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Project Introduction

The Compressor

The Plant

Specific Elements

CLIENT: FIASA. Devoted to refrigerants production and removal in Argentina in Remote Area



Nitric Acid Capacity Limited to 20-30 MTPD (Diluted 60% and concentrated 99%)

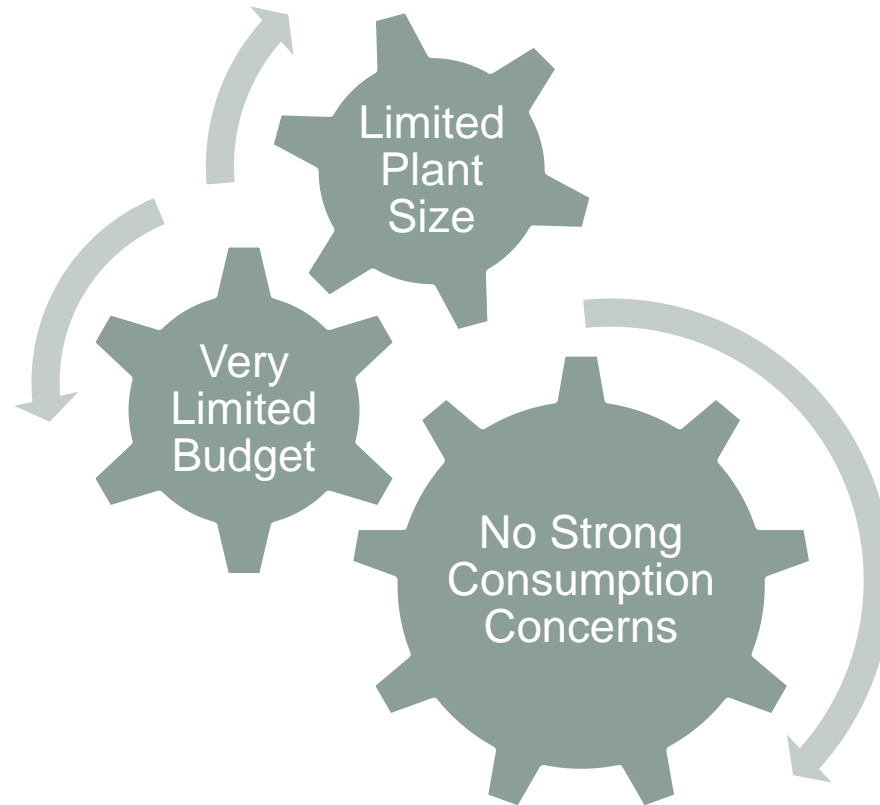
Availability of funds from Carbon Credits and Spanish financing, with limited investment

