GW Energy Ltd - CASE STUDY

ECO-MAX-POWER EMPs Viridor — Bolton TRF







Viridor

Project Summary

Installation of an EMP1800i ECO-MAX Power Optimiser with TrueBypass switch and integral Power Factor Correction into Viridor Waste Recycling Bolton.

9% average power (kVa) reduction achieved by the ECO-MAX, equating to a financial saving of £212,852 per year, with a project payback of 3.6 months!

The Bolton TRF was looking for viable ways to make substantial energy savings. One of the technologies considered by the onsite engineering team was power optimisation offered by GWE.

Voltage optimisation and power factor correction offer two different, but complementary power saving techniques.

Voltage optimisation directly reduces the amount of power drawn by the connected equipment by supplying it at a voltage nearer to its design voltage, whereas Power factor is a way of describing how efficiently electrical power is consumed.

The installation of an ECO-MAX POWER combined voltage optimisation and power factor correction unit reduced the total amount of power drawn which translated into additional generator export revenue for the site.

Prior to installation a detailed site survey was carried out together with datalogging to obtain base information. The site was then logged again following installation and comparisons made. The results of which are indicated on the graphs shown

Energy & Financial Summary of Project

Reduction in consumption per year

Reduction in electricity cost, per annum
£ 212,852

Total project cost
£ 63,436

Payback period

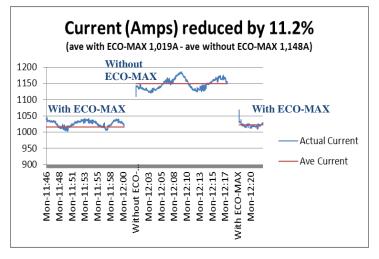
Return on investment

Reduction in CO₂ emissions, per annum

548,251 kVAhrs
£ 212,852
£ 63,436
3.6 months
335%

Reduction in CO₂ emissions, per annum

288 tonnes



The graph above shows the reduction in current of 11.2% with the ECO-MAX in operation. This equates to a 9% reduction in total power drawn from the network (see graph below), delivering both environmental and financial benefits to Viridor.

