

# Lake States TAPPI Energy Forum

## Heat Recovery – When to Apply Air to Air, When to Consider Other Heat Sinks

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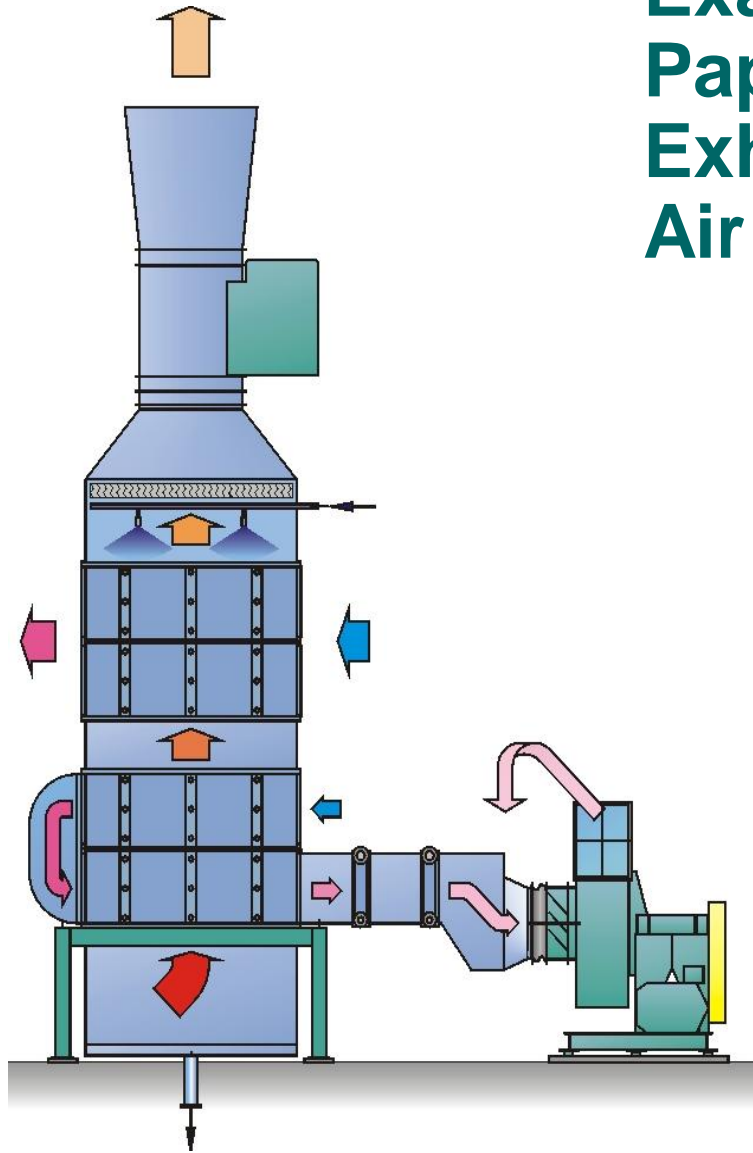
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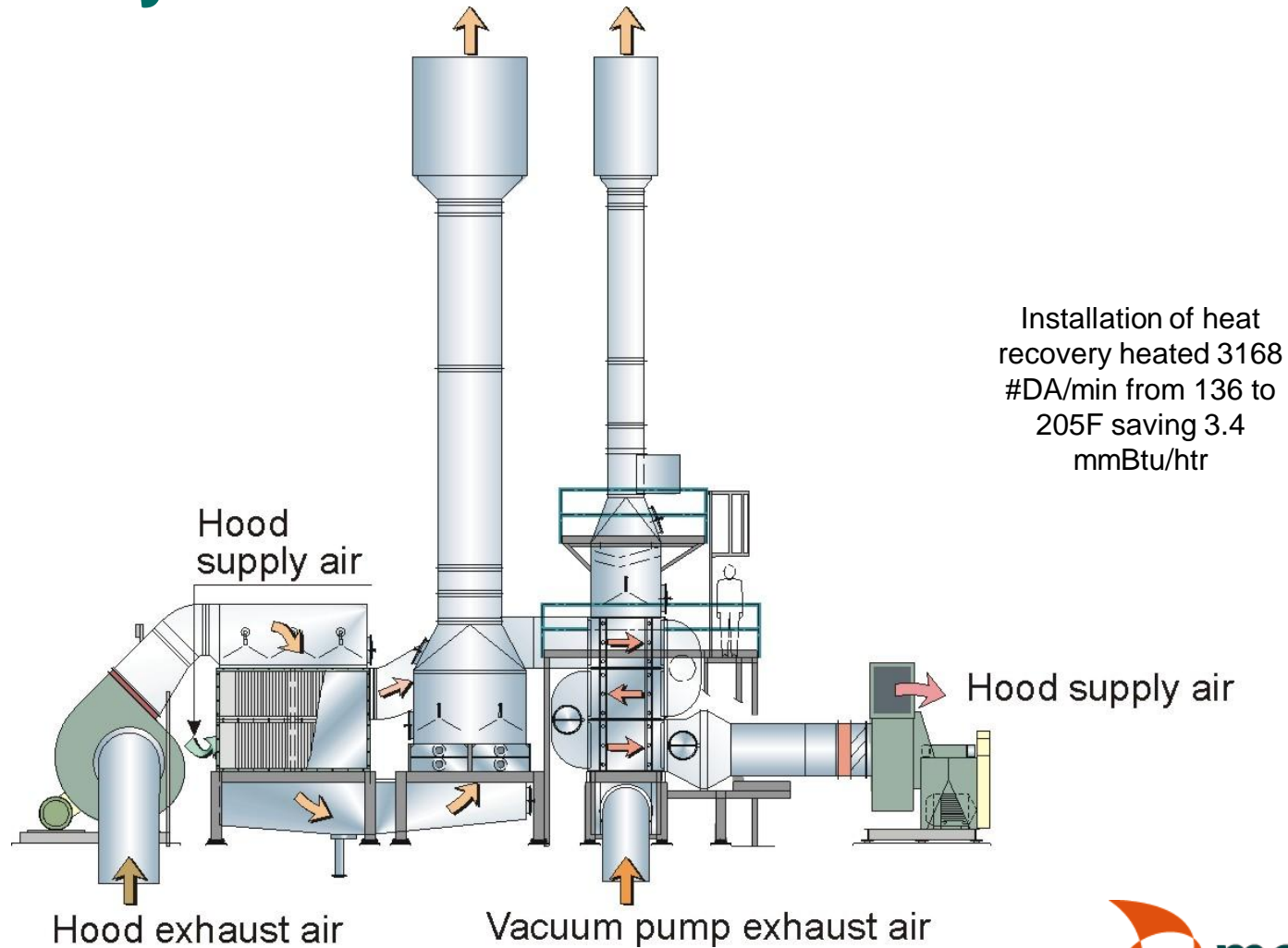
## Air to Air Heat recovery

