial viability of the project can be presented using different factors. The table below shows the most common methods. This table is calculated using the “Heat load following” operating strategy.

| Financial viability | | |
|----------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Pre-tax IRR - equity | % | 50.5% |
| Pre-tax IRR - assets | % | 18.2% |
| After-tax IRR - equity | % | 32.0% |
| After-tax IRR - assets | % | 12.2% |
| Simple payback | yr | 4.3 |
| Equity payback | yr | 3.5 |
| Net Present Value (NPV) | \$ | 8,168,900 |
| Annual life cycle savings | \$/yr | 899,952 |
| Benefit-Cost (B-C) ratio | - | 4.13 |
| Debt service coverage | - | 2.40 |
| GHG reduction cost | \$/tCO2 | (36) |

Figure 15: Financial viability factors– operating strategy - heat load following.

For the same gas turbine using full power capacity output the following table is generated. The After tax IRR on equity for heat load following is slightly lower.

| Financial viability | | |
|----------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Pre-tax IRR - equity | % | 51.2% |
| Pre-tax IRR - assets | % | 18.4% |
| After-tax IRR - equity | % | 32.5% |
| After-tax IRR - assets | % | 12.3% |
| Simple payback | yr | 4.2 |
| Equity payback | yr | 3.4 |
| Net Present Value (NPV) | \$ | 8,309,087 |
| Annual life cycle savings | \$/yr | 915,396 |
| Benefit-Cost (B-C) ratio | - | 4.18 |
| Debt service coverage | - | 2.43 |
| GHG reduction cost | \$/tCO2 | (33) |

Figure 16: Financial viability factors – operating strategy – full power capacity output.

Sensitivity and risk analysis

Risk analysis will show which factors that have the greatest impact the decision making. This risk analysis is using a Monte Carlo simulation recalculating the project 500 times with random combinations of the main parameters for the project. The analysis is performed on the After-tax internal rate of return of the equity. The range of the different parameters are shown below. The table shows the initial selection for the discussed project.

