# Staged Combustion System for NOx Control & Power Generation at the San Bernardino Water Reclamation Plant's 704 kWe Biogas Engine

[aka Hydrogen Assisted Lean Operation (HALO) and Staged Combustion with Partial Oxidation Gas Turbine]

Project Update
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#### Background

- SBMWD operates a 33 MGD activated sludge secondary treatment facility and the Rapid Infiltration and Extraction (RIX) tertiary treatment facility
- SBMWD operates 6 Internal Combustion Engines (ICEs)s on digester gas:
  - 2 225 HP driving pumps
  - 2 750 HP driving blowers
  - 2 999 HP driving generators
- Not only generate electricity, or power equipment to offset our electrical demand, but we also recover heat from the 4 larger engines to heat our anaerobic digesters and further reduce overall energy demands

#### Background

- Obstacles (to catalytic systems & biogas treatment):
  - estimated capital cost of >\$6M
  - excessive engine exhaust back pressure
  - piping conflicts
  - excessive O&M costs
  - bankruptcy filing
- Possible solution: HALO
- <a href="http://www.casaweb.org/documents/2013/07-san-bernardino-mwd-claus.pdf">http://www.casaweb.org/documents/2013/07-san-bernardino-mwd-claus.pdf</a>

#### Fuel-Flexible, Hybrid CHP Project

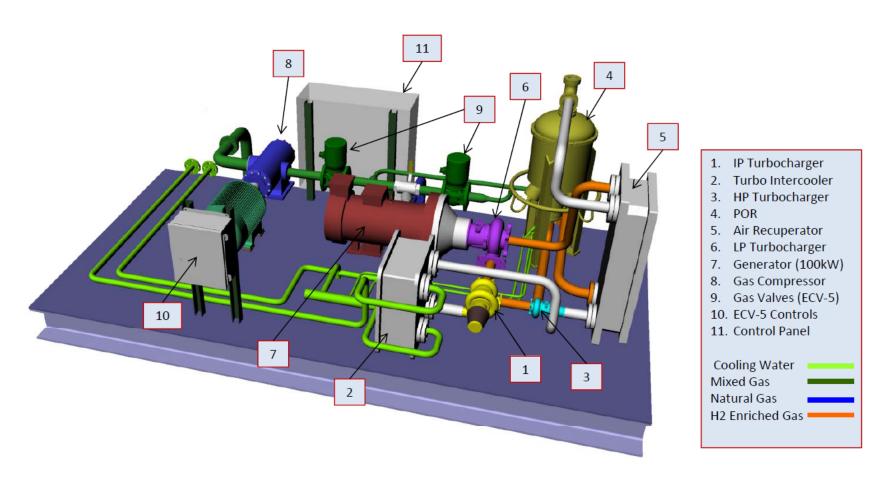
Staged Reheat Combustion System (SRCS) Based Upon POGT Integrated w/ICE

- In general, the SRCS consists of three stages connected in series:
  - o 1st Stage: Substoichiometric combustion at flame temperature 1900-2100°F
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage: Heat removal from fuel gas produced in stage 1 using an expander and a recuperator
  - o 3<sup>rd</sup> Stage: Complete combustion at moderate flame temperature (with power generation in this application)
- GTI developed and patented the concept of integrating a POGT with an ICE and is the prime contractor for the work that will be described in this presentation
- GTI has teamed with Alturdyne Power Systems (El Cajon, CA) to build a POGT for integration with the 704 kWe IC engine at SBWRP
- Vronay Engineering Services of La Jolla, CA is responsible for design, installation and integration of the POGT with the engine
- The project is being funded by CEC, Southern California Gas, SCAQMD, and San Bernardino Municipal Water Department.

