

# Slip Stream\* at PETRO-CANADA

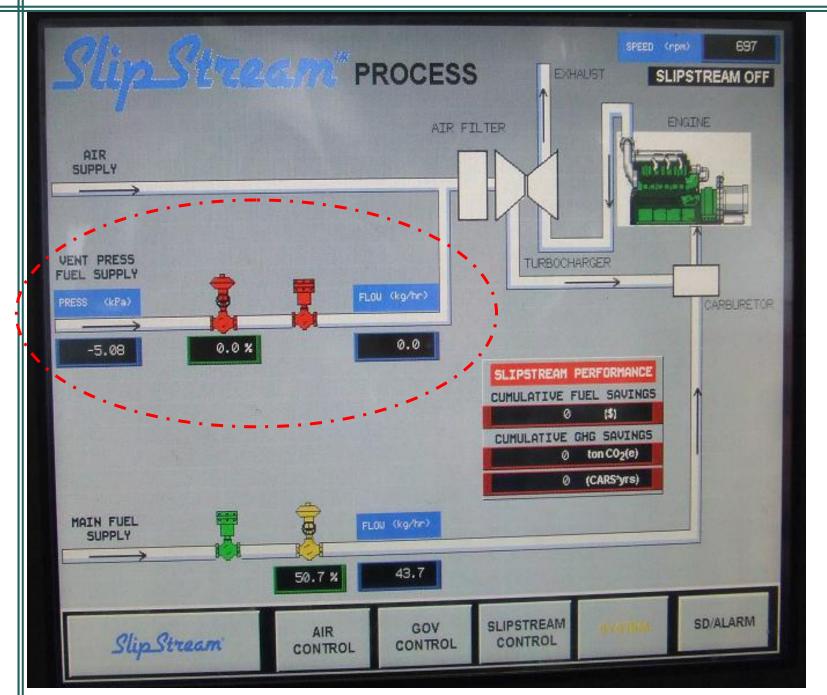
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#### 14TH ANNUAL NATURAL GAS STAR IMPLEMENTATION WORKSHOP

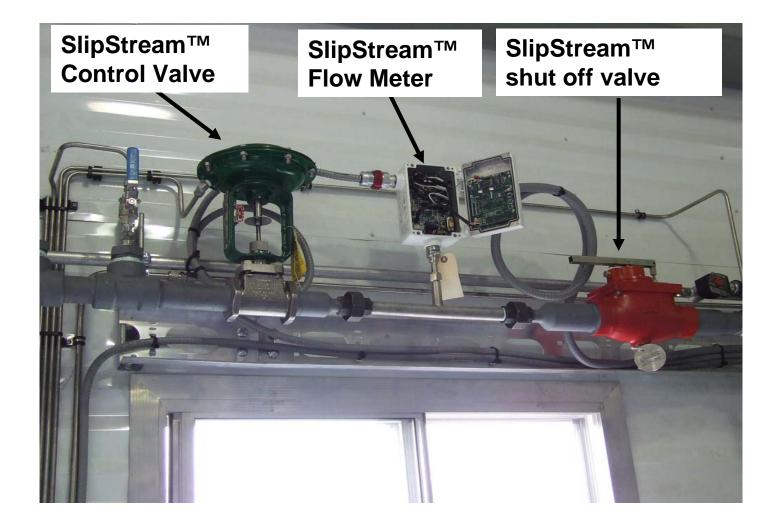








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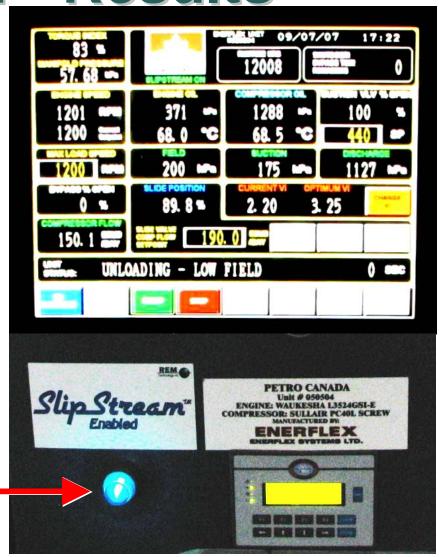