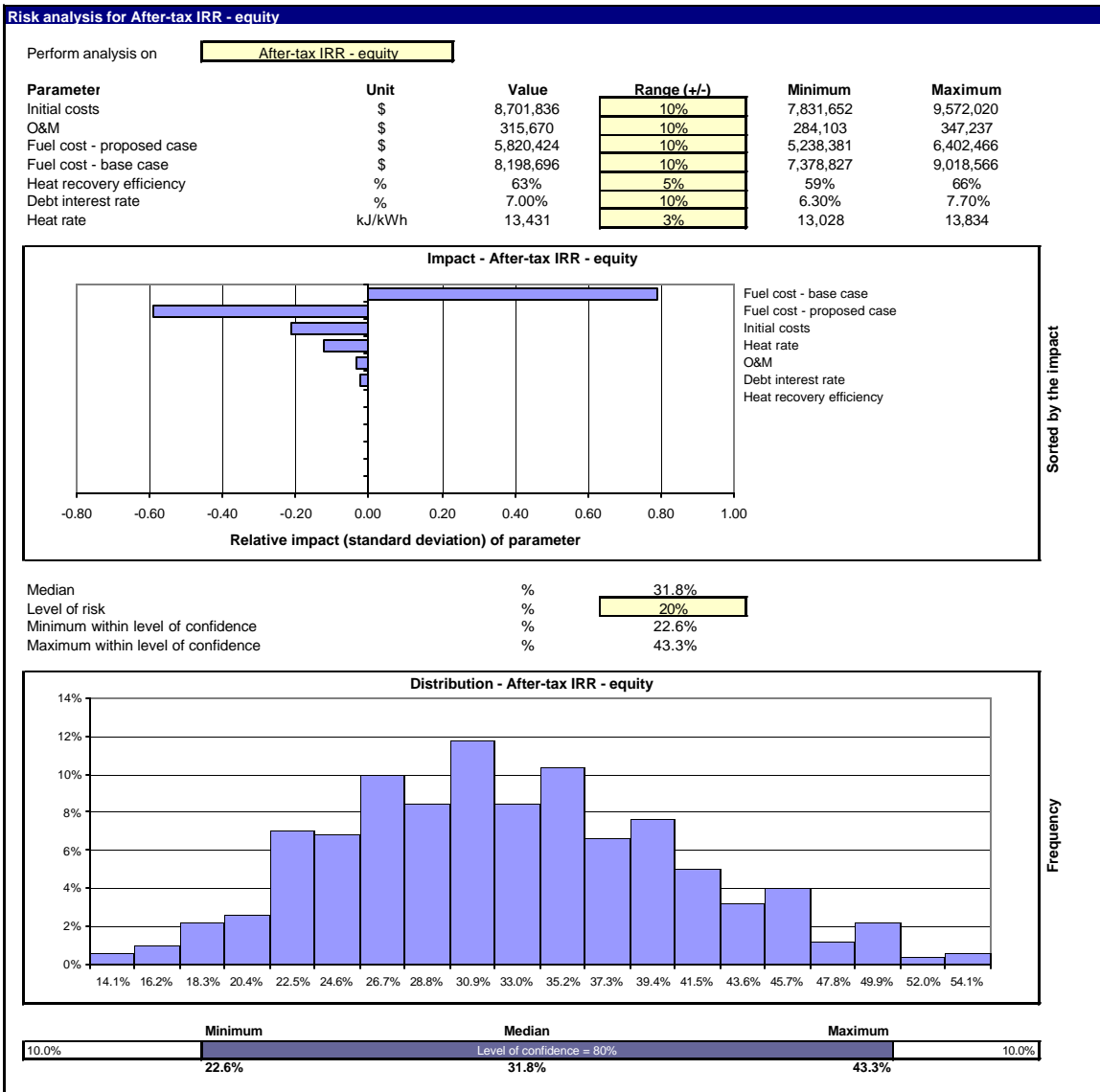


Figure 17: Risk analysis – assumptions, impact and distribution graph.

The relative impact graph shows clearly that the gas turbine Heat rate and Heat recovery efficiency have a small impact on the project feasibility.

Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emission Reduction

The RETScreen CHP model also includes a GHG analysis section. There are three different level for the GHG analysis. The user can select from a built-in database the country and fuel that will be replaced, define the fuel mix and electricity generation efficiency using built-in emission factors or with custom input emission factors together with the transmission and distribution losses for the central grid. With these inputs the model then calculates the gross annual GHG emission reduction.

Figure 18 shows the output of the simplified analysis for greenhouse gas emission reduction.

| Base case electricity system (Baseline) | | | | |
|---|-----------|---|--------------|---|
| Country - region | Fuel type | GHG emission factor (excl. T&D) tCO ₂ /MWh | T&D losses % | GHG emission factor tCO ₂ /MWh |
| Canada | Coal | 0.867 | 5.0% | 0.913 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baseline changes during project life | | | | |

| Base case system GHG summary (Baseline) | | | | |
|---|------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Fuel type | Fuel mix % | Fuel consumption MWh | GHG emission factor tCO ₂ /MWh | GHG emission tCO ₂ |
| Natural gas | 61.8% | 92,410 | 0.179 | 16,540 |
| Electricity | 38.2% | 57,036 | 0.913 | 52,053 |
| Total | 100.0% | 149,446 | 0.459 | 68,593 |

| Proposed case system GHG summary (Combined heating & power project) | | | | |
|---|------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Fuel type | Fuel mix % | Fuel consumption MWh | GHG emission factor tCO ₂ /MWh | GHG emission tCO ₂ |
| Natural gas | 92.4% | 161,647 | 0.179 | 28,932 |
| Electricity | 7.6% | 13,236 | 0.913 | 12,080 |
| Total | 100.0% | 174,883 | 0.235 | 41,011 |

| GHG emission reduction summary | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--|
| | Base case GHG emission tCO ₂ | Proposed case GHG emission tCO ₂ | Gross annual GHG emission reduction tCO ₂ | GHG credits transaction fee % | Net annual GHG emission reduction tCO ₂ |
| Combined heating & power project | 68,593 | 41,011 | 27,581 | 0% | 27,581 |
| Net annual GHG emission reduction | 27,581 | tCO ₂ | is equivalent to | 5,607 | Cars & light trucks not used |

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Figure 18: GHG analysis.

