



Creating Sustainable Communities within Southeast Alaska

Biomass Solutions for Southeast: Creating the Demand and the Infrastructure for Commoditization of Wood


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Economies of Scale

- ❑ Boiler sales, installation, and service
- ❑ Delivery infrastructure
- ❑ Anchor demand loads
- ❑ Production
- ❑ Lowest prices
- ❑ Common place



Biomass



	Moisture Content (in %)	Thermal Value Absolute (in BTU/lb)	Transport Density (in lb/ft ³)
Wood Pellets	5	7,737	40.5
Forest wood chips, dry	30	5,416	14.6
Forest wood chips, wet	60	2,600	19.3
Heating Oil	-	18,260	52.9



Manufacturing Residues

45.5 mmbf ~ 53,000 Bone Dry
Tons/Yr



Silvaculture Residues (18,000 Bone Dry Ton/Yr)



• Unthinned

Thinned

Lets Capture our Dollars


- 71,000 BDT currently available and unused
- Displaces 7,810,000 gallons of heating oil annually
- \$31,240,000 @ \$4.00/gal leaving our the Southeast Alaska region



Harvest Residuals (currently subject to pulp market)



Biomass for Heat

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- ❑ Proven track record
 - ❑ Commercially available to serve all building sizes
 - ❑ Will lower heating costs (and stable)
 - ❑ Cost effective to install
 - ❑ User friendly
 - ❑ Has not come to Alaska till now
 - ❑ Users slow to adapt
 - ❑ Early adapters are spread out
 - ❑ Users do not see their supply
 - ❑ All aspects of the industry are not in place for each community

Biomass for Electricity

- High Prices in some communities over \$0.65 /kwh
- Solutions exist
- not on a personal use scale (big)
- Big appetities for wood
- Not the highest use of our wood
- Needs to be coupled to a waste heat user
- Not viable with out inter-ties



Southeast Alaska Projects

- ❑ USCG Sitka
- ❑ USFS Tongass Discovery Center
- ❑ GSA KTN Federal Building
- ❑ USCG KTN to electric (pellets later)
- ❑ USCG Studying Kodiak (10,00 TPY!)
- ❑ JNU NOAA USCG ADF&G Joint Use
- ❑ Kake School and City Bldgs
- ❑ Yakutat Kwann
- ❑ T&H Hope Building
- ❑ SEARHC
- ❑ T&H HUD JNU
- ❑ PNW Research Station Juneau*



Pellets = Green Jobs

- ❑ No fuel spills
- ❑ Pellet storage cheaper than oil tanks
- ❑ Industry does not compete with existing oil based companies
- ❑ Better utilization of our forest resource
- ❑ Add jobs to mills



Commodity Pellets

- ❑ 40 lb bags by the pallet (50 bags per pallet)
- ❑ By the super sack (US Ton or Metric Tonne)
- ❑ Bulk deliveries
- ❑ Vending stations
- ❑ Distribution Silos
- ❑ Individual silos



Commodity Firewood \$150 a cord (or less?)

- ❑ Palletized cordwood deliveries (possible containerized deliveries)
- ❑ Circular Saw Firewood Processor 7+ cords/hr
- ❑ Bobcat or like Skid Steer
- ❑ Flatbed delivery truck with self-loading forklift
- ❑ Extra – facility with covered storage for drying
- ❑ Wood source - negotiated from existing operational areas



The Sealaska Plaza Wood Pellet Boiler



1 MODEL VIEW

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SEALASKA PLAZA

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SCALE: AS SHOWN
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MV-4

Project Timeline

- ❑ Fall 2009 Emerging Energy Technology Grant
- ❑ Dec 4, 2009 Official News Release
- ❑ May 2010 Bulk Delivery Truck Arrives
- ❑ October 8, 2010 Boiler Set in Place
- ❑ November 19, 2010 Boiler Startup

