

VAPOR COMPRESSION HEAT PUMP TECHNOLOGY – ECONOMICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS

Limited energy resources and accelerating global warming are forcing the industry to finding solutions that use energy more efficiently.

Thermal energy represents a significant portion of total energy use in industrial processes, so careful management is a key factor in developing energy efficiency systems that build a foundation for climate protection.

VALUABLE INDUSTRIAL WASTE HEAT – ENERGY EFFICIENCY AS A SUCESS FACTOR

The use of waste heat in industrial processes has great potential in terms of energy efficiency. Excess waste heat from thermal separation and other industrial



processes is often unused and released into the environment.

VAPOR COMPRESSION HEAT PUMP TECHNOLOGY

Heat pumps are essential, when classic methods of waste heat utilization are no longer possible or sufficient. Utilization of waste heat flows by using Vapor Compression Heat Pump Technology reduces the process steam demand and optimizes energy consumption.

Our heat pump systems are capable of producing more than 90 K temperature rise and a discharge pressure of up to 20 barg.

Two options for applying vapor compression heat pumps

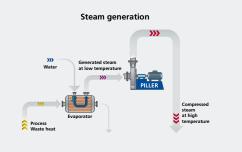
1. The basic vapor compression cycle

If vapors are compressed directly and then used for heating, the basic principle corresponds to the classic mechanical vapor compression (MVR) process. In addition to being used for process heating, the compressed vapor can also be used in another process, or for generating of steam or hot water.

Mechanical vapor compression Compressed vapor at high temperature Vapor from process

2. The innovative steam generation cycle

If it is not a gaseous waste heat stream or if the vapor cannot be compressed, the innovative heat pump cycle with evaporator can be used. For this, water is used as a working fluid generating steam in the evaporator at a low pressure and temperature. The Blowers and Compressors by PILLER lift the steam to the pressure and temperature to drive the process or to meet heating system needs.



PILLER'S SYSTEM ENGINEERING SERVICES

PILLER offers engineering services for feasibility assessment including conceptual design and/or support in the Pre-FEED phase.



CONCEPTUAL DESIGN – MAKING THE PROJECT FEASIBLE

PILLER will develop a Conceptual Design Document (CDD), taking a close look at the feasibility for your process.

Data sampling

Gathering data on energy flows and other parameters, PILLER will select a subset of data for subsequent evaluation. This is done in close cooperation with the plant operator.

Process simulation

Heat and mass balances by process simulation are the starting point for the evaluation. Our services include identifying usable waste heat sources and heat sinks in the process, and defining the waste heat potentials per temperature level.

Process description

We will outline how the process of vapor compression heat pump technology runs and visualize a proposed solution in a Process Flow Diagram (PFD).

Evaluation of case studies

To identify the best concept for heat recovery with PILLER's Mechanical Vapor Compression (MVC) technology, different case studies are analyzed and evaluated.

Sizing of equipment

The main plant components such as blowers and compressors engineered for steam compression – the PILLER VapoLine – are preliminarily sized and priced.

Cost estimation and benefit factors

In this phase of the project planning, we provide a preliminary cost estimation and assessment of benefit factors, including energy savings, energy cost savings and CO₂ emission reduction. This provides a basis for project go/nogo decisions, before detailed plans are drawn up.

BEYOND CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

We actively participate in our customers Pre-FEED (Front-End Engineering & Design) phase, where we work with the plant operator and EPC contractors to further develop and optimize project and technology integration.

The outcome of the Pre-FEED can be used as the design basis for the next level of work FEED or basic engineering. In case of interfaces to the key system components, the Blowers and Compressors, we also provide support during the entire engineering phase right through commissioning.

VAPOLINE – BLOWERS AND COMPRESSORS FOR MECHANICAL VAPOR COMPRESSION

Our Vapor Compression Heat Pump Technology is based on high performance, engineered Blowers and Compressors for mechanical vapor compression.

With the VapoLine product portfolio, PILLER provides the perfect range of options to save energy and reduce carbon emission, demonstrating its competence as an expert in vapor compression technology.



PILLER VapoLine – Blowers and Compressors specially engineered for vapor compression

Contact PILLER to find out more about your MVR options for integrating vapor compression heat pump technology into your process.

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