

## **Zero Energy / Energy Positive Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant**

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# Introduction

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- Treatment of municipal wastewater has mainly been an energy demand vs. energy production. (Aerobic Treatment)
- Treatment of certain industrial wastewater allows for energy production vs. energy demand. (Anaerobic Treatment)
- WWTP can consume up to 30% of cities energy for providing drinking water and treating wastewater.
- More and more stringent regulations requires more and more energy to treat wastewater. Nitrification / Denitrification (electrical & carbon requirements)
- Energy opportunity from 3,800 m<sup>3</sup>/day is 30 kW of electricity.

# Energy in WWTP

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- **BOD Removal:** Organics  $\rightarrow$  CO<sub>2</sub>  
Medium Energy Demand: 1.0 kg Oxygen / kg BOD<sub>removed</sub>
- **Nitrogen Removal:**
  - a. Nitrification: Ammonia-N  $\rightarrow$  NO<sub>3</sub>  
High Energy Demand: 4.57 kg Oxygen / kg Ammonia<sub>removed</sub>
  - b. Denitrification – NO<sub>3</sub>  $\rightarrow$  N<sub>2</sub>
- **Introduction of DEMON for Nitrogen Removal: 60% Less Energy**
- **Anaerobic Sludge Digestion: Energy Produced**

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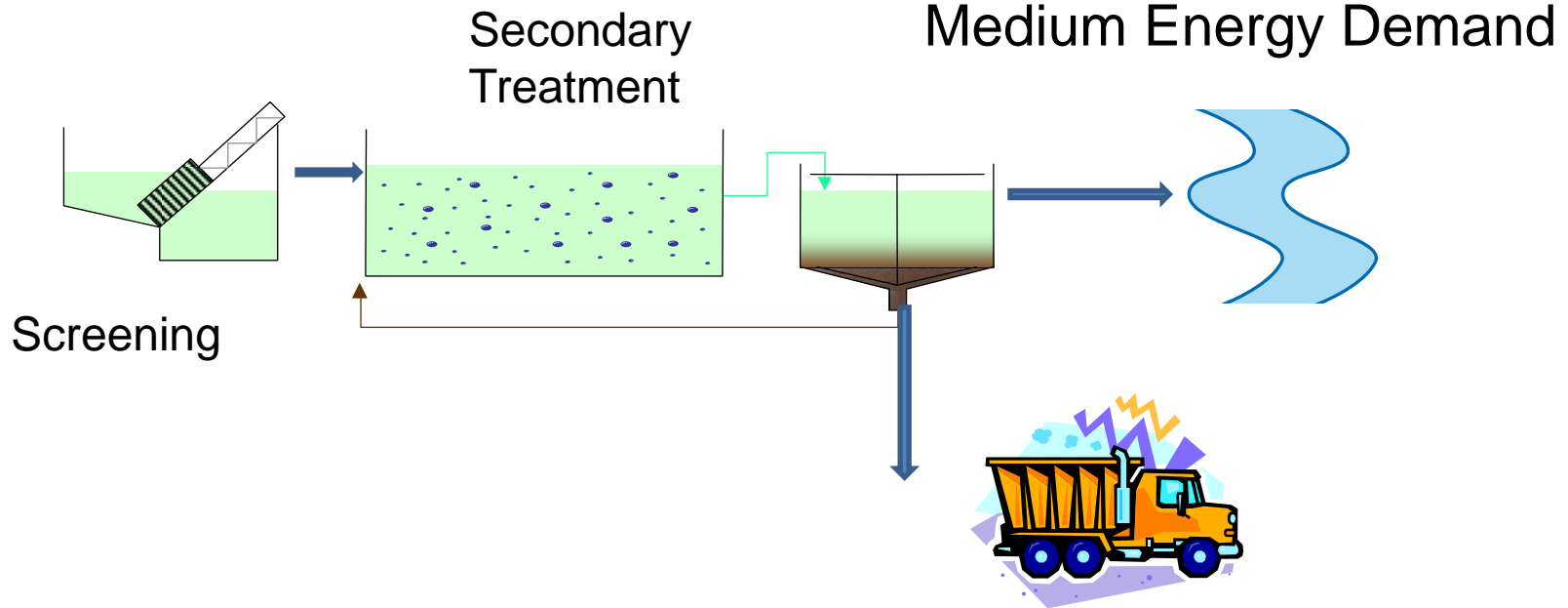
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# Typical WWTP Layout – Secondary Treatment – 1.0

