

„Development Status of BGL-Gasification“

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SVZ Schwarze Pumpe



Is one of the largest German plants for the utilization of several solid and fluid kinds of waste. Installed capacities:

400,000 tpy solids

among them:

***waste plastics
municipal waste
sewage sludge
shredder residues***

50,000 tpy fluids

among them:

***oils
tars
solvents***

processed to:

***synthesis gas
methanol***

***gypsum
power***

steam

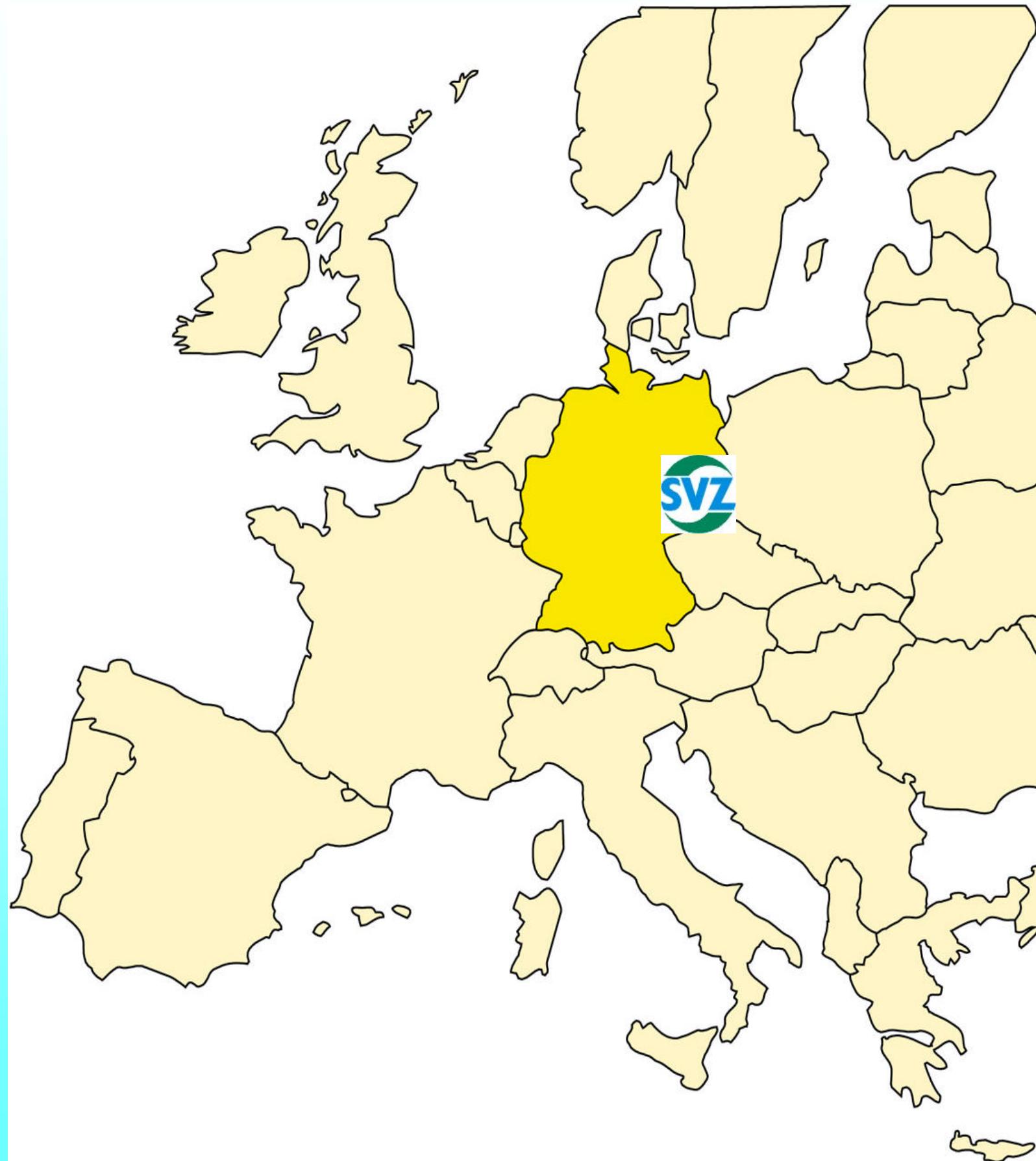
Is the technology leader of the material use of waste by gasification and methanol synthesis

Is a large scale operator of three types of gasifiers :

***entrained flow
slagging
rotating grate***

***GSP
BGL
FDV (Lurgi)***

Favourable Location in the Heart of the New Europe



History of Schwarze Pumpe Construction of the Coal Refining Company



1955	Opening of the site	
1959	Commissioning of the first briquetting factory and the first power station	
1964	Commissioning of the town gas plant	
1969	Commissioning of the cokery	
<i>In total</i>	<i>four power stations</i>	<i>(1.500 MW)</i>
	<i>three briquetting factories</i>	<i>10 Mio. t/year</i>
	<i>one cokery</i>	<i>1.5 Mio. t/year</i>
	<i>one town gas plant</i>	<i>5.3 bill. m³ /year</i>
	<i>additional plants, workshops etc.</i>	

