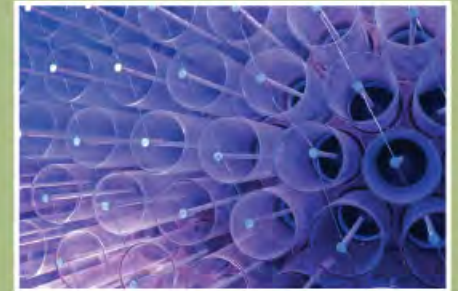




**PENNSYLVANIA
AMERICAN WATER**

Improving Pump Efficiency to Decrease Energy Consumption

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Who Is American Water

We are the largest publicly traded water and wastewater service provider in the United States

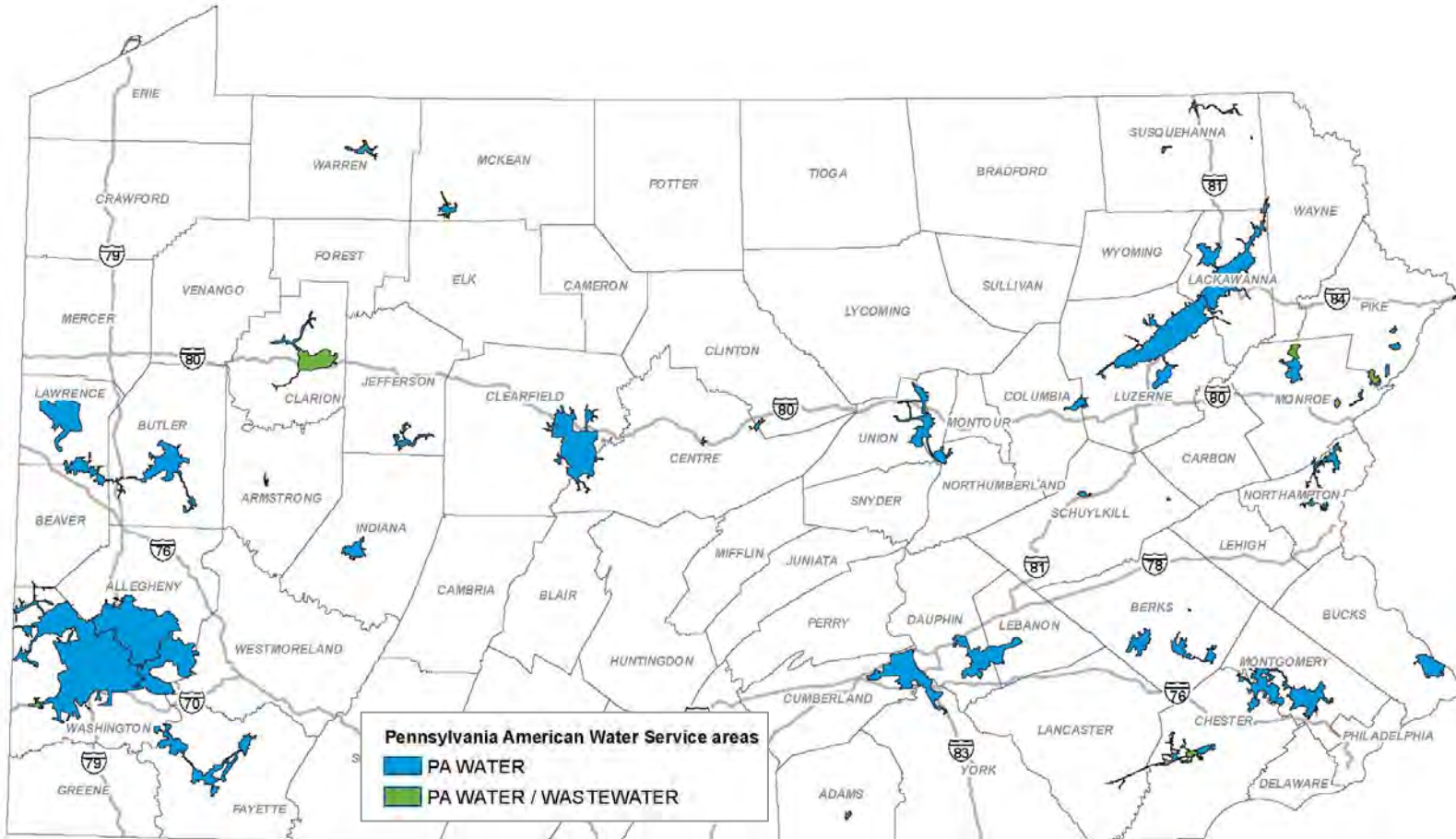
- Provides services to approx. 14 million people in more than 30 states and parts of Canada
- Treat and delivers more than one billion gallons of water daily



