# Life Cycle Cost Analysis of Gas Turbines

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### Agenda

- Considerations in unit selection
  - Capital Investment requirements
  - Operational Needs
  - Maintenance
- Case Study #1
- Case Study #2
- Case Study #3



# Capital Investment



### Design Outputs

- Fuel Consumption
- Load Factor
  - Efficiency
  - Multiple Units
- Starts/Stops
- Operating Hours
- Operating Conditions
- Emissions
  - Air
  - Noise



### **Utilities**

- Power
- Water
- Fuel
- Heating
  - Domestic
  - •Fuel
- Compressed Air
  - Requirements
  - Multiple Systems



### **Facilities**

- •Land Area
  - Current
  - Future
  - Accessibility
  - Security



# Spare Inventory

- Inventory
  - •Filter Elements
  - Seal Kit
  - Bearings
  - •Ignitors
  - Combustors
- Tooling



# **Operating Costs**



### Personnel

#### **Operation**

- Operating season/lifespan
- Remote vs staffed facilities
- Operating Engineers vs Turbine Operators and Mechanics
  - Wages
  - Background
  - Training costs
  - Union Considerations



### Personnel

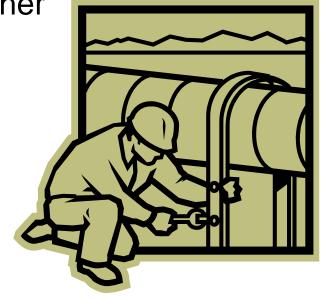
#### **Maintenance**

 Industrial Mechanics, I&C Technicians, Electricians (crossover), Other

LTSA/FSR support

#### Management/Administrative





# **Utility Costs**

#### **Electrical Power**

- Consumers
  - Air Compression
  - Motors
  - I&C Systems control panels, consoles, transmitters, fire and gas detection
  - Cooling systems
- Grid Power vs. On-Site Generation
  - Availability
  - Reliability
  - Cost (Smart Metering)



### **Utility Costs**

#### **Fuel**

- Type depends on location/product
- Thermal and Pneumatic Loads
- Fuel Conditioning
- Fuel quality monitoring chromatography
- Piping system maintenance/inspection
- Utility Measurement Facilities

# **Utility Costs**

#### **Lubricating Oils**

- Sampling
- Stocked quantities
  - Climate control, shelf life



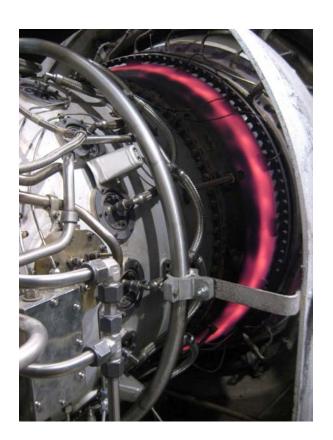
#### **Emission Monitoring**

- CEMS
  - Equipment O&M Costs
- PEMS
  - Cost to maintain instrumentation for additional inputs



#### **Scheduled Inspections**

- Compressor soak wash
  - Design Consideration
    - Off line wash = equipment downtime
    - Online wash = additional capital
- Oil sampling



#### **Scheduled Inspections**

 4000 hours (igniters, borescope inspection, VIGV check mechanism)

8000 hours BOV checks, pressure switches,

electrical, HP3 air filter

Pre-start inspections



#### **Scheduled Overhauls**

- Scheduled Overhauls
  - Midlife overhaul
  - Complete overhaul
- Prolonged outage
- Options
  - Lease Engine
  - LTSA
  - Spare engine



#### Unscheduled

Resource considerations

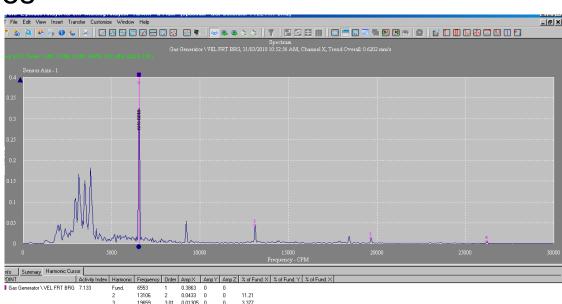
- In-house maintenance crews
- Level of expertise
- LTSA
- Factors to consider
  - maintenance window
  - Redundancy in system
  - Spare unit
  - Value of downtime





#### **Condition Monitoring/Predictive Maintenance**

- Detection of early-stage problems
- Vibration analysis
- Fluid analysis
- avoid costly failures