Conclusion

As has been demonstrated in this paper, many factors have an influence on the heat rate of a gas turbine. After correcting the initial heat rate for higher heating value other factors can typically be ignored in the feasibility stage of the project. The use of the correct heat rate and heat recovery efficiency of a gas turbine is important. The understanding of factors that will effect the heat rates needs to be understood fully. One of the main factors that can alter the viability of a project is the understanding of how efficiency and heat rate are defined. The reference to lower heating value can create problems but with a full understanding of issues involved errors should be minimized.

It is recommended that a risk analysis is done in the pre-feasibility stage of the project development. This will determine the factors that has the greatest impact on the project viability. Focus to reduce the range of these factors until the value of the financial indicators are satisfactory within the preferred level of confidence.

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Appendix



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Combined Heat & Power Project Model

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| Settings | | |
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| Language - Langue | English - Anglais | Online manual - English |
| Currency | \$ | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Metric units |
| Project name | IAGT project | <input type="checkbox"/> Imperial units |
| Project location | Canada | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Higher heating value (HHV) |
| Proposed project | Combined heating & power | <input type="checkbox"/> Lower heating value (LHV) |
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| Proposed case system characteristics | Unit | Estimate | % | System design graph |
|--|------|----------------------------|--------|---------------------|
| Power | | | | |
| Base load power system | | | | |
| Type | | Gas turbine | | |
| Operating strategy | | Full power capacity output | | |
| Capacity | kW | 5,071 | 45.3% | |
| Electricity delivered to load | MWh | 42,089 | 76.1% | |
| Electricity exported to grid | MWh | 0 | | |
| Peak load power system | | | | |
| Type | | Grid electricity | | |
| Suggested capacity | kW | 11,198 | | |
| Capacity | kW | 11,198 | 100.0% | |
| Electricity delivered to load | MWh | 13,236 | 23.9% | |
| Back-up power system (optional) | | | | |
| Type | | | | |
| Capacity | kW | 0 | | |

| Heating | | | | | |
|--|-------|------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Base load heating system | | | | | |
| Type | | Gas turbine | | | |
| Capacity | kW | 8,655.1 | 99.6% | | |
| Heating delivered | MWh | 54,062 | 94.7% | | |
| Intermediate load heating system | | | | | |
| Type | | Not required | | | |
| Peak load heating system | | | | | |
| Type | | Boiler | | | |
| Fuel type | | Natural gas - GJ | | | |
| Fuel rate | \$/GJ | 7.500 | | | |
| Suggested capacity | kW | 8,692.5 | | | |
| Capacity | kW | 8,692.5 | 100.0% | | |
| Heating delivered | MWh | 3,002 | 5.3% | | |
| Manufacturer | | | See PDB | | |
| Model | | | | | |
| Seasonal efficiency | % | 65% | | | |
| Back-up heating system (optional) | | | | | |
| Type | | | | | |
| Capacity | kW | 0.0 | | | |

| Proposed case system summary | Fuel type | Fuel consumption - unit | Fuel consumption | Capacity (kW) | Energy delivered (MWh) | Clean Energy production credit? |
|------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Power | | | | | | |
| Base load | Natural gas | GJ | 565,306 | 5,071 | 42,089 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Peak load | Electricity | MWh | 13,236 | 11,198 | 13,236 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | Total | 16,269 | 55,325 | |
| Heating | | | | | | |
| Base load | Recovered heat | | | 8,655 | 54,062 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Peak load | Natural gas | GJ | 16,624 | 8,693 | 3,002 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | | Total | 17,348 | 57,063 | |

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RETScreen Load & Network Design - Combined heating & power project