95% BOD Removal

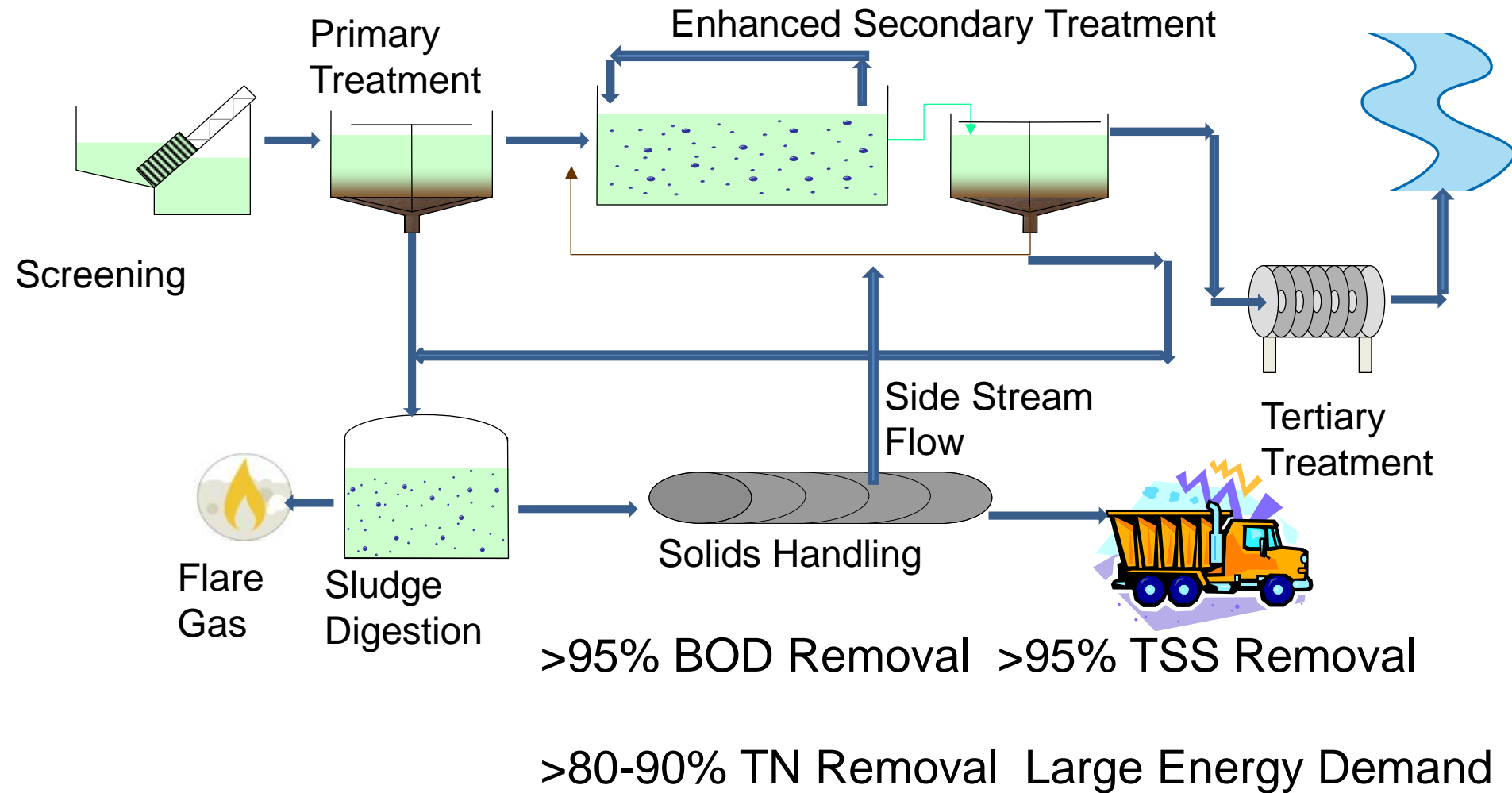
95% TSS Removal

Medium Energy Demand

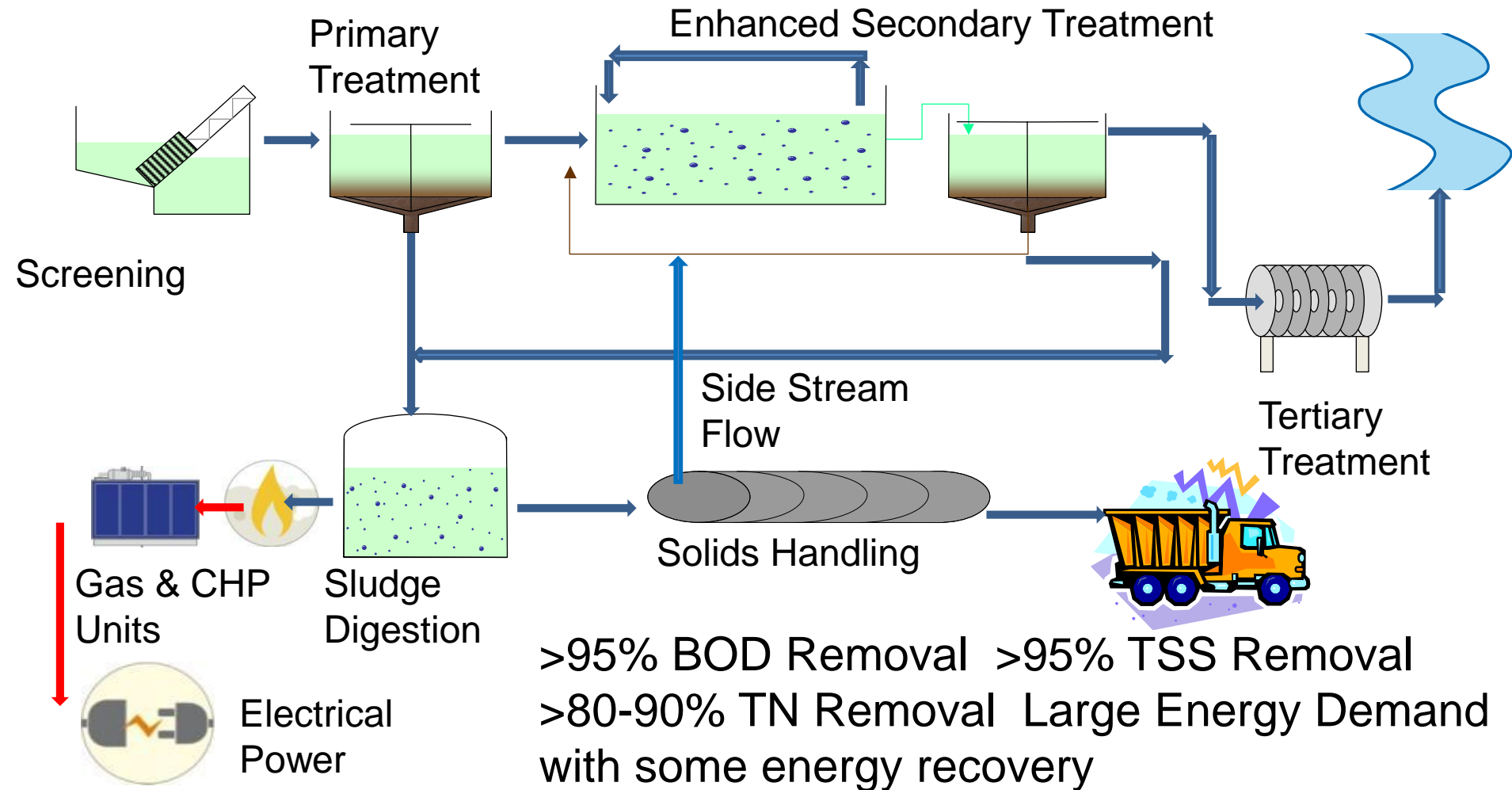




# Typical WWTP Layout – Enhanced Treatment – 2.0



## Typical WWTP Layout – Enhanced Treatment – 3.0





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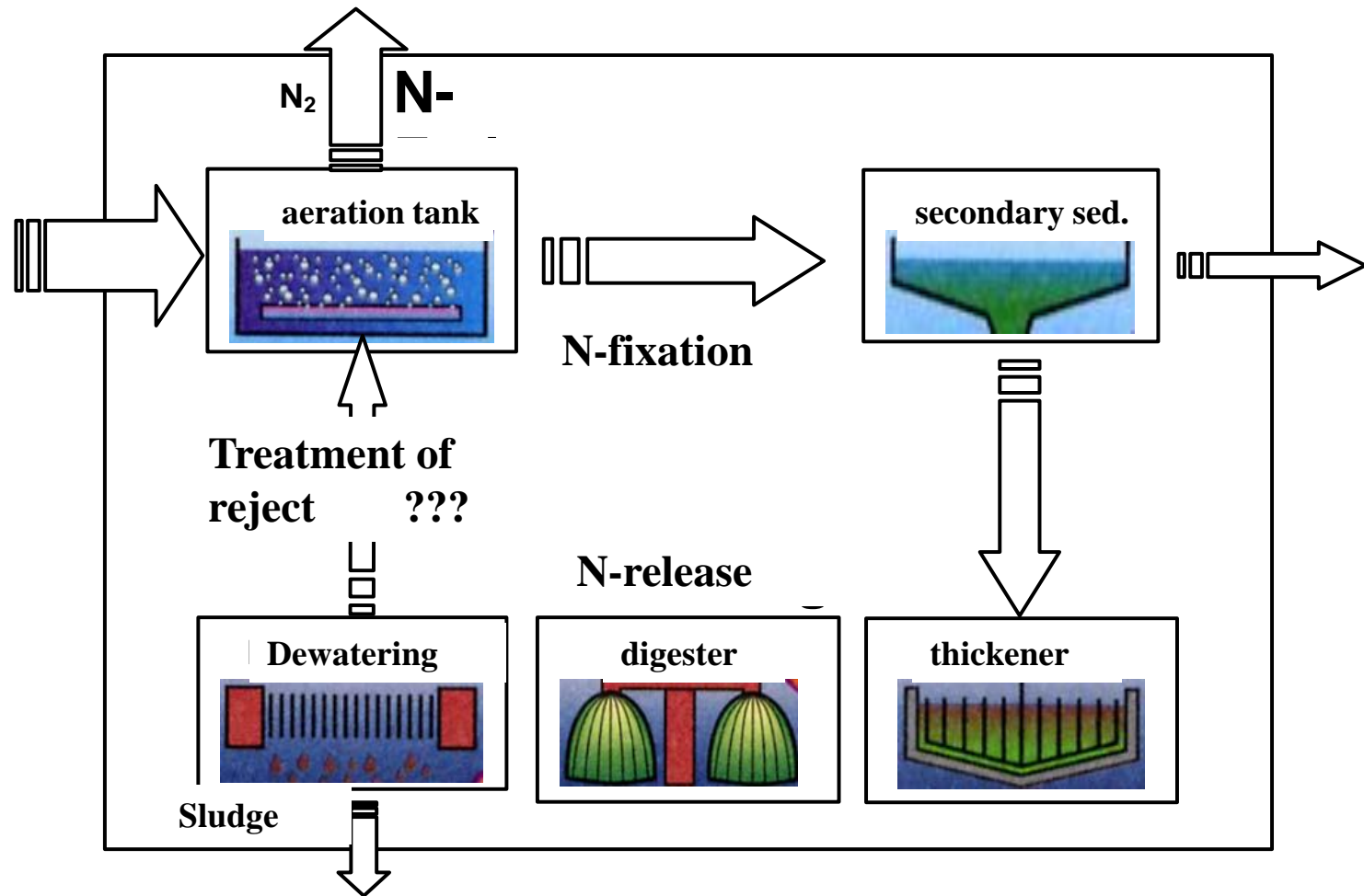
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# Sidestream Treatment