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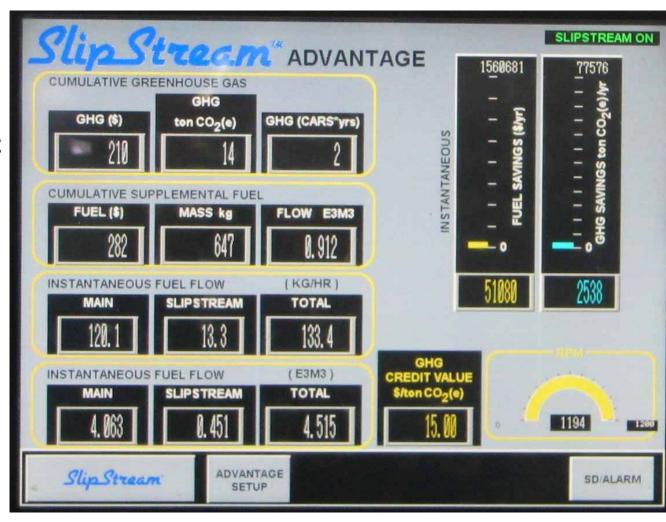




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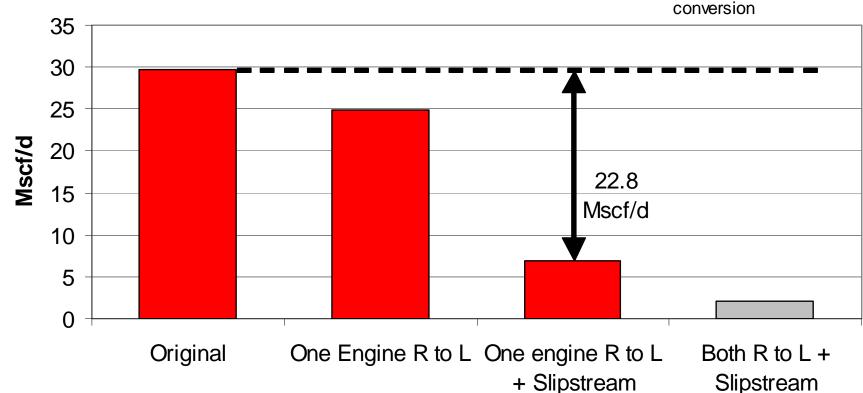


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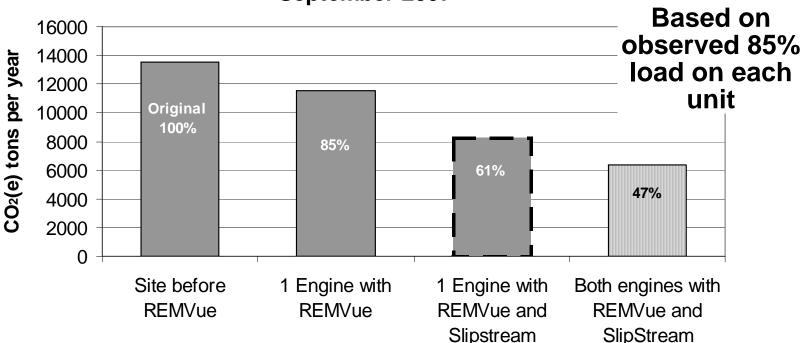