| Heating project | | Unit | |
|---|---|---|-------|
| Site conditions | | | |
| Nearest location for weather data | Toronto | Notes/Range | |
| Heating design temperature | °C -17.1 | See Weather Database | |
| Annual heating degree-days below 18°C | °C-d 4,051 | -40 to 15 °C | |
| Domestic hot water heating base demand | % 10% | Complete Monthly inputs | |
| Equivalent degree-days for DHW heating | °C-d/d 1.2 | 0 to 10 °C-d/d | |
| Equivalent full load hours | h 6,565 | | |
| Monthly inputs | | | |
| Month | °C-d | Month | °C-d |
| | <18°C | | <18°C |
| January | 778 | May | 174 |
| February | 678 | June | 18 |
| March | 583 | July | 0 |
| April | 351 | August | 0 |
| | | September | 84 |
| | | October | 282 |
| | | November | 447 |
| | | December | 657 |
| See Weather Database | | | |
| Base case heating system | | | |
| | Single building - space & process heating | | |
| Heated floor area for building | m² | 45,000 | |
| Fuel type | | Natural gas - GJ | |
| Seasonal efficiency | % | 65% | |
| Heating load calculation | | | |
| Heating load for building | W/m² | 70.0 | |
| Peak process heating load | kW | 6,000.0 | |
| Process heating load characteristics | | Standard | |
| Equivalent full load hours - process heating | h | 8,760 | |
| Space heating demand | MWh | 7,506 | |
| Process heating demand | MWh | 52,560 | |
| Total heating demand | MWh | 60,066 | |
| Total peak heating load | kW | 9,150.0 | |
| Fuel consumption - annual | GJ | 332,676 | |
| Fuel rate | \$/GJ | 7,500 | |
| Fuel cost | \$ | 2,495,067 | |
| Proposed case energy efficiency measures | | | |
| End-use energy efficiency measures | % | 5% | |
| Net peak heating load | kW | 8,692.5 | |
| Net heating demand | MWh | 57,063 | |

RETScreen Load & Network Design - Combined heating & power project

| Power project | | Unit | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Base case power system | | Central-grid | | | | | |
| Grid type | | | | | | | |
| Base case load characteristics | | | | Proposed case load characteristics | | | |
| Month | Power gross average load kW | Power net average load kW | Heating average load kW | Month | Power net average load kW | Heating net average load kW | |
| January | 7,480 | 7,480 | 8,127 | January | 7,256 | 7,721 | |
| February | 5,740 | 5,740 | 7,780 | February | 5,568 | 7,391 | |
| March | 5,820 | 5,820 | 7,205 | March | 5,645 | 6,844 | |
| April | 5,650 | 5,650 | 6,766 | April | 5,481 | 6,428 | |
| May | 6,180 | 6,180 | 6,460 | May | 5,995 | 6,137 | |
| June | 7,160 | 7,160 | 6,097 | June | 6,945 | 5,732 | |
| July | 7,740 | 7,740 | 6,054 | July | 7,508 | 5,752 | |
| August | 7,800 | 7,800 | 6,065 | August | 7,566 | 5,762 | |
| September | 6,780 | 6,780 | 6,246 | September | 6,577 | 5,934 | |
| October | 5,530 | 5,530 | 6,594 | October | 5,364 | 6,264 | |
| November | 5,420 | 5,420 | 6,956 | November | 5,257 | 6,608 | |
| December | 5,740 | 5,740 | 7,530 | December | 5,568 | 7,154 | |
| System peak electricity load over max monthly average | 48.0% | | | Peak load - annual | 11,198 | 8,693 | |
| Peak load - annual | 11,544 | 11,544 | 9,150 | | | | |
| Electricity demand | MWh 57,036 | 57,036 | | | | | |
| Electricity rate - base case | \$/kWh 0.100 | 0.100 | | | | | |
| Total electricity cost | \$ 5,703,629 | \$ 5,703,629 | | | | | |
| <p>Base case system load characteristics graph</p> | | | | <p>Proposed case system load characteristics graph</p> | | | |
| Proposed case energy efficiency measures | | | | Proposed case load and demand | | | |
| End-use energy efficiency measures | % 3% | | | System peak load | kW 11,198 | 8,692.5 | |
| Net peak electricity load | kW 11,198 | | | System energy demand | MWh 55,325 | 57,063 | |
| Net electricity demand | MWh 55,325 | | | | | | |