# Existing Equipment — Generator-Drive Engines

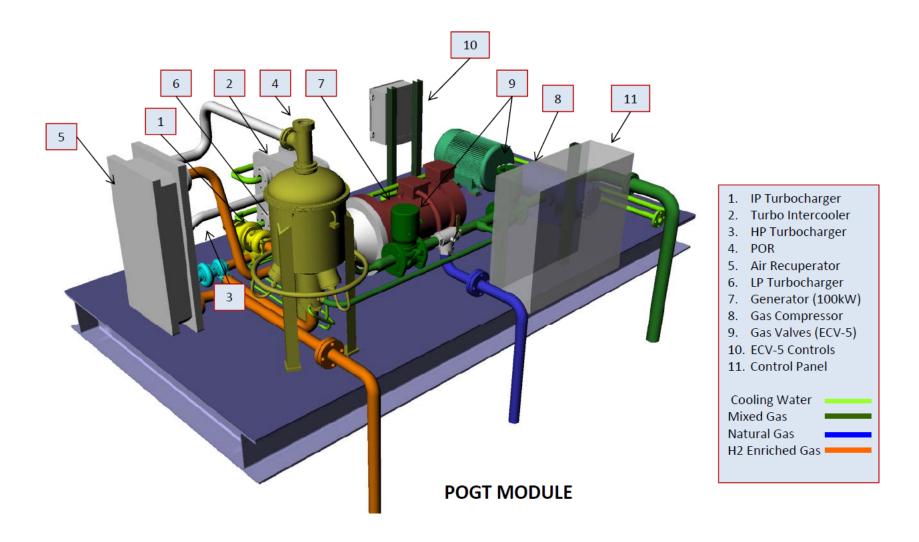


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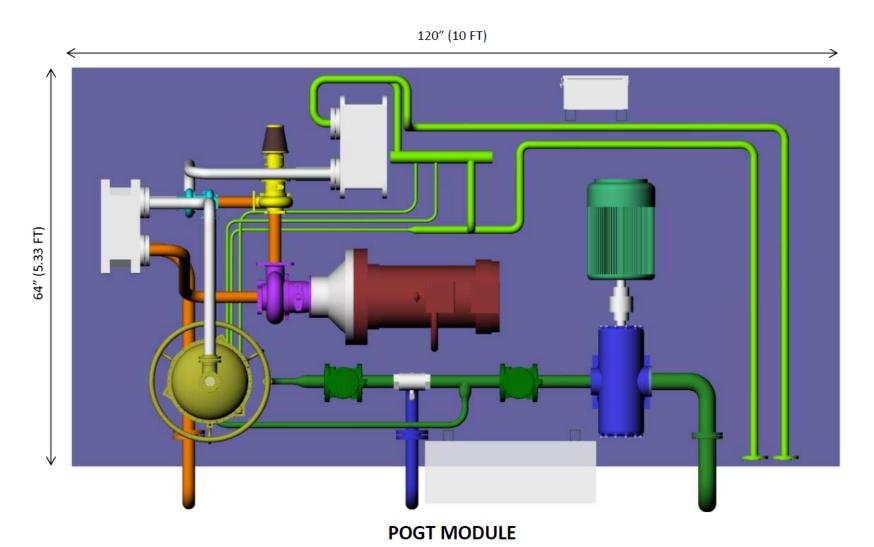