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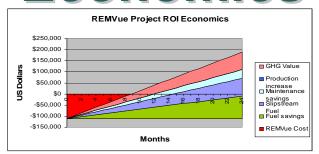
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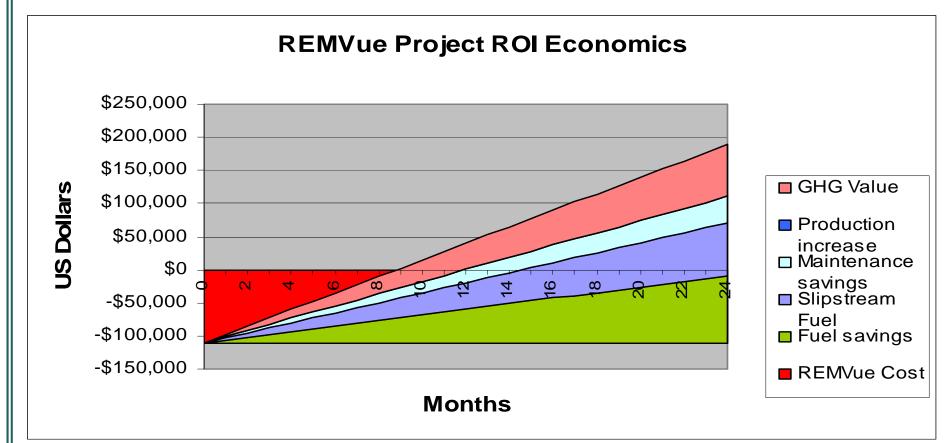
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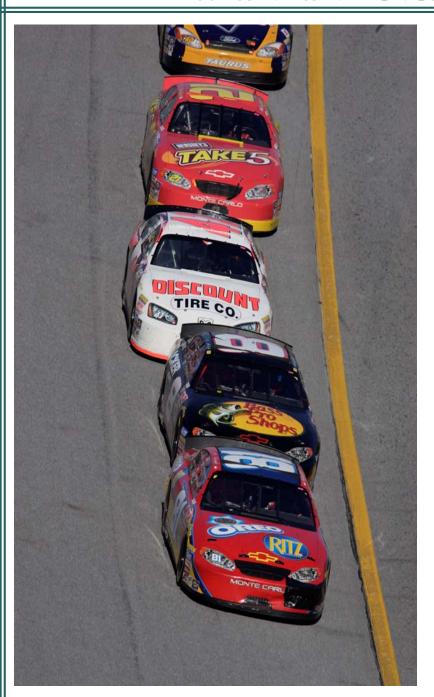




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# REMVue<sup>®</sup> Slip Stream\*\*

Getting a free boost!







- SlipStream<sup>™</sup> is the REM Technology product<sup>\*</sup> designed for utilizing vented hydrocarbons as a supplementary fuel source for natural gas engines
- The product in currently in use at a Petro-Canada gas compression site.





### **Presentation Outline**

- Petro-Canada Overview
- PTAC Top 5 Priorities
- SlipStream<sup>™</sup> Technology Overview
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- Results
- Petro-Canada Plans





### Petro-Canada Overview

- We are a substantially sized integrated oil company with five base business units:
  - Canadian East Coast Oil

- Alberta Oil Sands

- Refining and Marketing

- International

- North American Natural Gas
- Our North American Natural Gas (NANG) BU explores for and produces natural gas, crude oil and natural gas liquids (NGL) in Western Canada and the U.S. Rockies. We also market natural gas in North America and have established resources in the Mackenzie Delta/Corridor and land holdings in Alaska.
- In 2006, we produced 616 MMcf/d of natural gas and 14,200 b/d of crude oil and NGL.





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  - 164 compressors, 184,000 HP at 71% utilization
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- Why efficiency is important at Petro-Canada
  - Improves facility economics, while reducing emissions
  - Can improve facility performance and reliability, through measurement and monitoring of initiatives
  - Initiatives please the regulators and environmental groups
  - Employees feel pride in the initiatives and successes!





# Focus - Energy Efficiency Activities

- Top 5 EE Targets set out by PTAC (Clearstone)
- Venting being challenged through measurement, low bleed instruments, installation of instrument air vs. using fuel gas, solar powered chemical injection pumps. REMVue® SlipStream™
- Reciprocating Engines REMVue® Air/Fuel Ratio (AFR) Control, JWC waste heat recovery, compressor re-cylindering and rationalization.
- Heaters and Boilers new O2 Analyzers proposed for fired equipment. Also the PTAC study on Lineheater/Fire Tube Immersion Heaters and purchase of new handheld combustion analyzers. Datalogging and increase servicing of lineheaters.
- Flaring and Incineration being challenged through flare measurement and stack top temp reductions and O2 control in incineration.
- Fugitive Leaks Leak Detection and Repair (LDAR DI&M) with FLIR GasFinderIR camera, demonstration of Spectrasyne DIAL laser.
  - we're after them all!