- Air to air heat recovery is very effective when:
  - Waste air stream and fresh airstream are in close proximity
  - Waste air stream is high temperature
  - Waste air stream has significant sensible heat
  - Heated airstream requires heating year-round
- Examples:
  - Utilize paper machine hood exhaust to preheat hood makeup air
  - Utilize paper machine vacuum blower exhaust to preheat hood makeup air
  - Utilize Yankee exhaust to preheat combustion and makeup air
  - Utilize Coater air dryer exhaust to preheat combustion and makeup air

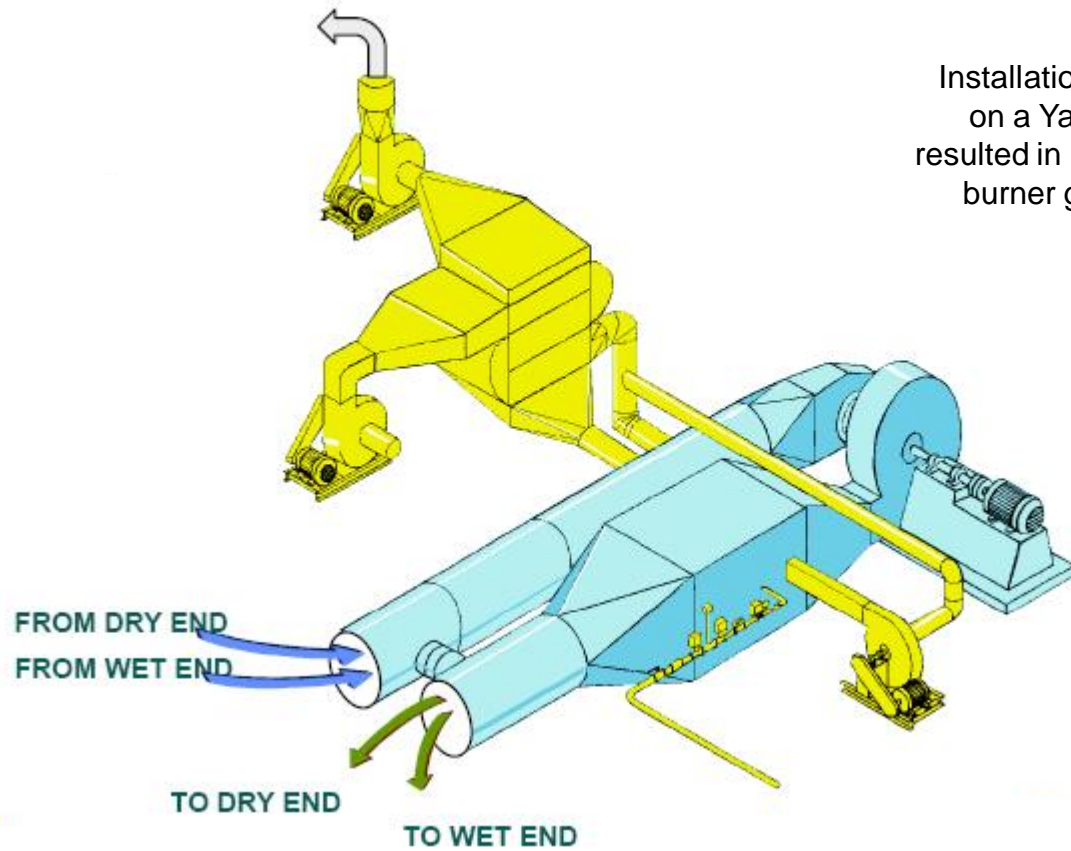
# Example 1: Paper Machine Exhaust to Heat PV Air