Input lignite per year : 30,000 000 tonnes

Employees 1990: 13,500

Historical View on Schwarze Pumpe Site

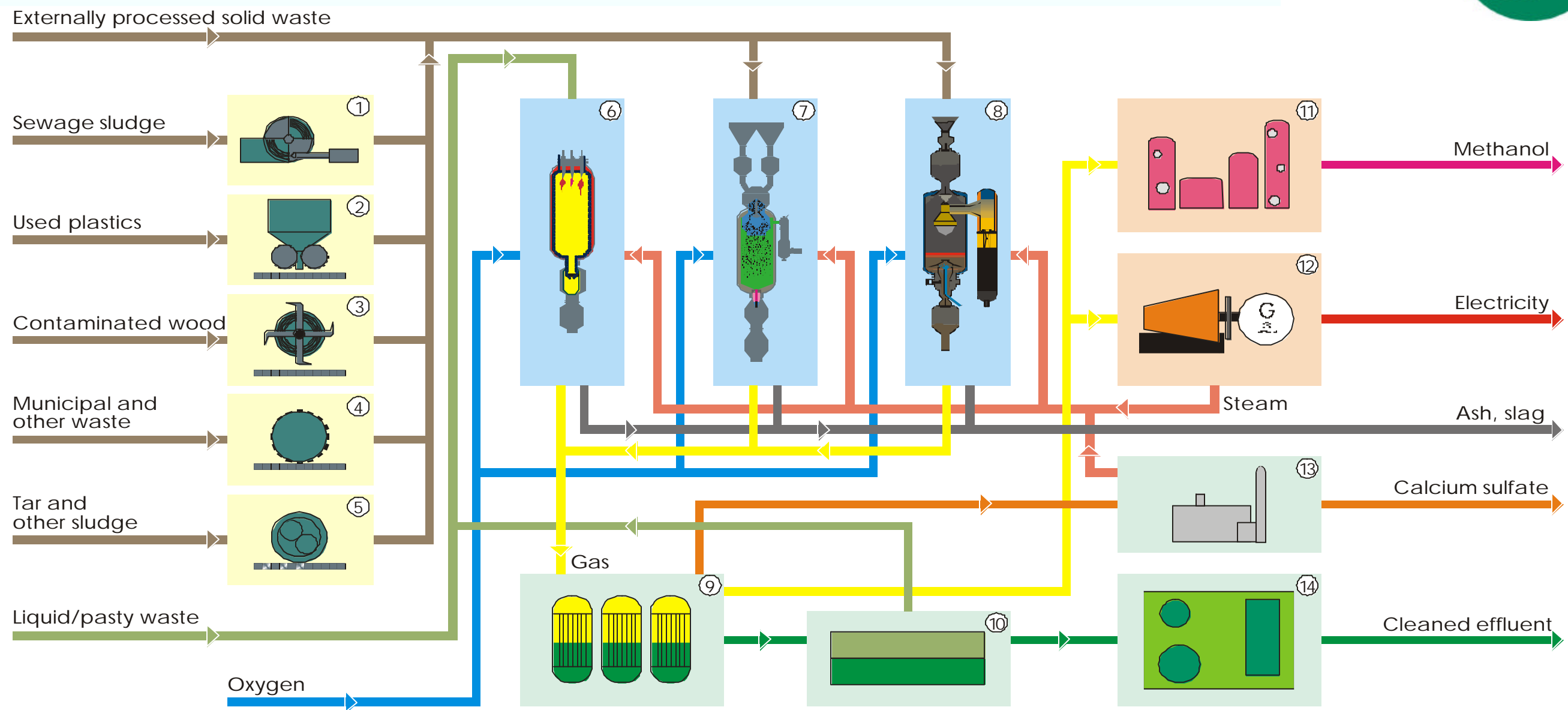


History of the Gasification Plant Schwarze Pumpe



- 1964** Start up of the first fixed bed gasifier in the gasification plant Schwarze Pumpe (production of town gas out of lignite briquettes)
- 1969** Finishing of the town gas plant (largest lignite gasification plant worldwide) with 24 gasifiers, production 5.3 billion m³/year, 85 % of gas demand of eastern part of Germany (former GDR)
- from 1990** Re-united Germany: conversion process from town gas to natural gas started, town gas market in the new federal states quickly declined
- from 1992** New concept for the gasification plant: waste gasification, large scale tests
- from 1995** Investment: methanol plant, power station, several preparation plants
- 2000** Start up of the new BGL-Gasifier
- 2003** Projects for further extension are applied
- 2004** Running operation under insolvency proceedings
- 2005** Negotiations with Sustec Group, Switzerland, to hand over the operative business on July 1st

Treatment of solid and liquid waste



- ① Sewage sludge briquetting
- ② Compaction of plastics
- ③ Wood chopping
- ④ Waste preparation
- ⑤ Pelletising plant

- ⑥ Entrained flow gasification
- ⑦ BGL gasification
- ⑧ Pressurized bed gasification
- ⑨ Gas purification
- ⑩ Separation of oil/water

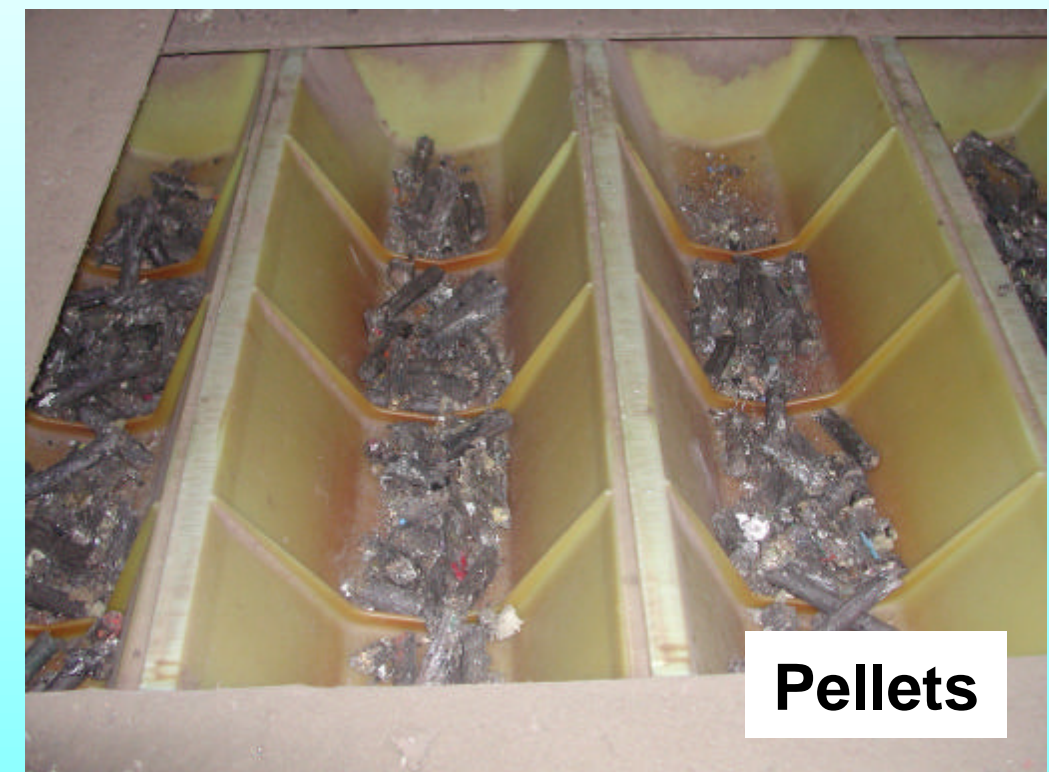
- ⑪ Methanol production
- ⑫ Combined Cycle Gas Turbine
- ⑬ Boiler plant
- ⑭ Sewage treatment

