



*Successful Installation and Operation of
Wood Fuelled Heat Plant*

.....a showcase of innovative technologies and fuel.

**SCALABILITY & APPLICABILITY OF
INDUSTRIAL SCALE HEAT PLANT**

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Scalability

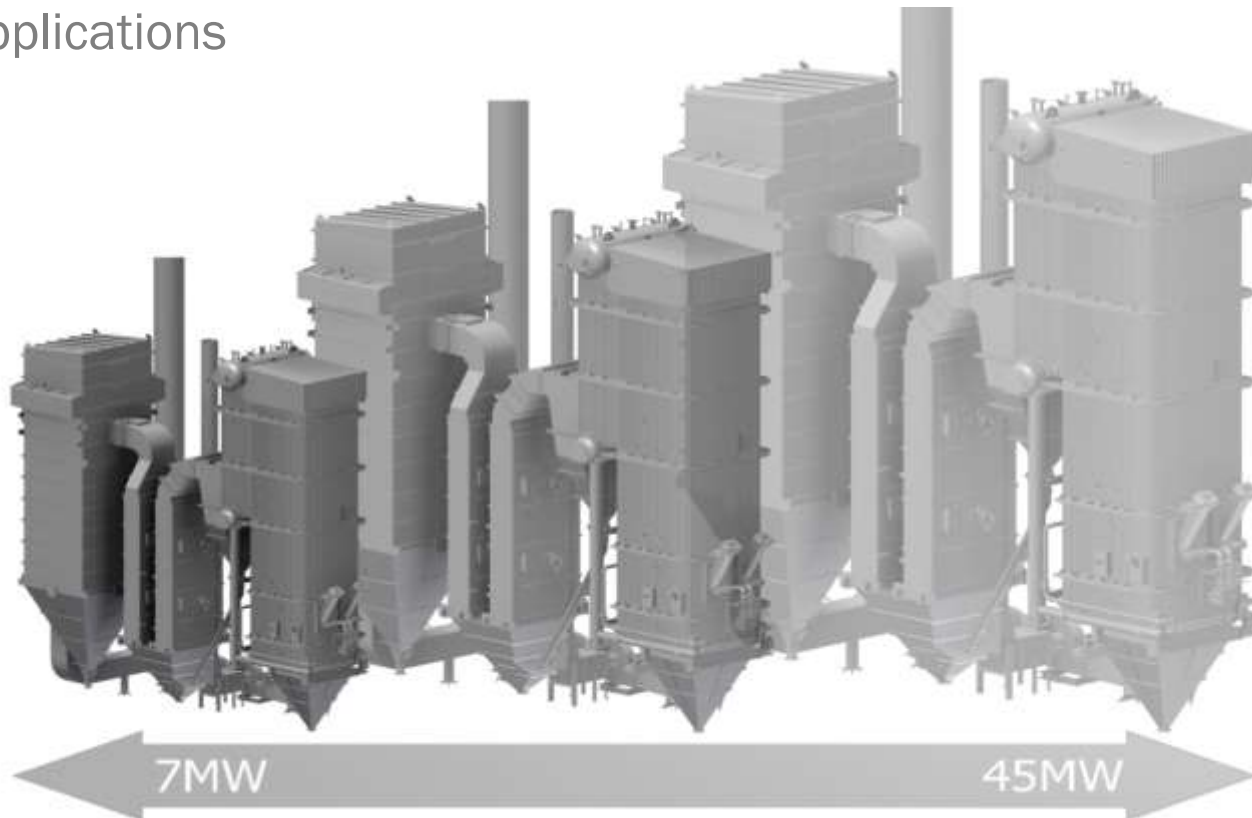


Scalability can be defined as ‘able to be economically resized smaller or larger without losing quality’

Economic Solutions Available from 7 MW ~ 45 MW+



Biomass fired boilers, and in particular those using bubbling fluidised beds (BFB) were typically restricted to large installations but now this technology has been scaled down to suit a wide range of applications