# Example 2: Vacuum Blower Exhaust Air Heat Recovery

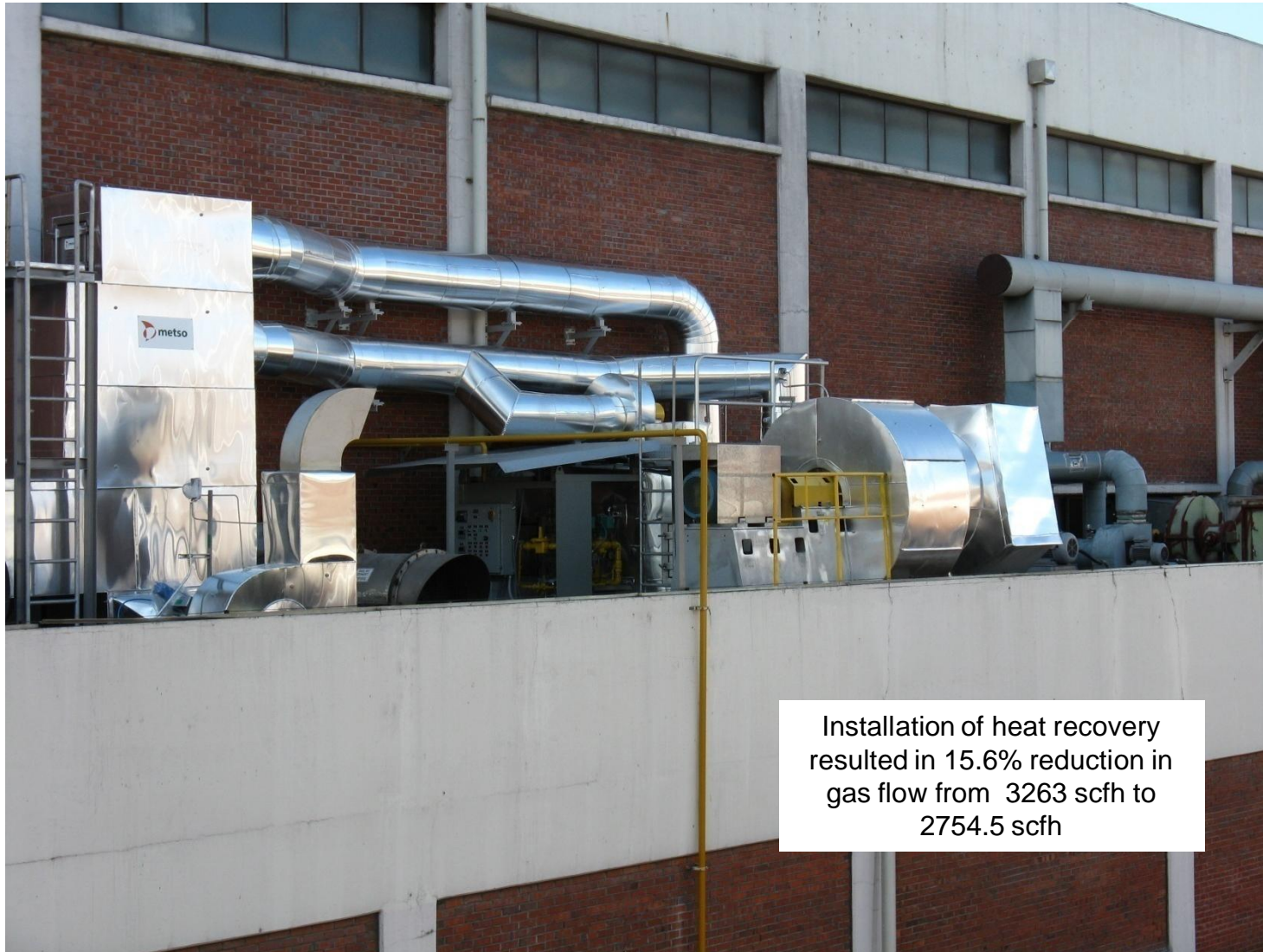


# Example 3: Yankee Exhaust to Combustion & Makeup Air



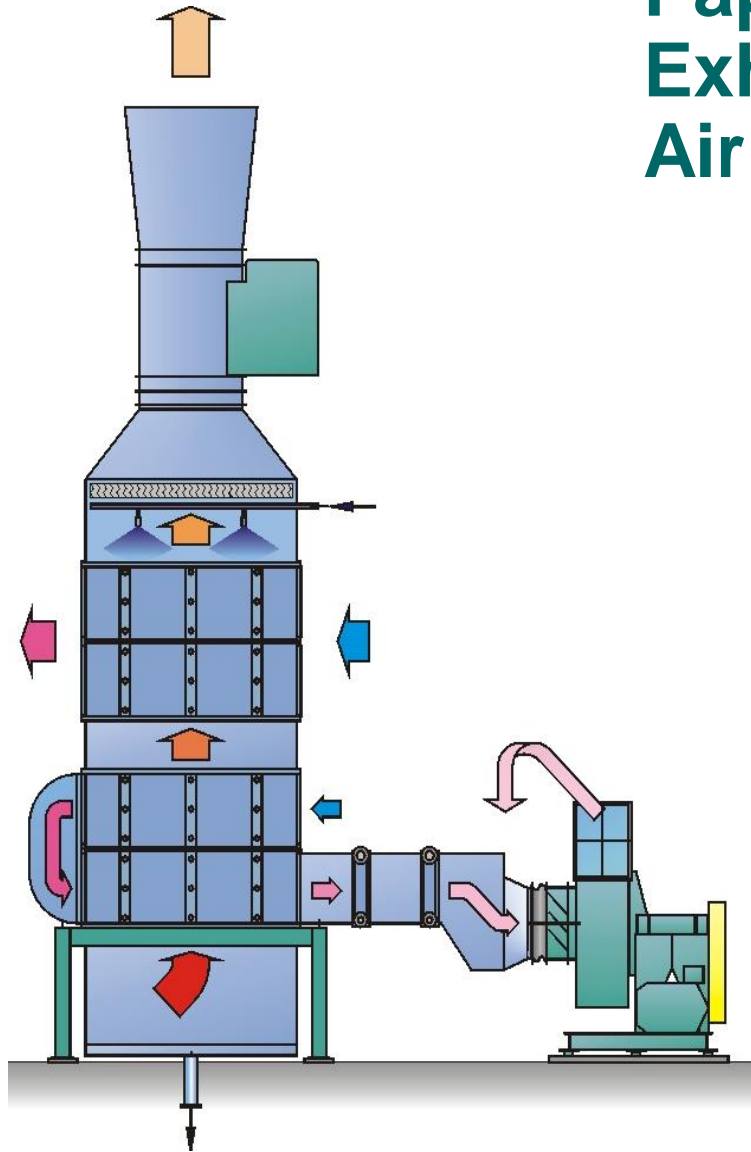
Installation of heat recovery  
on a Yankee air system  
resulted in an 18% reduction in  
burner gas consumption

## Example 4: Air Dryer Exhaust to Combustion & Makeup Air



Installation of heat recovery resulted in 15.6% reduction in gas flow from 3263 scfh to 2754.5 scfh