Our Company

- **Subsidiary of American Water Works Co. Inc.**
- **Roots date back to early 1800s, Incorporated in 1904**
- **Largest regulated water and wastewater service provider in PA**
- **Serving approximately 2.2 million people in 36 counties**
- **More than 1,000 employees**
- **Customer base:**
 - 640,000 water customers
 - 92% residential
 - 7% commercial
 - 1% industrial/other
 - 17,000 wastewater customers

Pennsylvania American Water Service Area



Serving 17 percent of the Commonwealth's population

Presentation Overview

- I. The Case for Pump Efficiency
- II. Case Study Approach
- III. Methodology
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I. The Case for Pump Efficiency

- **Drinking water pumping systems – 20% of world’s electrical demand**
- **Footprint of a water utility includes:**
 - Energy use (power)
 - Fossil fuels (natural gas, fuel, oil)
- **Carbon footprint – the total set of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions**
- **Carbon footprint reduction – measured in terms of the amount of carbon dioxide removed from the environment**
 - 6.8956×10^{-4} metric tons CO₂ / KWh
 - ◆ 1.52 lbs CO₂ / KWh
- **Increasing efficiency leads to decrease in GHGe, increased sustainability and decreased operational costs**

I. The Case for Pump Efficiency

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- **850+ facilities billed for electricity**
 - Treatment plants, office buildings, pump stations
- **Vast majority of electrical use is for pumping (97%)**
- **Estimated 90% of GHGe are due to pumping**
- **Identified 10 largest 'facilities' - account for 60% of the state energy usage**
- **Water pumping comprises majority of energy usage at facilities**

II. Case Study Approach

- **Test efficiencies of pumps at top 10 facilities**
 - **Wire-to-Water Testing**
- **Refurbish or replace pumps to obtain better operating efficiencies**
 - **Reduces energy use**
 - **Reduces carbon footprint**
 - **Saves operating expenses**

II. Case Study Approach

- **Wire-to-Water Testing**
 - **Considers overall efficiency of the motor and pump**
 - **Is a measure of the pumping power produced by a unit of electrical power**
 - **Wire-to-Water Efficiency = Water HP / Wire HP**

II. Case Study Approach

- **Wire-to-Water Testing**
 - **Wire Horsepower (HP)**
 - ◆ Electrical power applied to the motor
 - ◆ $\text{Wire HP} = (\text{Volts} \times \text{Amps} \times \text{Power Factor}) / 431$
 - **Power Factor**
 - ◆ Measure of how the voltage leads or lags the amperage
 - ◆ $\text{Power factor} = \text{Active Power (W)} / \text{Apparent Power (VA)}$
 - **Water HP**
 - ◆ Power transferred to the water by the pump
 - ◆ $\text{Water HP} = [\text{Flow (gpm)} \times \text{Head (ft)}] / 3960$
 - **Note: Wire-to-water tests indicate the efficiency of the pump and motor; not just the pump**