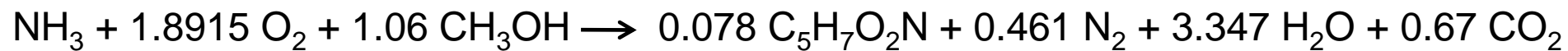
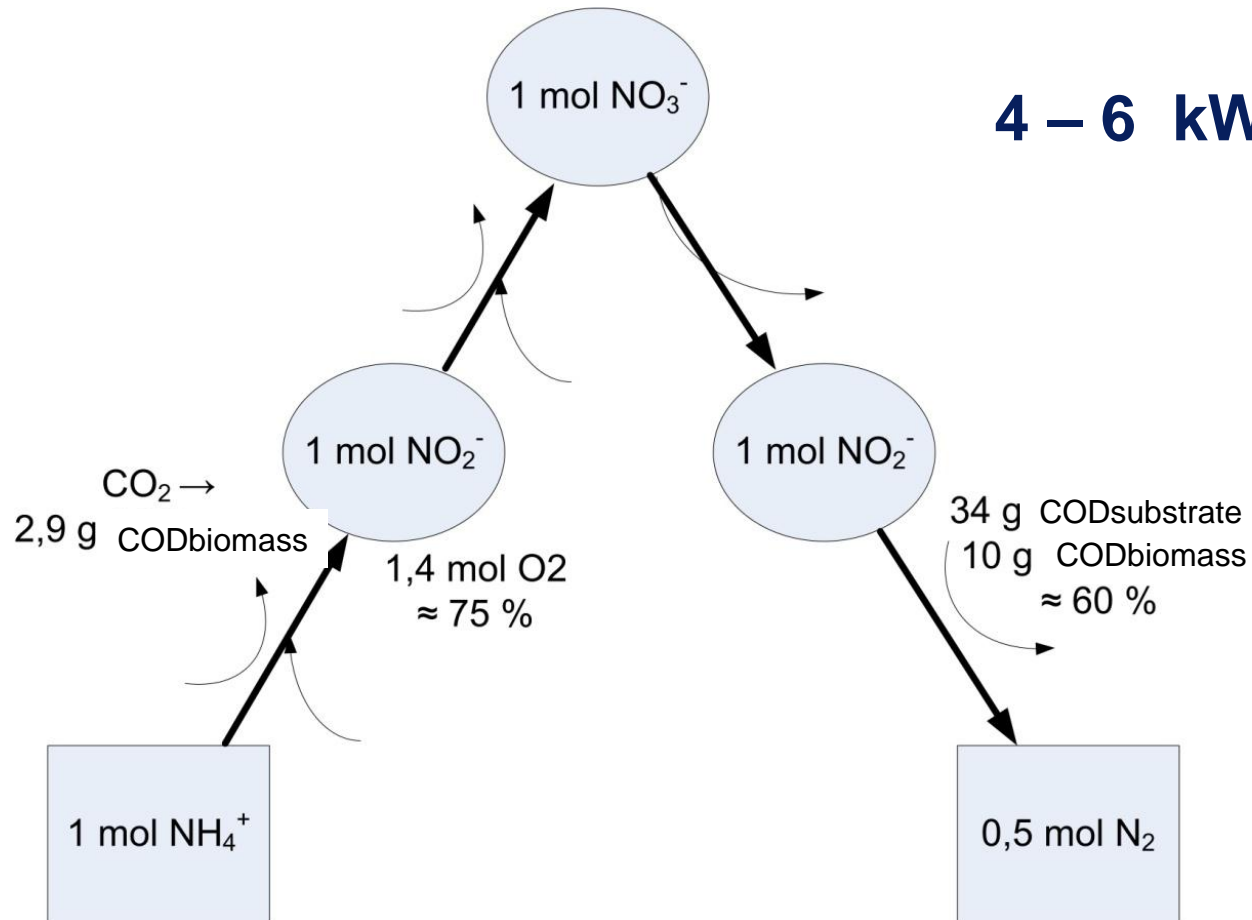