# Paper Machine Exhaust to Heat PV Air & Outside Air



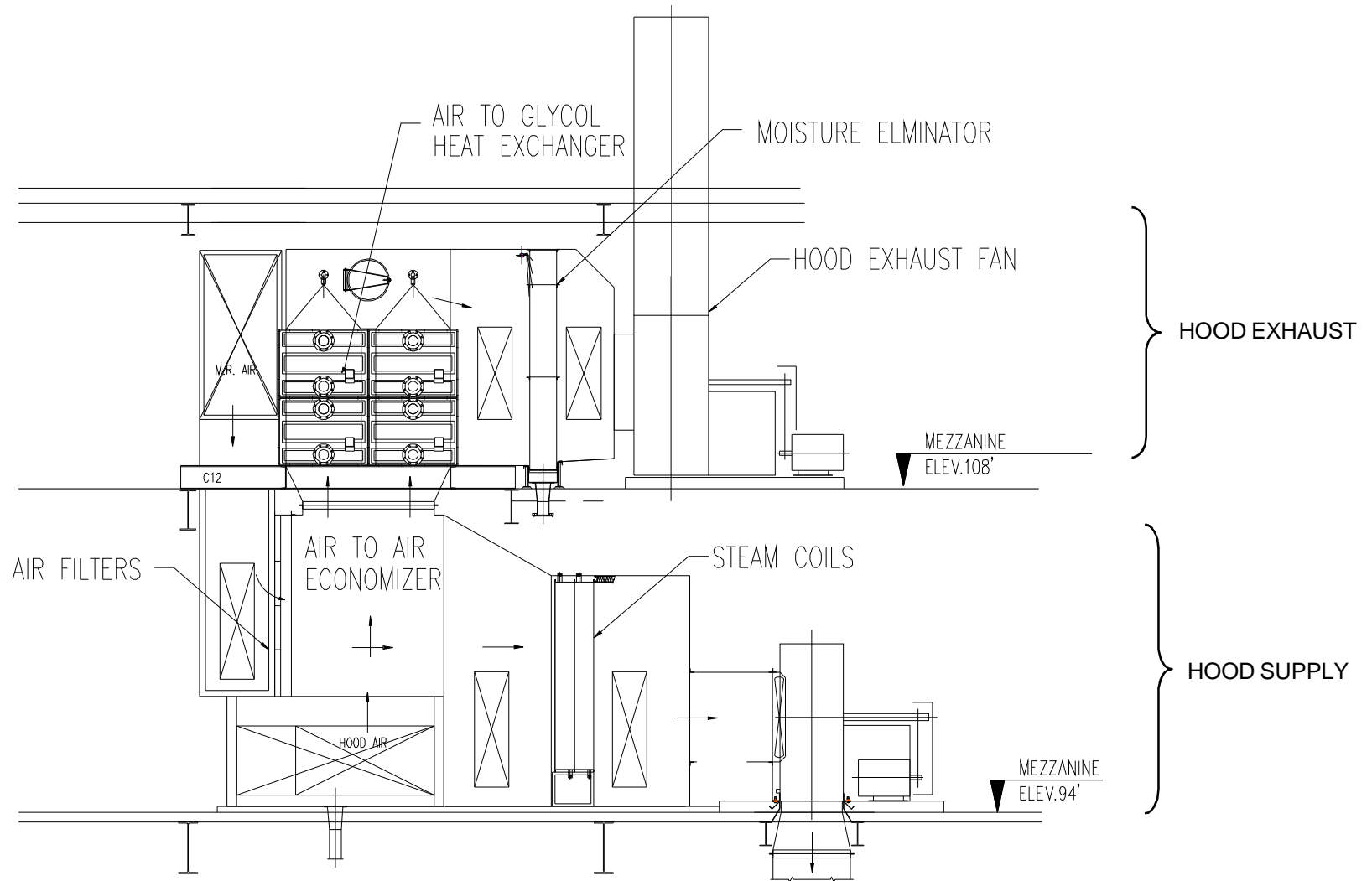
## Pros

- Simple system .

## Cons

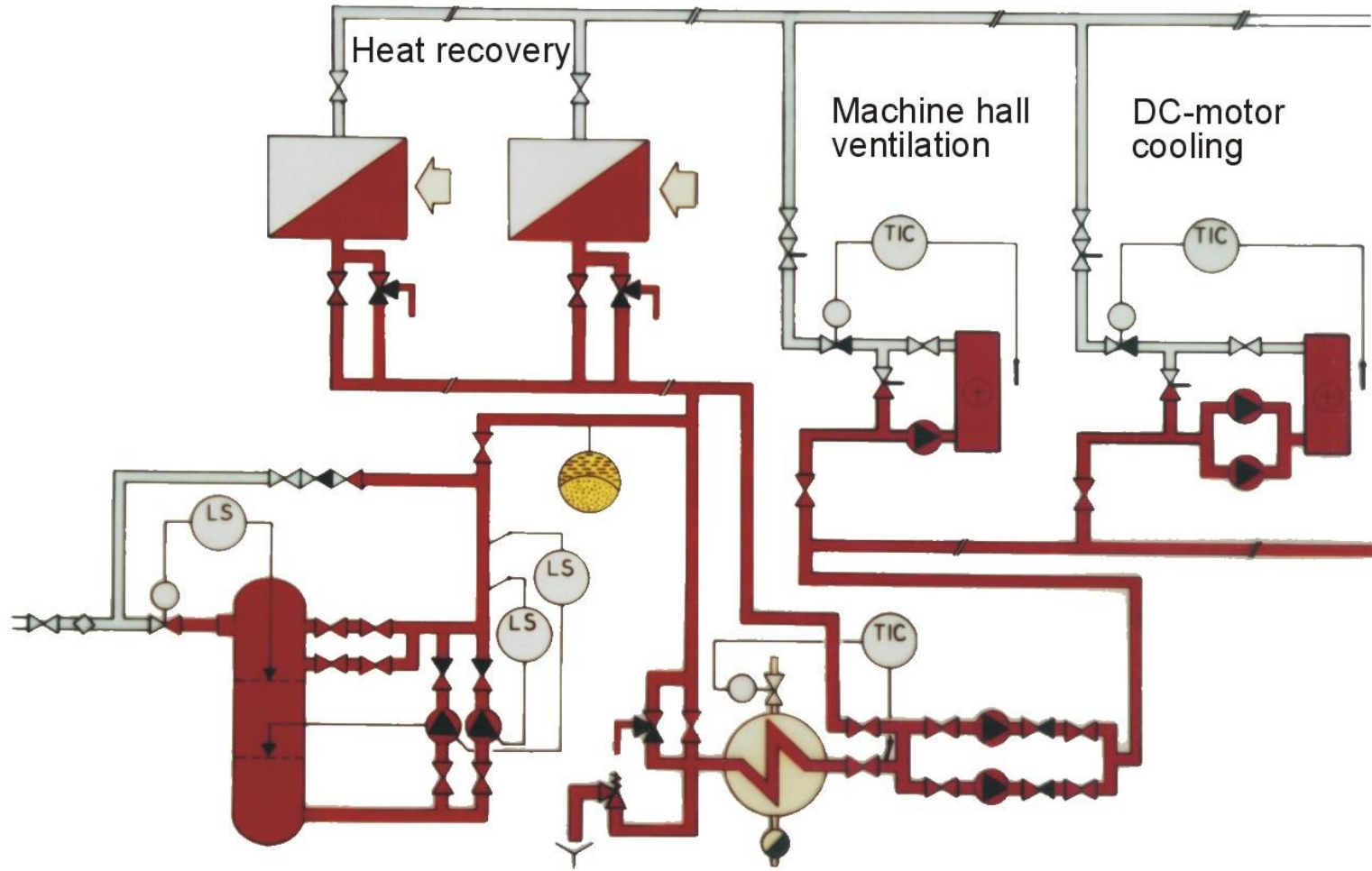
- Requires large ducts on mezzanine
- Costly to distribute air
- Plates tend to ice up in very cold climates
- Difficult to control temperature