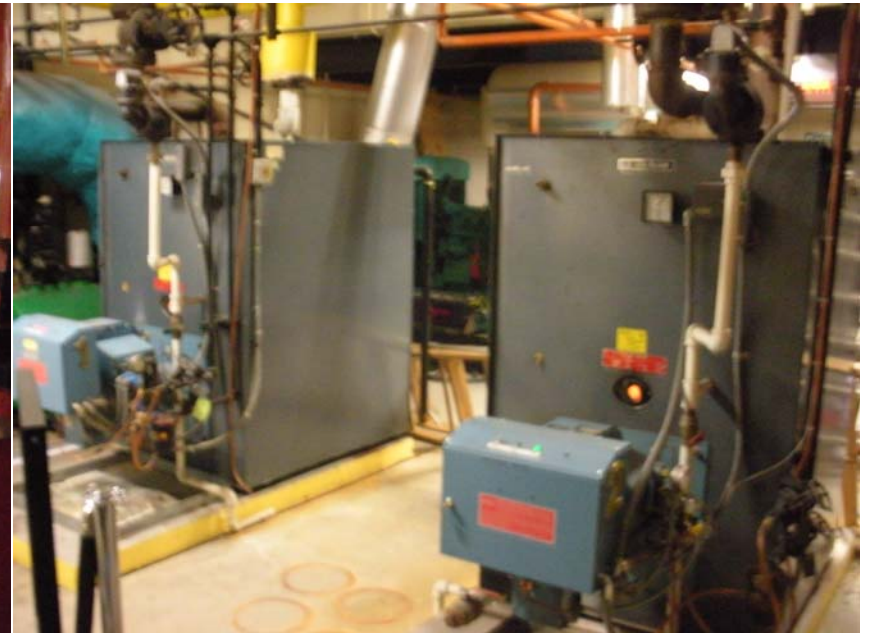
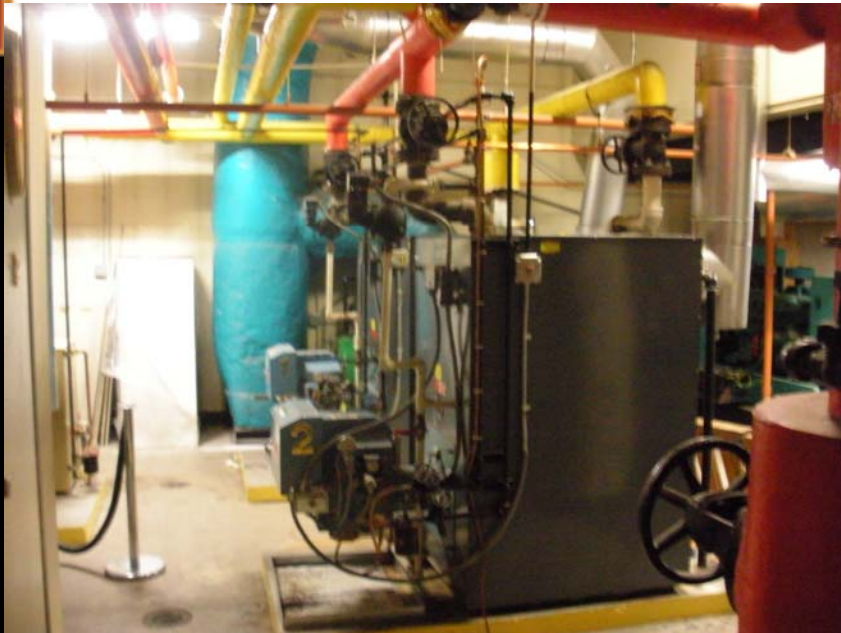


ACEP
Alaska Center for Energy and Power





Before





After



Sealaska Plaza's Wood Pellet Boiler:

Viessmann Pyrot 220Kw output

Annual consumption: 280 tons of pellets per year



Wood pellets and ash are moved automatically by screw augers







No visible emissions from the Sealaska Plaza (cleaner than natural gas)



Sealaska Plaza: Proven

- 3,500 hours of successful operation. Since boiler startup November 19, 2010 our boiler has consumed over
- 120 tons of wood pellets which are equivalent to 13,200 gallons of heating oil
- At current prices of heating oil, the Sealaska wood pellet boiler has saved the corporation **+\$19,044** in heating costs in 5 months



Wood pellets arrive by barge in shipping containers



Wood pellets trans-loaded into delivery truck



Auger delivery truck delivering 20 tons of wood pellets to the Sealaska Plaza silo



Wood Pellet Silo Tank Farm

- ❑ Eliminates super sacks, shipping pallets, trans-loading
- ❑ Reduced handling
- ❑ Reduces delivery costs
- ❑ Makes customers “feel more secure”
- ❑ Allows our delivery trucks to operate on their own time



300 Ton
Facility



Containerized Installation

Nazko School B.C.



Sealaska Heritage Institute Center



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SCHEMATIC MATERIALS

SEALASKA HERITAGE INSTITUTE CENTER
for
The Sealaska Institute

SHEET TITLE:
PERSPECTIVE

DATE: 01/21/11
SCALE:
DRAWN: PV
CHECKED:

SHEET NO.