## Side Stream's within WWTP

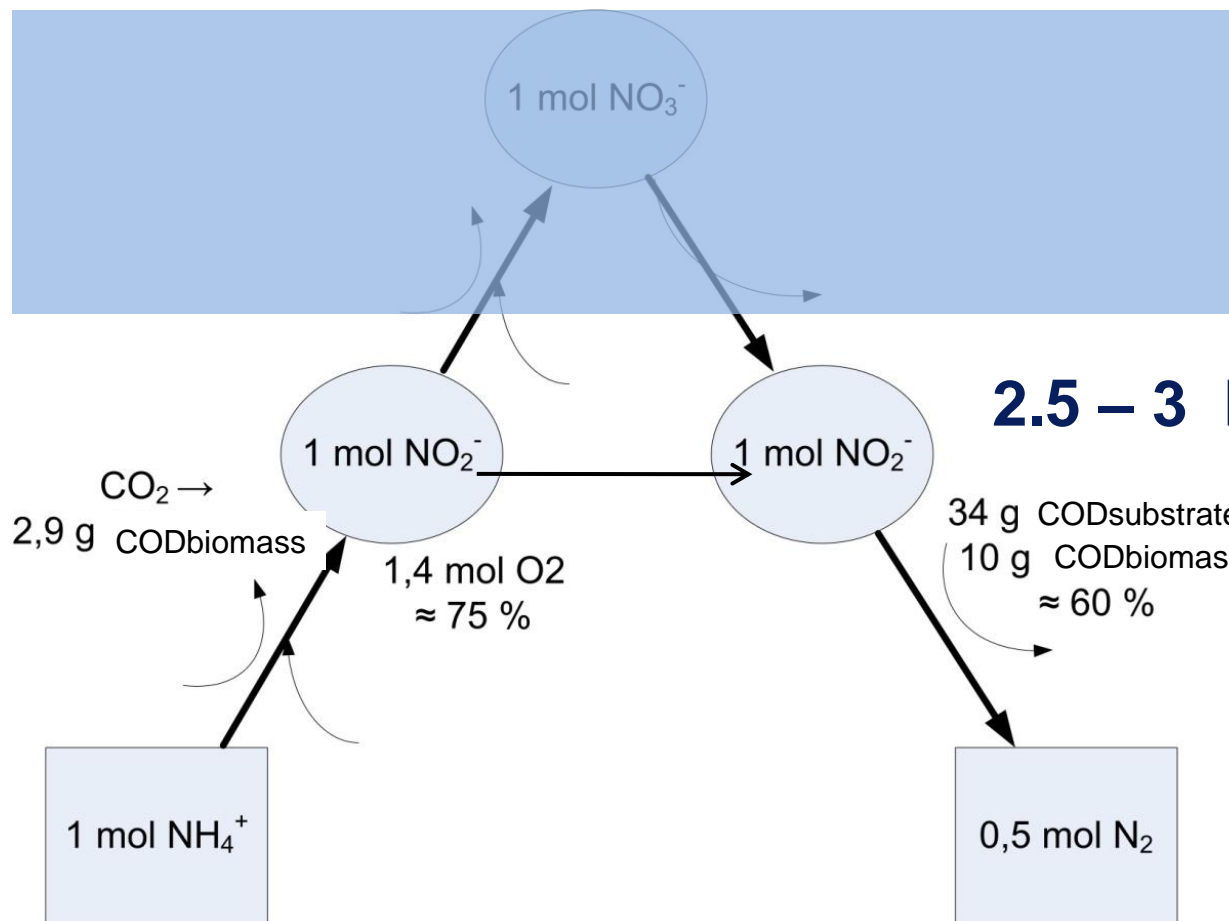
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- Anaerobic sludge digestion is good as it reduces volume of sludge to be discharged from facility.
  - Ammonia load from side streams can make up 15 – 30% of nitrogen load to WWTP. Recycling of N through plant
  - Reduction in C/N ratio to minimize denitrification potential – thus requiring external carbon for meeting low effluent Nitrogen limits

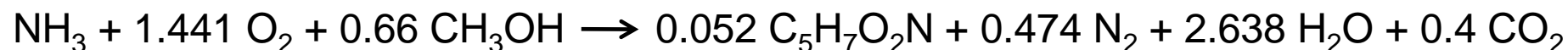
# Standard Nitrification / Denitrification



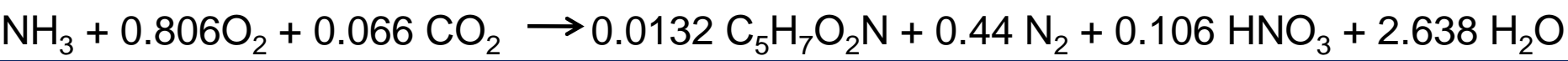
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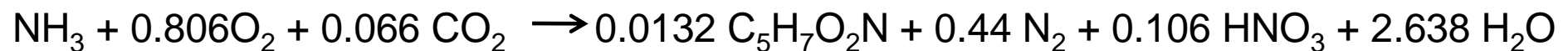
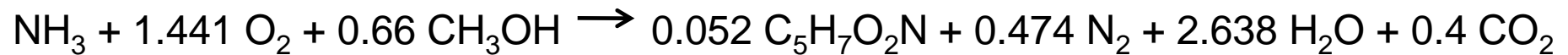
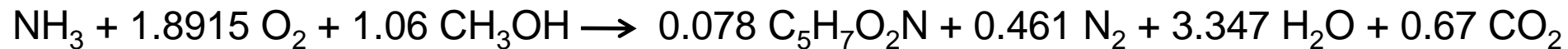
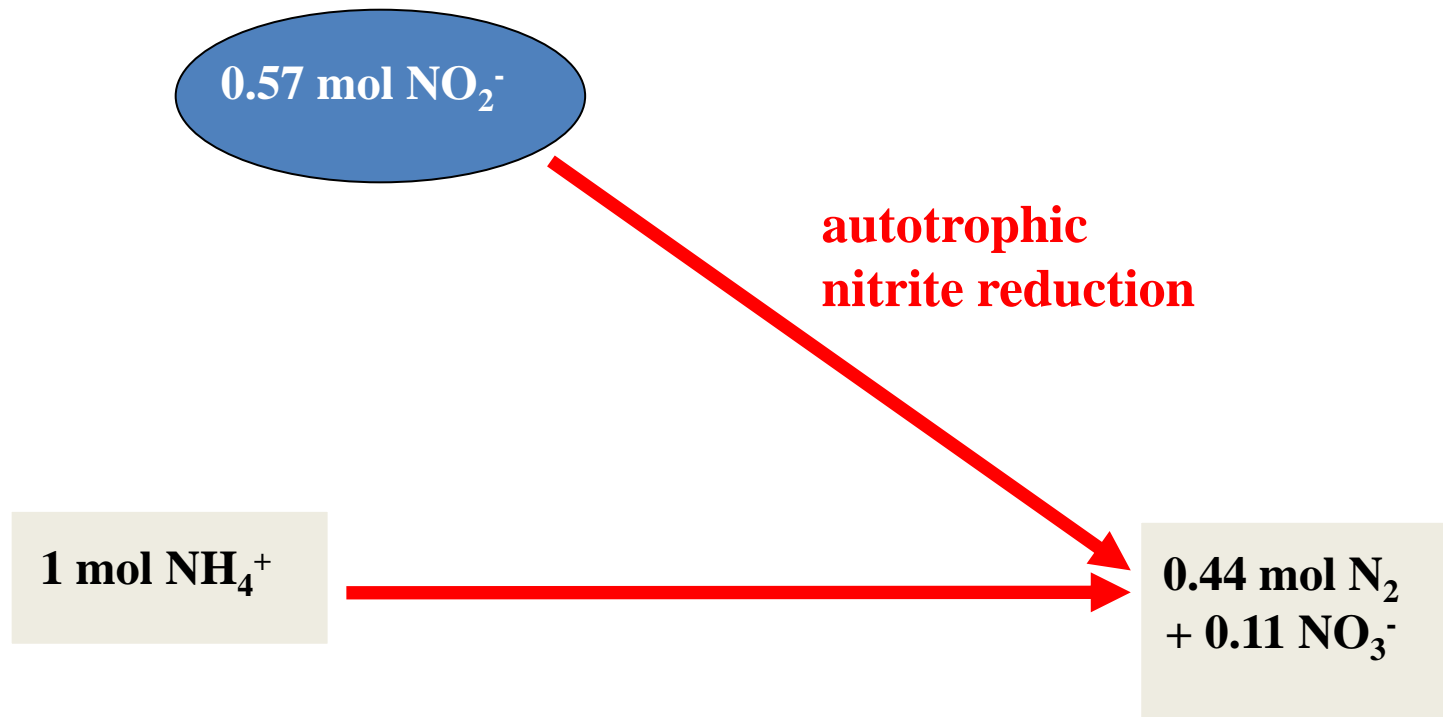
**2.5 – 3 kW hr-kg N**



