

Industrial Ammonia Heat Pumps in Food Processing

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Introduction – Food Processing

- **Considerable Refrigeration Loads**
 - **Heat Absorbed and Rejected to Atmosphere**
 - **Low Grade Heat: 70°F to 90°F**
- **Significant Hot Water Loads**
 - **130°F to 160°F Water used for Sanitizing**
- **Ammonia is Typically Used as the Refrigerant in Food Processing Facilities**
 - **Exceptional Refrigerant Characteristics**
 - **Low Cost**

Opportunity – Ammonia Heat Pumps

- **Converts the Waste Heat of Ammonia Refrigeration into Useable Heat**
- **Offsets Fossil Fuels Burned to Produce Hot Water**
- **Savings**
 - **Heat Energy Reduced by 30% to 70%, or more**
 - **Corresponding Reduction of GHG Emissions**
 - **Energy Cost Savings from 30% to 90%**
 - **Condenser Water Consumption Reduced by 10 mil. to 30 mil. gallons per year**
 - **Waste Water Reduction**
 - **Reduction of Water Treatment Chemicals**

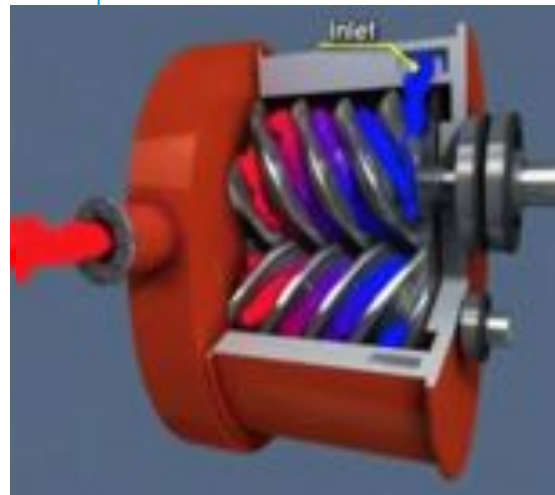
Limitations – Ammonia Heat Pumps

- Compressors are Limited by Pressure



Ammonia is not yet used in high-temperature industrial heat pumps because there are currently no suitable high-pressure compressors available (40 bar maximum). If efficient high-pressure compressors are developed, ammonia will be an excellent high-temperature working fluid. (circa 2008)

