

S-MAN heating systems

Fuel saving methods

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- Based on a dry cargo vessel with a thermal oil system consisting of one 900 kW oil fired heater and one 900 kW exhaust gas heater.
 - Cost for piping, insulation, installation and transportation not included (neither is yard profit)
 - Fuel price (MDO): 600 \$ per ton (20091104)
 - Exchange rate €/\$: 1,48 (20091104)
 - Electricity cost onboard: 0,12 €/kWh
 - Increased fuel consumption due to extra weight not included.
 - These costs are valid for this example vessel only
 - Pumps used 7700 h per year

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- Reduce the electrical and fuel consumption of the heating system
 - More efficient pumps/pumpmotors
 - Reduce friction
 - Reduce the need of heat
 - Minimise the use of the oil fired boiler
- What to do with the heat?

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- Change the circulation pump motors from EFFII to EFFI
 - € 300 in annual savings (thermal oil)
 - Extra cost € 800 for 2 motors of 17,5 kW.
 - Electricity cost with EFFII: € 13300

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- Reduce the friction losses of the thermal oil or water by bigger valves and pipes (50% speed)
 - € 1 400 in annual savings (thermal oil)
 - Motor size decreases from 17,5 to 14,5 kW
 - Reduces the cost of the pumps but increases the cost of the valves in total about € 3650

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- Reduce the friction losses of the thermal oil or water by increasing the temp jump with 20%
 - € 3 200 in annual savings (thermal oil)
 - Motor size decreases from 17,5 to 13 kW
 - Reduces the cost of the pumps and valves but increases the cost of the exhaust gas heater with in total € 5 850

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- Reduce the friction losses of the thermal oil or water by increasing the temp jump with 20% and having bigger valves and pipes
 - €5 800 in annual savings (thermal oil)
 - Motor size decreases from 17,5 to 13 kW
 - Increases the system cost with in total about € 8 150

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- Insulate the tanks and hereby reduce the need of heat
 - € 8 000 in annual savings (thermal oil)
 - Losses are normally about 50% of heat need
 - 10 cm insulation reduces the losses with almost 90%
 - i.e. reduces the size of the heating system with more than 40%
 - Saves more than € 40 000 in heating system cost
 - 2 000 m² insulation costs about € 1 500

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- Aux exhaust gas heater
 - € 16 000 in annual savings (thermal oil)
 - For a Wärtsilä 8L20 engine
 - Output of exhaust gas heater 350 kW (85% MCR)
 - Aux engine used in average 3 h per day
 - Fuel cost to heat 1050 kWh per day: € 16 000 per year (MDO)
 - Cost of Aux exhaust gas heater incl pumps and valves € 28 900 (thermal oil)

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- Conclusion
 - Possible to do improvements
 - Potential savings about € 24 000 per year
Cost for piping, insulation, installation and transportation not included (neither is yard profit)
 - Saves about € 10 000 in heating system cost including the extra cost for insulation

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- Steam systems
 - 13,5% of boiler output wasted in Condensate cooler
 - Possible to decrease losses with undercooled steam traps
 - Cooling water pump for condensate cooler
 - 0,5 kW
 - Annually € 500
 - Feed water pump
 - 2 kW
 - Annually € 1750
 - Further 10% losses blow down and deaeration

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- Hotwater
 - € 7 000 in annual savings
 - Less than half the flow of thermal oil
 - Smaller valves and pipes can be used
 - Exhaust gas heater needs to be in stainless steel
 - Price triples
 - In total € 44 000 more expensive

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- Steam surplus generator
 - Oversized exhaust gas heater where the surplus heat produces electricity
 - About 120 kW electricity
 - Can produce about 10% in kW electricity out of the steam in kg/h
 - i.e. steam production 1000 kg/h
 - Electricity production almost 100 kW

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- ORC unit
 - Oversized exhaust gas heater where the surplus heat together with the engine cooling water produces electricity
 - Can produce about 600 kW electricity