**1 – 1.75 kW hr-kg N**

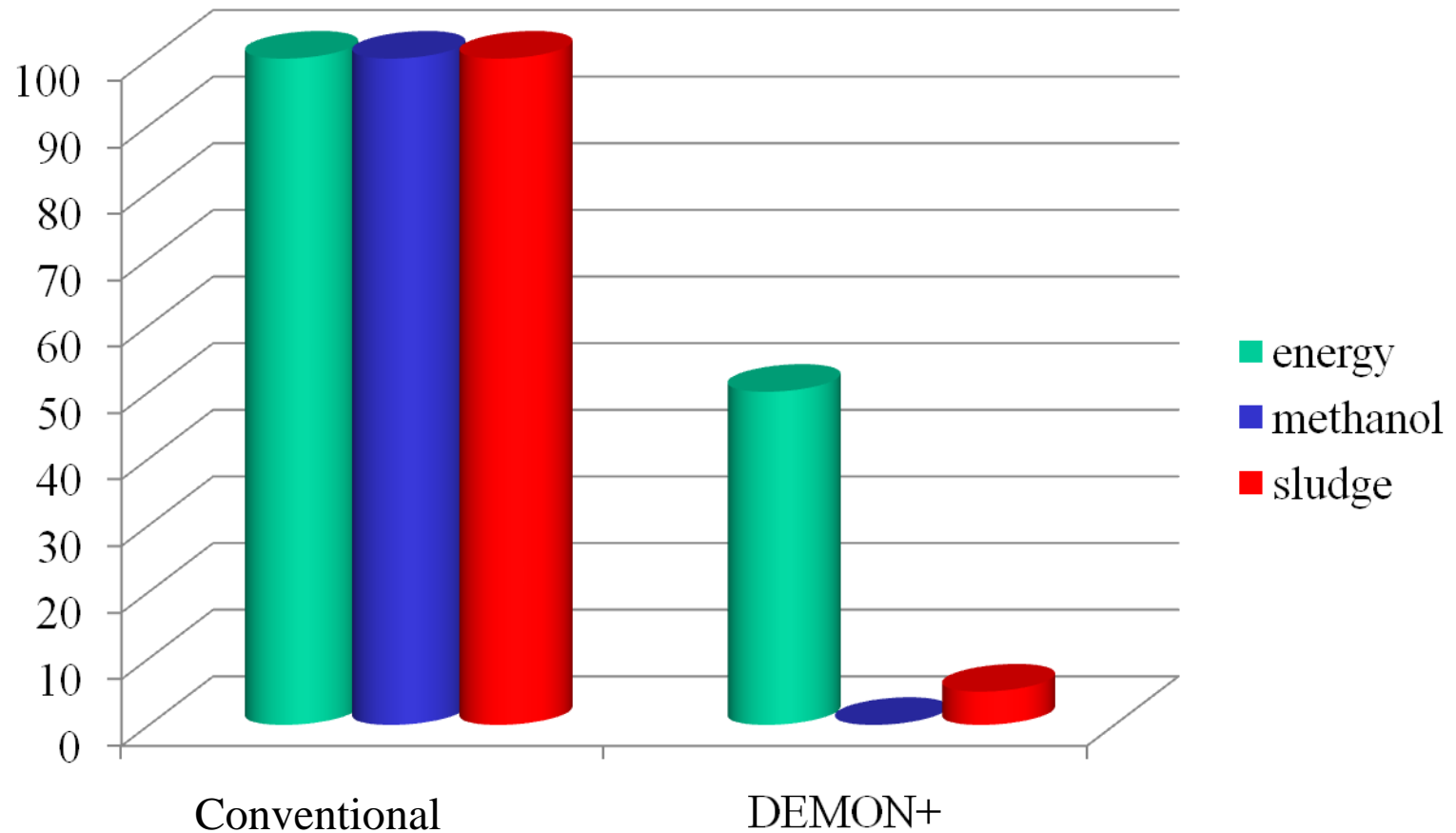


# DEamMONification





# Comparison of Consumables



# The DEMON®-Process

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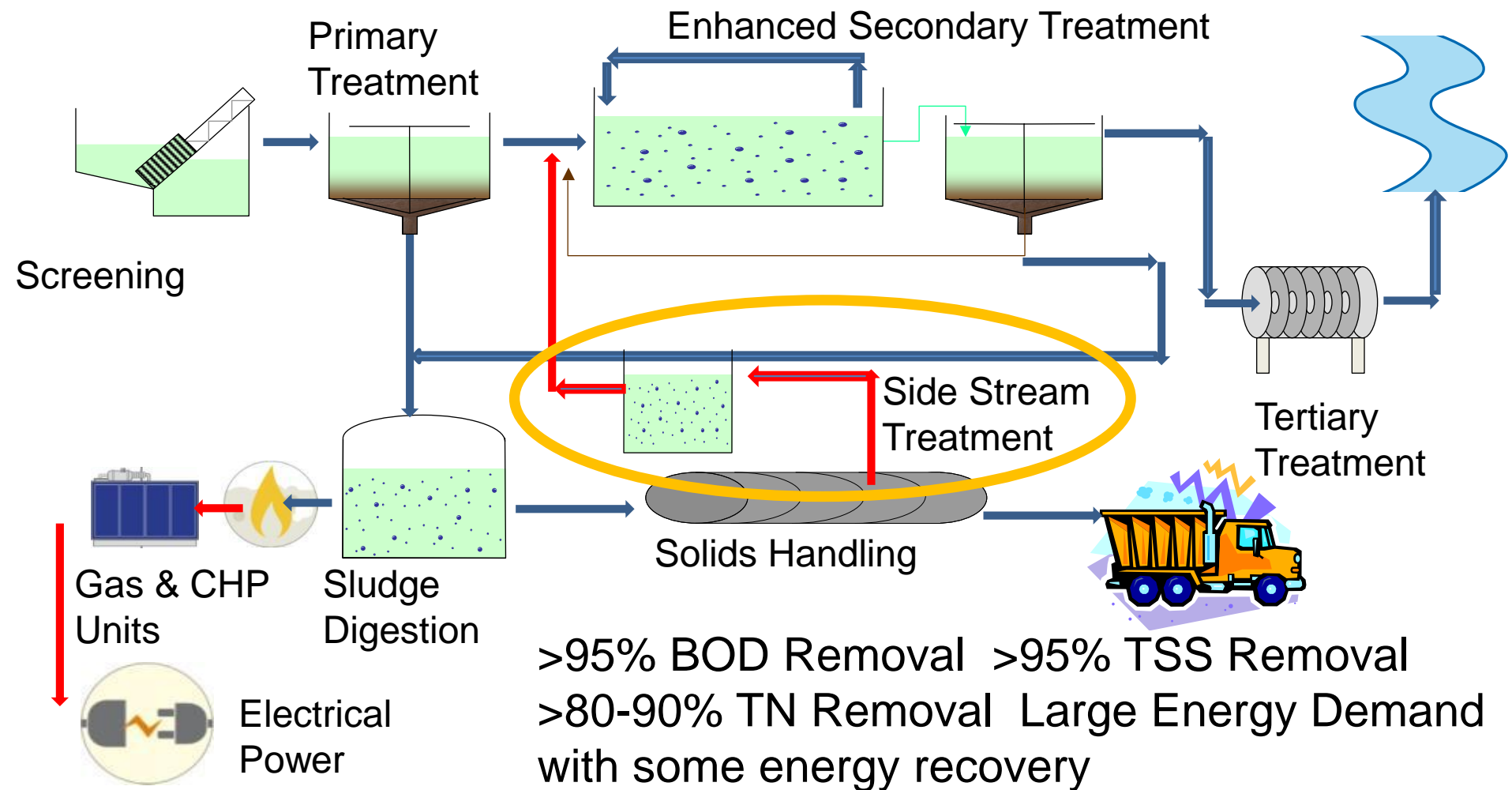
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