PARTIAL OXIDATION GAS TURBINE (POGT) MODULE

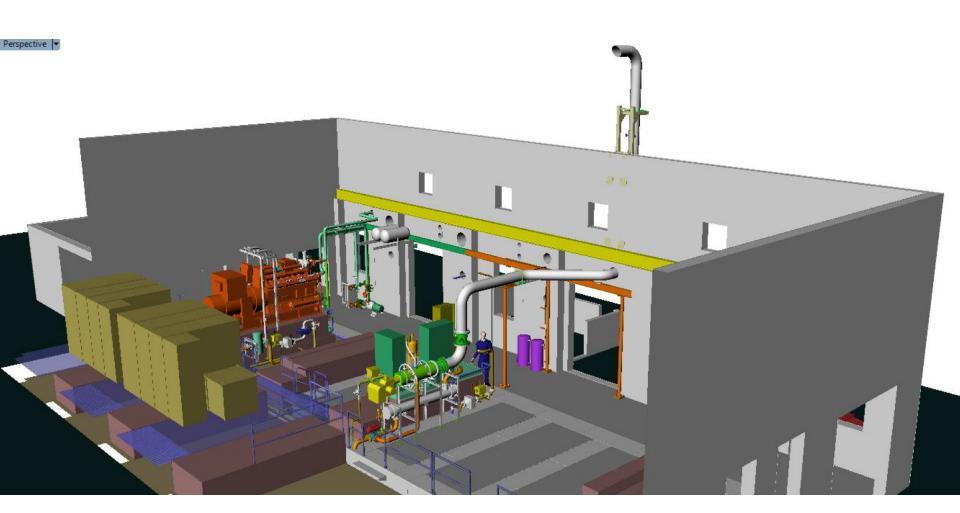
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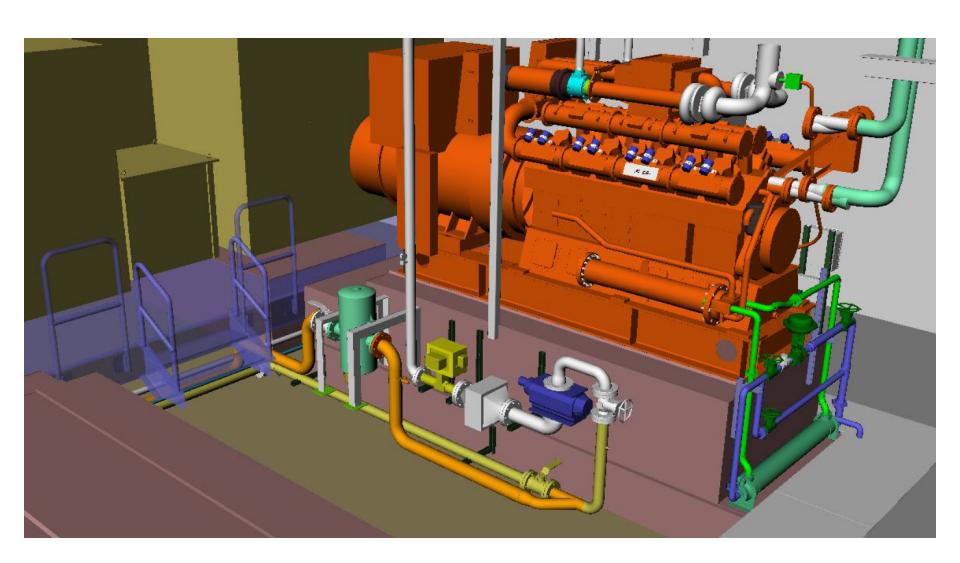
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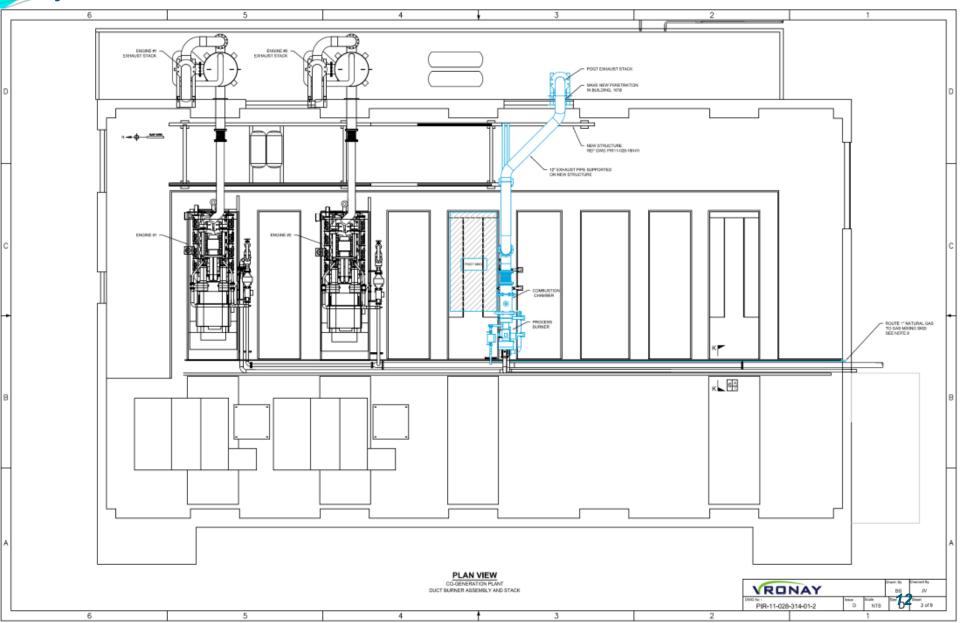
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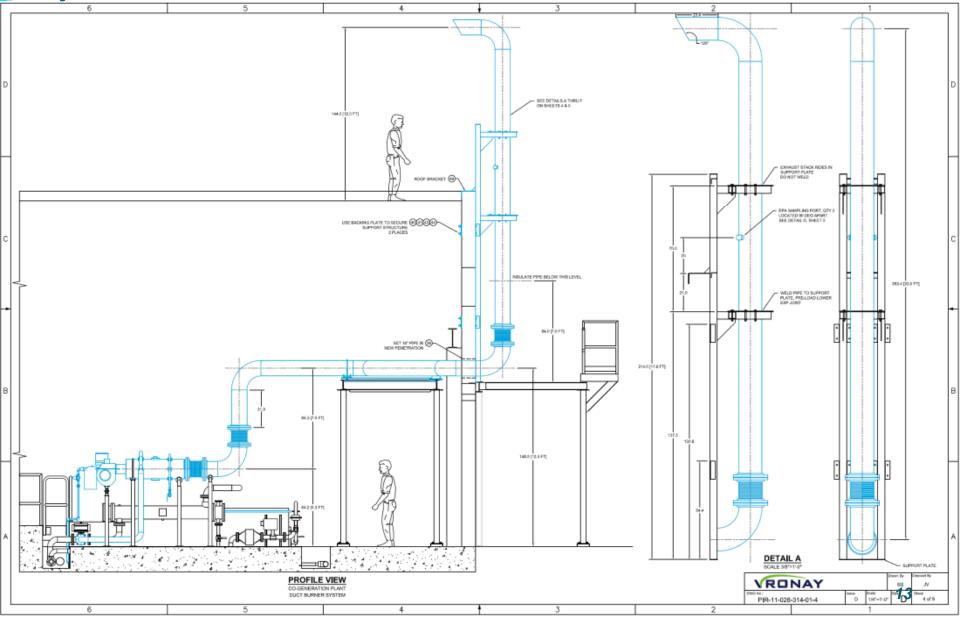
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# Layout - Plan View