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Twin Screw

High Bearing Loads

Challenged at High Pressures

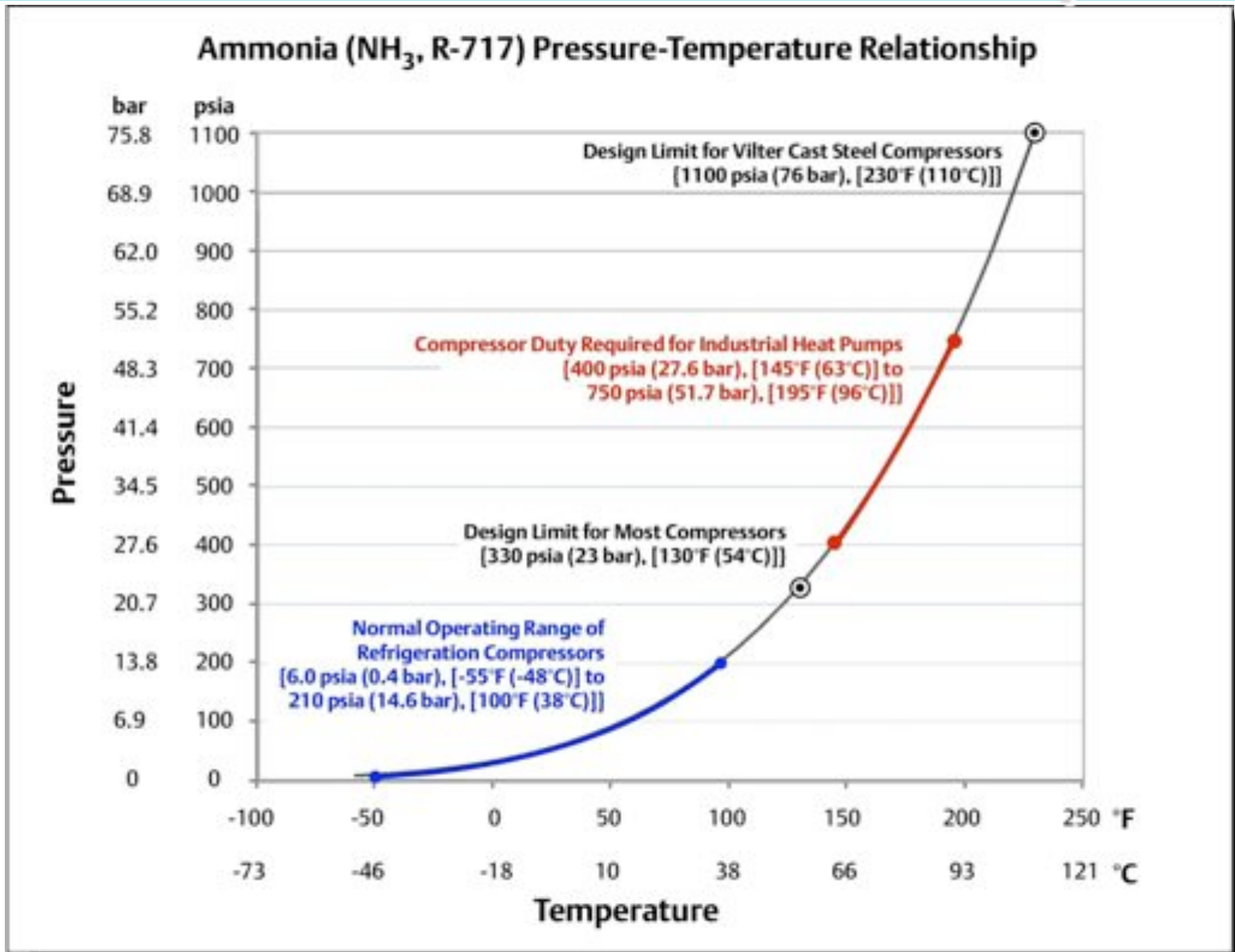
Single Screw

Balanced Loads

Suited for High Pressures



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Industrial Heat Pump Design Parameters

PROJECT: Kraft Foods, Oscar Mayer Plant; Davenport, Iowa, USA

OBJECTIVE: Use an Industrial Ammonia Heat Pump to replace a Direct Contact Water Heater

Direct Contact Water Heater

- Capacity = 7.013 MMBtu
- Average Flow Rate = 170 gpm
- Average Inlet Temperature = 62.5°F
- Outlet Temperature = 145°F
- Fuel: Natural Gas
- Efficiency: 97%
- Hourly Operating Cost = \$50.61



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Ammonia Heat Pump

- **Summer: 205 GPM, 65F to 145F**
- **8,200 MBH/3.41 = 2,405kW**
- **Suction = 160 psig**
Condensing = 510 psig
- **Power = 594 HP/1.34 = 443kW**
- **COP = 2,405/443 = 5.43**
- **Winter: 135 GPM, 60F to 145F**
- **5,738 MBH/3.41 = 1,682kW**
- **Suction = 105 psig**
Condensing = 510 psig
- **Power = 562 HP/1.34 = 419kW**
- **COP = 1,682/419 = 4.01**