Reference Sites – NZ Installed Examples



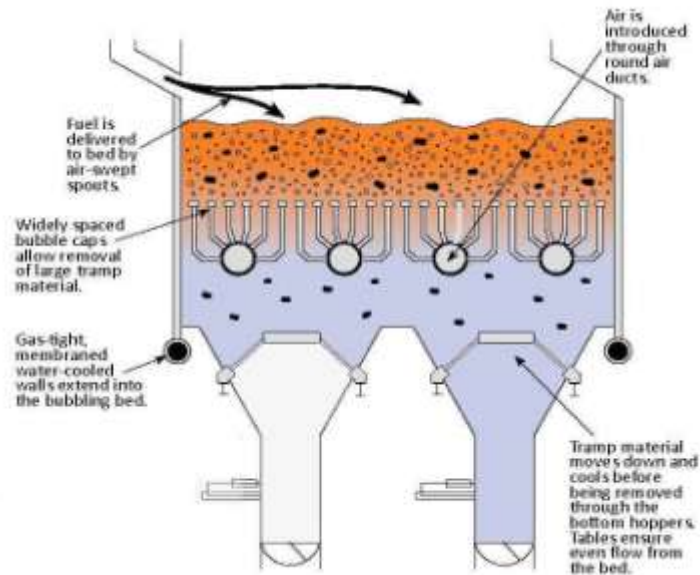
40 MW Bubbling Fluid Bed



8.5 MW Bubbling Fluid Bed

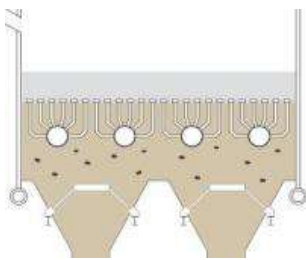


Fluid Bed Combustion for Steam Boilers, Water Heaters, & Thermal Oil Heaters

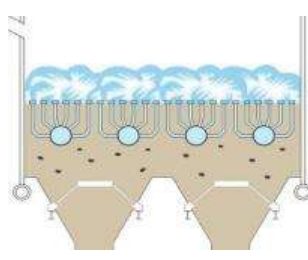


- High efficiency due to low excess air and better combustion
- Low NO_x – approx. 30% lower than grate firing
- Low CO stack emissions
- Stable combustion that is less sensitive to fluctuating fuel composition than a grate fired system
 - Capable of handling fuels with high silica and pumice content. There are no moving parts subject to abrasion which is particularly relevant for central north island fuels

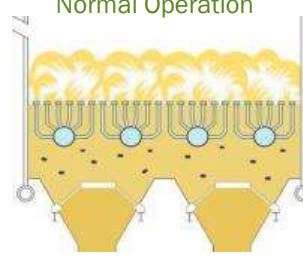
Not Operating
Bed Height ≈ 20"



Fluidized Bed With Air
Bed Height ≈ 32"



Heat Bed and add
Fuel –
Normal Operation



Wood Waste Fuels , Multi Fuel Options with Mixing Capabilities



Bubbling Fluidized-Bed Boilers

Burning Biomass and Low-Cost Fuels

Clean, efficient, reliable and easy to operate



B&W babcock & wilcox power generation group

Able to burn:

- Woodchip
- Sawdust
- Bark
- Dry shavings
- Wood waste blended with other biomass fuels
- High moisture content fuels up to 67% while maintaining 100% output without supplementary firing.
- Process waste streams from other production processes such as coffee waste, animal processing sludges, etc.

Ease of Transport & Erection



9MW Coffee Waste Fired BFB Boiler – Nestlé UK
1 Piece Shipping & Erection

Efficient Site Erection

Modular fabrication of components leads to:

- Plug & play kitset approach
- Highly cost effective site erection
- Less disruption on green and brown field sites
- Reduced risks on site

Baghouse lift and install



Applicability – Get the right tool for the job!



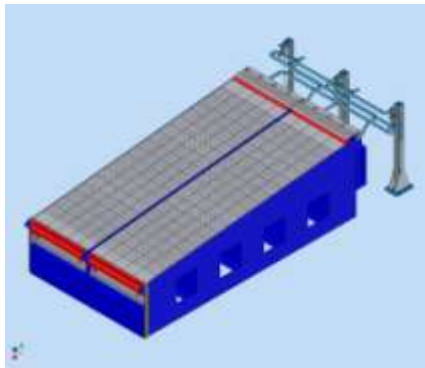
Don't compromise on the important bits!