Agglomeration Technologies at SVZ



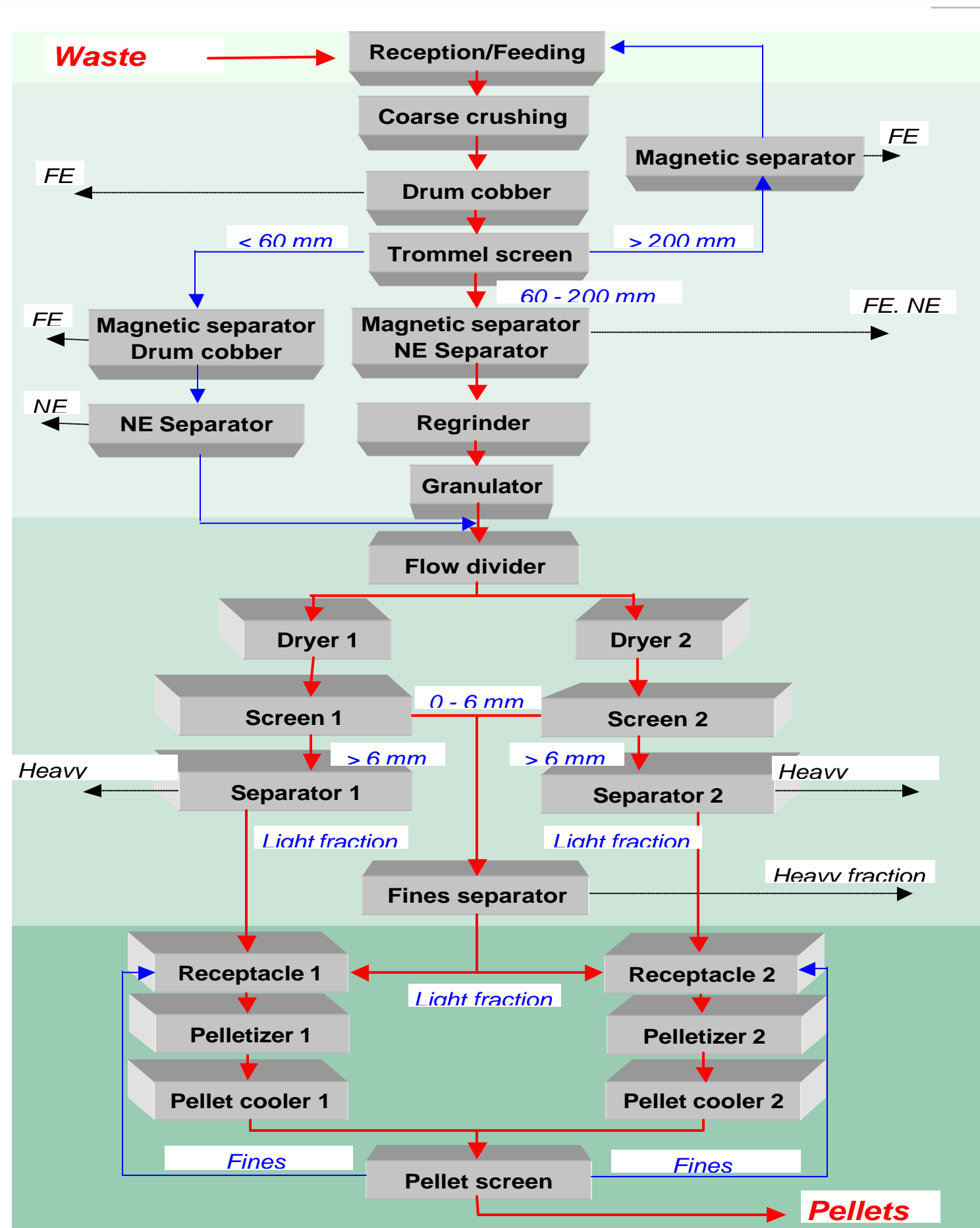
- **Extrusion plant for waste plastics** **25,000 tpy**
- **Briquetting plant for sewage sludges** **80,000 tpy**
- **Municipal waste pelletizing plant** **120,000 tpy**
- **Sewage sludge and tar sludge (from “tar lakes“)
pelletizing plant** **120,000 tpy**
- **Chopping plant for wood (stand-by)** **20,000 tpy**

Quality of Waste Pellets



- **Size requirement: approx. 20 x 80 mm, fine particles < 6 mm: to be minimized**
- **Suitable for transportation and handling**
- **Thermal stability up to gasification temperatures**

Waste Pelletizing



Utilization of Solid Waste

Maximum Concentration of Pollutants



Arsenik	mg/kg	2 000
Lead	mg/kg	10 000
Cadmium	mg/kg	1 000
Chromium	mg/kg	20 000
Copper	mg/kg	100 000
Nickel	mg/kg	5 000
Mercury	mg/kg	200
Zink	mg/kg	100 000
Tin	mg/kg	10 000
Cyanide	mg/kg	500
Polychlorated biphenyls	mg/kg	500
Chlorine/ Halogene	mass%	10
Dioxins/ Furans	µg TU/kg	50

Waste materials processed at SVZ (From June 1992 until May 2005)



Solids

Used plastics	900,000 t
Sewage sludge	120,000 t
Contaminated wood	225,000 t
Treated domestic waste (RDF)	295,000 t
Pellets from tar and sewage sludge	160,000 t
Shredder residue	20,000 t
Others	95,000 t

Fluids

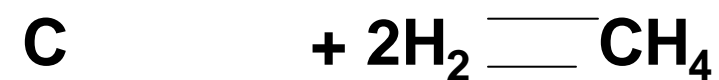
Contaminated oils, Oil-/water mixtures	1,300,000 t
Mixtures from solvents	

Gasification Plant

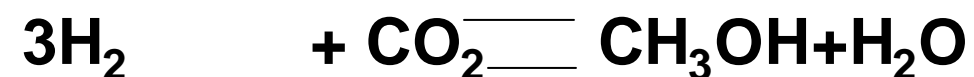
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Chemical Reactions of Gasification



Chemical Reactions of Methanol Synthesis



Composition of Syngas (after Gas Cleaning)

H ₂	64,1	Vol.-%
CO	19,6	Vol.-%
CO ₂	6,3	Vol.-%
CH ₄	8,4	Vol.-%
N ₂	1,4	Vol.-%
O ₂	0,06	Vol.-%
C _n H _m	0,12	Vol.-%
H ₂ S	<0,05	mg/Nm ³