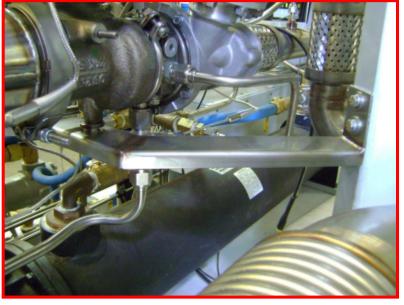


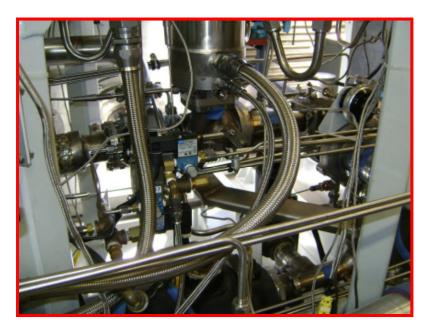
# Layout - Profile View



Photographs (October 9, 2014)









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#### **Project Status**

- Amended contracts (additional funding required)
- Completed system upgrades to maximize existing system operability during test phase
- GTI submitted the draft test plan for short-term testing of the ICE-POGT for CHP at SBWRP to SCAQMD, SoCal Gas, & CEC in August, 2014
- Permit to Construct/Operate Experimental Research Operations (Permit No. G33083) issued October 7, 2014
- Mechanical/Electrical contractor is preparing for installation of POGT system at SBWRP
- Alturdyne Power Systems (APS) continues efforts to complete fabrication of the POR.
- APS continues fabrication of the POGT skid; however, POR is a critical item that must be completed to complete the POGT skid fabrication.
- Expect to witness POGT skid validation testing November 19 21, 2014