Typical Grate Firing Systems for Steam Boilers, Water Heaters, & Thermal Oil Heaters – Grate Options



Reciprocating Step Gate

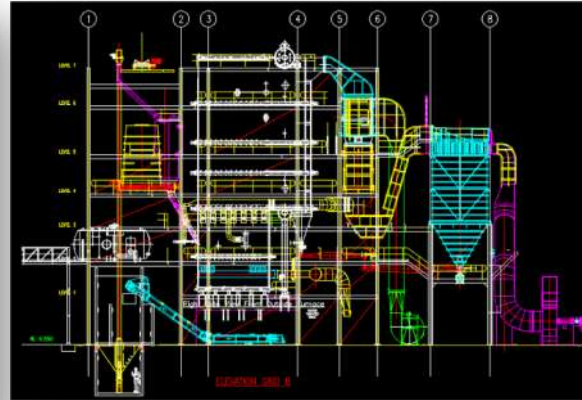
- Long proven technology
- Larger furnace volume and footprint / MW than other options
- Especially suited to larger fuel particles



Water Cooled Vibrating Grate

- Larger, heavier fuel particles are spread evenly on the grate forming a thin, fast-burning fuel bed
- The combination of suspension and the fast-burning bed makes it extremely responsive to load demand
- Water-cooled surface for long grate life, but tiles are individually replaceable
- Clinkering issues are rare. Pumice laden fuels can be tolerated

Reference Sites – Mixed Wood Waste Fuel



Combustion System

- BFB

Thermal Capacity 41.7 MW

- Steam flow 52.5 tph
- Operating pressure 61.5 bar(a)
- Steam Temperature 450°C
- Feedwater Temperature 105°C

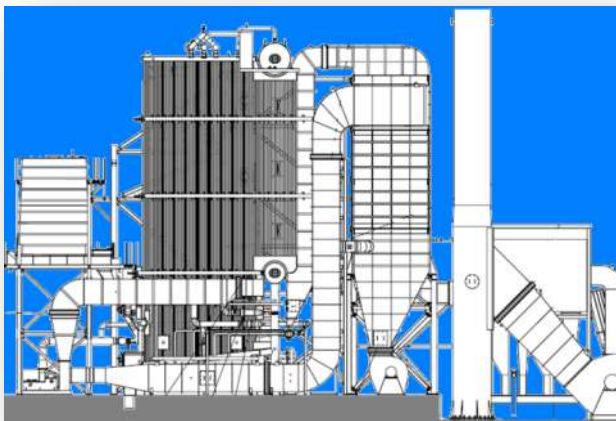
Fuel

- Wood Waste
- Moisture Design 55%
- Amount of fuel 23.1 tph

Temperatures

- FEGT 948°C
- Exit Air Heater 280°C
- Exit Economiser 150°C
- OFA Temperature 204°C
- UFA temperature 196°C

Reference Sites – Mixed Wood Waste Fuel



Combustion System

- Spreader Stoker / Vibrating Grate

Thermal Capacity 26.9 MW

- Amount of steam 35.0 tph
- Operating pressure 45 bar(a)
- Steam Temperature 400°C
- Feedwater Temperature 105°C

Fuel

- Wood Waste and Saw Dust
- Moisture Design 55%
- Amount of fuel 17.5 tph

Temperatures

- FEGT 827°C
- Exit Economiser N/A
- Exit Air Heater 170°C
- OFA Temperature 299°C
- UFA temperature 299°C

Reference Sites – Mixed Biomass, Extra High Moisture / Ash



Combustion System

- BFB

Thermal Capacity 16 MW

- Steam flow 24.0 tph
- Operating pressure 23 bar(a)
- Steam Temperature 220°C (satd.)
- Feedwater Temperature 105°C

Fuel

- Sawdust & Spent Coffee Grounds
- Moisture Design 55%
- Amount of fuel 7.6 tph

Temperatures

- FEGT 806°C
- Exit Economiser 238°C
- Exit Air Heater 162°C
- OFA Temperature 168°C
- UFA temperature 165°C

Reference Sites – Extra High Moisture / Ash



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Combustion System

- BFB

Thermal Capacity 8.5 MW

- Steam flow 12.7 tph
- Operating pressure 16.5 bar(a)
- Steam Temperature 203°C (satd.)
- Feedwater Temperature 90°C

Fuel

- Clarifier & DAF Solids, Sawdust
- Moisture Design 55%
- Amount of fuel 5.2 tph

Temperatures

- FEGT 767°C
- Exit Economiser 261°C
- Exit Air Heater 170°C
- OFA Temperature 192°C
- UFA temperature 188°C



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Questions?