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#### Using Vented Hydrocarbons as Engine Fuel

- Vented HC gas into engine intake
- Can be diluted with air or undiluted
- Suitable for carbureted engines
- Does not require vented gas compression
- Vented fuel that is recovered can be considered "free" (fuel for a 1200 HP engine at \$6/Mscf costs over \$500,000/y)
- Using SlipStream<sup>™</sup>, up to 50% of engine fuel can come from the vented sources

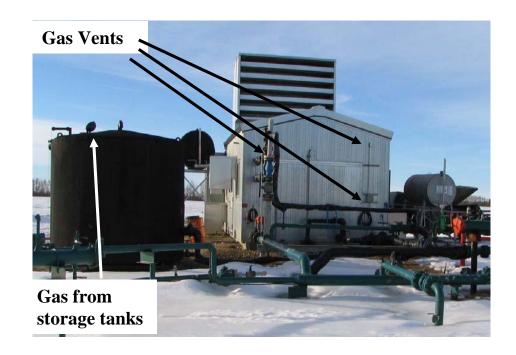




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#### SOURCES OF VENTED GASES

- Instrument gas vents
- Compressor packing leaks
- I/Ps and pneumatic devices
- Gas driven pumps
- Flash gas from oil facilities
- Flange leaks
- Dehydrators
- Engine starting, purging, blow-downs
- Fuel Gas dryers
- Crankcases





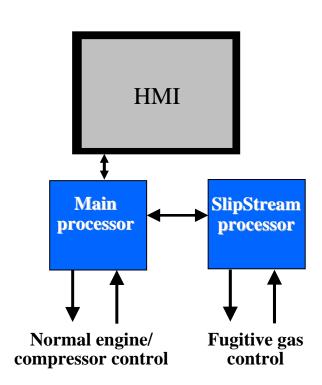


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- Level 1 < 10% of engine fuel</p>
- Level 2 < 30% of engine fuel
- Level 3 < 50% of engine fuel</p>

Site measurements showed a total of ~13 scf/m plus periodic bursts of >100 scf/m.

Engine fuel consumption at 85% load = 110 scf/m = 160 Mscf/d



### Level 2 SlipStream™





# SlipStream™ Pyramid

■ Up to an additional 10-30-50% more fuel savings

Substantial GHG savings

SlipStream"

# REM*Vue*® Air-Fuel Ratio

- Stoichiometric
- Lean Burn
- Rich-to-Lean

- Up to 25% fuel savings
- **Increased runtime**
- **Increased** throughput
- Reduced maintenance
- Reduced GHG





### Natural Gas Engine Efficiency Improvement REM*Vue*® Rich-to-Lean Conversion

- What is the Rich-to-Lean Conversion?
  - A process in which excess air is added to the air-fuel mixture of a rich burn or stoichiometric engine
- What are the benefits?
  - Reduced engine emissions
  - Improved fuel conversion efficiency
  - Lower operating temperatures
  - More natural gas gets to market instead of burned in the engine







### **Site Details**



- Two Waukesha 3524GSI engines (840 HP at 1200 RPM)
  - each driving a Sullair PC40L screw compressor
- Suction pressure = 140 210 kPag (20-30 psig)
- Discharge pressure = 700 1200 kPag (100–175 psig)
- Fuel gas used for Instrument drive gas





# **Site Details**

- Instrument gas used on both engines
  - Cost of site air compressor and piping was estimated at \$150K and was not installed during original construction.
  - Primary sources of vented gases are the cactus dryers and instrumentation
  - Units equipped with "low bleed" pneumatic devices
- All vent gases (except engine starting and blow-down) previously collected to a single vent per unit
- Unit 1 measured flow = 7.1 scf/m
- Unit 2 measured vent flow = 6.2 scf/m
- Periodic (1 to 2 minutes) flows of <100 scf/m from pre/post-lube and compressor lubrication pumps</p>
- Unit 1 and 2 vent gases combined for SlipStream<sup>™</sup> on Unit 2