# Rebuild Air - Air to Air - Glycol



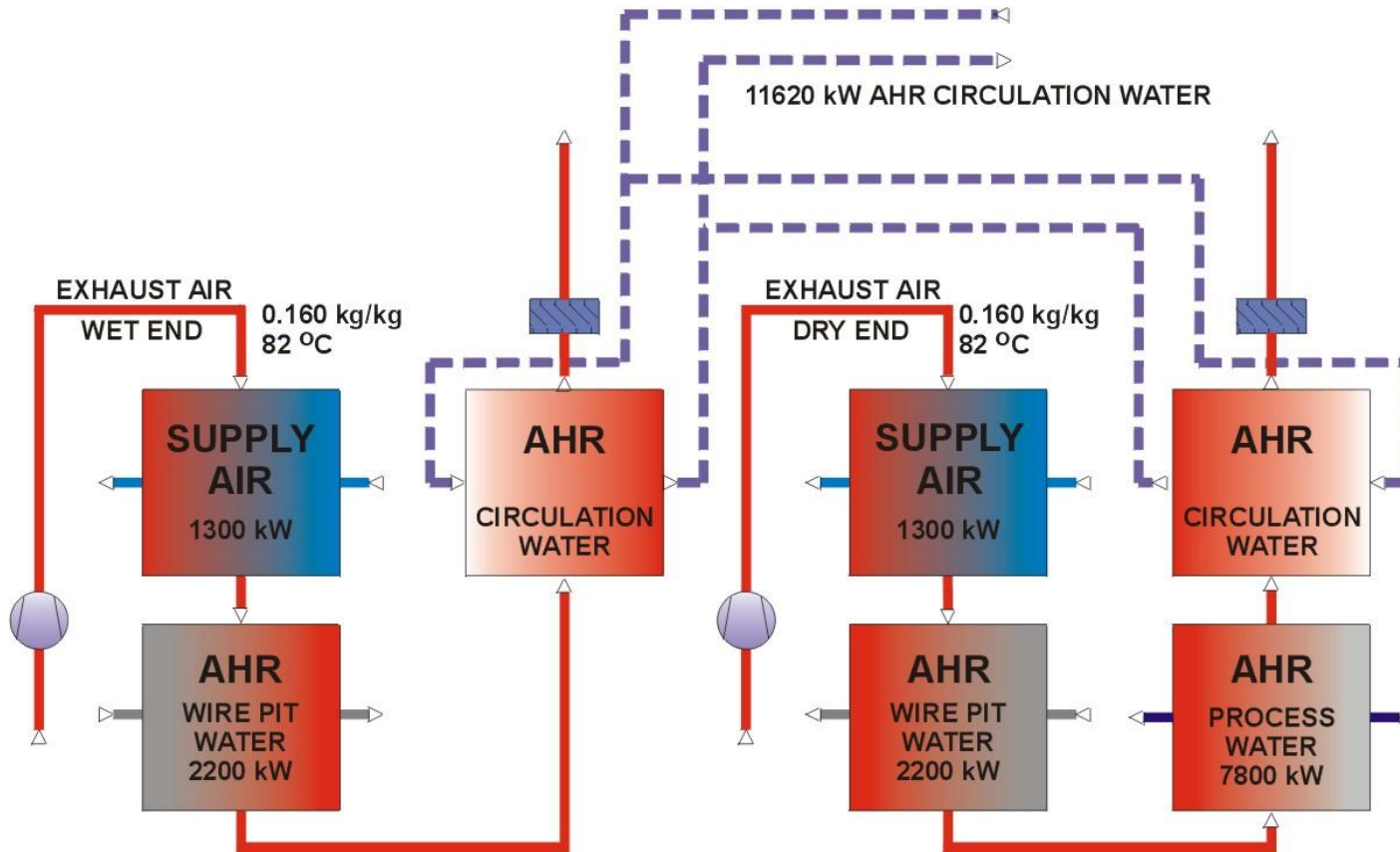
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# Glycol Heat Recovery Schematic