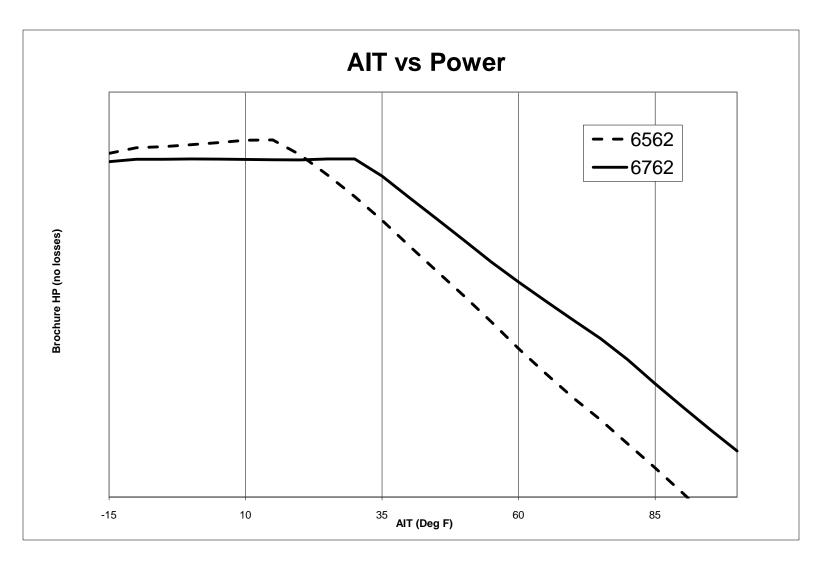


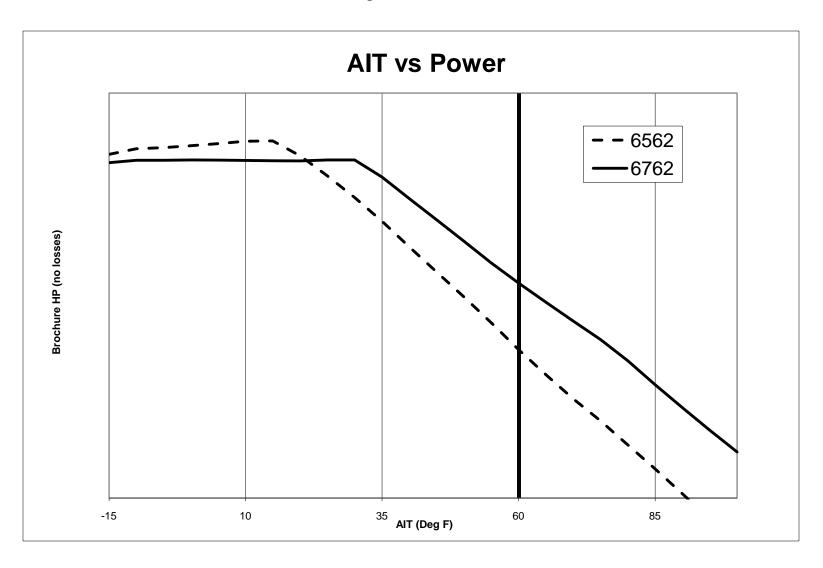
### CASE STUDY 1

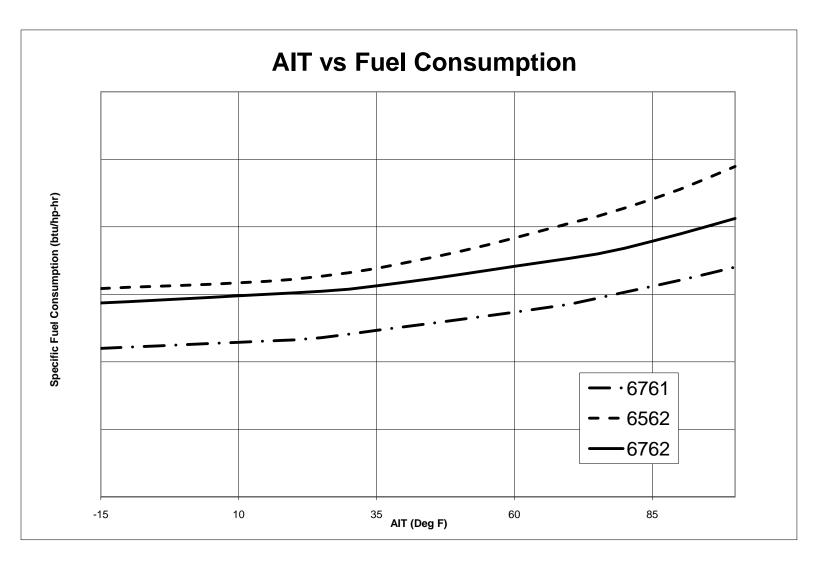
Gas Compressor for Storage Pool Injection/Withdrawal Service



- Design Parameters
  - Injection May September
  - Withdrawal October March
  - Large operating range
- Located in large compression facility
- Options
  - Rolls Royce 6561
  - Rolls Royce 6761
  - Rolls Royce 6762