II. Case Study Approach

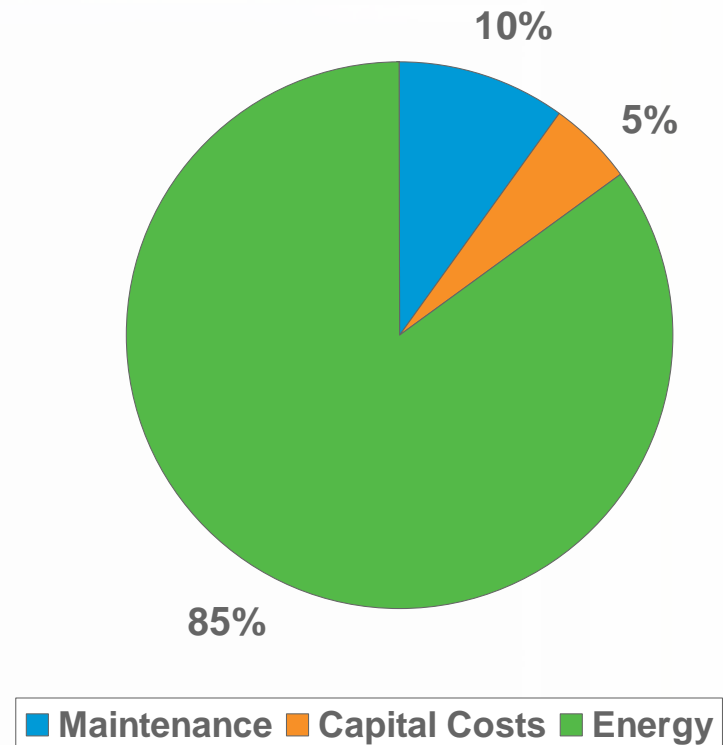
Motor Data					Flow Data				Pump Data					
Voltage & FLA		HP	Efficiency	PF	Flow Meter	Range	Span	% Error			Design Flow		Design head	
460/230		200	0.9		Venturi	0 - 6944.4	6944.4	1.00	1770		2100		240	
Test Date	% Test Flow	Voltage volts (avg.)	Current amps (avg.)	Power Factor	Flow gpm	Suction ^{***}	Discharge psi	Total Head	Wire hp	Water hp	BHP	W/W Eff.	Pump Eff.	Gallons per KWH
						Measure Ft of top of water to pressure gauge								
05/25/10	0	495	137	0.60	0	16.1	109	268.31	94	0				
	50	495	163	0.71	1217	16.1	98	242.43	133	75	119	56%	62%	737
	75	496	181	0.75	1796	16.4	91	226.56	156	103	140	66%	73%	928
	100	495	198.00	0.77	2395	16.0	76	191.59	175	116	158	66%	74%	1100
Device accuracy		0.25	0.10	0.50					0.85	2.90	0.85	2.07	2.07	2.07

- Example Wire-to-Water Input
 - Nameplate data
 - ◆ Motor
 - ◆ Pump
 - Actual (field) data
 - ◆ Motor
 - ◆ Pump
 - ◆ Electrical

II. Case Study Approach

- Typical bowl efficiency of new, high efficiency pumps: 83-88%
- Typical wire-to-water efficiency (assuming 95% motor efficiency): 79-84%
- The capital cost of a pump installation is a small percentage of the Life Cycle Cost (LCC)
 - **Energy: 85%**
 - Maintenance: 10%
 - Capital cost: 5%

Life Cycle Cost (LCC)



II. Case Study Approach

- **Define top energy systems we plan to engage with efficiency improvements**
 - Top 10 systems = 60% of company's energy usage
 - Top 4 systems = 40% of company's energy usage
 - All of the top systems are large pumping facilities (finished water pumping encompasses 75%+ of the energy usage at those facilities)
- **Current operating finished water pump efficiencies**
 - 50-80% (based on wire-to-water testing)
- **Potential finished water pump efficiencies**
 - 80-85%