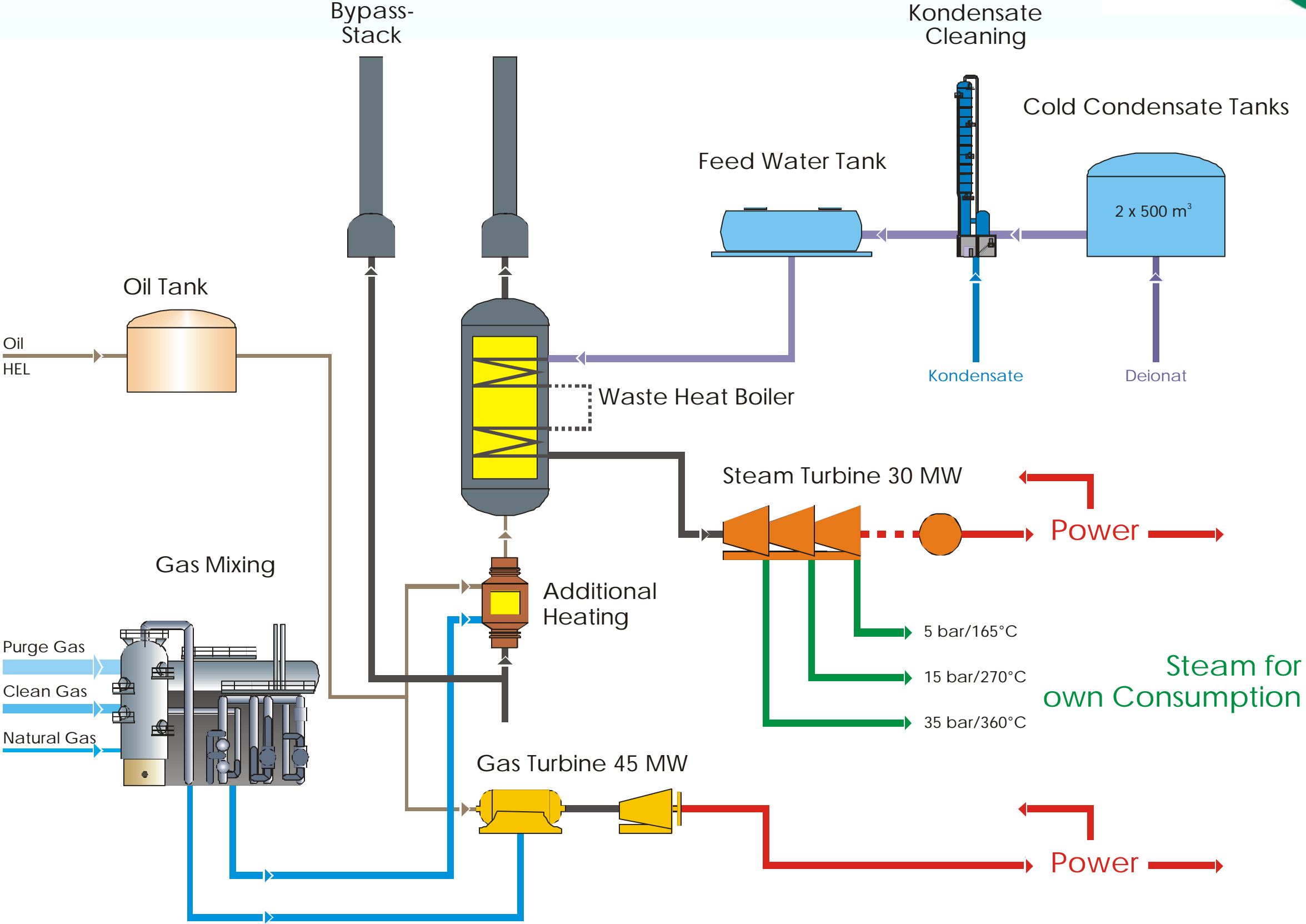
Heating value
12.000 - 15.000 kJ/Nm³

Gas Cleaning, Methanol Plant, Power Station

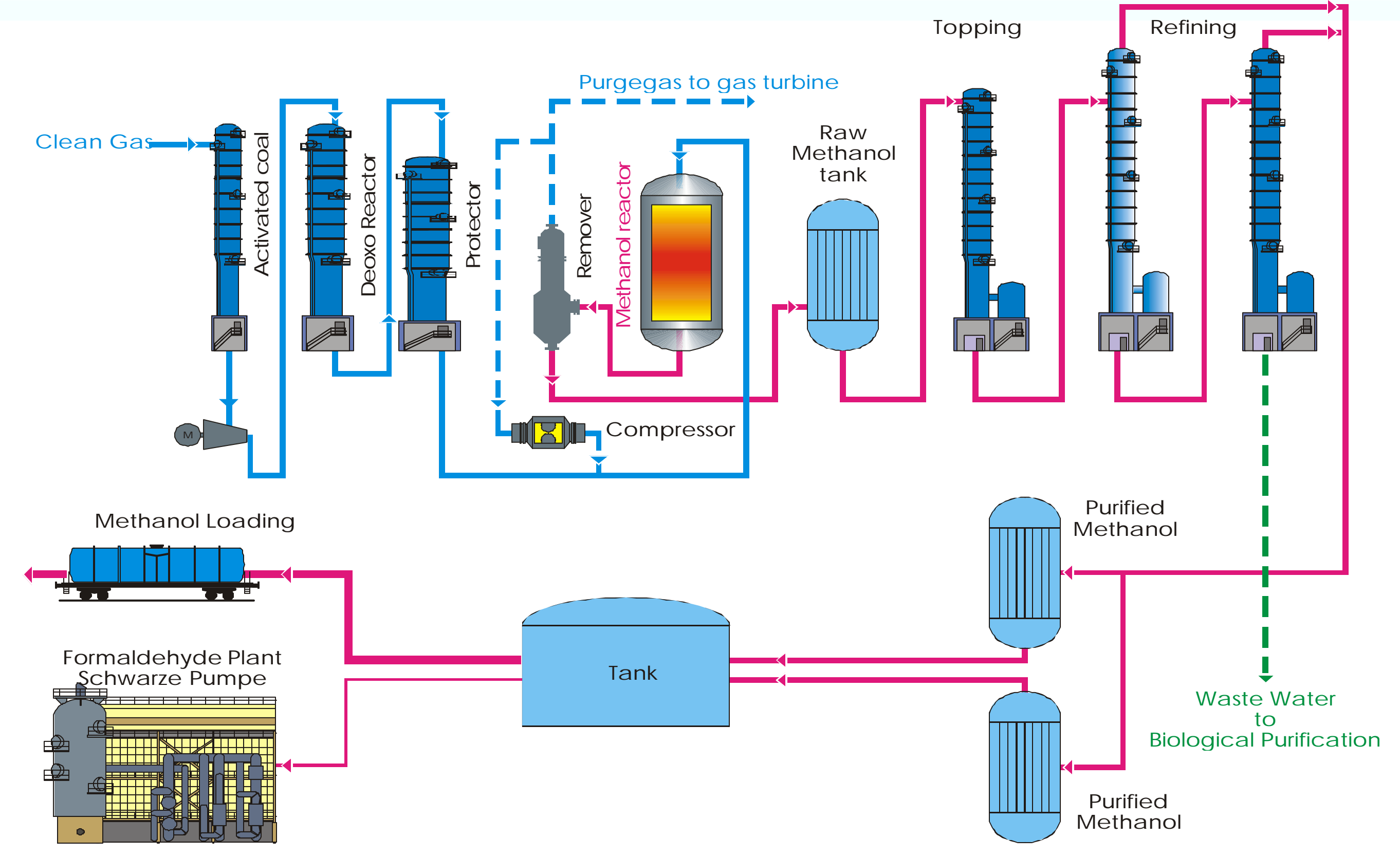
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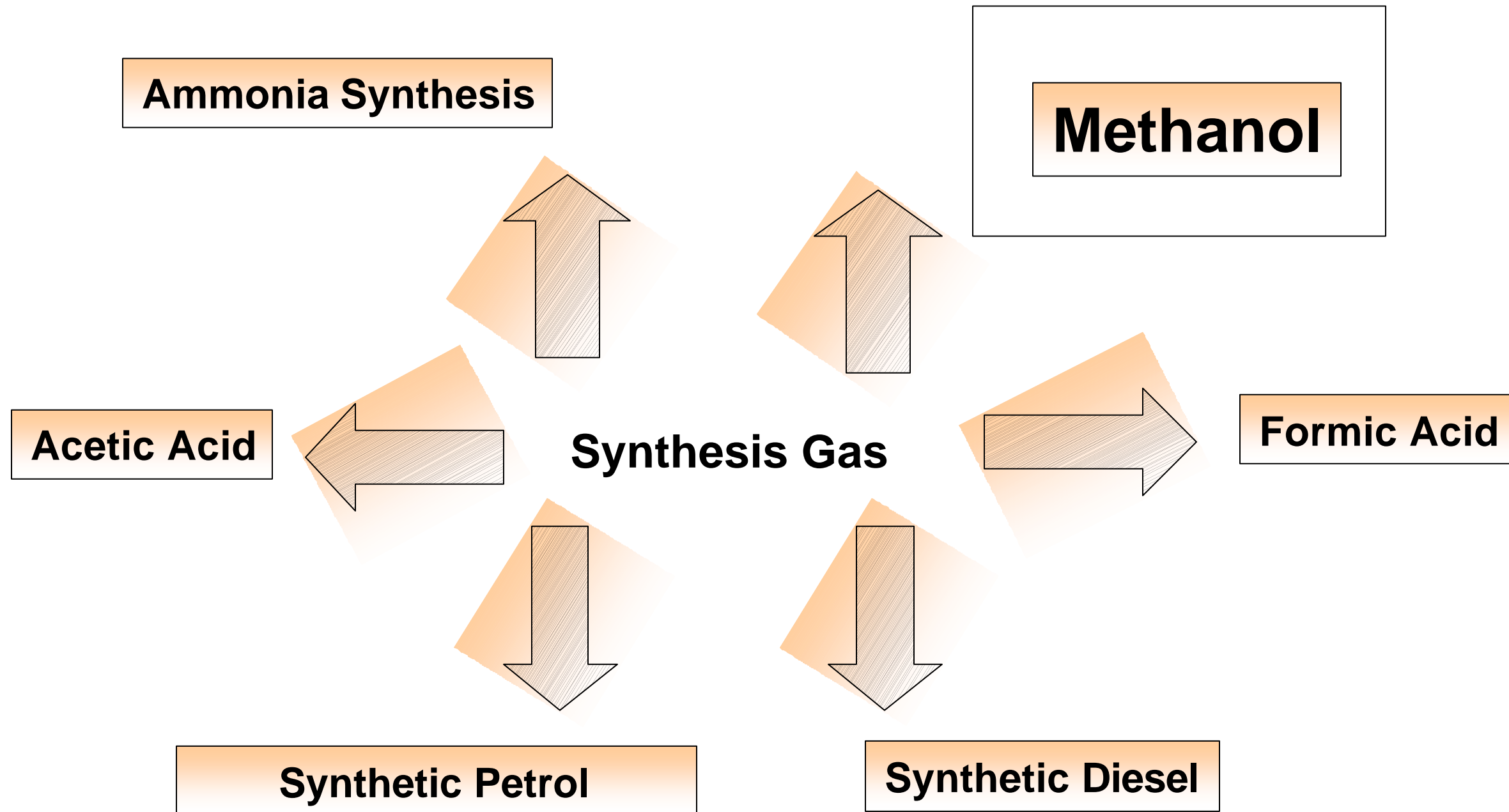
Flow Scheme Power Station