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| Proposed case power system | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| System selection | Base load system | | | | | | | | | |
| Base load power system | | | | | | | | | | |
| Type | Gas turbine | | | | | | | | | |
| Availability | h | 8,300 | | | | | | | | 94.7% |
| Fuel selection method | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fuel type | Single fuel | | | | | | | | | |
| Fuel rate | \$/GJ | 7.500 | | | | | | | | |
| Gas turbine | | | | | | | | | | |
| Power capacity | kW | 5,071 | 45.3% | See product database | | | | | | |
| Minimum capacity | % | 40% | | | | | | | | |
| Electricity delivered to load | MWh | 42,089 | 76.1% | | | | | | | |
| Electricity exported to grid | MWh | 0 | | | | | | | | |
| Manufacturer | Solar Turbines | | | | | | | | | |
| Model | Taurus 60 | | | | | | | | | |
| Heat rate | kJ/kWh | 13,431 | | | | | | | | 1 unit(s) |
| Heat recovery efficiency | % | 63% | | | | | | | | |
| Fuel required | GJ/h | 68.1 | | | | | | | | |
| Heating capacity | kW | 8,655.1 | 99.6% | | | | | | | |
| Operating strategy - base load power system | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fuel rate - base case heating system | \$/MWh | 41.54 | | | | | | | | |
| Electricity rate - base case | \$/MWh | 100.00 | | | | | | | | |
| Fuel rate - proposed case power system | \$/MWh | 27.00 | | | | | | | | |
| Electricity export rate | \$/MWh | 30.00 | | | | | | | | |
| Electricity rate - proposed case | \$/MWh | 110.00 | | | | | | | | |
| Operating strategy | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Electricity delivered to load | Electricity exported to grid | Remaining electricity required | Heat recovered | Remaining heat required | Power system fuel | Operating profit (loss) | Efficiency | |
| | | MWh | MWh | MWh | MWh | MWh | MWh | \$ | Btu/kWh | |
| Full power capacity output | | 42,089 | 0 | 13,236 | 54,062 | 3,002 | 157,029 | 2,082,410 | 5,573 | |
| Power load following | | 42,089 | 0 | 13,236 | 54,062 | 3,002 | 157,029 | 2,082,410 | 5,573 | |
| Heating load following | | 31,674 | 0 | 23,651 | 54,062 | 3,002 | 118,173 | 1,985,899 | 4,703 | |
| Select operating strategy | Full power capacity output | | | | | | | | | |

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RETScreen Cost Analysis - Combined heating & power project

Settings - IAGT project - Canada

Pre-feasibility analysis Cost reference Cost reference

Feasibility analysis Second currency

| Initial costs (credits) | Unit | Quantity | Unit cost | Amount | Relative costs |
|--|---------|-------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| Feasibility study | | | | | |
| Feasibility study | cost | 1 | | \$ - | |
| Sub-total: | | | | \$ - | 0.0% |
| Development | | | | | |
| Development | cost | 1 | | \$ - | |
| Sub-total: | | | | \$ - | 0.0% |
| Engineering | | | | | |
| Engineering | cost | 1 | | \$ - | |
| Sub-total: | | | | \$ - | 0.0% |
| Power system | | | | | |
| Base load - Gas turbine | kW | 5,071 | \$ 1,500 | \$ 7,606,500 | |
| Peak load - Grid electricity | kW | 11,198 | | \$ - | |
| Road construction | km | | | \$ - | |
| Transmission line | km | | | \$ - | |
| Substation | project | | | \$ - | |
| Energy efficiency measures | project | 1 | | \$ - | |
| Custom | credit | 1 | | \$ - | |
| Sub-total: | | | | \$ 7,606,500 | 87.4% |
| Heating system | | | | | |
| Base load - Gas turbine | kW | 8,655.1 | | \$ - | |
| Peak load - Boiler | kW | 8,692.5 | | \$ - | |
| Energy efficiency measures | project | 1 | | \$ - | |
| Custom | cost | 1 | | \$ - | |
| Sub-total: | | | | \$ - | 0.0% |
| Balance of system & miscellaneous | | | | | |
| Balance of system & miscellaneous | cost | 1 | | \$ - | |
| Contingencies | % | 10.0% | \$ 7,606,500 | \$ 760,650 | |
| Interest during construction | 8.00% | 12 month(s) | \$ 8,367,150 | \$ 334,686 | |
| Sub-total: | | | | \$ 1,095,336 | 12.6% |
| Total initial costs | | | | \$ 8,701,836 | 100.0% |