II. Case Study Approach

- Develop a metric and baseline to compare future and past
 - Energy Unit Index (EUI)
 - ◆ Energy Used (MWh) / Water Pumped (MG)
 - Example:
 - ◆ Pump requires 100 MWh to pump 25 MG
 - ◆ EUI = 4.00

 - ◆ More efficient pump requires 75 MWh to pump 25 MG
 - ◆ EUI = 3.00

II. Case Study Approach

- Evaluate current hydraulics and flow of each system
- View current pump sizing and design
- Analyze cost effectiveness to refurbish vs. replace pumps
- Capital cost and payback analysis
- Comparison of final and initial EUI

III. Methodology

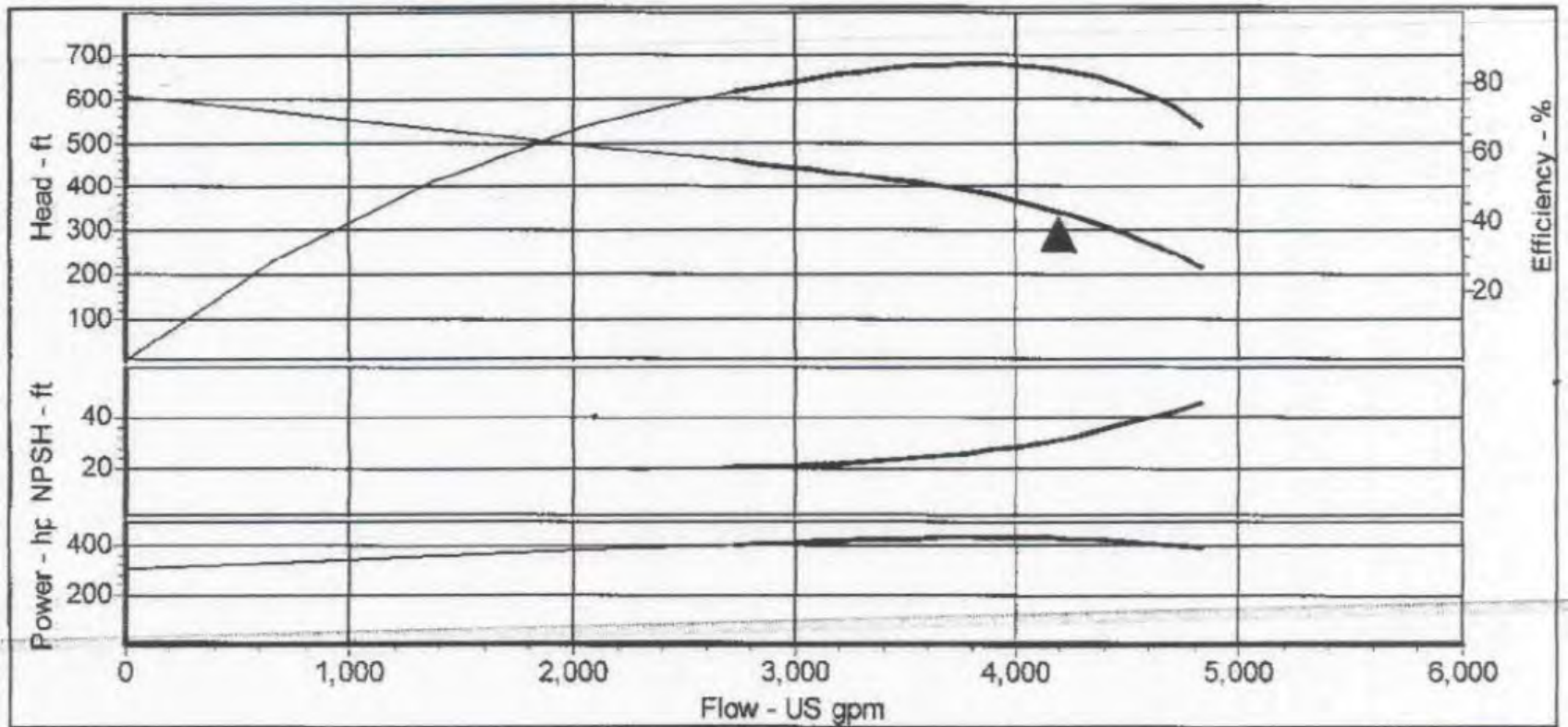
- **Preferred operating range (POR):**
 - Select pumps that operate within 10% of the best efficiency point (BEP)
 - ◆ Average demand and TDH requirements should be near BEP design
- **Pump sizing**
 - What are the demand characteristics?
 - How are pumps operated?
 - Able to still pump maximum flow (MF) and worst-case pressure conditions