The Site

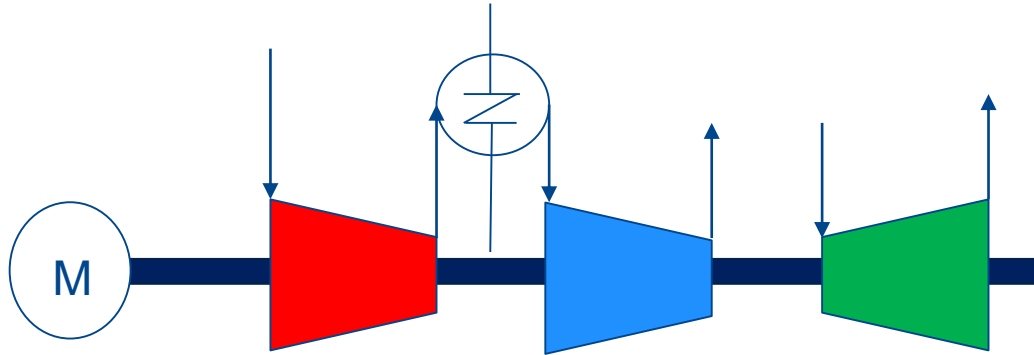
Site: Villa Mercedes Argentina



The Site



The Compressor

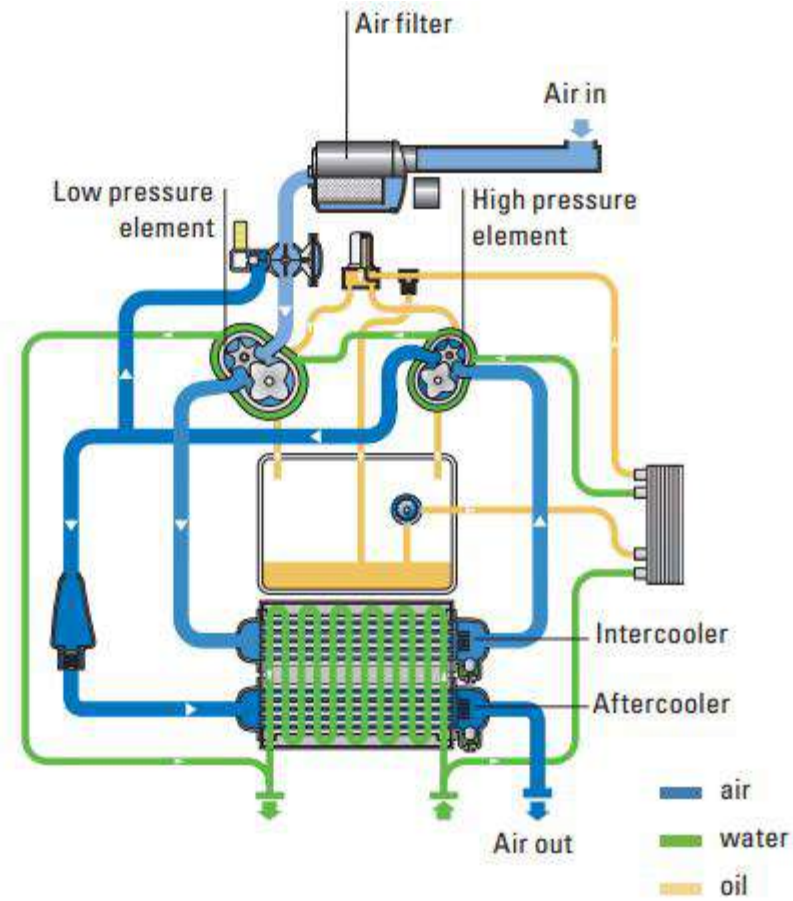


