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District Heating Systems 10.28.11





- Who We Are
- What is District Heating
- Advantage of District Systems
- Proposed District Heating Concept
- Alternative Considerations





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District heating is a system for distributing heat generated in a centralized location for residential and commercial heating requirements such as space heating.







Coal Power Plant Schematic













- The Combustion Turbine Natural gas is mixed with air and burned in the combustion chamber to create the high pressure gasses needed to spin a turbine. This part of the plant is a single cycle, combustion turbine. These are sometimes called CTs. CTs are normally designed to meet peak loads.
- The Combined Cycle Plant A combined cycle power plant is a dual cycle plant. The "2nd" part of the combined cycle is a heat recovery unit. It takes advantage of the energy in the exhaust gasses to create steam. The steam spins a steam turbine to generate additional electricity. The combined cycle plants are normally designed to meet base and intermediate loads.



This diagram provided by Nooter/Eriksen, a St. Louis based company which calls itself the "world's leading independent" supplier of heat recovery steam generators."





Coal Power Plant Schematic







- Reduce Building Energy Costs
- Utilize Waste Heat from the Power Plants
- Single Source for Future Diversification of Holland's Energy Portfolio

It's a good decision

ECONOMICALLY ECOLOGICALLY, AND SOCIALLY













Advantage of District Systems



GAS



ELECTRIC



WATER



WIND



BIOMASS



SOLAR





GEOTHERMAL



- Examples of Existing Similar Systems
- Calvin College
- Purdue University
- Grand Haven Snowmelt
- Holland Snowmelt











Grand Haven Snowmelt









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Holland Snowmelt











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Implementation of a New High District Temperature Heating Loop



Figure 6.1 Four Neighborhood Scale Projects







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Figure 6.2 Scale Project 1 – Holland Industrial Park Integrated Energy Services







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Figure 6.3 Scale Project 2 - Historic District Single-Family Home Neighborhood





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Figure 6.5 Scale Project 3 - Hope College Campus







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Figure 6.7 Hope College Campus – Potential Future Supply Structure







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Figure 6.10 Scale Project 4 – Hospital – High School – Aquatic Center Cluster







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Figure 6.11 Scale Project 4 – Possible Heat Supply Structure







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Figure 6.13 Scale Project 5 - Initial District Heating Network







- Advantages
- -Smaller Piping
- -Direct Connection for Buildings with Existing Hot Water Systems
- -Significant Heat Capacity in 250 deg F Hot Water









- Disadvantages
- -Cost
- -Heating Only
- -New Infrastructure & Infrastructure Longevity
- -Loss of Electrical Production to Create Higher Temperature Heat
- -Pipe Expansion





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Take a Step Back: What are Holland's Options?







- What Makes up the Building Energy Needs
- Usage typical generic building





Space Heating

-Space Cooling

Lighting

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- What Makes up the Building Energy Needs
- Usage typical office building

OFFICE







- What Makes up the Building Energy Needs
- Usage typical home

TYPICAL SINGLE FAMILY HOME







What Makes up the Heating and Cooling Energy Needs







Design Philosophy (everything connects to everything...)

Whole Building Design

Whole Campus Design







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Classical engineering training says "solve problems one at a time".

We say "NO!"

This is partly how we got into the challenging position we are in today – we've solved problems without first considering the solution in a larger context.





- Traditional Building Energy Analysis looks at each component and seeks to maximize its efficiency as a stand-alone entity.
- We consider that in our analysis, but more importantly we look for synergies between entities and systems such that when we impact one item there are multiple positive impacts on other items.
- For example: Holland Snowmelt





Some buildings and campuses have systems that generate heat most of the year and others that need heat most of the year.

Refrigeration and air conditioning dump heat into the atmosphere while we burn fossil fuels to create heat for hot water and other processes.

Why not capture energy in the form of heat that you've already paid for or the energy available around us?