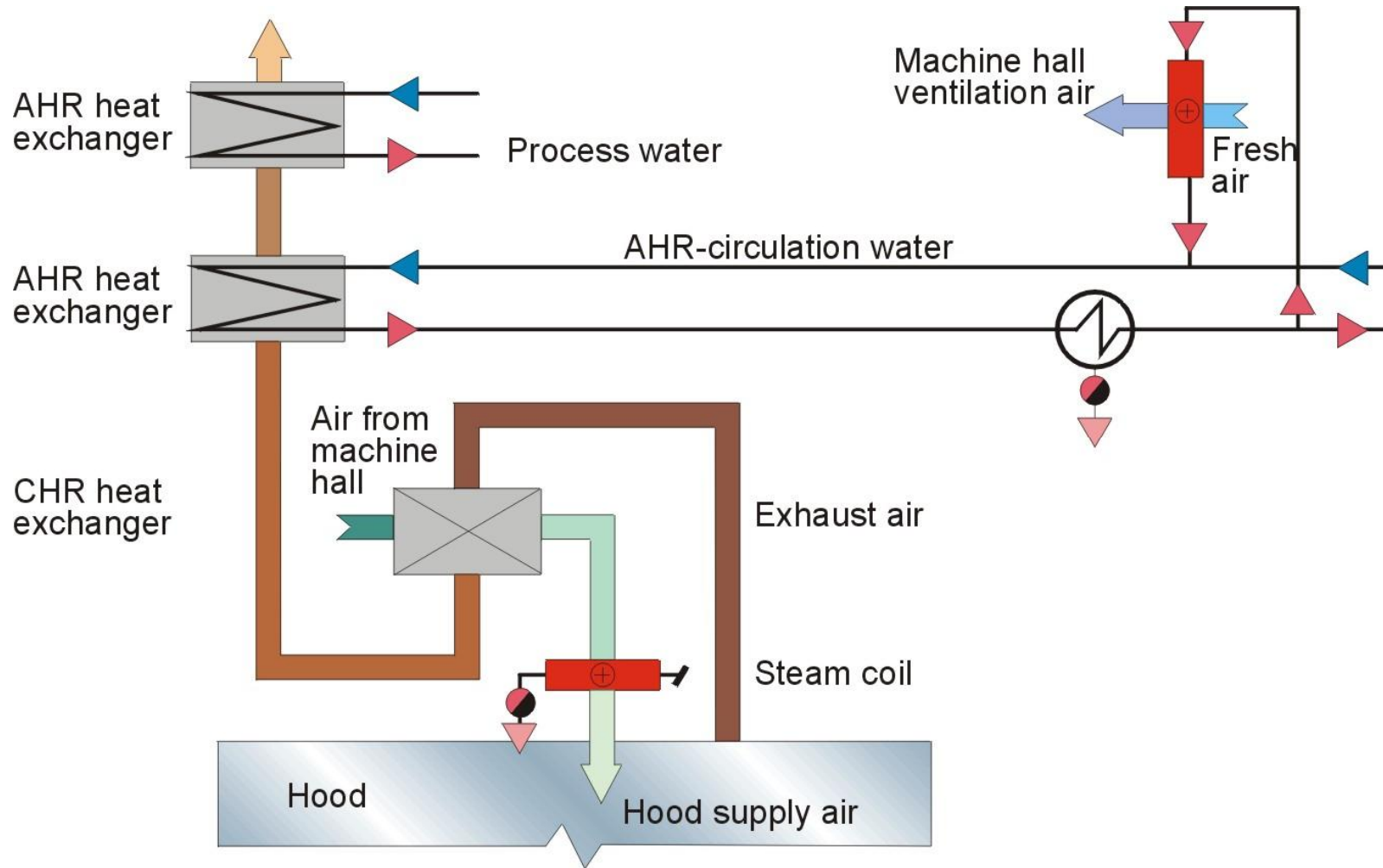


# Heat Recovery to Wire Pit Water

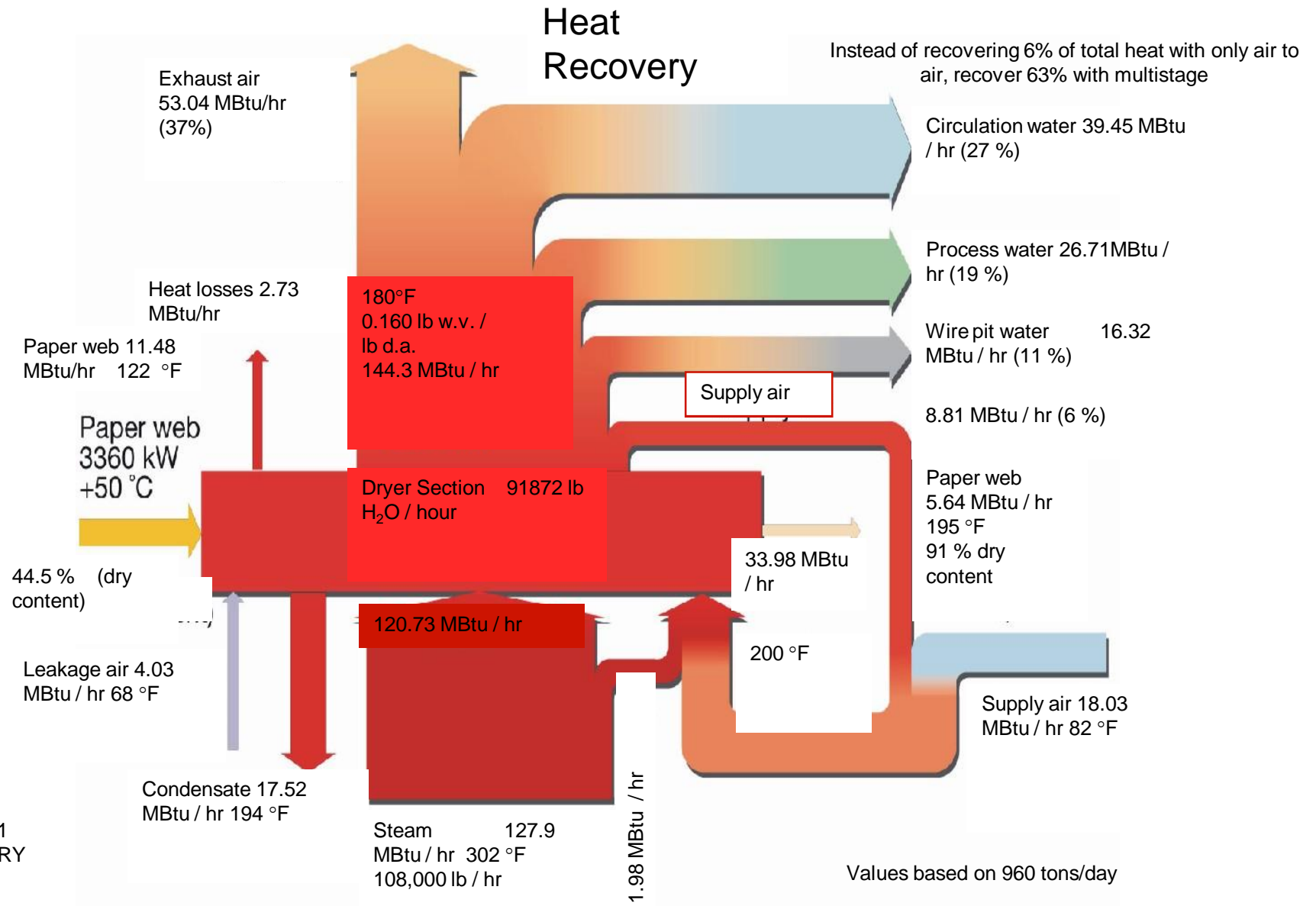
(Example Newsprint Paper Machine, Production 980 t / 24h)