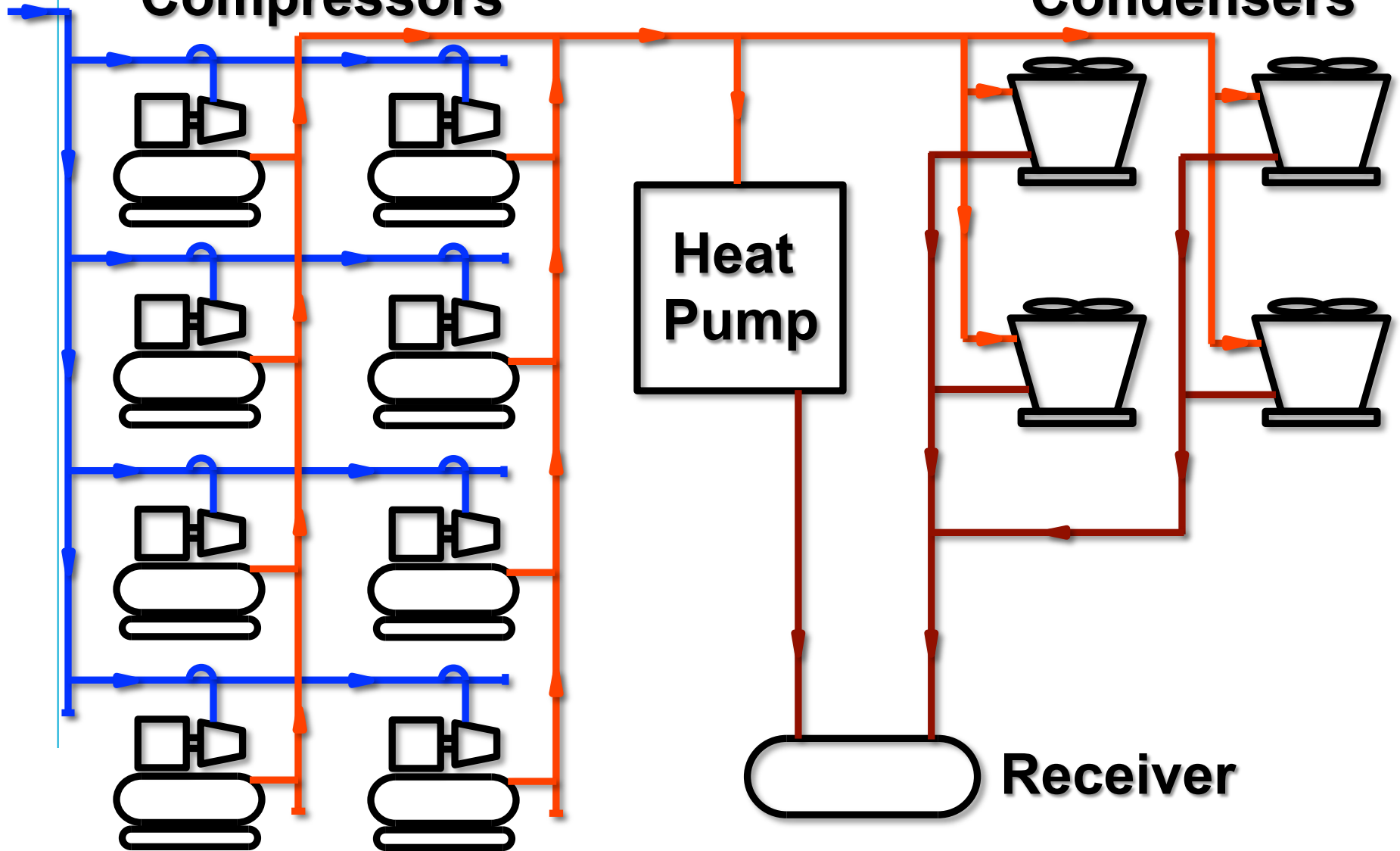
Average COP = 4.7

Average Hourly Operating Cost = \$19.40

Industrial Heat Pump - Refrigeration