Flow Scheme Methanol Plant



Opportunities for the Use of the Synthesis Gas

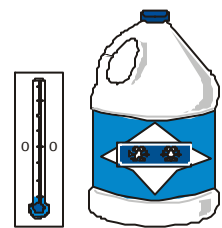


Application of Methanol

Selected areas of application for methanol

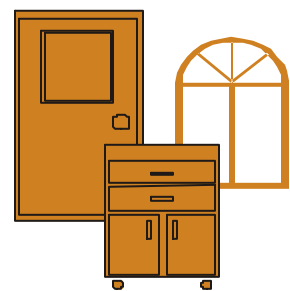


Methylating agents
- Pharmaceuticals
- Paints
- Absorbing agents

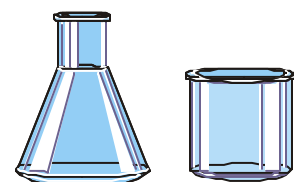


Antifreeze

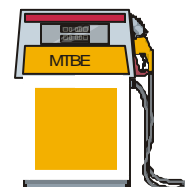
Acetic acid



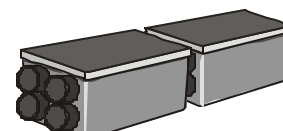
Formaldehyde
- Phenolic resins
- Urea resins
- Melamine resins
- Wood preservatives
- Disinfectants
etc., etc.



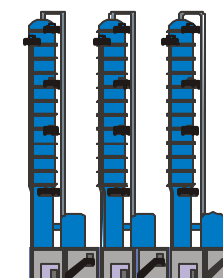
Denaturants



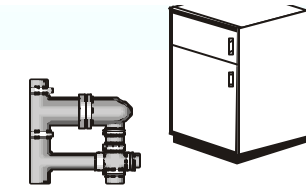
MTBE
Anti-knocking agent
for gasoline



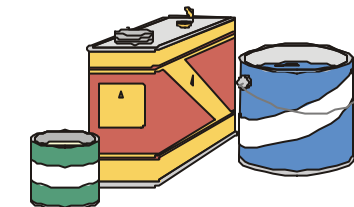
Fuel cells



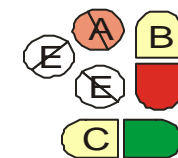
**Low-temperature
gas washing**



**Cooling agents in
refrigerating plants**



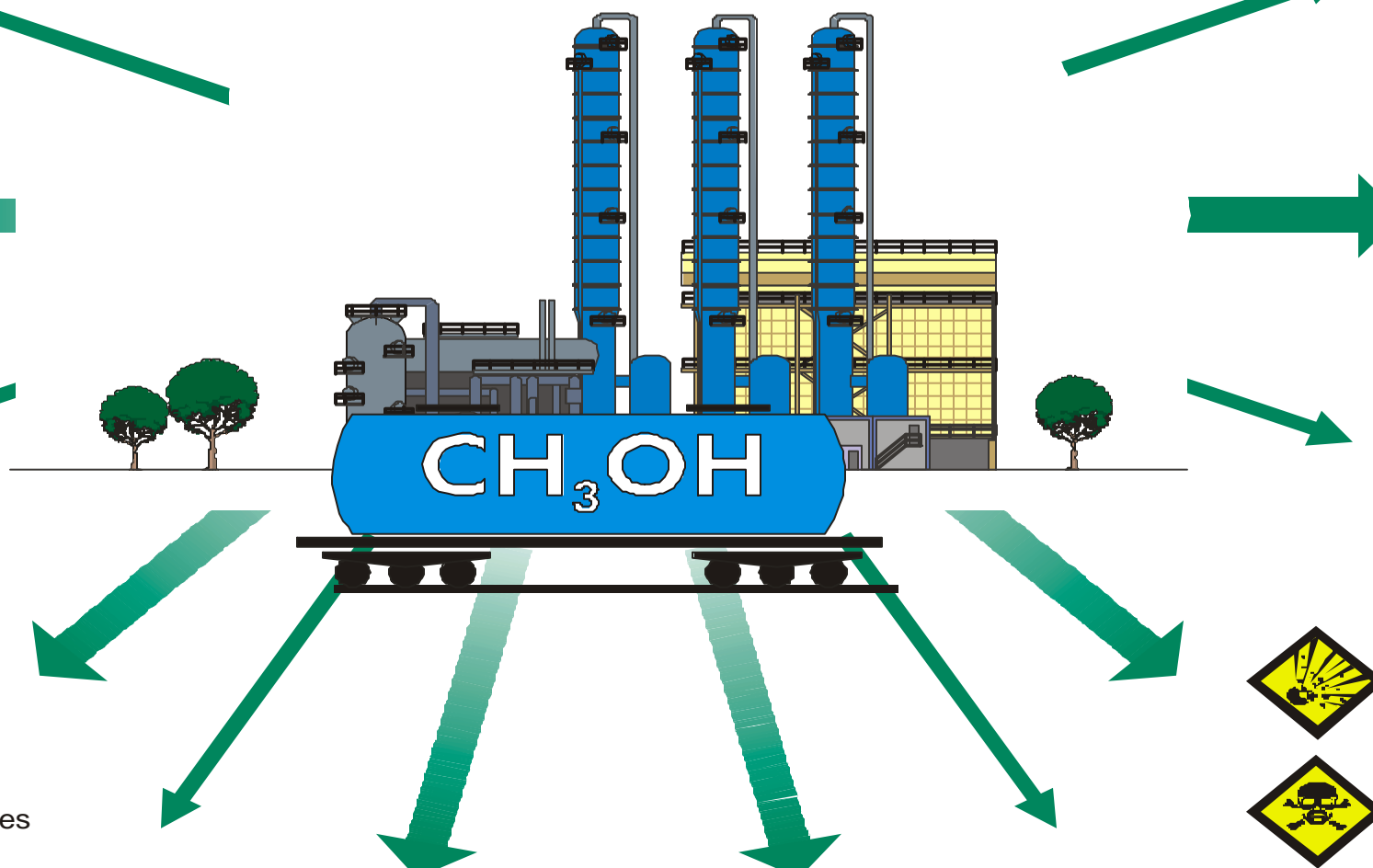
Solvents
- for resins and waxes
- inorganic salts
- polymers