# MultiStage Heat Recovery System

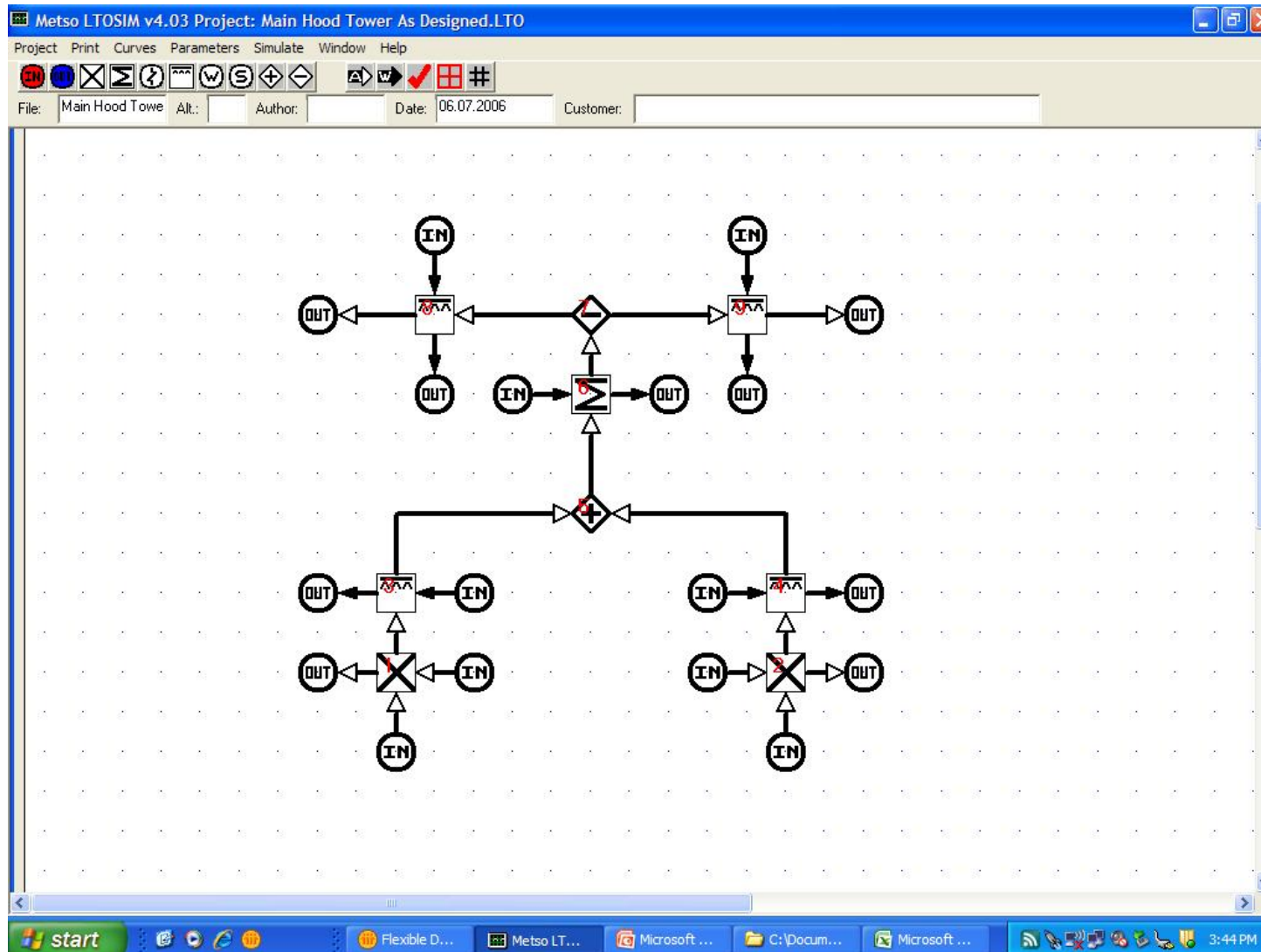


# Sankey Diagram for a Newsprint Machine



PAN 1173.1  
PHe 125 HRY

# Heat Recovery Simulation Software



**Central WI**

960TPD PM

Heat Recovery Potential from Hood Exhaust to MUA

Month	Op. Days/ Month	Avg O/A Temp	Supply Temp	Degrees Heated*	Heat Recovered (Btu)			EXCESS Heat Recovery
					Makeup Air Heating Req'd (BTU)	Makeup Air Heating Avialable (BTU)	Gas Savings with Heat Recovery (BTU)	
Jul	29	67.2	70	0	0	27457200000	0	27457200000
Aug	30	65.1	70	0	0	28404000000	0	28404000000
Sept	29	55.9	70	0	0	27457200000	0	27457200000
Oct	30	44.4	70	25.6	13934592000	28404000000	13934592000	14469408000
Nov	29	29.8	70	40.2	21152275200	27457200000	21152275200	6304924800
Dec	28	16.3	70	53.7	27281318400	26510400000	26510400000	-770918400
Jan	30	10.6	70	59.4	32332608000	28404000000	28404000000	-3928608000
Feb	27	16.1	70	53.9	26404963200	25563600000	25563600000	-841363200
Mar	30	27.1	70	42.9	23351328000	28404000000	23351328000	5052672000
Apr	30	40.9	70	29.1	15839712000	28404000000	15839712000	12564288000
May	30	54	70	0	0	28404000000	0	28404000000
Jun	28	62.5	70	0	0	26510400000	0	26510400000
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Energy Cost (gas) per million Btu	\$8.00
Electrical Energy Cost (\$/HP/yr)	\$450
SCFM of heated make-up air	700000
Heat Recovery Capacity	13150000 BTUH/tower
Number of towers	3
Total Heat Recovery Potential	39450000 BTUH
Total annual (gas) savings	\$1,238,047 /yr
Total Elect. Increase	(\$55,014) /yr
<b>Total Annual Savings</b>	<b>\$1,183,034</b>