Typical : In line Monopressure Plant Compressor

Problems to find supplier for this capacity

Problems of Budget

The Compressor



Compressor used in farmaceutical/Food Plants

The Compressor

Package unit

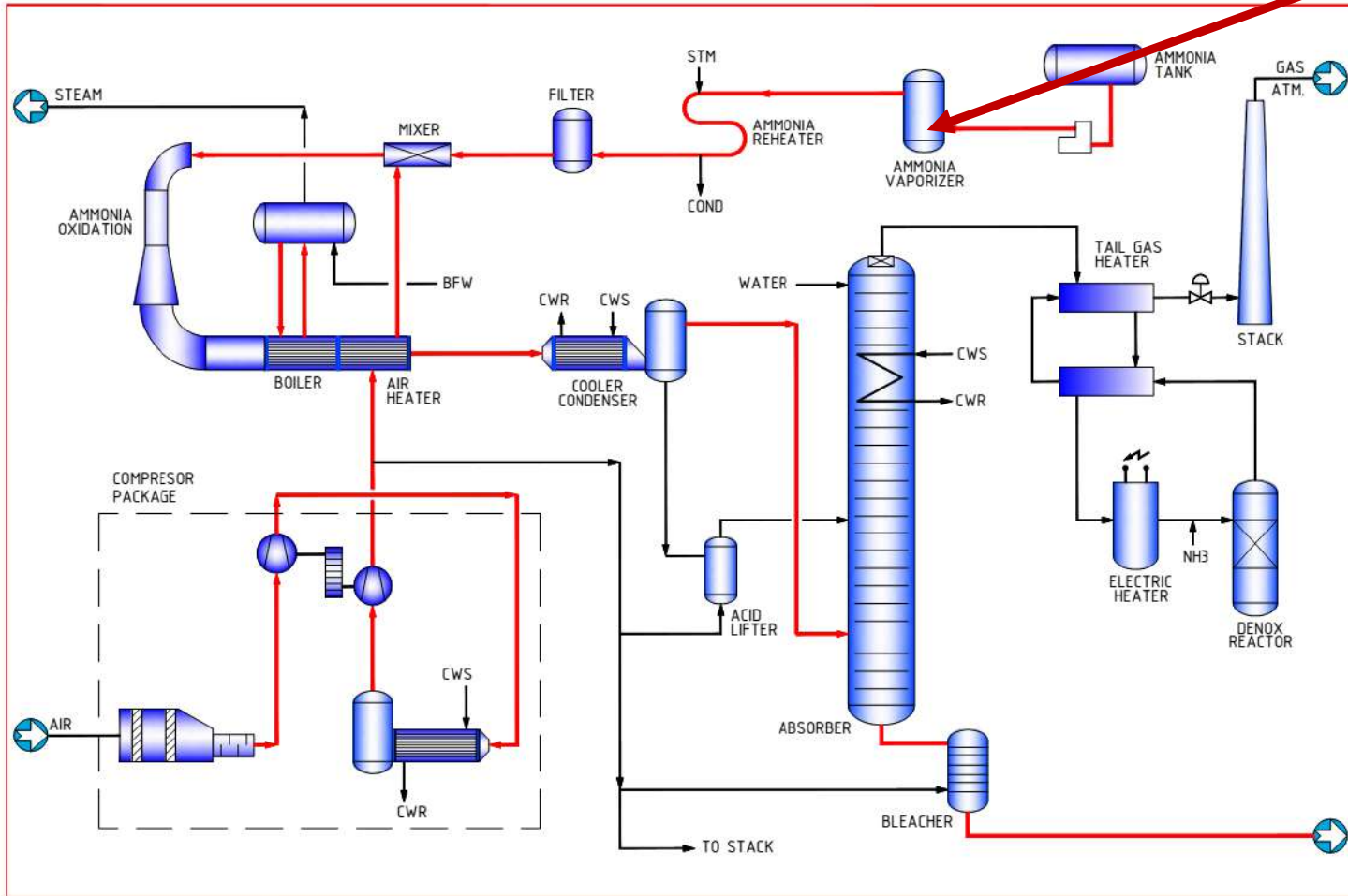
Capacity fixed

No expander