III. Methodology

- **Listen**
 - Cavitation (cracking sound)
 - Vibration
- **Look**
 - Excessive leaking (seals)
- **Vibration Analysis**
 - Accelerometers mounted to pump; software is used to compare to baseline (new pump) data
- **Thermography (Infrared Scanning)**
 - For early detection of 'hot spots' – deteriorating motor windings, hot running bearings, etc.
- **Evaluate Current Pump Curve**
 - Created from wire-to-water
 - Compare to new/factory pump curve

III. Methodology



III. Methodology

- **Options for Improving Pump Efficiencies**
 - **Mechanical rehabilitation**
 - ◆ Pump: replace wear rings, seals, sleeves, gaskets, bearings
 - ◆ Motor: rewind motor windings
 - **Sandblast and recoat**
 - ◆ Removes tuberculation and roughness
 - ◆ Reduces friction losses through pump
 - ◆ Coating adds efficiency and longevity
 - **Install VSD**
 - ◆ Vary flow at set hydraulic conditions (TDH)
 - ◆ Can replace throttled valve
 - ◆ Inherent 2-5% loss in efficiency
 - ◆ What pump flows/efficiencies will the VSD run at?

III. Methodology

- **Options for Improving Pump Efficiencies (cont.)**
 - **Replace pump (and motor)**
 - ◆ Pump not operating near BEP at ADF
 - ◆ TDH/Flow requirements changed
 - ◆ Cost of rehabilitation \geq replacement
 - ◆ New pump/motor more efficient
 - **Trim or replace impeller**

IV. Case Study #1

- **Treatment plant**
 - 6 MGD Plant Capacity
 - 3 MGD ADD
- **3 High Service Pumps (75%+ of plant energy usage)**
 - Vintage 1968 – Pump and motors (200 hp)
 - Pump #2 utilized inefficient fluid hydraulic drive
- **Pumps designed at 2100 gpm, 240 ft, 82% efficiency**

IV. Case Study #1

- **Original wire-to-water efficiencies**
 - #1: 74%
 - #2: 70%
 - #3: 67%
- **Findings**
 - TDH/Flow requirements changed
 - Pumps were not operating efficiently on factory curve
 - VSD was needed to maintain adequate service to customers efficiently



IV. Case Study #1

- **Pumps replaced**
 - Replace pumps with correctly-sized pumps
 - Replace motors with premium efficiency 150 hp motors
 - Add electrical VSDs to 2 of 3 pumps
- **Current wire-to-water efficiencies**
 - #1: 80%
 - #2: 80%
 - #3: 81%
 - Original wire-to-water efficiencies – 67%-74%
- **Pumps designed at 2150 gpm, 215 ft, 84% efficiency**
- **Now properly sized – operating more efficiently**

IV. Case Study #1

	Energy (MWh)	Flow (MG)	EUI
2011 (Jan – Dec)	1,447	1,030	1.41
2012 (Jan – Dec)	1,312	1,022	1.28

- **EUI reduction: 9%**
- **KWh savings (2011 - 2012): 135,000**
- **Cost savings: \$15,200**
- **Cost of pump: \$36,000**
- **Payback: ~ 2.5 years**