Vitamin products



Chemical synthesis
- for insecticides
- for explosives
- for scents
- for plexiglass
etc., etc.



SVZ-Methanol Quality



The quality of the methanol produced by SVZ meets international standards (ASTM, IMPCA).

Grade AA- Methanol, Highest purity > 99,9 %

SVZ-Methanol is used
by DaimlerChrysler
(Fuel Cell Car)



Results of Waste Treatment



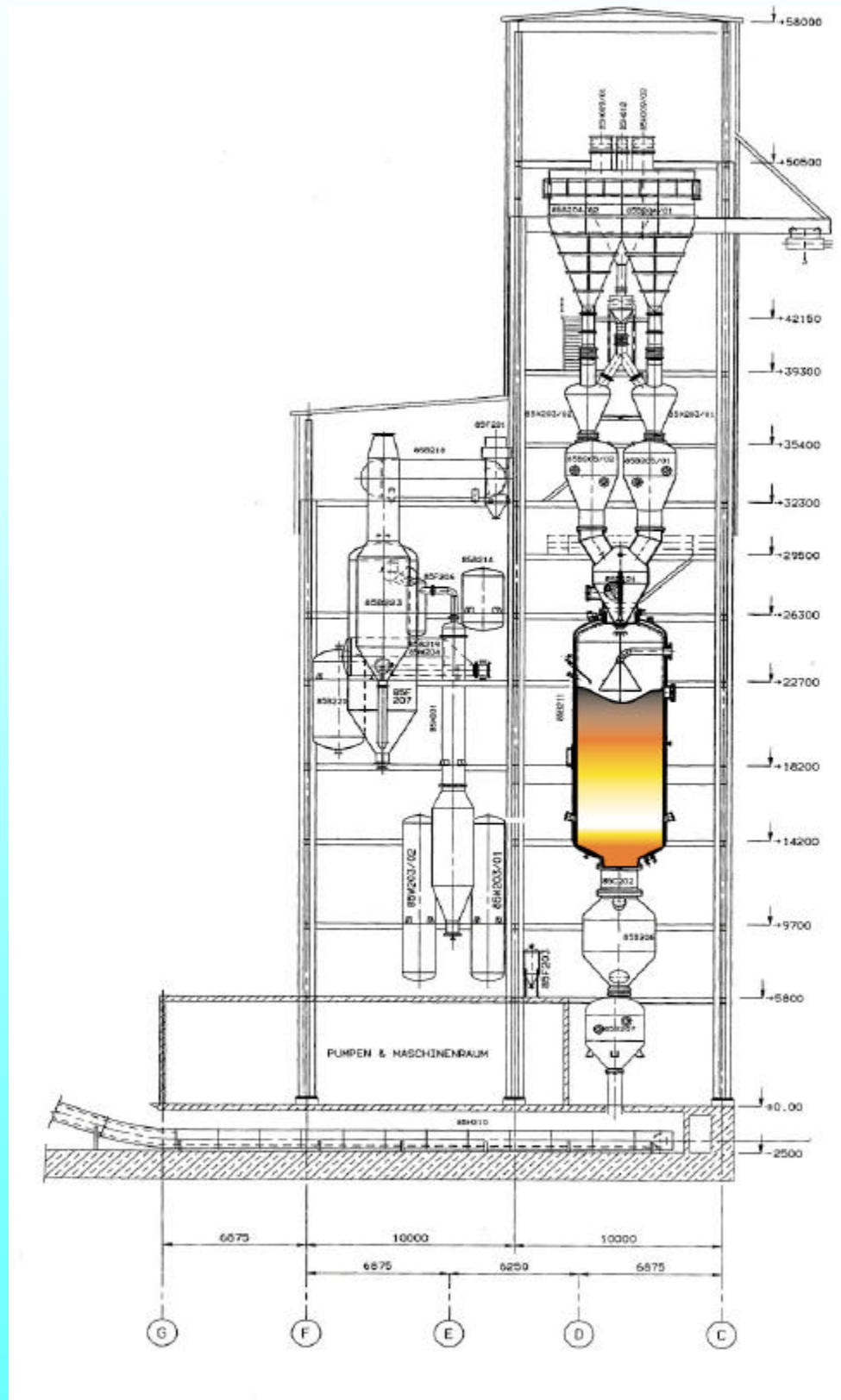
	Heating value	Water	Ash	Methanol output	Reduced CO ₂ Emmissions (compared with incineration)	Energy efficiency	Power surplus
	MJ/kg	Mass %	Mass %	Kg per ton waste	%	%	MW/hr
Used plastics	33,7	1,5	7,8	596	32	47,5	0,23
Contaminated wood	16,8	1	11	357	34	50,4	0,21
Domestic Waste (RDF)	18	4,5	20	392	31,5	46,6	0,23
Shredded material	11	7,5	43,8	211	24	38	0,04
Sewage sludge	11	8	43,5	160	21	35	0,03