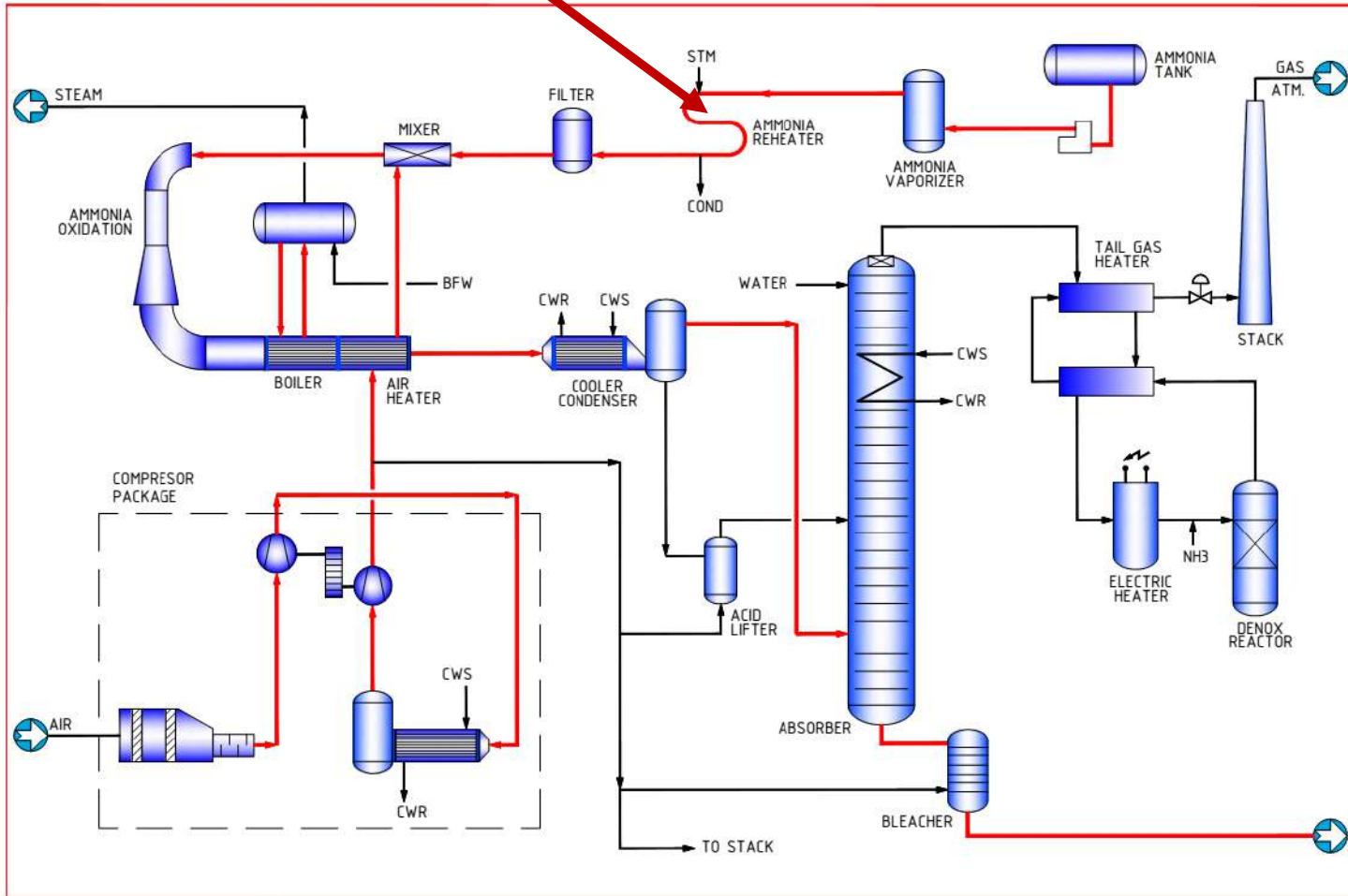
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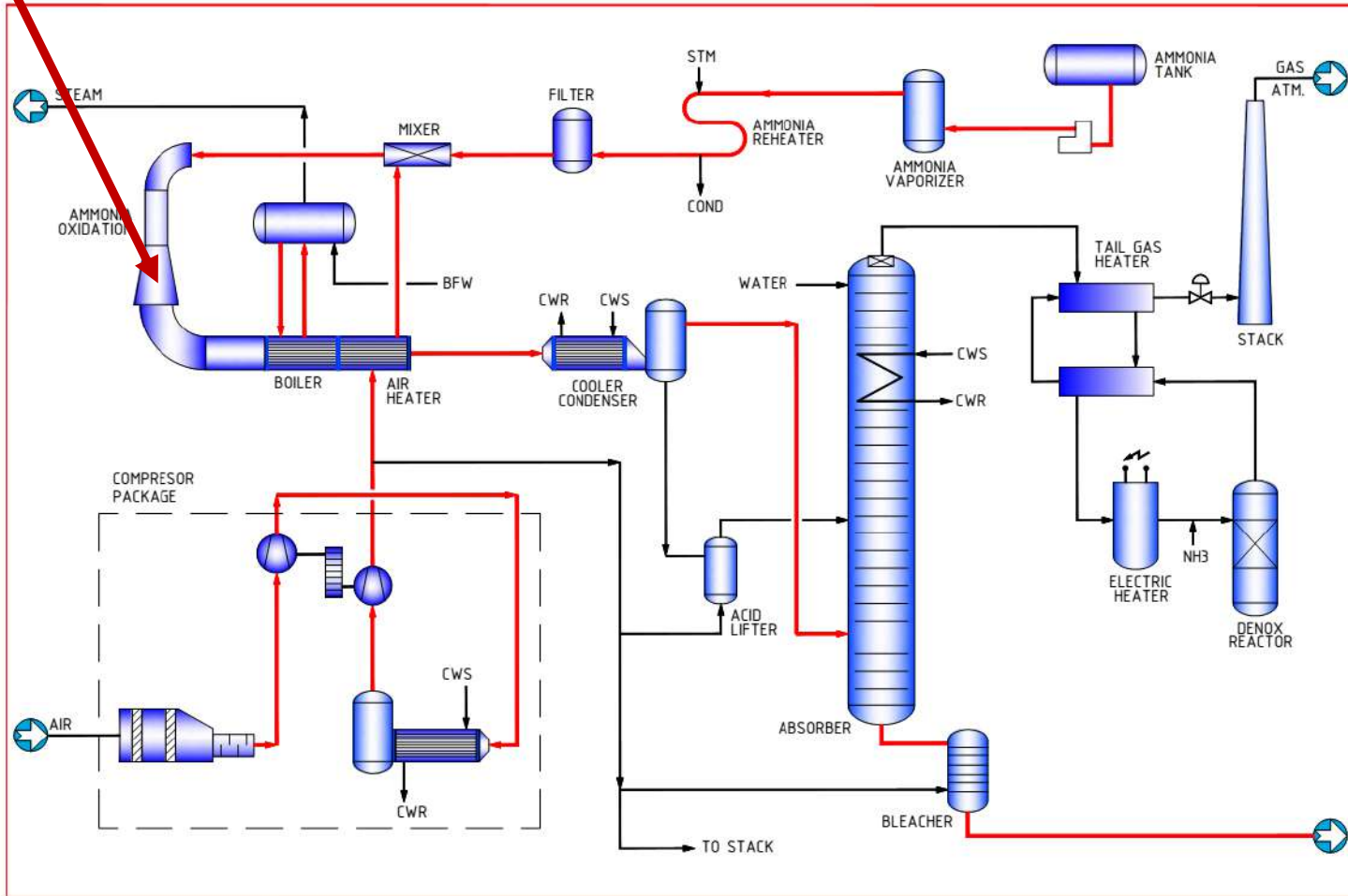
Vaporizer: coils



