

Energy concept summary

Title of the energy concept: Dolomit refractories production – sintering optimisation

Topic area choice and topic marking in blue:

- () **Building** e.g. Insulation, change of windows, Low-energy-buildings
- () **Electrical energy** e.g. Light, **Compressed air**, Electrical drives, Cooling machines, Load management
- () **Heat** e.g. Heating, Process heat, Heat recovery, Air conditioning, Combined heat & power
- () **Renewable energy** e.g. Solar technology, Wood-fired plants, Biogas, Geothermal energy
- () **Management** e.g. Energy buying, Contracting, Emission trade, Energy data management systems




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Energy concept description:

- Compressed air needed for sintering of dolomite in Vertical (Shaft) kiln is supplied by 1 compressor and 1 blower each 30 years old. Air from compressor is directly entering to burners together with heavy fuel oil and air from blower is entering in the bottom of kiln to cool down final product and to bring that heat back to process.
- In the beginning, kiln was planned to work with 48 heavy fuel oil burners (16 burners radially positioned on each of 3 different level of kiln), but due to good quality of raw material it comes that 32 burners (16 burners radially positioned on each of 2 different level of kiln) are sufficient for normal production. Number of burners was decreased by 33 percent but compressor and blower remain the same so they are overdimensioned from the beginning of their usage.
- Made calculations indicate that production process needs can be obtained with 2 blowers with lower capacity. New blowers have better efficiency and will work closer to their nominal parameters which is more economical so they will have lower energy consumption and lower peak power demand. They have also lower servicing costs and lower lubricant oil usage. Last but not least we get renewing the equipment and increasing the reliability. Speaking with numbers we plan to decrease annual operation costs from 64400EUR to 43900EUR and to obtain annual energy savings of 196MWh electrical energy



Results:

Energy saving potential [kWh/a]: 195640
 Energy source: electricity
 Cost reduction potential [Euro/year]: 20497
 CO₂- saving potential [t/a]: 117
 (0,6kg CO₂ per kWh)

Investment costs [Euro]: 47.845
 Pay-back time [Years]: 2,17
 Chance of implementation:
 (X) high () middle () low
 or date of implementation