V. Case Study #2

- **Relay pump station**
 - 35 MGD ADD
- **Five relay pumps (>95% of location energy usage)**
 - Vintage pumps and motors (1960s)
 - Three 10 MGD pumps
 - Two 20 MGD pumps
- **10 MGD Pumps designed at 7000 gpm, 360 ft, 87% efficiency**



V. Case Study #2

- **Original Wire-to-Water Efficiencies (10 MGD)**
 - #1: 65%
 - #2: 65%
 - #3: 63%
- **Findings**
 - Normal pump wear reduced efficiencies
 - Pumps were not operating efficiently on factory curve
 - Pumps designed correctly for application

V. Case Study #2

- **2012-2014 pumping refurbishment projects**
 - Refurbish pumps
 - Replace motors with premium efficiency motors
 - Project ongoing from 2012-2014
- **Current wire-to-water efficiency**
 - #3: 85%
- **Pumps designed at 7000 gpm, 360 ft, 87% efficiency**
- **Pumps now running more efficiently and effectively**

V. Case Study #2

	Energy (MWh)	Flow (MG)	EUI
2011 (Jan – Dec)	12,512	12,973	0.96
2012 (Mar – Dec)	11,801	12,630	0.93

- **EUI Reduction: 3%**
- **KWh savings (2011 – 2012): 711,500**
- **Cost savings: \$21,200**
- **Cost of pump: \$150,000**
- **Payback: ~7 years**
 - Pump in service $\frac{3}{4}$ of year

VI. Case Study #3

- **Treatment Plant**
 - 50 MGD Plant Capacity
 - 35 MGD ADD
- **5 Potable Water Pumps (90%+ of location energy usage)**
 - Vintage pumps and motors (1960s)
 - Three, 10 MGD pumps
 - Two, 20 MGD pumps
- **10 MGD Pumps designed at 7000 gpm, 420 ft, 87% efficiency**



VI. Case Study #3

- **Original Wire-to-Water Efficiencies (10 MGD)**
 - #1: 70%
 - #2: 59%
 - #3: 77%
- **Findings**
 - Normal pump wear reduced efficiencies
 - Pumps were not operating efficiently on factory curve
 - Pumps designed correctly for application
 - Refurbishment of pumps would cost more than replacement

VI. Case Study #3

- **2012-2014 pumping replacement projects**
 - Replace pumps
 - Replace motors with premium efficiency motors
 - Project ongoing from 2012-2014
- **Current wire-to-water efficiency**
 - #3: 83%
- **Pumps designed at 7000 gpm, 420 ft, 85% efficiency**
- **Pumps now running more efficiently and effectively**

VI. Case Study #3

	Energy (MWh)	Flow (MG)	EUI
2011 (Jan – Dec)	27,771	12,973	2.14
2012 (Mar – Dec)	26,610	12,630	2.11

- **EUI Reduction: 2%**
- **KWh savings (2011 – 2012): 1,161,500**
- **Cost savings: \$80,000**
- **Cost of pump: \$200,000**
- **Payback: ~2.5 years**
 - Pump in service $\frac{3}{4}$ of year.

VII. Conclusions

- **Primary factors that can impact pump efficiency**
 - Incorrect design
 - Changes in hydraulic conditions
 - Normal wear
 - Cavitation
 - Chemical contact
 - Mechanical issues – Seals, bearings, degradation of impeller, vibration
 - Inefficient VSD - Eddy current drives, magnetic drives, hydraulic clutch drives, fluid drives
 - Hydraulic – Tuberculation / Corrosion
 - Motor efficiency

VIII. Recommendations

- **Identify your largest energy users**
- **Determine your efficiencies/costs**
- **Recognize that each system is different**
 - Confirm pump is designed with BEP at ADF
 - Make sure the VSD operates effectively
 - Know hydraulic conditions will vary EUI
 - ◆ Higher TDH requires more energy to move water
- **Work towards goal systematically**
- **Consider pump coatings - can increase a pumps efficiency and time between repair**
- **Monitor pump efficiency continuously**
 - Real-time wire-to-water
 - SCADA integration

Questions