SVZ-Process – Ecological Advantages

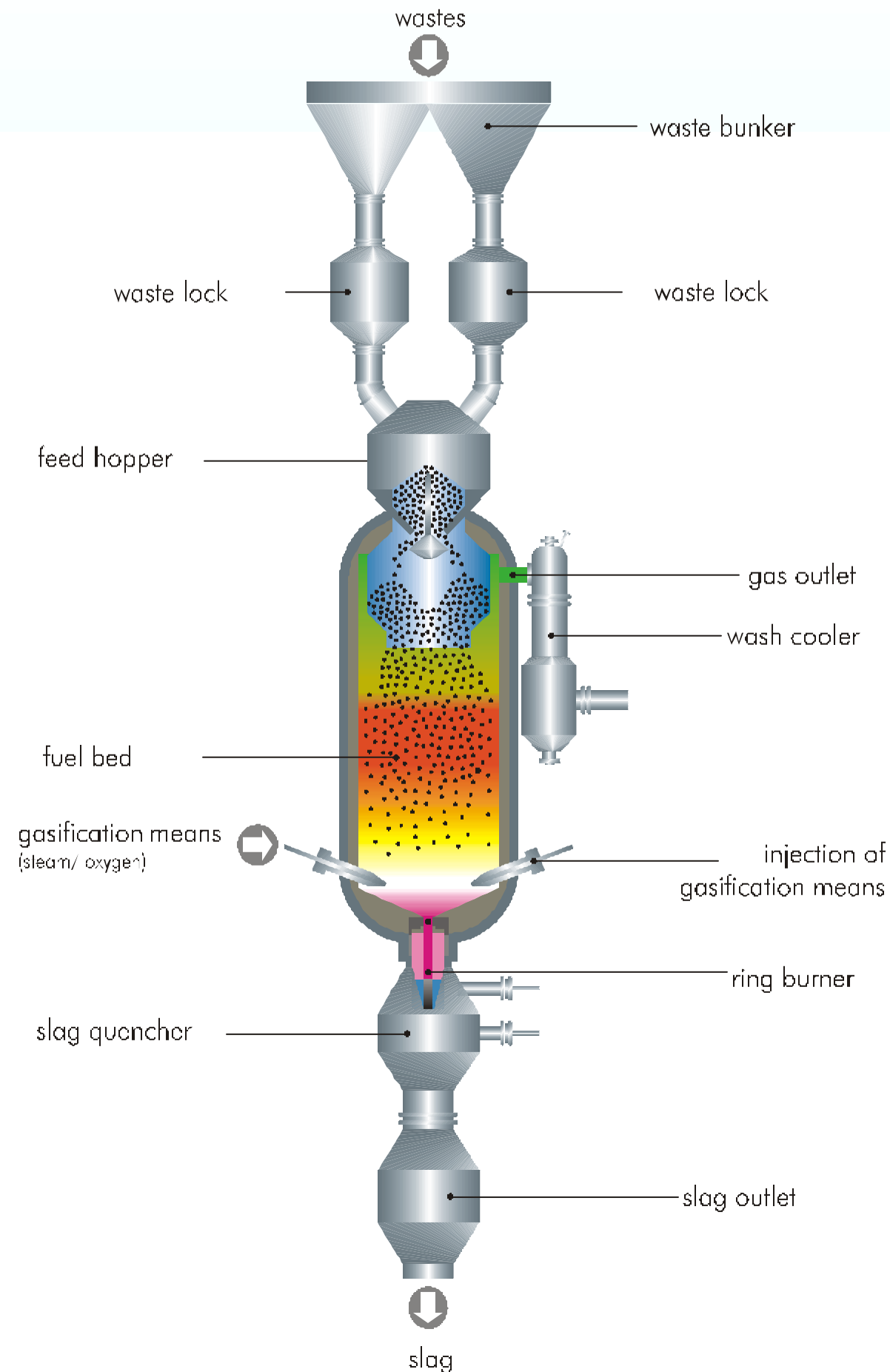


- 1 Waste gasification to produce methanol and energy saves fossil fuels and materials**
- 2 As a result of recycling activities we get substantial reduction of waste volumes and savings of landfill space**
- 3 High temperatures of gasification (1,450 °C till 1,800°C) destroy organic pollutants (dioxines and furanes)**
- 4 Heavy metals or other hazardous materials of the several kinds of waste are contained in the gasifier slag**
- 5 The slag can be used as material for road construction or as additive for special materials**
- 6 In comparison to incineration the feedstock-recycling contributes to the CO₂-reduction by integration of the carbon contents of the waste into methanol**

BGL-Gasifier at SVZ



Slagging Gasifier BGL



•British Gas - Lurgi Gasification (BGL)

–System datas

- Diameter 3.6 m
- Pressure 25 bar
- Double jacket water cooled
- Inlet of gasification mean by jets
- Fluid slag outlet with quenching system

–Operation datas

- | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| •Throughput | 35 t/h |
| •Series of input | 6 - 9 /h |
| •Gas quantity | 35,000 Nm ³ /hr |
| •Temperature | 1,600 °C |
| •Oxygen | 6,000 Nm ³ /hr |
| •Steam | 6-9 t/hr |
| •Slag | £ 7.5 t/hr |
| •Gas outlet | 500-700 °C |
| •temperature after scrubbing | < 200 °C |

Commons and Differences between Fixed Bed Gasifier and BGL-Gasifier

In Schwarze Pumpe since 1964 fixed bed gasifiers with rotating grate have been in operation: during peak periods 24 pieces for coal gasification and town gas production with a high degree of reliability.

Until 1995 seven gasifiers were adapted to waste gasification.

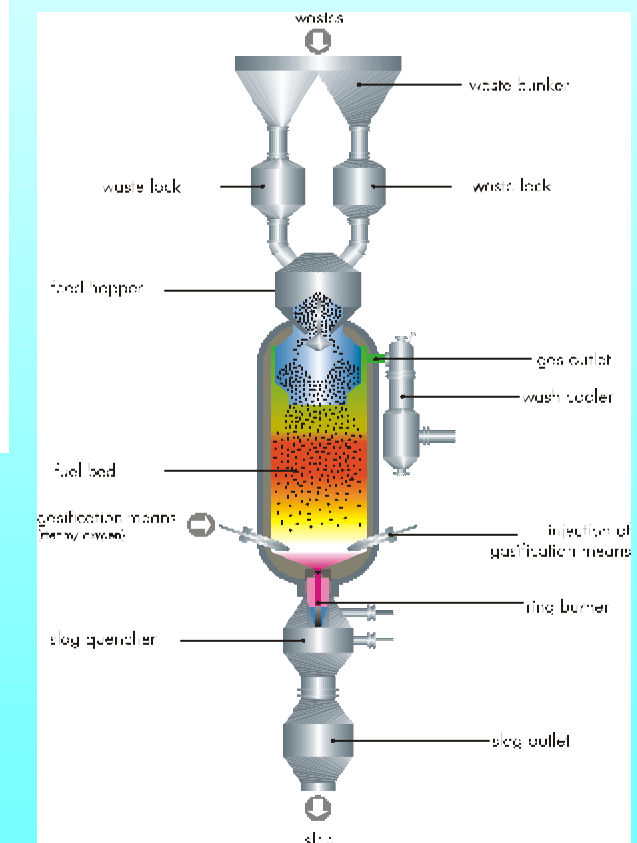
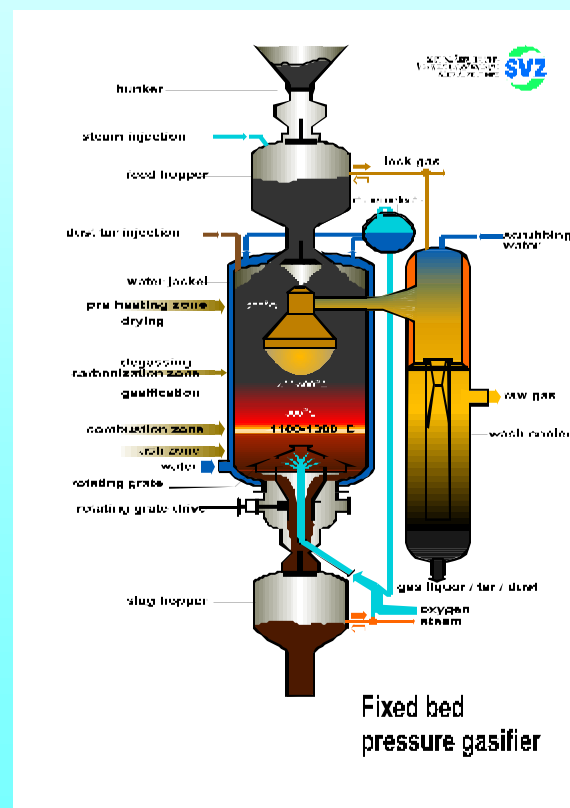
Nevertheless 1995 SVZ decided to erect a new BGL-Gasifier to use the advantages of the new technology.