Consider:

(in order of importance)

1. Reduce the loads, reduce the loads, reduce the loads...

- 2. Recover wasted energy wherever you can
- 3. Find ways to reuse waste energy
- 4. Consider innovative energy systems
- 5. Consider renewable energy systems
- 6. Measure, verify, learn, improve, repeat...





How do we create sustainable campuses and communities of tomorrow?

Part of the answer could lie in moving heat instead of creating it from fossil fuels.

Consider energy transfer between systems within buildings, buildings to buildings and across property lines!



Design Philosophy







Keep your eye on Geothermal Heat Pump (GeoExchange) Systems

Why do we bring up this specific type of heating/cooling/ energy-transfer system?

Simply, we believe that this will be the dominant heating/ cooling system in the next 100 years.



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Geothermal Heat Pump Systems also typically reduce summer peak electrical demand and provide a stable winter electrical load – both of these can improve the efficiency of power generation and distribution.





Vertical Closed Loop Configuration

 We've designed nearly 4,000,000 square feet of buildings using this technology here in Michigan! It works!





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Pond Loop Configuration

- Boatwerks, Holland
- Heating, cooling and refrigeration from Lake Macatawa!





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Open Loop Configuration

Harbourfront Place, Grand Haven





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Equipment

Geothermal Heat Pump (GeoHP) Systems have typically used Unitary Water-to-Air and Water-to-Water Heat Pumps

1/2 to 25+ tons capacity

(plus rooftop package units to 100+ tons)







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Equipment

Central Station Extended Range Heat Pumps 30 to 1,000+ tons capacity





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Davenport University

- Dual Wheel Passive Desiccant ERU
- Displacement Induction Heat/Cool 120 F HW,
 58 F CHW
- Central GeoHP + unitary GeoHP in Residence Halls
- Waste heat recovery









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Zeeland West High School











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Ball State University





\$80M cost (\$45M in incentives)

\$2M annual savings

50% GHG reduction

4,100 bores 400 ft deep



US Goals and Mandates

Obama-Biden comprehensive New Energy for America plan and Livability of Cities Urban Policy

- Reduce our Greenhouse Gas Emissions 80 Percent by 2050
- Build More Livable and Sustainable Communities
- Use Innovative Measures to Dramatically Improve Efficiency of Buildings
- Weatherize One Million Homes Annually (note that there are 28 million homes that qualify)
- Make the U.S. a Leader on Climate Change

New mandates in the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007

- Vehicle efficiency: 40% increase in fuel economy standards by 2020
- Renewable fuels: 36 billion gals/year biofuels (21 billion advanced) by 2022
- Lighting: 30% increase in efficiency
- Appliances: significantly increased efficiency standards in 9 categories
- Federal buildings: 30% reduction in energy use by 2015

State and Local mandates

- Building Codes
- Renewable Portfolio Standards





- Federal tax credit 10% of all geothermal equipment and installation through 2016 - no limit
- Depreciation Classified as 5-year depreciated property on an accelerated MACRS basis
 - -For a corporation in the 35% bracket, this is equivalent to a 33.25% savings over five years.
 - -Compare to 4.5% savings for traditional equipment usually depreciated on a 39-year straight line basis
- Energy Efficient Building Tax Deduction up to \$1.80 per square foot. Based on comparison to minimally code compliant building
- Owners that cannot use tax advantages may explore other options such as sale-leasebacks, "flip" structures or energy purchase contracts



- Advantages
- Expand Existing Infrastructure
- Infrastructure Longevity
- Cooling and Heating
- Current Incentives
- Less Impact on Power Productions
- Lowest Energy Cost
- Lowest Maintenance Cost
- Lowest Life Cycle Cost
- Lowest Emissions
- Future Flexibility







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Disadvantages

- -Upgrades to Heat Pump Based Equipment
- -Upper Heating Hot Water Temperature Limit of 120-140 Deg F
- -Additional Heat Rejection to the Lake
- -Additional Water Filtration







- Where Should We Go From Here?
- The 40 Year Outlook Demands Flexibility and Open Minds
- The Solution May Lie in a Combination of Both Ideas





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