| Annual costs (credits) | Unit | Quantity | Unit cost | Amount | Relative costs |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|------------|--------------|----------------|
| O&M | | | | | |
| Parts & labour | project | 1 | | \$ - | |
| O&M | cost | 42,089 | \$ 7.50 | \$ 315,670 | |
| Contingencies | % | | \$ 315,670 | \$ - | |
| Sub-total: | | | | \$ 315,670 | 5.1% |
| Fuel | | | | | |
| Natural gas | GJ | 581,930 | \$ 7.50 | \$ 4,364,474 | |
| Electricity | MWh | 13,236 | \$ 110.000 | \$ 1,455,949 | |
| Sub-total: | | | | \$ 5,820,424 | 94.9% |
| Total annual costs | | | | \$ 6,136,093 | 100.0% |

| Periodic costs (credits) | Unit | Year | Unit cost | Amount |
|--------------------------|------|------|-----------|--------|
| | | | | \$ - |
| | | | | \$ - |
| | | | | \$ - |
| End of project life | | | | \$ - |

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RETScreen Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emission Reduction Analysis - Combined heating & power project

Settings - IAGT project - Canada

GHG Analysis Simplified analysis
 Potential CDM project Standard analysis
 Custom analysis

Base case electricity system (Baseline)

| Country - region | Fuel type | GHG emission factor (excl. T&D) tCO2/MWh | T&D losses % | GHG emission factor tCO2/MWh |
|------------------|-----------|--|--------------|------------------------------|
| Canada | Coal | 0.867 | 5.0% | 0.913 |

Baseline changes during project life

Base case system GHG summary (Baseline)

| Fuel type | Fuel mix % | Fuel consumption MWh | GHG emission factor tCO2/MWh | GHG emission tCO2 |
|-------------|------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Natural gas | 61.8% | 92,410 | 0.179 | 16,540 |
| Electricity | 38.2% | 57,036 | 0.913 | 52,053 |
| Total | 100.0% | 149,446 | 0.459 | 68,593 |

Proposed case system GHG summary (Combined heating & power project)

| Fuel type | Fuel mix % | Fuel consumption MWh | GHG emission factor tCO2/MWh | GHG emission tCO2 |
|-------------|------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Natural gas | 92.4% | 161,647 | 0.179 | 28,932 |
| Electricity | 7.6% | 13,236 | 0.913 | 12,080 |
| Total | 100.0% | 174,883 | 0.235 | 41,011 |

GHG emission reduction summary

| | Base case GHG emission tCO2 | Proposed case GHG emission tCO2 | Gross annual GHG emission reduction tCO2 | GHG credits transaction fee % | Net annual GHG emission reduction tCO2 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| Combined heating & power project | 68,593 | 41,011 | 27,581 | 0% | 27,581 |
| Net annual GHG emission reduction | 27,581 | tCO2 | is equivalent to | 5,607 | Cars & light trucks not used |

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RETScreen Financial Summary - Combined heating & power project

| Annual fuel cost summary - IAGT project - Canada | | | | |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| | Peak load kW | Energy demand MWh | End-use energy rate \$/MWh | Fuel cost \$ |
| Base case system | | | | |
| Power | 11,544 | 57,036 | 100.00 | 5,703,629 |
| Heating | 9,150 | 60,066 | 41.54 | 2,495,067 |
| Fuel cost - base case | | | | 8,198,696 |
| Proposed case system | | | | |
| | Capacity kW | Energy delivered MWh | End-use energy rate \$/MWh | Fuel cost \$ |
| Power | 16,269 | 55,325 | 102.95 | 5,695,745 |
| Heating | 17,348 | 57,063 | 2.18 | 124,679 |
| Fuel cost - proposed case | | | | 5,820,424 |