Differences:

- Reduced steam consumption of BGL
- Vitrified slag of BGL (Fixed Bed: sintered ash)
- Higher temperatures of BGL
- Higher specific throughput of BGL
- Differences in gas composition

Commons:

- Originally designed for coal gasification
- Countercurrent flow of gas and solid fuels
- Input of fuel through lock system
- Gasification agent: steam and oxygen
- Internal diameter 3,6 m
- Pressure 25 bar



Gas Composition



		BGL-Gasifier		FDV-Gasifier
		Operation with high waste addings	Operation with coal (Start up)	Operation with high waste addings
H₂	Vol.-%	18,0	28,0	26,0
CO	Vol.-%	33,5	56,0	11,0
CO₂	Vol.-%	16,0	2,8	39,6
CH₄	Vol.-%	18	6,0	14
N₂	Vol.-%	10	6,0	2
O₂	Vol.-%	0,3	0,1	0,2
C₂H₆	Vol.-%	2,2	0,4	4,0
C₂H₄	Vol.-%	0,6	0,1	1,5
C₃H₈	Vol.-%	0,3	<0,05	0,4
C₃H₆	Vol.-%	0,4	<0,05	0,5
i-C₄H₁₀	Vol.-%	< 0,05	<0,01	< 0,05
n-C₄H₁₀	Vol.-%	< 0,05	<0,01	< 0,05
H₂S	Vol.-%	0,2	0,3	0,2
BTEX-Flavours	Vol.-%	0,5	0,3	0,6
Density	kg/Nm³	1,1	0,9	1,2
Calorific Value	MJ/Nm³	15,8	13,0	14,4

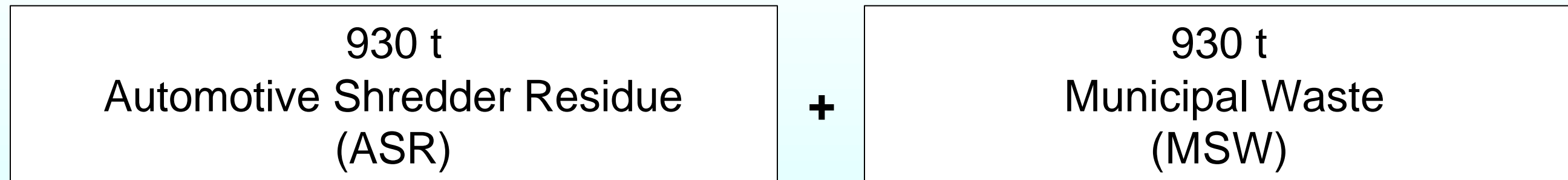
Operational Datas II

Typical admixing rates of several kinds of waste:

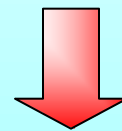
Plastics	5 ... 50 %	MSW Pellets	5 ... 50 %
Tar-Sludge Pellets	5 ... 25 %	Contam. Wood	5 ... 15 %
Special Inputs (WEEE, Pellets from paintings, roofing felt, ...)			5 ... 10 %

- admixing rate
(part of waste in the total input) until **80 %**
- ash-content in the total input between **10 ... 25 %**
- total troughput (*depending from performance and input material*) until **36 t/hr**
- crude gas quantities between **25,000 ... 35,000 Nm³_{dry}/hr**
- range of capacity between **4,000 and 6,000 m³ O₂/hr**

Large Scale Test 2003
Material Recycling of Shredder Residue



Pellet Production (ASR/MSW)



Gasification in the slagging gasifier (BGL)
3 days period, max. 33 t/hr
50 wt.-% ASR/MSW-Pellets , 30 wt.- % mixed plastics, 20 wt.-% coal
that means: Shredder Residue 25 wt.-% (8,25 t/hr)
crude gas output: 32,000 Nm³/hr

Official Status as material recycler

Large Scale test 2005, Material Recycling of WEEE



- admixing rate in WEEE/MSW-Pellets: **32,5%**
- admixing rate in BGL-gasifier: **about 50 wt.-% WEEE/MSW-Pellets (that means 15 wt -% WEEE)**
- stable run of the plant
- troughput BGL-Gasifier: **26 t/hr**
among them 13 t/hr WEEE/MSW - Pellets
- crude gas output: **about 25,000 m³ /hr**

Further Developments to Improve the Availability



<u>Problem</u>	<u>Solution</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cloggings of the slag water cooler 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New design and manufacturing of larger slag water coolers
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cloggings at the slag outlet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Decreasing of heat losses by installation of SiC-cone at the slag outlet nozzle and optimization of coolings ▪ Installation to pick out metals from the loading belts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Edge life of the nozzles for the gasification agent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Double coating of the nozzle heads with suitable wear resistant material
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stability of the fill-in shaft 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New design of the fill-in shaft and installation of thermostable material to improve the mechanical and thermal stability
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Loading problems (rolling of material) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Changes in the outlet-geometry of the feed hopper and control optimization of the waste/coal input
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Range of capacity of the plant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Improvement of the control and adaption to the oxygen input to the requirements of the compound operation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Additions of coke-like material in the upper part of the gasifier (specially on the crude gas outlet) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cooling of the upper part by specific water jets

SVZ Future Prospects and Visions



Rising oil and gas prices and worldwide interest in stability and reliability of energy supply will lead to a revival of coal chemical industry.

Schwarze Pumpe has best conditions for technological leadership in this field because of the long standing experience and the large scale operation.

The Sustec Group as the probable new owner of SVZ has announced financial restructuring and extensive investments on the Schwarze Pumpe site:

- installation of a new coal gasification (based on GSP-process)**
- extension of the methanol production**

The aim is to demonstrate the competitiveness and the technology leadership in coal and waste gasification.

Thank you for your kind attention



My Colleagues and I are available to further discussions.

For more and detailed information about SVZ and BGL operation we recommend the

***Technical Tour to Schwarze Pumpe.
(Saturday, 18th of June 2005)***