Compressors

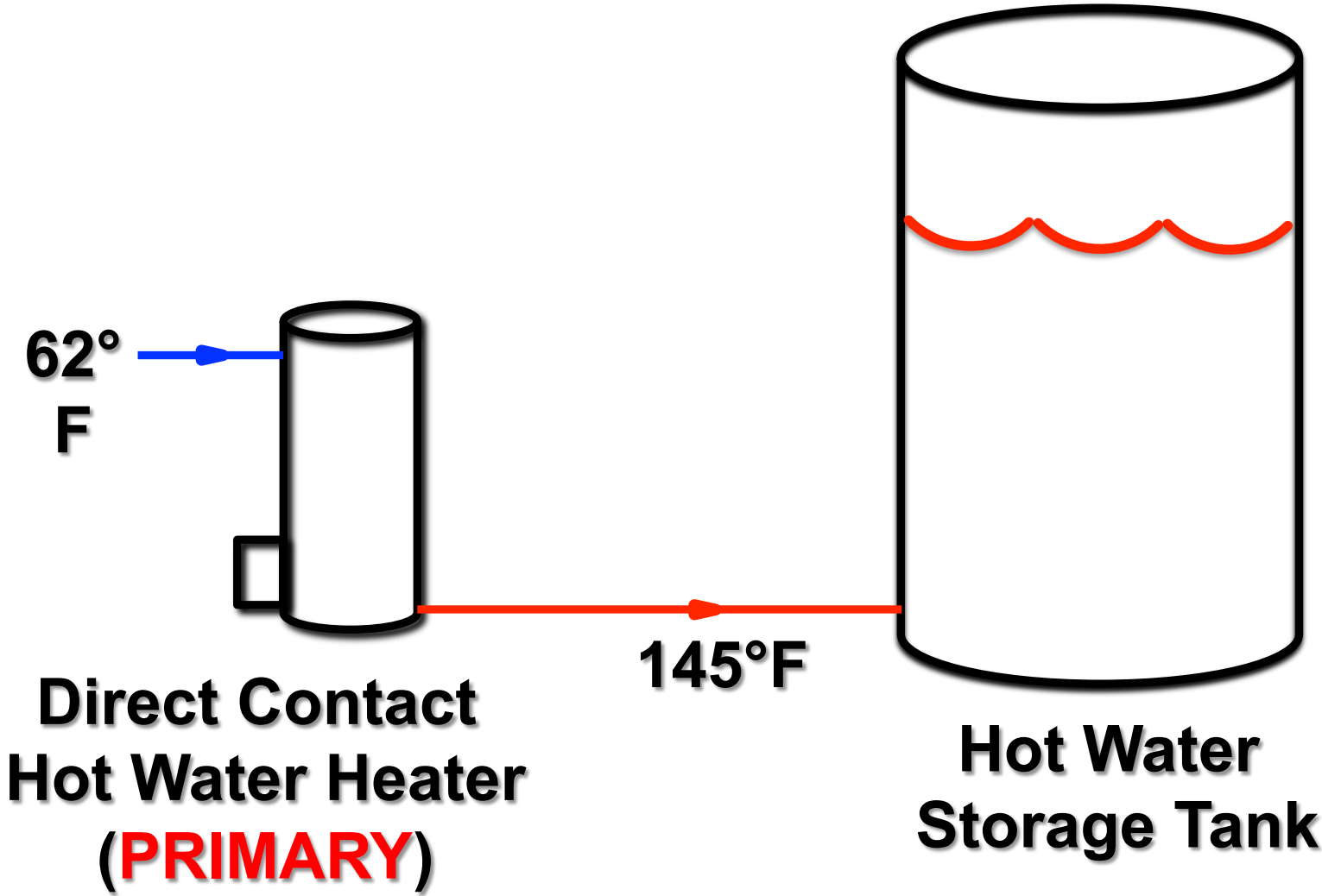
Condensers



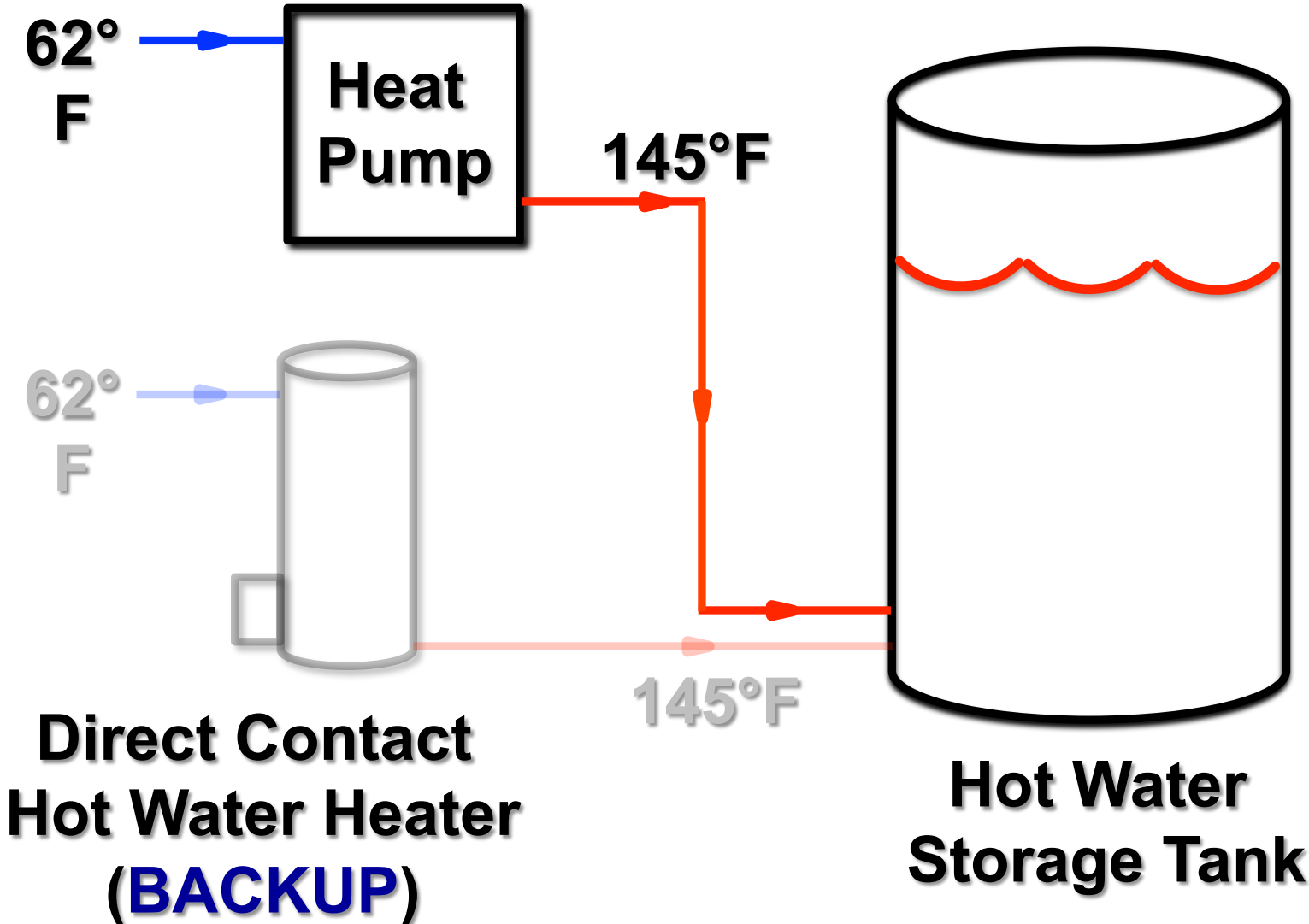
**Heat
Pump**

Receiver