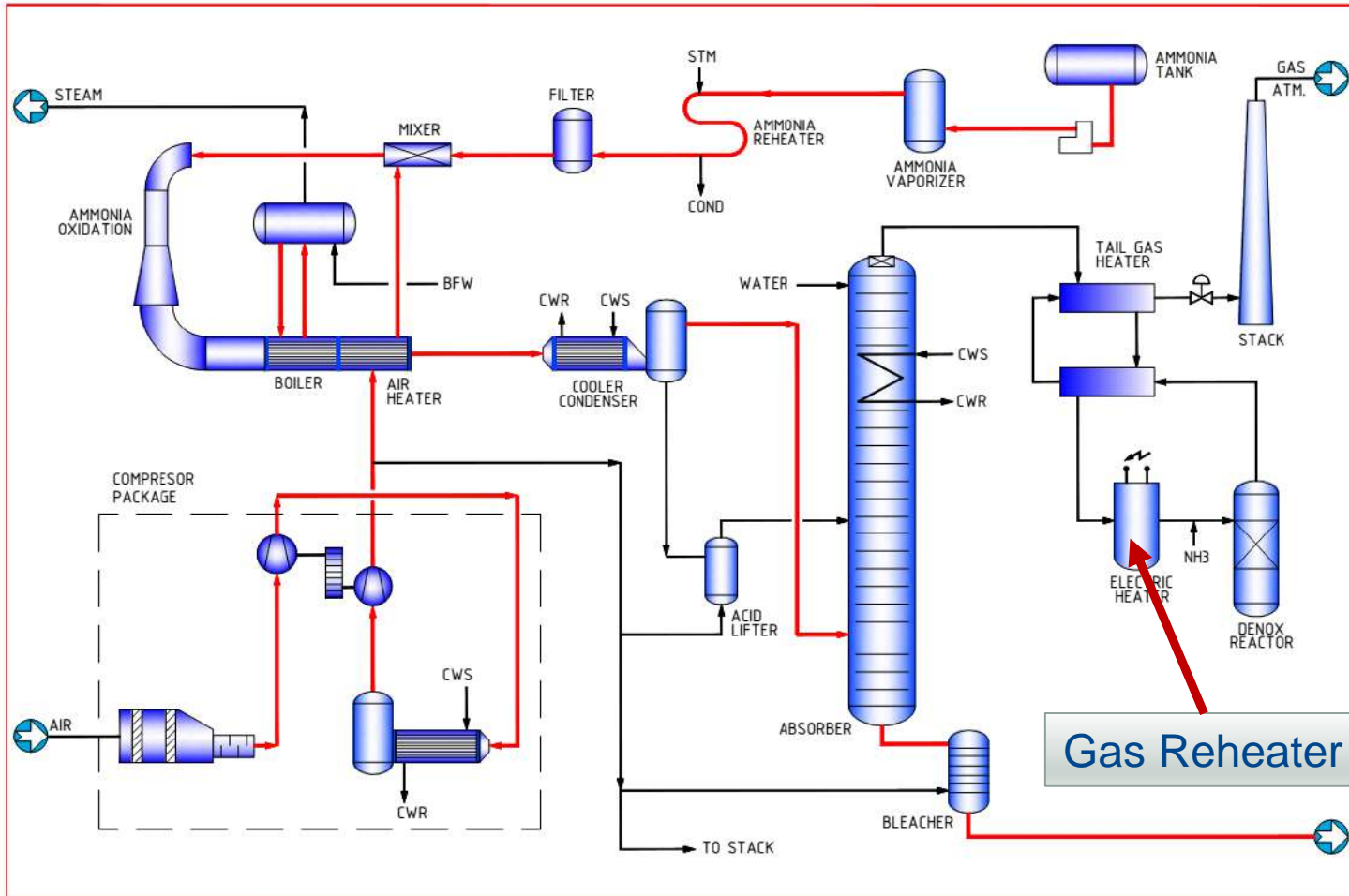
Amm Reheater : Double tube



Reactor ceramic walls



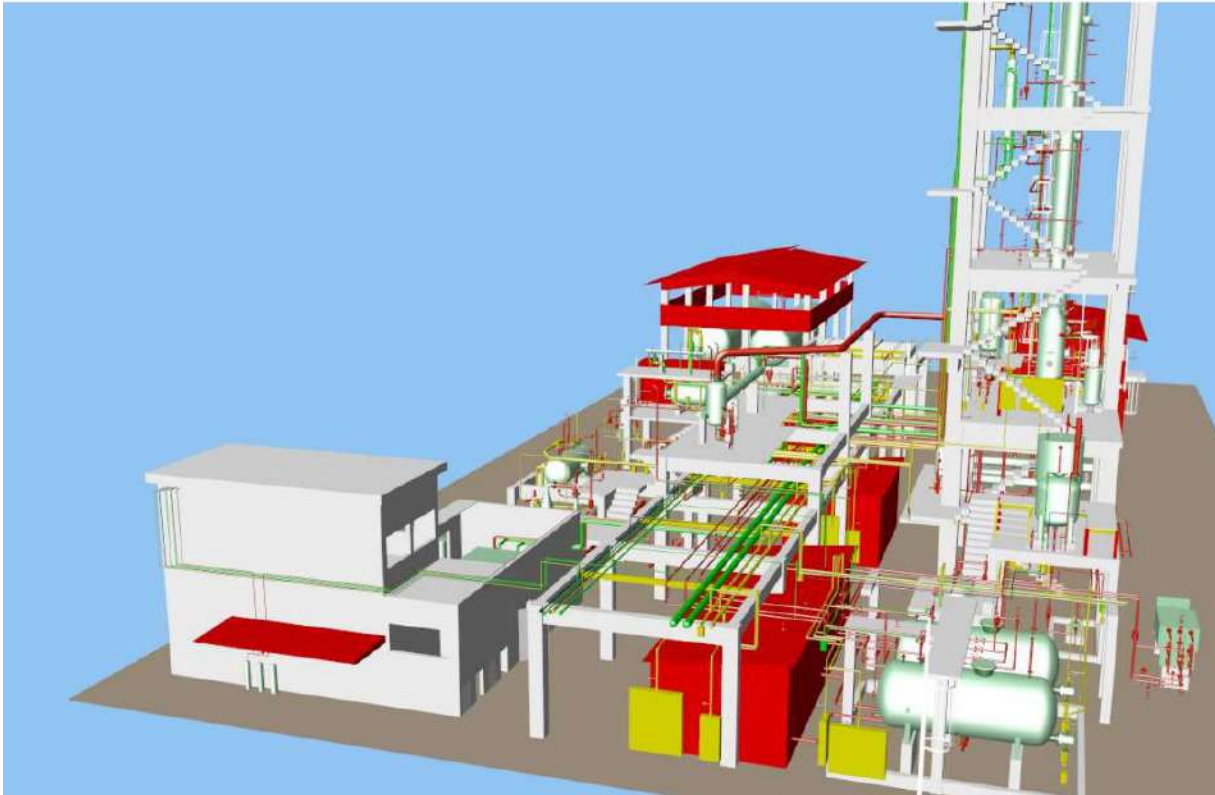
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Gas Reheater : Electrical

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GENERAL VIEW. ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION AND CONTROL ROOM BUILDING

The Plant



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STEAM DRUM (FA-003) & REACTOR TRAIN (DC-002, EA-007 / EA-008)

