

RE-ENGINEERING & PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE TO SOLVE INTERNAL RUBBING PROBLEM OF FCCU STEAM TURBINE

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INTRODUCTION TO BAPCO

> WHOLLY OWNED BY GOVT. OF BAHRAIN. > AN OLDEST REFINERY IN GCC CAPACITY = 260,000 BPD. ➢ NEW UNITS LIKE LSDP, RGDP and LBOP Integrated Machinery Inspection (IMI) PREDICTIVE MAINTENANCE TEAM RELIABILITY OF ALL ROTATING EQUIPMENT > MACHINE MONITORING (ONLINE /OFFLINE) > TRIBOLOGY RADIOGRAPHY (With Electrical section)



STATEMENT OF PORBLEM

- NEW TURBINES INSTALLED IN APRIL / MAY 2001
- COMMISSIONING HISTORY OF TRIP INCIDENTS DUE TO HIGH VIBRATION
- VIBRATION ANALYSIS : INTERNAL RUBBING
- INTERNAL RUB LOOKS LIKE UNBALANCE IN ORBIT ANALYSIS
- FREQUENT VIBRATION SPIKES WITH SUDDEN RISE AND DROP IN VIBRATIONS AT TURBINE OB BRG.
- DROP IN RELIABILITY OF TURBINE DUE TO UNCERTAIN AND UNPREDICTABLE BEHAVIOUR OF TRANSIENT RUBS

STEAM TURBINE DETAILS





COMPRESSOR (# 15 AIR BLOWER) DETAILS

- MOUNTING : HORIZONTAL- 3 STAGE CENTRIFUGAL
- RATED RPM = $4950 (1^{ST} CRITICAL = 2550)$
- INLET = 14.00 PSIG
- DISCHARGE = 15.00 PSIG
- INSTALLATION DATE : 01/07/73
- POWER : 2030 HP (4950 RPM)
 - **COUPLING TYPE : GEAR**

ANALYSIS-VIBRATION & INSPECTION

A) VIBRATION ANALYSIS

- ORBIT ANALYSIS : DIRECT AND 1X
- FULL SPECTRUM ANALYSIS
- AVG SHAFT CENTERLINE BEHAVIOUR
- TRANSIENT RUB ANALYSIS : BODE PLOTS

B) INSPECTION & ENGINEERING CHECKS

- OIL BAFFLE INSIDE CLEARANCE IS LESS THAN BEARING CLEARANCE.
 - MANUFACTURING ERROR : STEAM END BEARING OIL BAFFLE PTFE RING GROOVE (CLEARANCES)
 - OIL DEPOSITS FORMATION AT TURBINE OB STEAM END SIDE.

MACHINE BEHAVIOUR-TRANSIENT RUBBING



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ORBIT & FULL SPECTRUM ANALYSIS



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1X ORBIT PLOT ANALYSIS



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BODE PLOTO ANALYSIS



TURBINE ROTOR RED INSPECTION



CARBONACEOUS DEPOSITS-NDE TUBINE SEAL FACE



CARBON DEPOSITS- BETWEEN ROTOR & TURBINE CASING

CARBON DEPOSITS FOUND BETWEEN ROTOR AND TURBINE CASING

LEAKAGE ACROSS TURBINE CASING SPLIT



OIL MIGRATION FROM NDE BEARING SEAL



CARBONACIOUS DEPOSITS ON TURBINE LABRINTH SEAL



RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSION

RECOMMENDATIONS

- OIL BAFFLE REDESIGN WITH IMRPOVED CLEARANCES.
- UPGRADE OB BRG FOR SELF ALIGNMENT DESIGN
- DESIGN SYSTEM TO AVOID CONTAMINATION AND MIXING OF LUBE OIL WITH STEAM.

IMPLEMENTATION OF SOLUTION

- 1. OIL BAFFLE REPLACED WITH IMPROVED DESIGN
- 2. PURGE AIR AT NDE BEARING HOUSING AT 5 PSIG
- 3. STEAM GLAND VACCUM IMPROVED TO -0.5" TO -1" HG
- 4. INDEPENDENT EJECTORS INSTALLED FOR EACH TURBINE TO CONTROL STEAM GLAND VACCUM PRESSURE.
- 5. INSPECTION AND CLEANING OF SUSPECTED DEPOSIT AREAS DURING EACH T&I.

RE-ENGINEERING : OIL BAFFLE DESIGN





SECTIONAL DIAGRAM: LABYRINTH SEAL & NDE BEARING HOUSING





VIBRATION IMPROVEMENT



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LEARNING POINTS & BETTER PERFORMANCE

- LOWER OIL BAFFLE CLEARANCES IN TURBINE OUTBOARD BEARING LEADING TO RUBBING.
- OIL BAFFLE DESIGN IMPROVED WITH BETTER DESIGN CLEARANCES.
- SELF ALIGNNING TYPE. BEARING INSTALLED ON TURBINE OB SIDE.
- SEALING STEAM VACUUM CONTROL IMPROVED WITH INDEPENDENT EJECTORS FOR EACH MACHINE.
- OPERATING ENVIRONMENT BETWEEN STEAM LABRYNTH & NDE BEARING HOUSING IMPROVED TO AVOID HARD DEPOSIT FORMATIONS.



Questions and Discussion THANK YOU

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