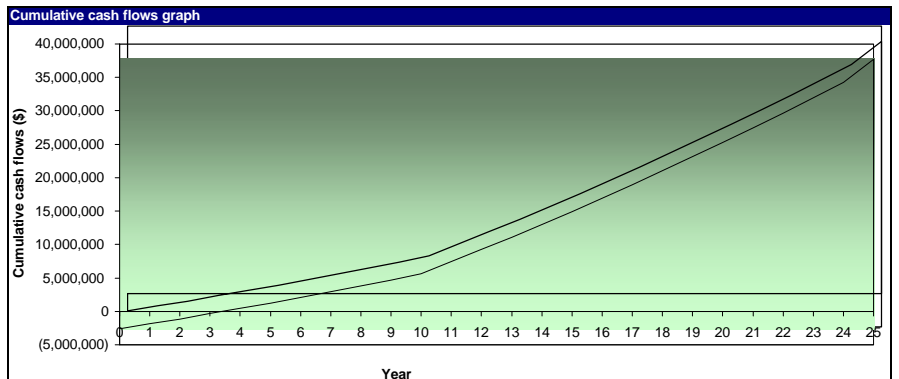
| Yearly cash flows | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Year | Pre-tax \$ | After-tax \$ | Cumulative \$ |
| 0 | (2,610,551) | (2,610,551) | (2,610,551) |
| 1 | 1,236,593 | 733,353 | (1,877,197) |
| 2 | 1,278,670 | 753,549 | (1,123,648) |
| 3 | 1,321,589 | 773,686 | (349,962) |
| 4 | 1,365,366 | 793,730 | 443,767 |
| 5 | 1,410,018 | 813,645 | 1,257,412 |
| 6 | 1,455,564 | 833,391 | 2,090,803 |
| 7 | 1,502,020 | 852,925 | 2,943,728 |
| 8 | 1,549,406 | 872,201 | 3,815,929 |
| 9 | 1,597,739 | 891,168 | 4,707,097 |
| 10 | 1,647,039 | 909,770 | 5,616,867 |
| 11 | 2,564,587 | 1,795,211 | 7,412,078 |
| 12 | 2,615,879 | 1,831,115 | 9,243,194 |
| 13 | 2,668,197 | 1,867,738 | 11,110,931 |
| 14 | 2,721,561 | 1,905,092 | 13,016,024 |
| 15 | 2,775,992 | 1,943,194 | 14,959,218 |
| 16 | 2,831,512 | 1,982,058 | 16,941,276 |
| 17 | 2,888,142 | 2,021,699 | 18,962,976 |
| 18 | 2,945,905 | 2,062,133 | 21,025,109 |
| 19 | 3,004,823 | 2,103,376 | 23,128,485 |
| 20 | 3,064,919 | 2,145,444 | 25,273,929 |
| 21 | 3,126,218 | 2,188,352 | 27,462,281 |
| 22 | 3,188,742 | 2,232,119 | 29,694,401 |
| 23 | 3,252,517 | 2,276,762 | 31,971,162 |
| 24 | 3,317,567 | 2,322,297 | 34,293,459 |
| 25 | 3,383,919 | 3,383,919 | 37,677,378 |

| Financial parameters | | | |
|----------------------------|--------|--|--|
| General | | | |
| Fuel cost escalation rate | % | <input type="text" value="2.0%"/> | |
| Inflation rate | % | <input type="text" value="2.0%"/> | |
| Discount rate | % | <input type="text" value="10.0%"/> | |
| Project life | yr | <input type="text" value="25"/> | |
| Finance | | | |
| Incentives and grants | \$ | <input type="text"/> | |
| Debt ratio | % | <input type="text" value="70.0%"/> | |
| Debt | \$ | <input type="text" value="6,091,285"/> | |
| Equity | \$ | <input type="text" value="2,610,551"/> | |
| Debt interest rate | % | <input type="text" value="7.00%"/> | |
| Debt term | yr | <input type="text" value="10"/> | |
| Debt payments | \$/yr | <input type="text" value="867,262"/> | |
| Income tax analysis | | | |
| Effective income tax rate | % | <input type="text" value="30.0%"/> | |
| Loss carryforward? | | <input type="text" value="No"/> | |
| Depreciation method | | <input type="text" value="None"/> | |
| Tax holiday available? | yes/no | <input type="text" value="No"/> | |

| Project costs and savings/income summary | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------|
| Initial costs | | | |
| Feasibility study | 0.0% | \$ | - |
| Development | 0.0% | \$ | - |
| Engineering | 0.0% | \$ | - |
| Power system | 87.4% | \$ | 7,606,500 |
| Heating system | 0.0% | \$ | - |
| Balance of system & misc. | 12.6% | \$ | 1,095,336 |
| Total initial costs | 100.0% | \$ | 8,701,836 |
| Annual costs and debt payments | | | |
| O&M | | \$ | 315,670 |
| Fuel cost - proposed case | | \$ | 5,820,424 |
| Debt payments - 10 yrs | | \$ | 867,262 |
| Total annual costs | | \$ | 7,003,355 |
| Periodic costs (credits) | | | |
| Annual savings and income | | | |
| Fuel cost - base case | | \$ | 8,198,696 |
| Total annual savings and income | | \$ | 8,198,696 |