Industrial Heat Pump - Hot Water



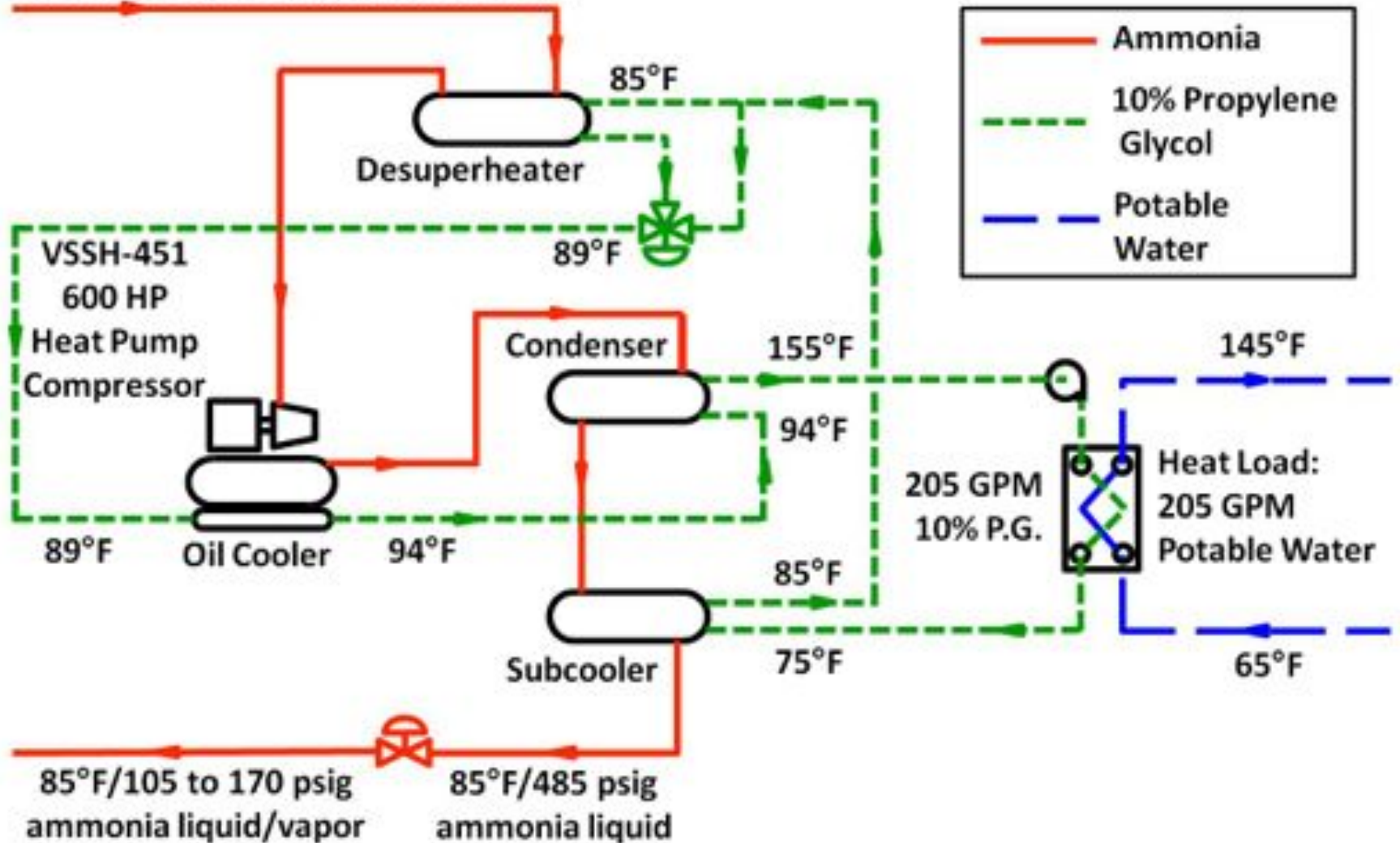
Industrial Heat Pump - Hot Water



Industrial Heat Pump - Schematic

Heat Source:

140°F/105 to 170 psig ammonia vapor

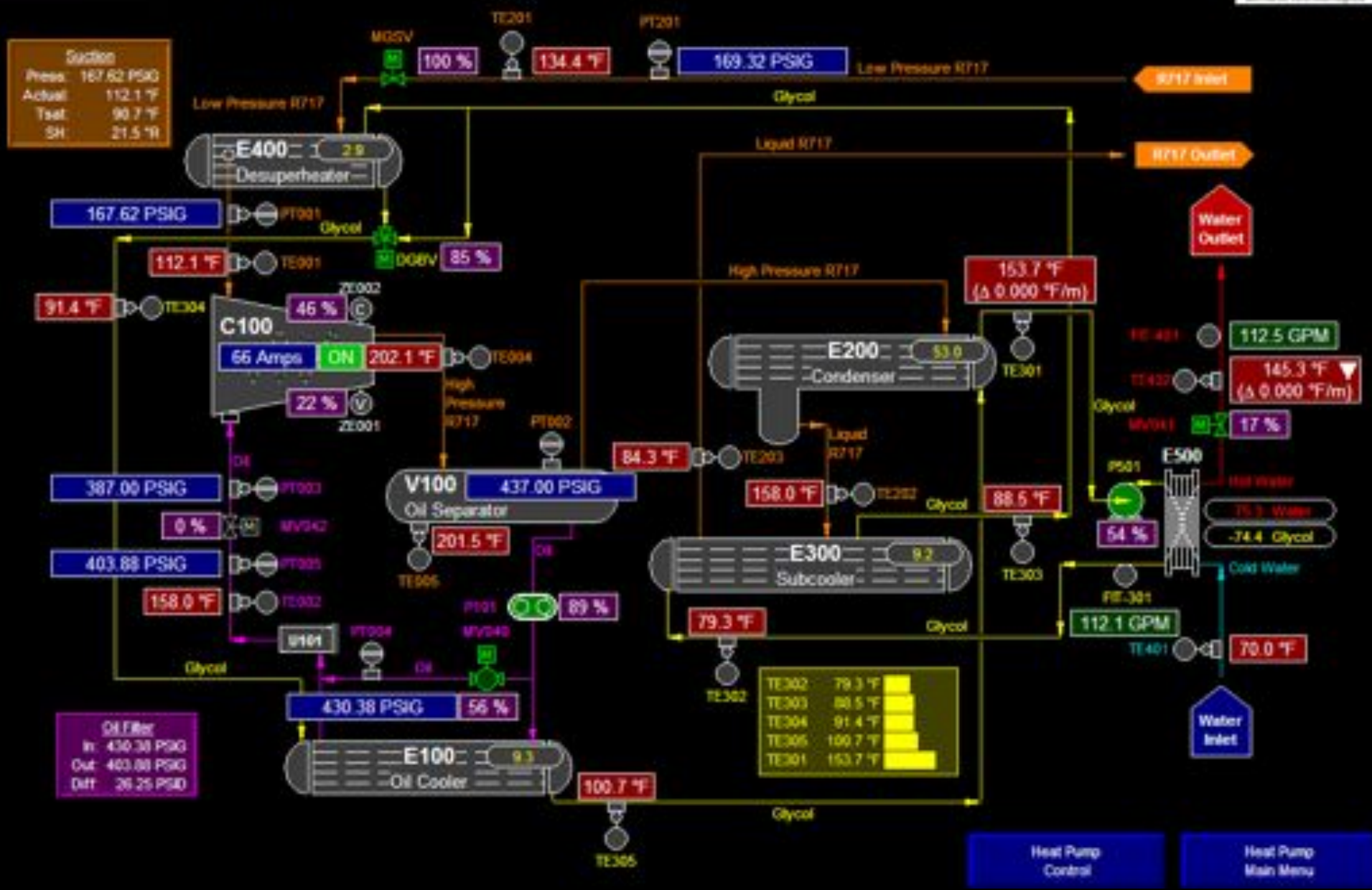




Heat Output: 4143 MBTU
COP: 5.57



Section
Press: 167.62 PSIG
Actual: 112.1 °F
Test: 90.7 °F
SH: 21.5 °R

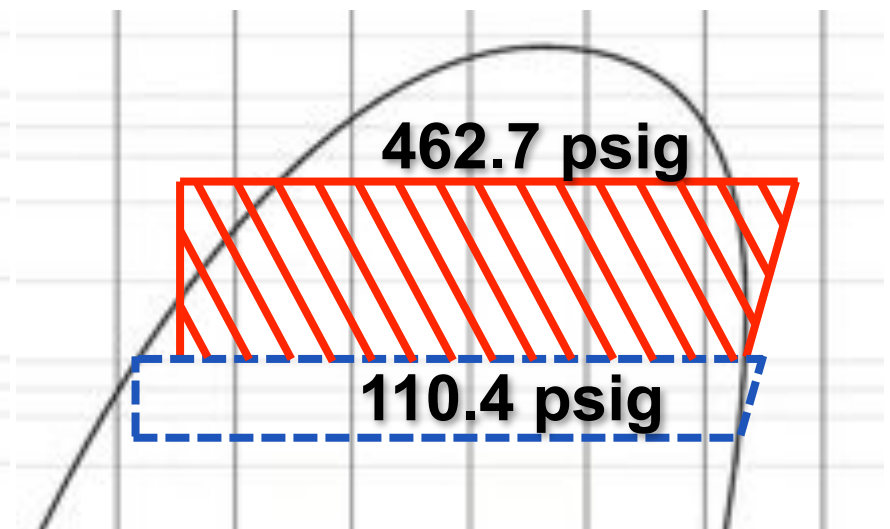
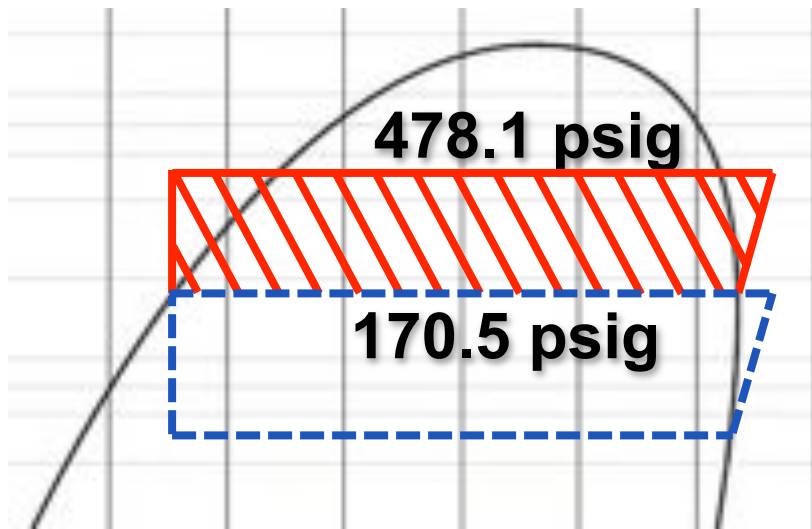