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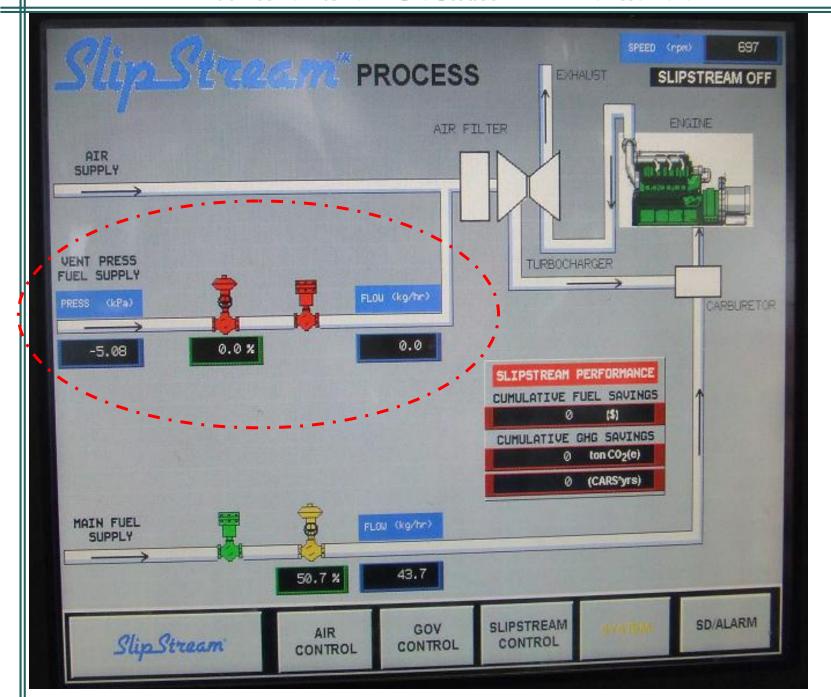
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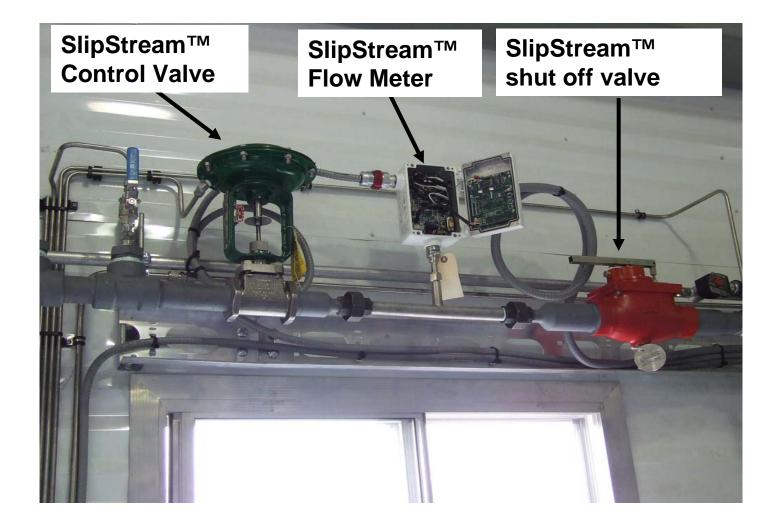








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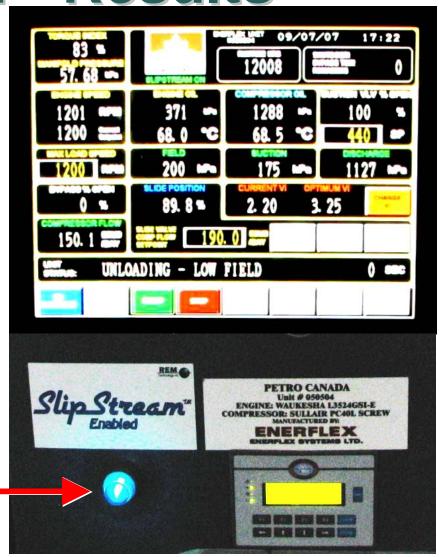




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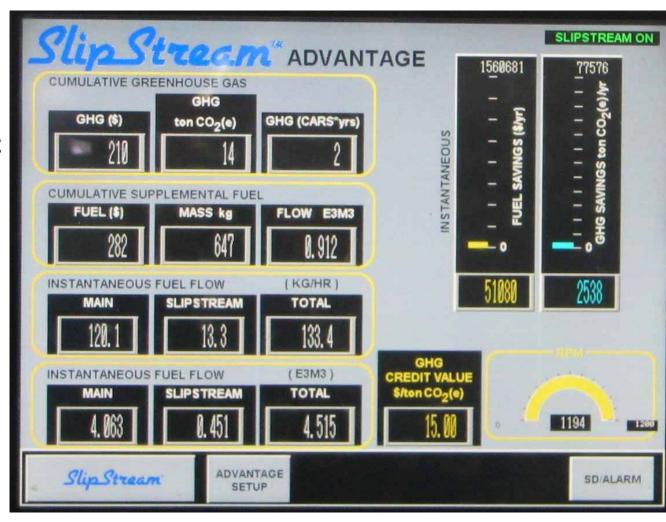