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Annual income | | | |
| Customer premium income (rebate) | | | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Electricity export income | | | |
| Clean Energy (CE) production income | | | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| GHG reduction income | | | |
| Net GHG reduction | ICO2/yr | <input type="text" value="27,581"/> | |
| Net GHG reduction - 25 yrs | tCO2 | <input type="text" value="689,535"/> | |

| Financial viability | | |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Pre-tax IRR - equity | % | 51.2% |
| Pre-tax IRR - assets | % | 18.4% |
| After-tax IRR - equity | % | 32.5% |
| After-tax IRR - assets | % | 12.3% |
| Simple payback | yr | 4.2 |
| Equity payback | yr | 3.4 |
| Net Present Value (NPV) | \$ | 8,309,087 |
| Annual life cycle savings | \$/yr | 915,396 |
| Benefit-Cost (B-C) ratio | - | 4.18 |
| Debt service coverage | - | 2.43 |
| GHG reduction cost | \$/tCO2 | (33) |



RETScreen Sensitivity and Risk Analysis - Combined heating & power project

Sensitivity analysis for After-tax IRR - equity

Perform analysis on **After-tax IRR - equity**
 Sensitivity range **20%**
 Threshold **12** %

| | | Initial costs | | | | \$ |
|---------------------------|------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|------------|
| | | 6,961,469 | 7,831,652 | 8,701,836 | 9,572,020 | 10,442,203 |
| | | -20% | -10% | 0% | 10% | 20% |
| Debt interest rate | | | | | | |
| % | | | | | | |
| 5.60% | -20% | 46.5% | 39.1% | 33.5% | 29.1% | 25.5% |
| 6.30% | -10% | 45.9% | 38.6% | 33.0% | 28.6% | 25.1% |
| 7.00% | 0% | 45.3% | 38.1% | 32.5% | 28.1% | 24.6% |
| 7.70% | 10% | 44.8% | 37.5% | 32.0% | 27.6% | 24.2% |
| 8.40% | 20% | 44.2% | 37.0% | 31.4% | 27.2% | 23.7% |

| | | Initial costs | | | | \$ |
|----------------------------------|------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|------------|
| | | 6,961,469 | 7,831,652 | 8,701,836 | 9,572,020 | 10,442,203 |
| | | -20% | -10% | 0% | 10% | 20% |
| Fuel cost - proposed case | | | | | | |
| \$ | | | | | | |
| 4,656,339 | -20% | 84.3% | 72.1% | 62.5% | 54.7% | 48.2% |
| 5,238,381 | -10% | 64.6% | 54.8% | 47.1% | 40.9% | 35.9% |
| 5,820,424 | 0% | 45.3% | 38.1% | 32.5% | 28.1% | 24.6% |
| 6,402,466 | 10% | 27.6% | 23.0% | 19.6% | 17.0% | 14.8% |
| 6,984,508 | 20% | 12.8% | 10.5% | 8.7% | 7.2% | 5.9% |

| | | Initial costs | | | | \$ |
|---------------------------|------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|------------|
| | | 6,961,469 | 7,831,652 | 8,701,836 | 9,572,020 | 10,442,203 |
| | | -20% | -10% | 0% | 10% | 20% |
| Debt interest rate | | | | | | |
| % | | | | | | |
| 5.60% | -20% | 46.5% | 39.1% | 33.5% | 29.1% | 25.5% |
| 6.30% | -10% | 45.9% | 38.6% | 33.0% | 28.6% | 25.1% |
| 7.00% | 0% | 45.3% | 38.1% | 32.5% | 28.1% | 24.6% |
| 7.70% | 10% | 44.8% | 37.5% | 32.0% | 27.6% | 24.2% |
| 8.40% | 20% | 44.2% | 37.0% | 31.4% | 27.2% | 23.7% |

