



## The "Tao" of an Effective Energy Manager

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## Introduction to Singapore Refining Company (SRC)

- Singapore Refining Company Private Limited (SRC) is a joint venture between Singapore Petroleum Company Limited and Chevron Singapore Pte. Ltd.
- Located on Jurong Island, SRC operates a refinery that is capable of processing 290,000 barrels of crude oil per day
- Our refinery mainly produces fuel products and chemical feedstocks that are supplied to domestic markets and overseas export markets under the brand labels of our shareholders.







# SRC's Manufacturing Capability & Facilities

- Manufacturing operations are controlled by a network of computerized control systems managed by trained personnel, ensuring smooth and efficient operation
- Facilities in SRC includes
  - Crude Distillation Units
  - Catalytic Reformer Complex
  - Hydrocracker Complex
  - Visbreaker
  - Residue Catalytic Cracker Complex
  - Cogeneration Power Plant
  - Storage Tanks & Loading Berths



## Self Introduction

- Energy & Loss Control Engineer
- Unit Process Engineer
- Refinery Shift Manager
- Energy & Loss Control Manager

## Issues an Energy Manager faces







## Stewardship Areas of an Effective Energy Manager



#### Governance

- Energy Management System
- Energy Policy
- Energy Management Team
- Guidelines for new Projects
- Energy and GHG reporting
- Monitoring platform



# Technical (Daily Basis)

- Involvement in Plant Operation
- Plant Optimization

#### (Strategic Basis)

- Lead Energy & Decarbonization
  Studies and Audits
- Develop Project Roadmap
- Project management
- Involvement in Expansion Project



#### **Workforce Engagement**

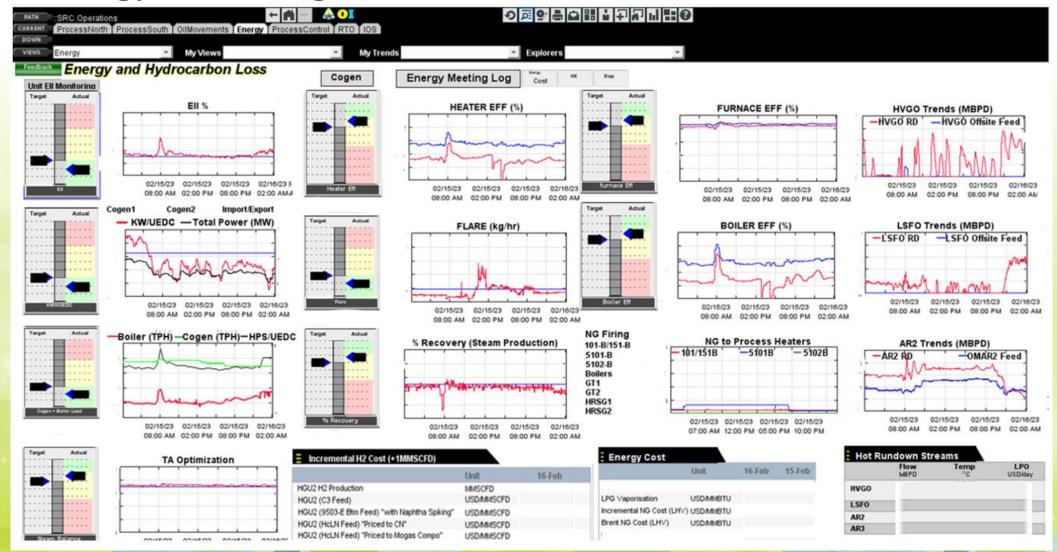
- Energy Saving Work Culture
- Field presence
- Site Walk and Audits
- Energy Campaigns since 2000s

**Effective Stewardship in Energy Efficiency** 

#### Governance



SRC Energy Monitoring Platform



## Low Efficiency Furnace Replacement Project

#### Background

- Low efficiency furnace (vintage design) to provide heat for process to 200degC
- SRC HP steam saturation temp is > 250degC
- Cogeneration Duct Burner is capable of generating HP steam at higher efficiency

#### Proposal

Replace inefficient furnace with HP steam exchanger

#### Outcome

 Estimated carbon abatement of 5kTon per annum achieved





## Replacement of Condensing Turbine Project

#### Background

- Overall efficiency of condensing turbine is low with significant heat rejected to atmosphere
- Power Substation limits possibility of motorization
- Existing steam balance in SRC allows for conversion to backpressure turbine

#### Proposal

Replace condensing turbine with higher efficiency backpressure turbine

#### Outcome

Estimated carbon abatement of 8kTon per annum achieved



## Energy Blitz Campaign

A concerted effort to enhance the SRC energy culture that strives to reduce energy consumption in the refinery.

#### **Energy Blitz Objectives:**

- Enhancing SRC's energy culture via engagement
- Generate and consolidate energy-saving ideas to achieve tangible refinery improvements

## Workforce Engagement

#### **Energy Saving Work Culture**

#### **Steps**

- 1. Communicate meaning & instill passion
- 2. Foster relationships and connections
- 3. Listen (as a group and individual)
- 4. Encourage positivity
- 5. Direction-setting
- 6. Recognition and Celebrate Success







#### **Overall Engagement Rate**





## Campaign Results in a glance





Target:

Savings of \$1 Million /year

**Overall Annualized Savings Achieved** 

Over \$1 Million /year





## Campaign Results in a glance

#### **Awards and Recognition**

- Among the >100 ideas gathered, the top 3 idea contributors recognized for their efforts.
- Personnel who displayed great motivation and passion for energy conservation being nominated by their fellow peers as the Energy Culture Champion.
- Friendly competition within each process area for both Insulation and Heater topic found opportunities that translates to savings of over \$500 per day







Engagement Done



Achieved via <u>82</u> Group Engagements over 11 Weeks

- Was there a sufficiently large pool of people being engaged to enhance culture?
  - In a span of 11-week long Energy Blitz, 82 engagement sessions were carried out physically or online. This **reached** >80% of the SRC staff population
  - All of the Ops Shift personnel have been engaged through the multiple engagements which is around 42% of the total engaged personnel



## Energy Blitz Lookback

- Did the staff display receptiveness to meet the same goal?
  - The interactiveness of the sessions reflects people's understanding of that topic and willing to find out more and contribute
  - 42% have gotten back to energy team with feedbacks/ideas/comments
  - To further break it down, 58% of the feedbacks are from shift personnel. This shows quite a fair distribution of feedback gathered from shift and non-shift personnel

#### WHEN WE ENGAGE PEOPLE,

42%

of them do feedback to us, which is indicative of highly interactive sessions and support for the campaign!

Imagine having 40 participant feedbacks in a meeting of 100!



## Energy Blitz Lookback

# How do we measure the enthusiasm in the staff to adopt the culture?

- Based on the quality of feedback / amount of thoughts was placed by them
- Total of over 200 feedback/ideas/comments were received, and out of these, over 100 unique feedback/ideas have been gathered
- There is a good balance of ideas contribution which 65% of the unique feedback/ideas coming from the shift



There is a good balance of energy saving ideas coming from both shift and non-shift personnel. Having this many actionable ideas indicates high quality discussions!