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Operational Costs

- ❑ Delivered wood pellets \$300/ton = \$2.52/gallon
- ❑ \$4.17/gallon pellets 40% less
- ❑ <10 min/week
- ❑ Two 3 hr shut downs a year (~\$500 ea)
- ❑ Saved over \$20,000 this winter and the savings keep coming



Northwest Territory Summary:

425,000 sq/mi – 35,000 residents

(vs Alaska 586,000 sq/mi, +/- 600,000 residents)

- Approx. 15 commercial biomass boiler installations
- Many residential wood pellet stoves (up to 50% fuel savings vs oil/propane).

• **12,000 tons/yr** of pellet consumption, for a population base of 35,000 in just 4 years!



BIOMASS HEATING SYSTEMS FOR GNWT BUILDINGS



INSTALLED AND PLANNED WOOD PELLET BOILERS

OCTOBER 2009



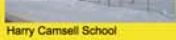
Chief Jimmy Bruneau School, Behchoko
 One KOB 750 kW wood pellet boiler
 Expected fuel oil reduction of 155,000 litres per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 410 tonnes per year
 Installation completed in October 2009



Highways Maintenance Garage, Hay River
 One KOB 260 kW wood pellet boiler
 Fuel oil reduction of 100,000 litres per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 270 tonnes per year
 Installation to be completed in 2010



Central Heating Plant Serving Four Schools, Hay River
 One KOB 1 MW wood pellet boiler
 Expected fuel oil and propane reduction equivalent to 318,000 litres of fuel oil per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 850 tonnes per year
 Installation to be completed in 2010



Schools to be heated by a central heating plant in Hay River

A BRIEF HISTORY

The first wood pellet boilers for a Territorial Government building were installed at the North Slave Correctional Centre in 2006. Arctic Green Energy (AGE) owns and installed the boiler, and sells heat to the Government of the NWT (GNWT). Thanks to the success of that project, the GNWT is now investing in its own wood pellet boilers for other facilities, where economically viable.

Since the cost to transport wood pellets is higher than that of other fuels, the most viable locations for wood pellet boilers are those closest to the source of wood pellets. Currently, that source is in La Crete in northern Alberta. Therefore, the GNWT is investing in wood pellet boilers in communities on the road network in the South and North Slave regions.

Kalemi Dene School, N'Dilo
 Three Bosch MESys 23 kW wood pellet boilers
 Expected fuel oil reduction of 30,000 litres per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 80 tonnes
 Installation completed in September 2009



North Slave Correctional Facility, Yellowknife
 Two BINDER 750 kW wood pellet boilers
 Fuel oil reduction of 587,000 litres in 2008
 GHG reduction of 1,560 tonnes in 2008
 Installation completed in November 2006



Legislative Assembly Building, Yellowknife
 One BINDER 300 kW wood pellet boiler
 Expected fuel oil reduction of 83,000 litres per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 220 tonnes per year
 Installation to be completed in 2009/10



École St Joseph School, Yellowknife
 One KOB 540 kW wood pellet boiler
 Expected fuel reduction of 102,000 litres per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 270 tonnes per year
 Installation completed in October 2009



Sir John Franklin School, Yellowknife
 One BINDER 750 kW wood pellet boiler
 Expected fuel reduction of 142,900 litres per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 380 tonnes per year
 Installation completed in February 2008



PWK School & Recreation Complex, Fort Smith
 One KOB 750 kW wood pellet boiler
 Expected fuel oil reduction of 200,000 litres per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 530 tonnes per year
 Installation to be completed in 2010



Thebacha College, Fort Smith
 One KOB 750 kW wood pellet boiler
 Expected fuel oil reduction of 200,000 litres per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 530 tonnes per year
 Installation to be completed in 2010



Health Centre, Fort Smith
 One KOB 750 kW wood pellet boiler
 Expected fuel oil reduction of 200,000 litres per year
 Expected GHG reduction of 530 tonnes per year
 Installation to be completed in 2010



Look around your town

- ❑ JNU Federal Building 150,000 gal
- ❑ State Office Building 125,000 gal
- ❑ Juneau Bartlett Hospital gets a fuel delivery every day!
- ❑ Big Apartment complexes
- ❑ State leased buildings
- ❑ Juneau School district over 1,000,000 gal




The More You Burn...

- ❑ The more you save
- ❑ The faster you will pay for your system
- ❑ Get away from feasibility studies
- ❑ Make change-overs common place
- ❑ Can you keep your existing system?







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