

Economic benefits of high temperature ammonia heat pumps (two case stories)



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Project
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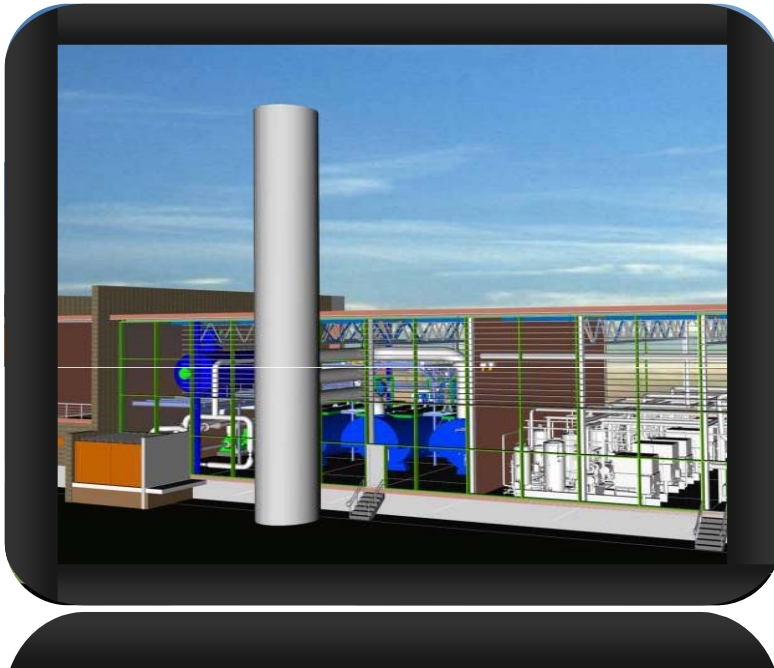
**Ammonia
Heat Pump
VS
R134a
Heat Pump**

Life Cycle
Cost

Capital Cost

Maintenance
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Efficiency



**15 MW, 90°C, District heating
3 x 2 stage 5.0 MW Systems**



COP_{heating} = 3.0

**Evaporating temp. 2°C
Sea water 8 to 4°C**

**Condensing temp. 89°C
District heating water 60 – 90°C**

Capital cost (Indexed)



			R134a
Compress			100
Heat exch			150
Refrigeran			3600
Total capit			110

Typical U-Values for gravity fed evaporator [W/m²K]

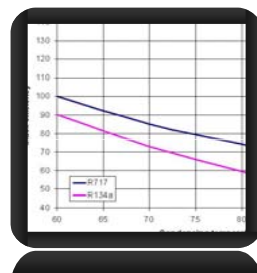
	Ammonia	R134a
Clean water	2200	1100



Energy efficiency



	Ammonia	R134a
COP_{heating}	3.0	2.6
Energy cost per year	£1,290,000	£1,488,000
Carbon footprint (indirect) [1,000 kg]	11,610	13,400
Carbon footprint (direct) [1,000 kg]	0	1,000
Total Carbon footprint per year [1,000 kg]	11,610	14,200



Maintenance cost (Indexed)



	Ammonia	R134a
Yearly maintenance	100	250

- **80,000 hours between overhauls**
- **Equalising forces**
- **Low wear and tear on components**



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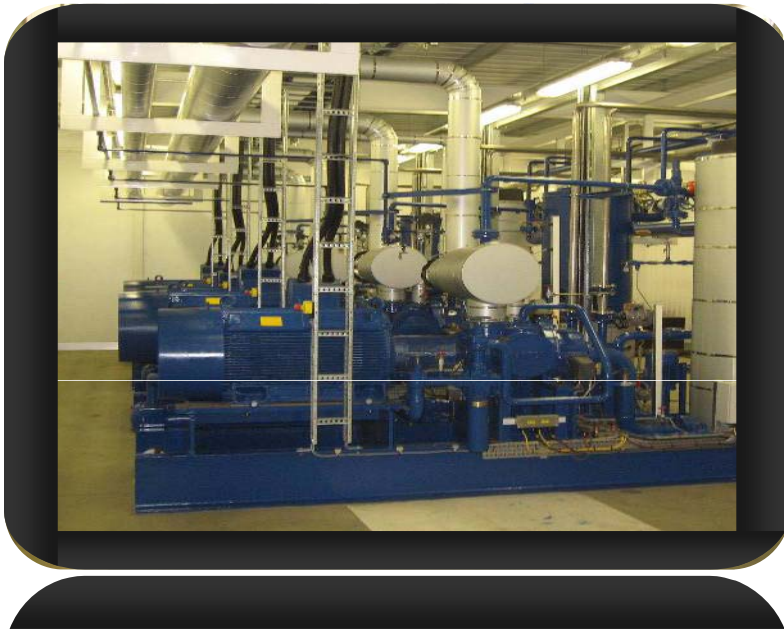
**Ammonia
Heat Pump
VS
Gas fired
Boiler**

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1.6 MW, 61°C, Process heating
2 x 1 stage 0.8 MW Systems

Chocolate factory

$\text{COP}_{\text{heating}} = 3.39$

Evaporating temp. -5°C
Glycol/water 5°C to 0°C

Condensing temp. 60°C
Process heating water 12°C to 60°C

Capital cost (Indexed)



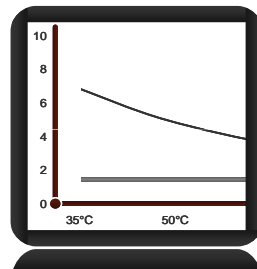
	Ammonia	Boiler
Total capital cost comparison	120	100



Energy efficiency



	Ammonia	Boiler
COP_{heating}	3.39	0.6
Energy cost per year	£170,000	£400,000
Carbon footprint (indirect) [1,000 kg]	1,530	2,880
Carbon footprint (direct) [1,000 kg]	0	0
Total Carbon footprint per year [1,000 kg]	1,530	2,880



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Maintenance cost (Indexed)



	Ammonia	Boiler
Yearly maintenance	250	100

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Based on 25 years life of equipment

	NPV Cost	Carbon Footprint [1,000 kg]
Ammonia heat pump	£15,033,000	290,000
Ammonia heat pump (cooling + heating)	£6,440,000	125,000
R134 heat pump	£17,350,000	335,000
Gas boiler	£31,300,000	480,000



Deployment of ammonia heat pumps HOW?

- **Reverse Western society's disposable culture**
- **Low Carbon footprint investments**
- **Long term investments**
- **Longer warranties: 3 years, 5 years or lifetime**
- **Cheaper, robust and future proof**
- **Priceless benefit of installation like desalination**