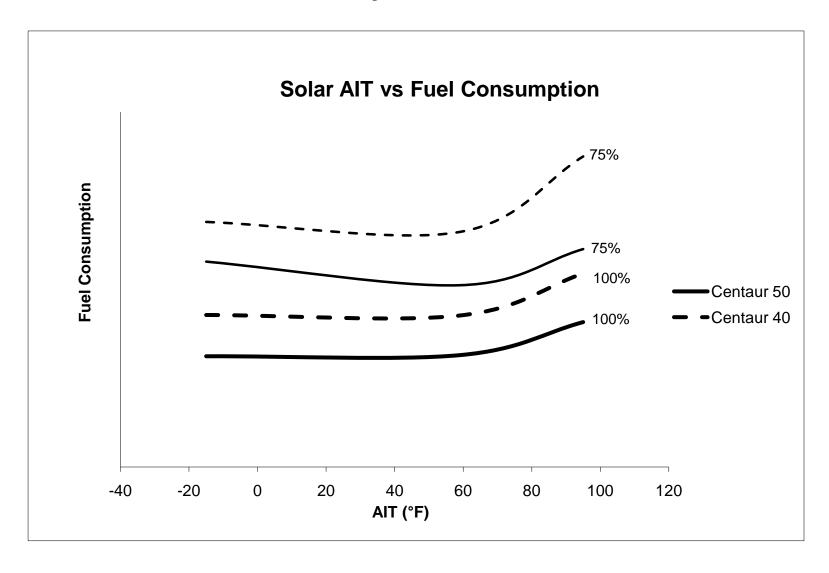


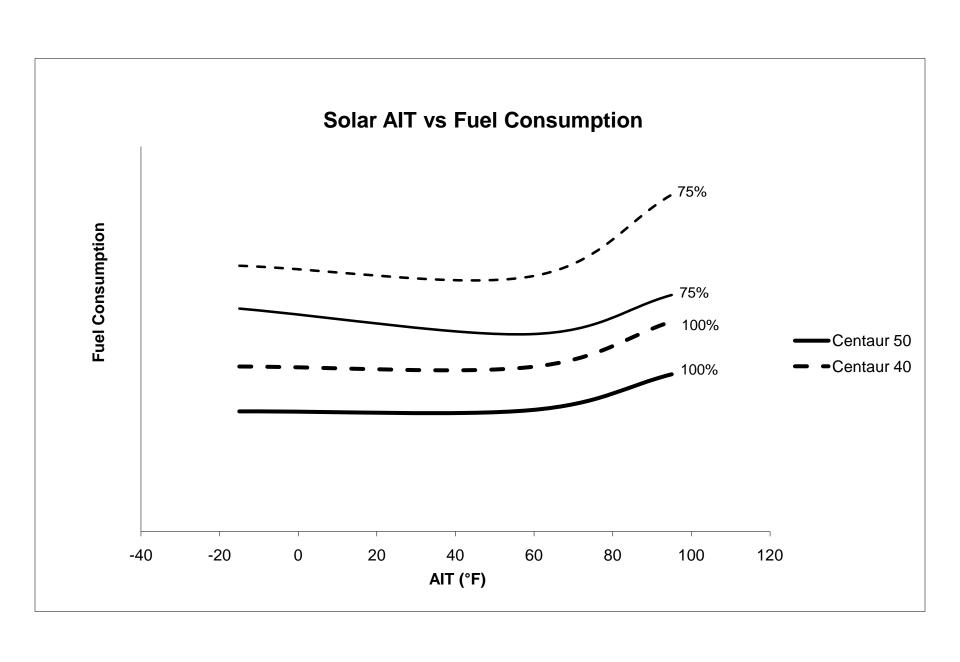
### CASE STUDY 2

Remote Compressor for Storage Pool Injection/Withdrawal Service



- Design Parameters
  - Injection May September
  - Withdrawal October March
  - Centralized compression for multiple pools
- Remote compression facility
- Options
  - Solar Centaur 40
  - Solar Centaur 50





### CASE STUDY 3

Generic Power Generating Station w/ Utility Fuel Supply



#### **Capital Investment by Owner**

- Land for metering station
- Drainage facilities for metering station
- Power for metering station
- Additional gas compression (possibly provided by utility)

#### **Capital Investment by Utility**

- Tap into pipeline/well
- Pipeline
- Metering station

#### **Operating Costs for Utility**

- Routine equipment maintenance/inspections
- Fuel to metering station
- Corrosion control and pipeline surveys



#### **Cost Sharing**

- Establish ownership of costs in detail early on.
- Storage/delivery revenues rolled in with capital investment and O&M costs determine NPV
- NPV will determine "aid to construct"