The Plant



The Plant



The Reactor



Ceramic Protection
Reactor

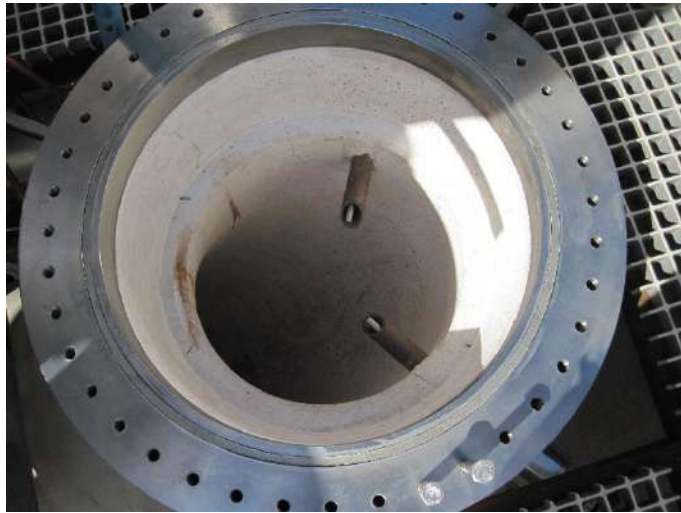
The Reactor



Beams support



Gauzes Installed



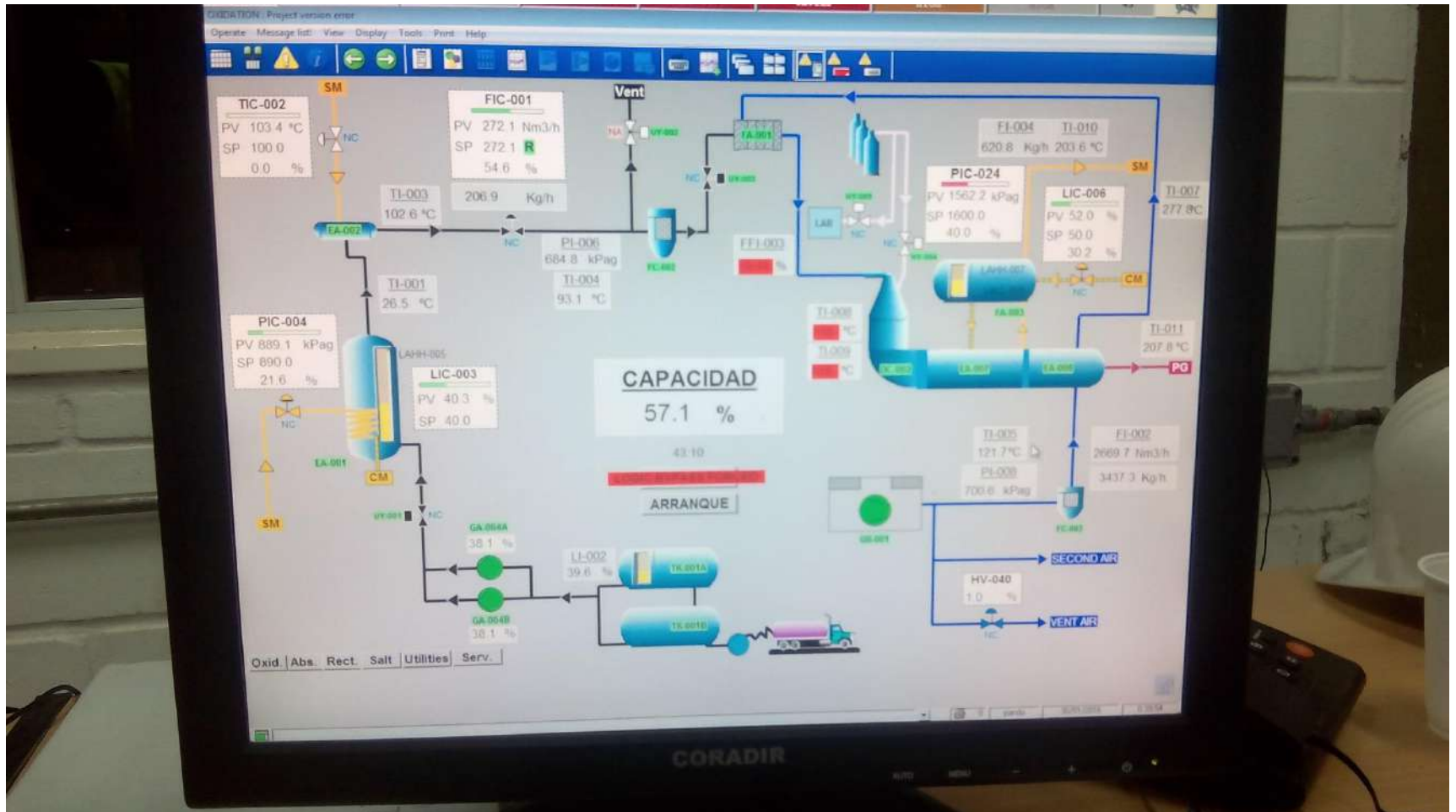
Ceramic Protection

The Electrical heater



Electrical Heater

The Operation



Some Lessons Learned

- Very limited instrumentation reduces reliability of the unit
- Preservations: Very long time for construction, rust acumulation
- Very small equipment, additional study for maintenance
- Start up- Procedures to be analyzed when design is out of standards

Thank you