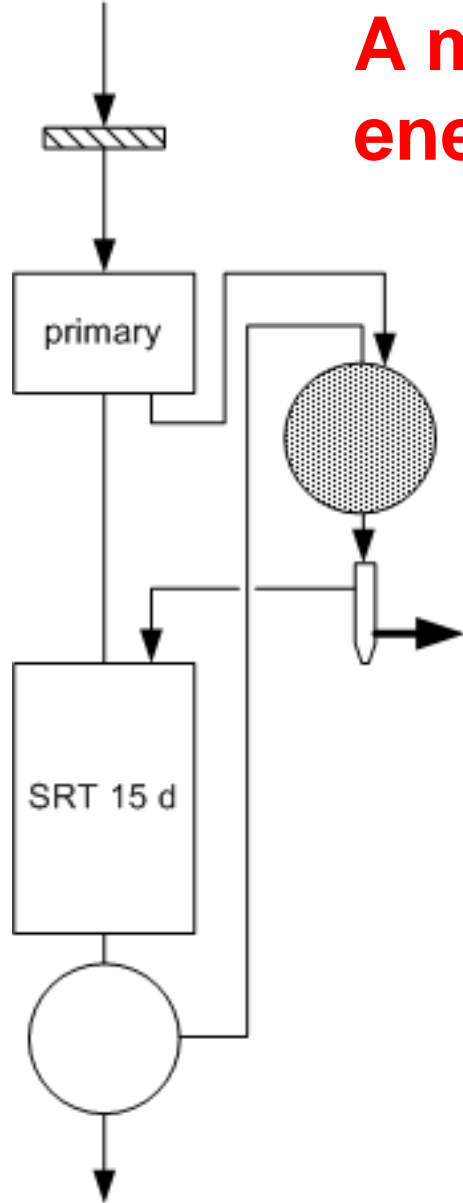
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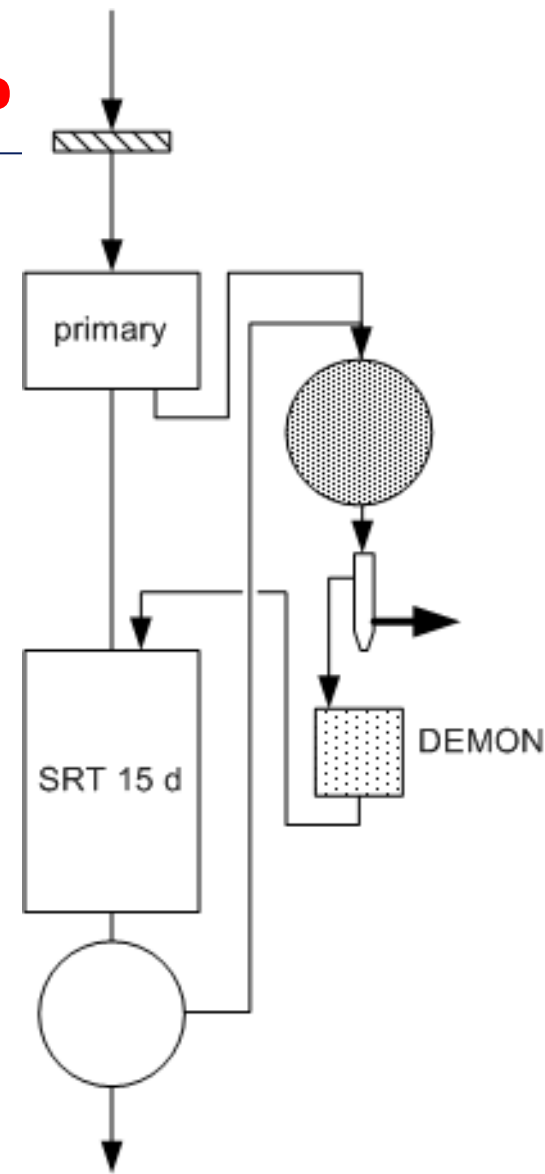
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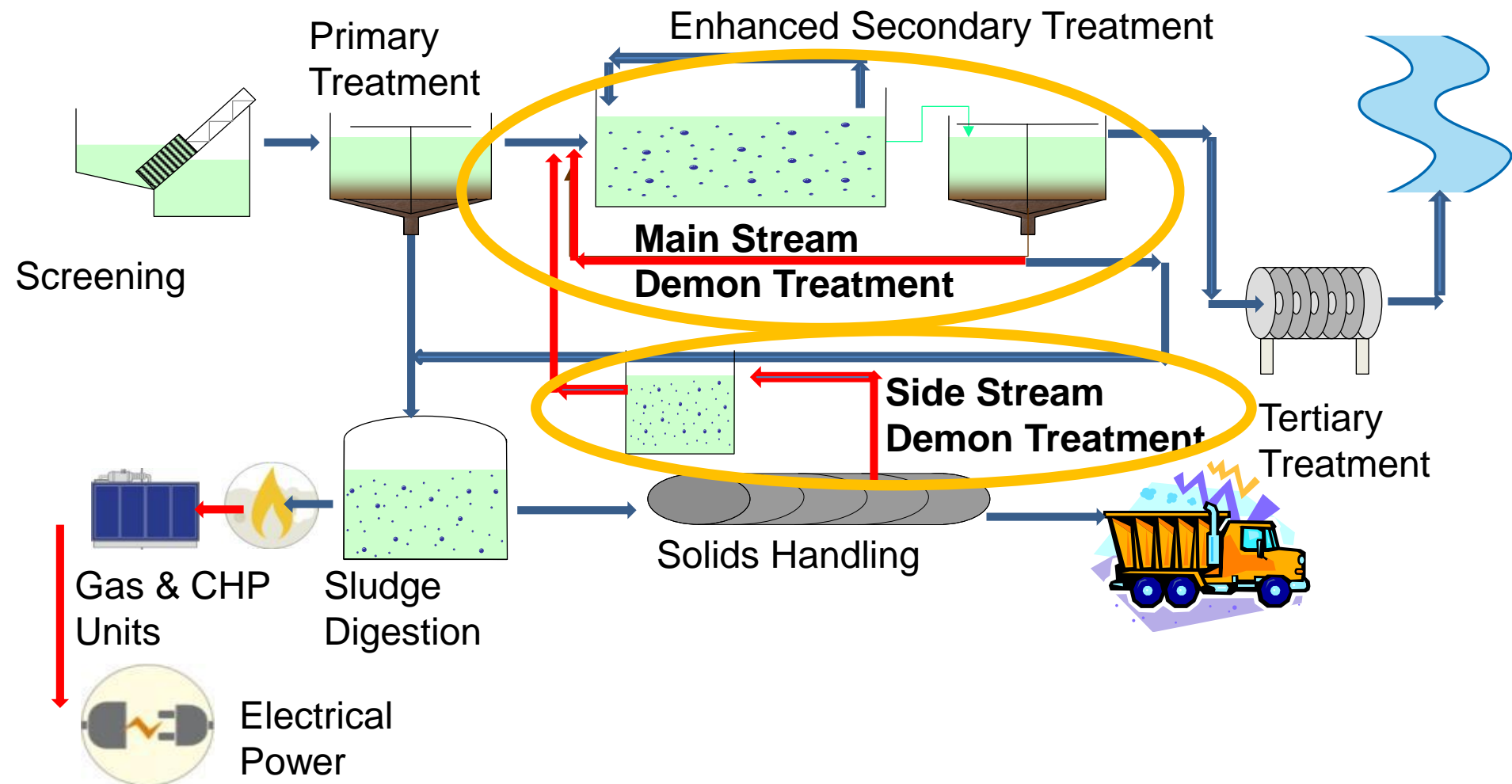
# A major step towards an energy self-sufficient WWTP