#### Project Status

- Upon completion of validation testing, skid to immediately ship to GTI for additional testing in partial oxidation configuration (estimated duration of 1 month)
- Anticipate installation of POGT system at SBWRP in January 2015
- Finalize test plan for short term performance evaluation of POGT integrated with ICE at SBWRP
- Secure contract extensions

#### Fuel-Flexible, Hybrid CHP Project

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4	01.2	CPR Meeting 2	Sat 8/30/14	Tue 9/30/14	4			•	
5	01.3	Final Meeting	Fri 1/30/15	Sun 2/15/15					4
6	01.4	Monthly Progress Reports	Wed 10/10/12	Sun 2/15/15					
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12	02	Development of Hybrid CHP detailed process diagram	Thu 11/1/12	Wed 1/30/13	3		-		
13	03	Engineering design, fabrication and testing of POR	Sat 12/1/12	Thu 5/30/13		ı			
14	04	Conceptual design, modeling, performance evaluation of POGT	Mon 4/1/13	Fri 8/30/13					
15	05	Engineering design, construction, installation and testing of POGT at GTI	Thu 8/15/13	Sat 11/30/13	3		-	•	
16	06	Design, installation and integration of POGT-ICE at SB WRP	Sat 2/1/14	Wed 4/30/14	1				
17	07	Performance testing of CHP ICE-POGT unit at SB WRP firing biogas and blended NG	Tue 7/1/14	Tue 9/30/14	1				
18	08	Long-term testing and performance verification of Hybrid ICE-POGT unit at SB WRP	Mon 9/15/14	Mon 12/15/14	1				ı
19	09	Data processing and analyses	Tue 9/3/13	Fri 2/13/15			_		_
20	10	Technology Transfer Activities	Mon 12/1/14	Fri 1/30/15					-
21	11	Production Readiness Plan	Mon 12/15/14	Fri 1/30/15					+

Project Status

Description	Start	Date	Due Date		Status	
Description	Planned	Actual	Planned	Actual	(% complete)	
(Task 2) Report on Development of a Hybrid CHP Detailed Process Diagram and Identification of Performance Specifications for Major Subsystems for the SBWRP	10/1/2012		11/30/2012	11/30/2012	100%	
(Task 3) Report on Engineering Design, Fabrication and Testing of a POR	8/1/2012	8/13/2012	11/30/2014		>90%	
(Task 4) Report on Conceptual Design, Modeling and Performance Evaluation-Hybrid ICE-POGT	4/1/2013	9/1/2012	1/31/2014	2/7/2014	100%	
Report for Critical Project Review 1	7/1/2013		1/20/2015		40%	
(Task 5) Report on Engineering Design, Construction, Installation and Performance Testing of POGT-TC	4/1/2013		1/12/2015		50%	
(Task 6) Report on Design, Installaiton, and Integration of POGT-ICE at SBVWRP	12/1/2013		2/27/2015		%	
(Task 7) Report on Performance Testing of ICE-POGT for CHP at SBWRP	6/1/2014		3/31/2015		%	
(Task 8) Report on Long-Term Testing and Performance Verification of the Hybrid ICE-POGT System at SBWRP	8/30/2014		6/30/2015		%	
(Task 9) Report on Data Processing and Analyses	6/1/2014	1/15/2013	6/30/2015		%	
(Task 10) Technology Transfer Plan	11/15/2014		8/31/2015		%	
(Task 11) Production Readiness Plan	11/15/2014		8/31/2015		%	
(Task 1.6) Final Report						
Draft	10/15/2014		9/30/2015		%	
Final Approved	12/15/2014		9/30/2015		%	

# Summary

- SBWRP is evaluating the potential for using HALO to comply with new emission limits by integrating a POGT with our IC engine.
- We will soon be able to test the POGT to confirm that it is producing the hydrogen rich fuel gas (from digester gas) that will support HALO with our engine.
- By staging combustion, the POGT integrated with the IC engine is capable of producing additional power while maintaining total emissions below the limits required by Rule 1110.2
- Field results are expected by Feb 2015

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