Electrical Energy Costs	
Exh Fan HP Increase/fan	10
# of Exh Fans	3
Total Fan HP Increase	30
Op. days /yr	350
Op cost	\$12,981
AMU Fan HP increase (total)	5
# of AMU's	6
Op. days /yr	350
Op cost	\$2,163
Pump HP increase (Total)	150
# of Pumps	1
Op. days /yr	215
Op cost	\$39,870
<b>Total Elect Op Cost</b>	<b>\$55,014</b>

154,755,907,200  
Totals (btu/year)

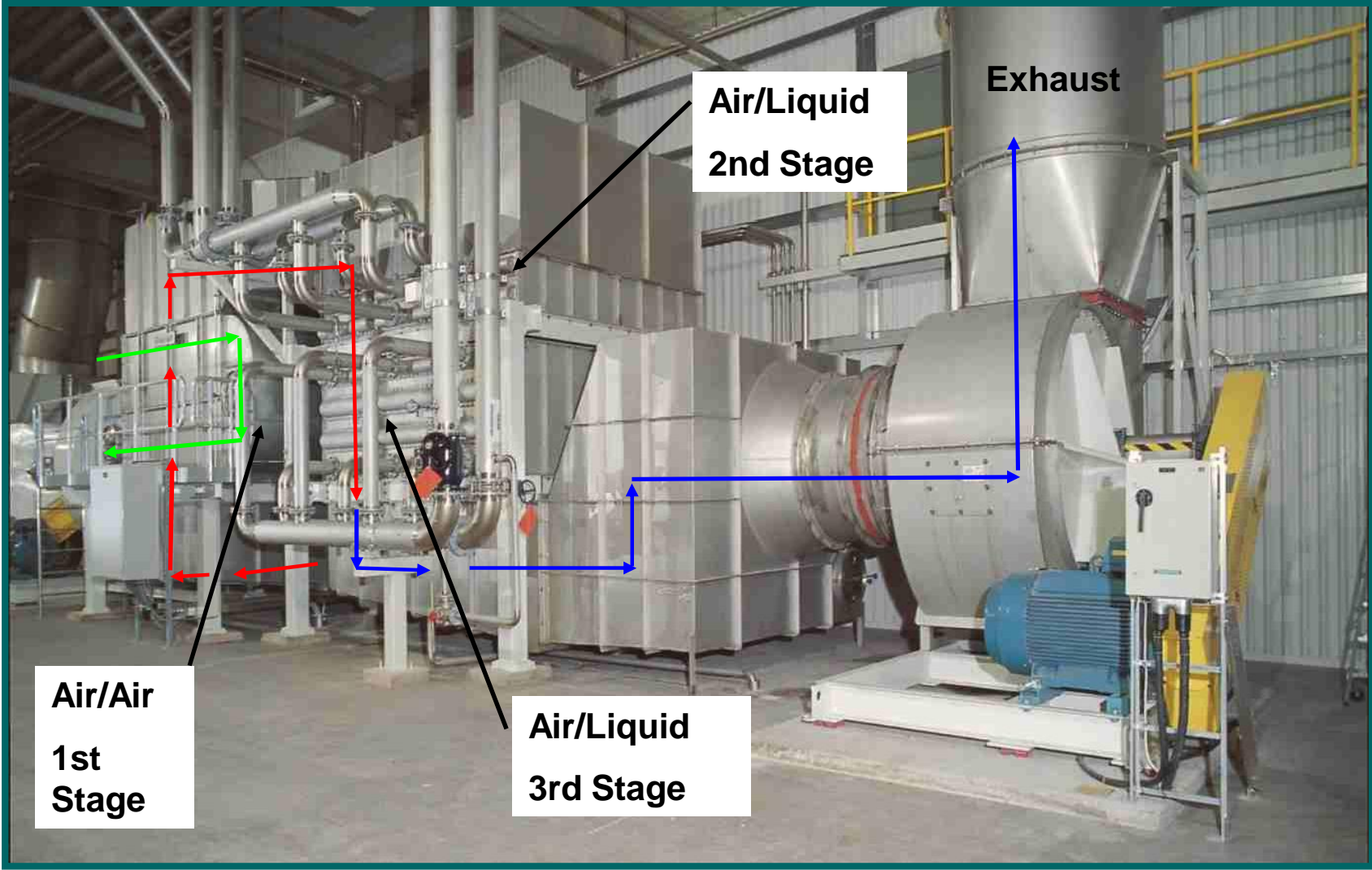
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# Value of Heat Recovery

Stage	Peak Heat Recovery (mmBtu/hr)	Seasonal	Value at \$8/mmBtu, 350 operating days/yr
Air to Air (PV Pre-heat)	8.81	No	\$592,000
Air to White Water	16.32	No	\$1,096,000
Air to Glycol	39.45	Yes	\$1,183,000
Air to Makeup Water	26.7	No, but seasonal inlet temperature variation	\$1,794,000
TOTAL			\$4,665,000

# Typical 3 Stage Heat Recovery System



# Summary

- Air to air heat recovery is a viable means of saving energy
  - There are, however limitations
- Evaluation of other potential heat sinks will result in significantly increased savings opportunities several times that available using only air to air
- The best approach is a multistage design
- Multistage design is optimized using the latest computer software