Actual Results

Industrial Ammonia Heat Pump - Kraft

Summer

Winter



8,080.6 MBH/3.41 = 2,369.5 kW
 Power = 364.0 kW
 COP = 2,369.5/364.0 = 6.51

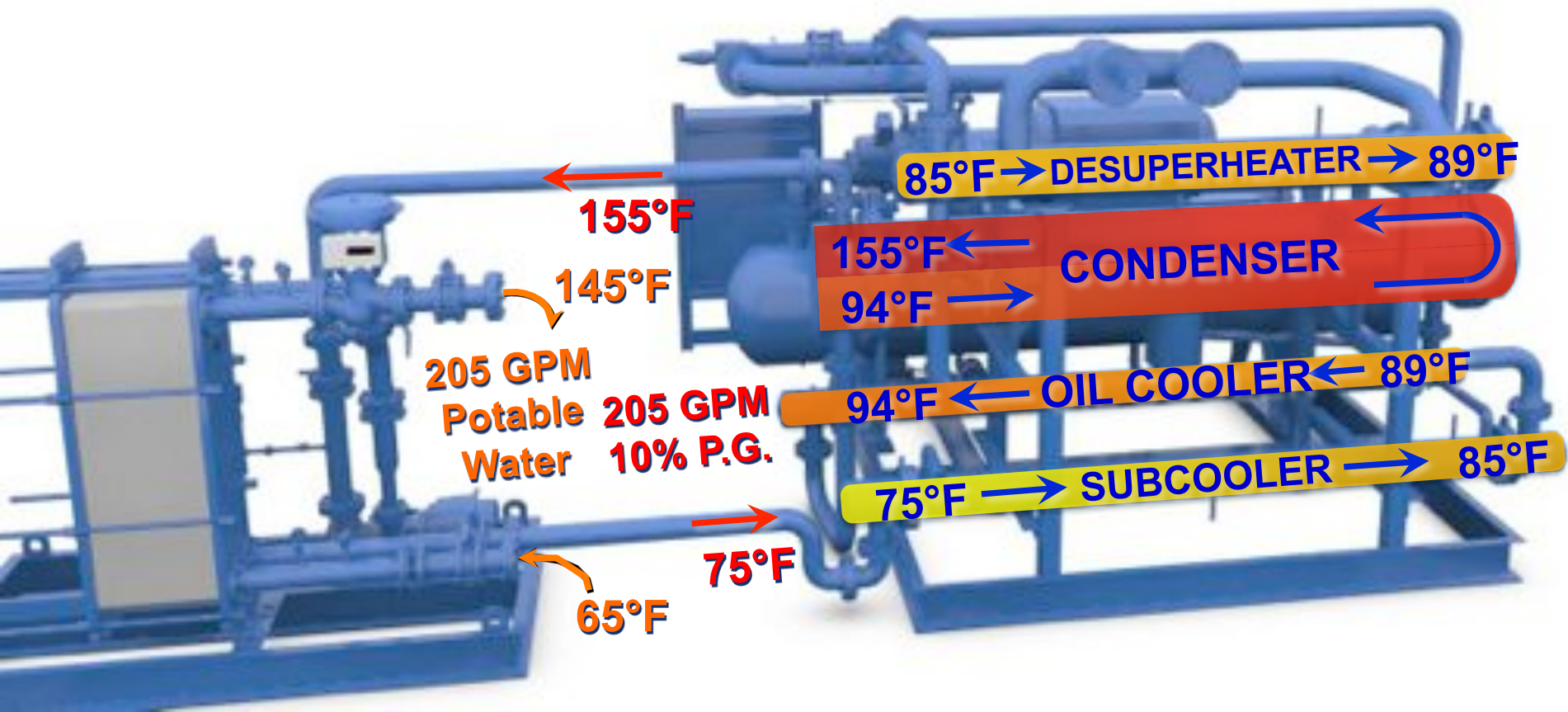
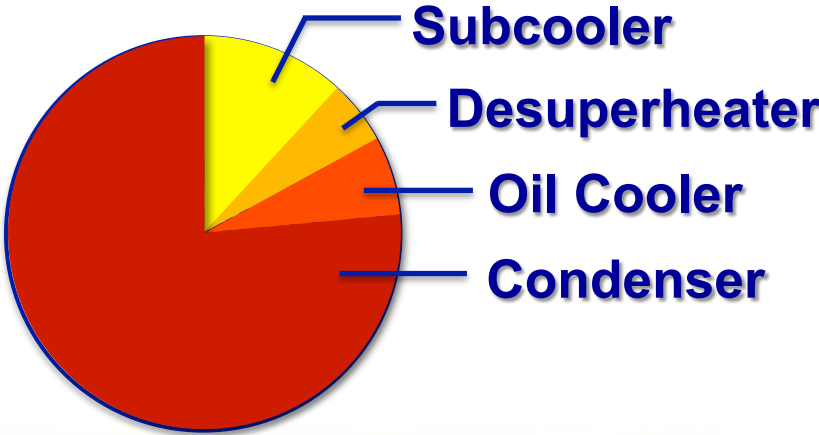
4,857.6 MBH/3.41 = 1,423.6 kW
 Power = 336.9 kW
 COP = 1,423.6/336.9 = 4.23