| Conventional<br>N-removal  | DEMON <sup>®</sup><br>in side stream |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Aeration<br>+39,3 Wh /pe d | Aeration<br>+37,2 Wh /pe d           |
| Total<br>+56,5 Wh /pe d    | Total<br>+54,1 Wh /pe d              |
| Gas el.<br>-42,0 Wh /pe d  | Gas el.<br>-42,0 Wh /pe d            |
| Balance<br>+14,5 Wh /pe d  | Balance<br>+12,2 Wh /pe d            |

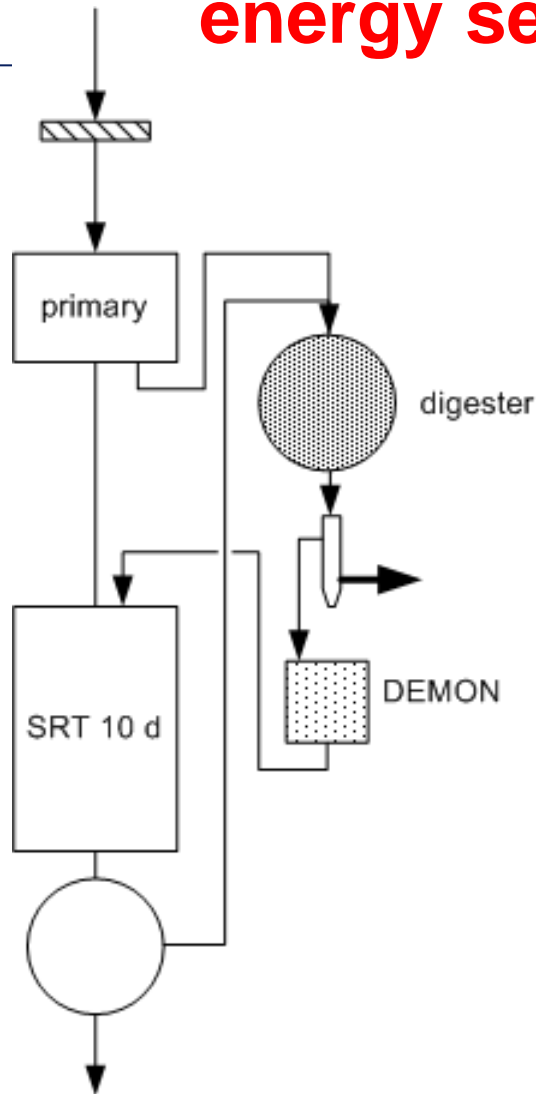


# Typical WWTP Layout – Enhanced Treatment – 3.2





# A major step towards an energy self-sufficient WWTP



## DEMON® in side- and main stream

Aeration  
+31,5 Wh/pe d

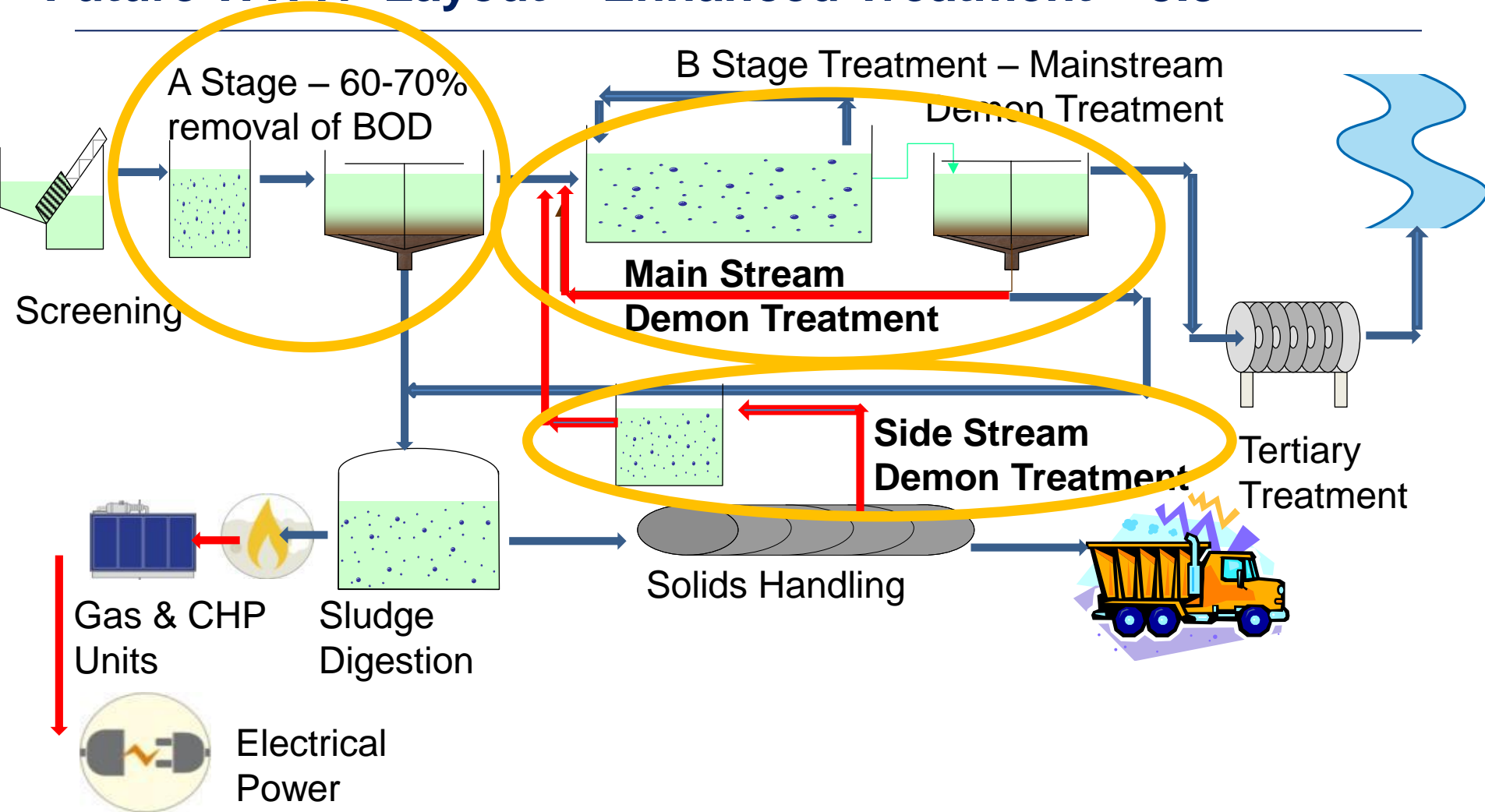
Total  
+48,4 Wh /pe d

Gas el.  
-42,0 Wh /pe d

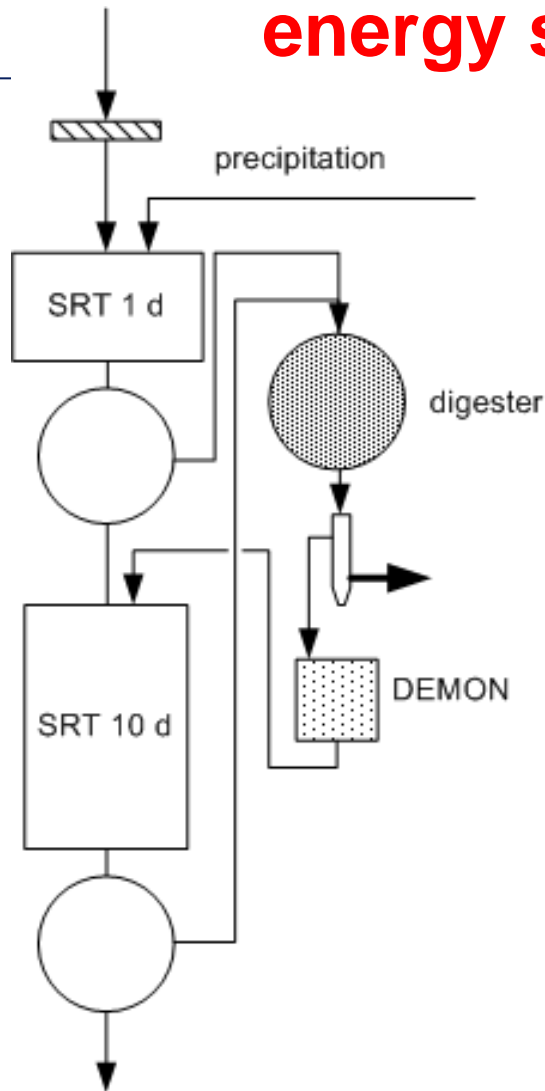
Balance  
+6,4 Wh /pe d



# Future WWTP Layout – Enhanced Treatment – 3.3



# A major step towards an energy self-sufficient WWTP



## High-/low loaded biology and DEMON® in side- and main stream

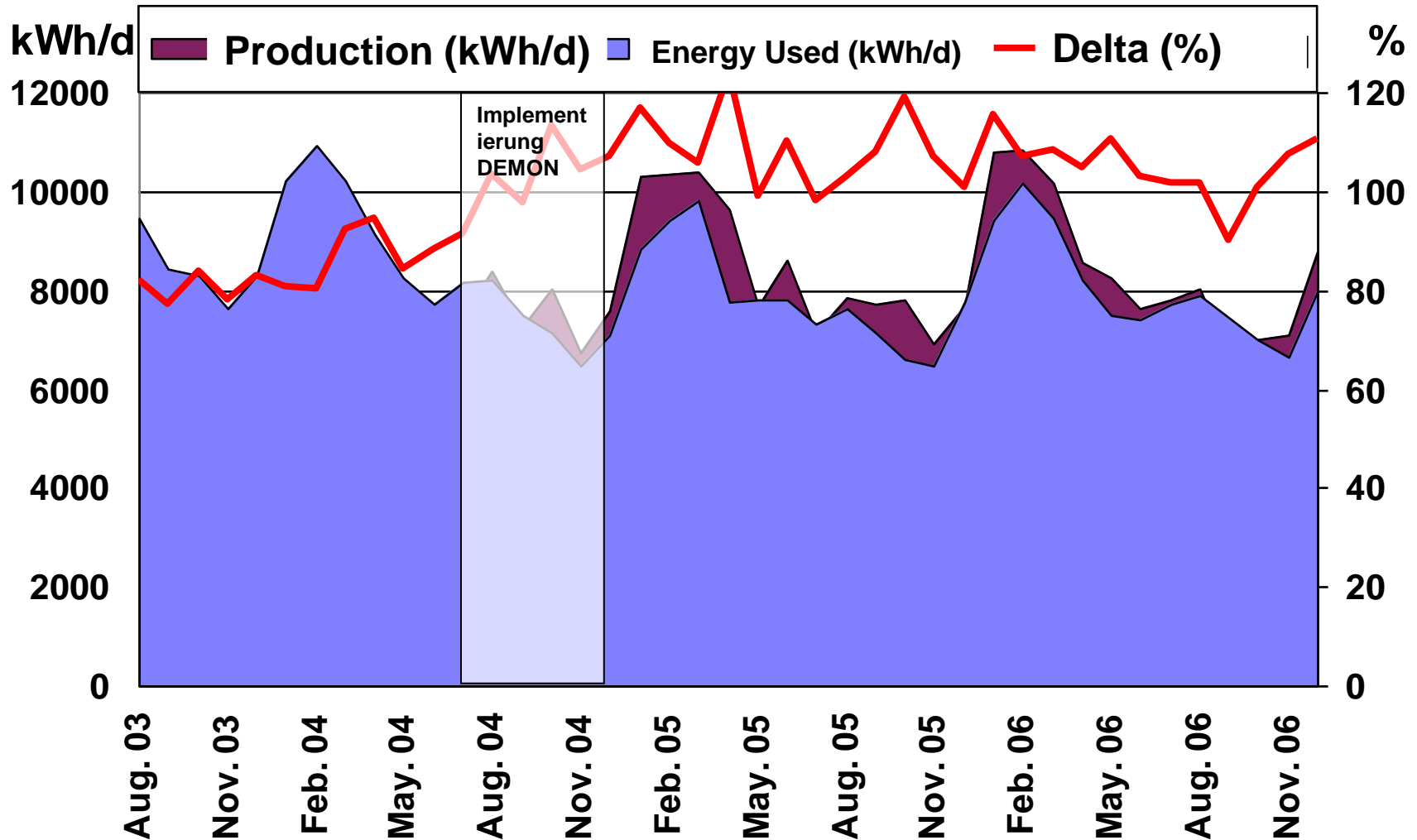
Aeration  
+16,4 Wh /pe d

Total  
+33,3 Wh /pe d

Gas el.  
-64,7 Wh /pe d

Balance  
-31,4Wh /pe d

# Energy Balance of Strass WWTP



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# Conclusions

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- Current WWTP's use lots of energy for fully degrading BOD, NH<sub>3</sub>-N.
- Energy opportunity from 3,800 m<sup>3</sup>/day is 30 kW of electricity.
- Using a re-configuration of the typical WWTP and incorporation of new processes allows us to create a energy neutral / positive WWTP in the future.

# Summary of the Future of Wastewater Treatment

| Conventional N-removal     | DEMON® in side stream      | DEMON® in side- and main stream | High-/low loaded biology and DEMON® in side- and main stream |
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# World Water Works

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- **US based Company Operating in India**
- **Innovative Technology Company**
- **Leading Company in DAF in US**
- **Leading Company in MBBR/IFAS in US**
- **Leading Company in DEMON in US**





# Thank you Questions??

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