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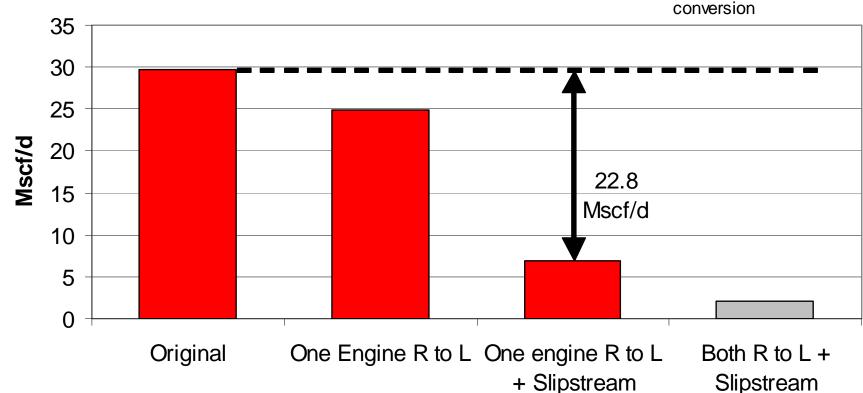


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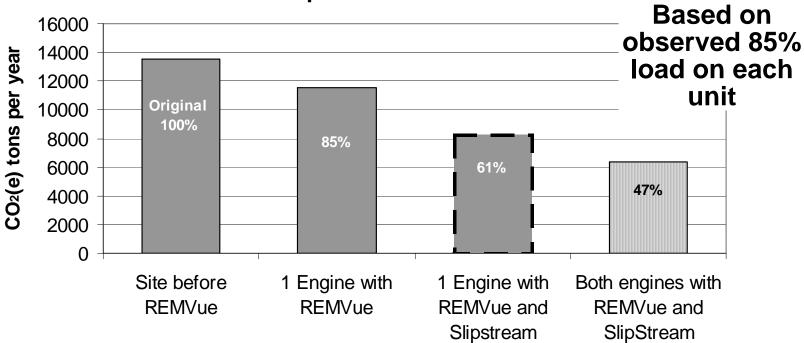




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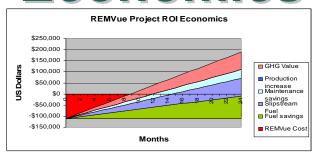
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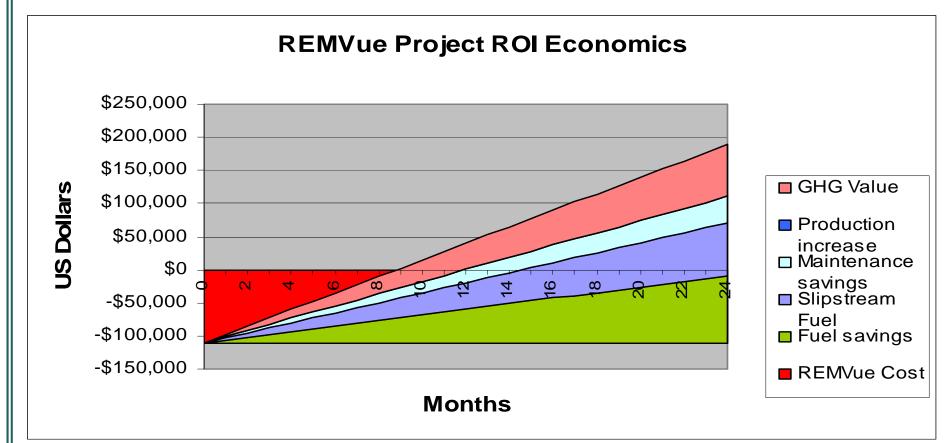
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