Actual Results

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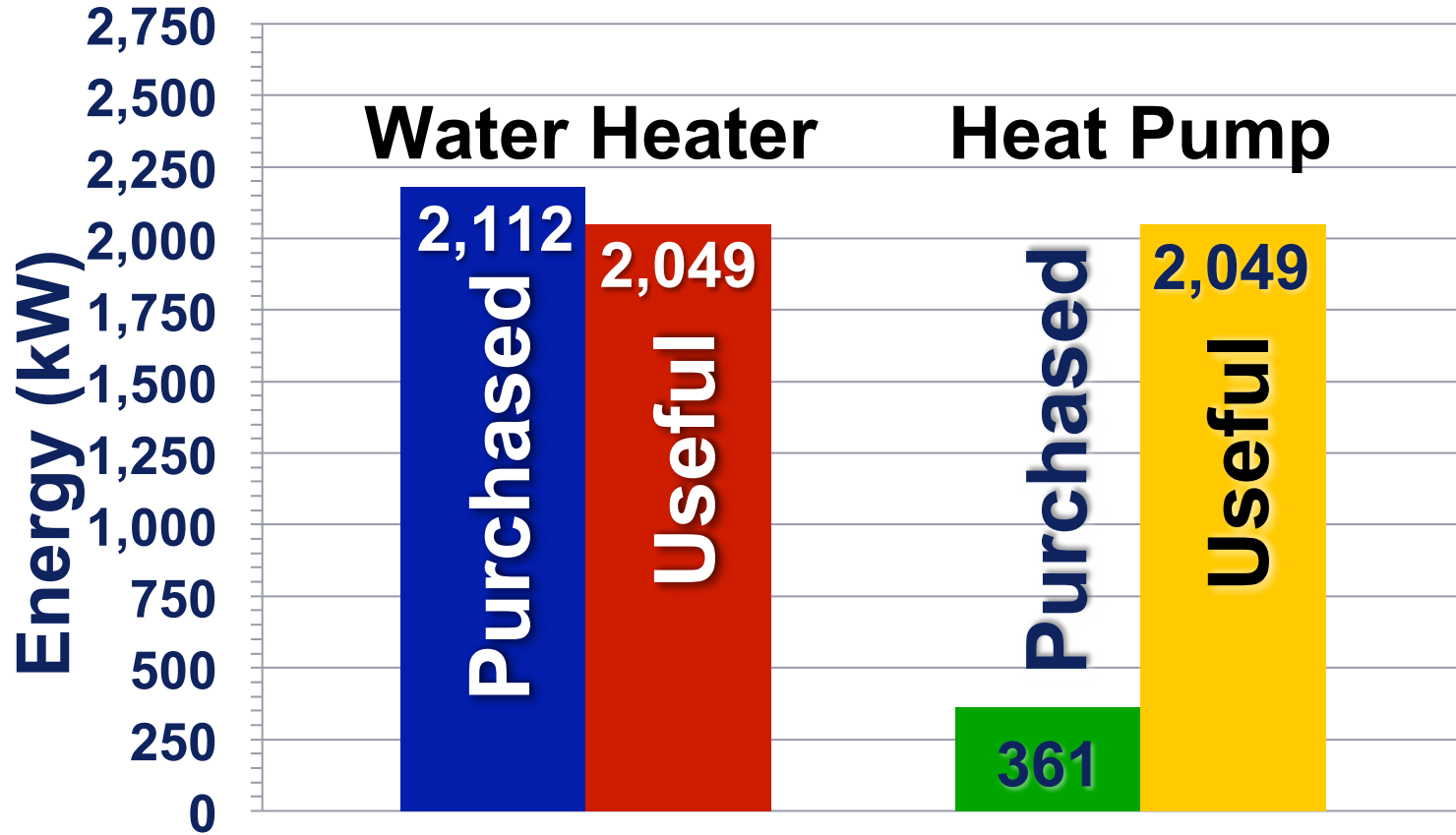
VSSH-451 at 66°F to 86°F Suction
Delivering 170 GPM Water at 145°F
Saving +\$31/hour



Actual Results

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Heating Energy



160 PSIG

Host System Condensing Pressure
(Heat Pump Suction Pressure)

Actual Results

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Annual Energy Cost Savings

Direct Contact Water Heating

- 60,115,909 MBH/year
- 97% Efficiency
- \$7.00/1000 MBH
- 61,975,164 MBH/year
- Annual Oper. Cost = \$433,826

Heat Pump Water Heating

- 3,518,946 kWh/year
- 96% Motor Efficiency
- \$.045/kWh
- 3,665,569 kWh/year
- Annual Oper. Cost = \$164,951

Annual Energy Cost Savings

$$= \$433,826 - \$164,951 = \underline{\underline{\$268,875}}$$

35% Return on Investment

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RIGHT NOW



The world's leading food processors are not only saving 50 percent on energy costs, they're topping it off with a reduction in water consumption of 30 million gallons a year.

Thank You!



