

# Steam Reduction at Phenol Column (D-1703)

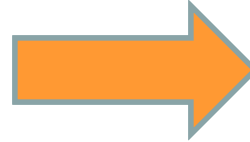


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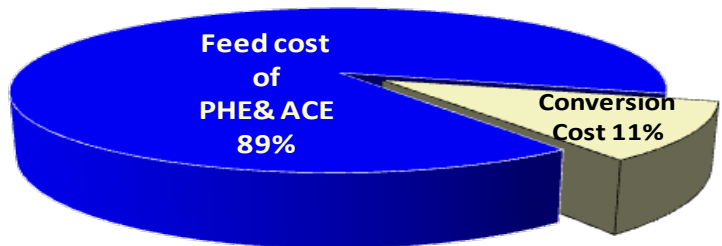


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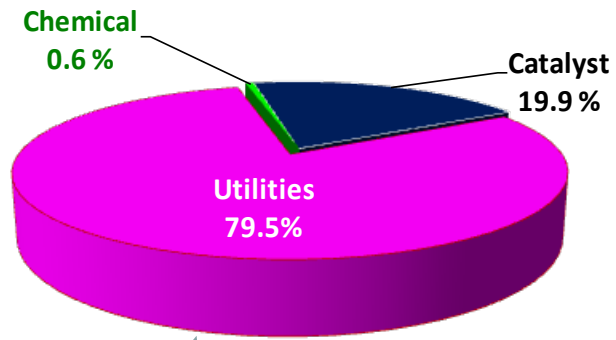


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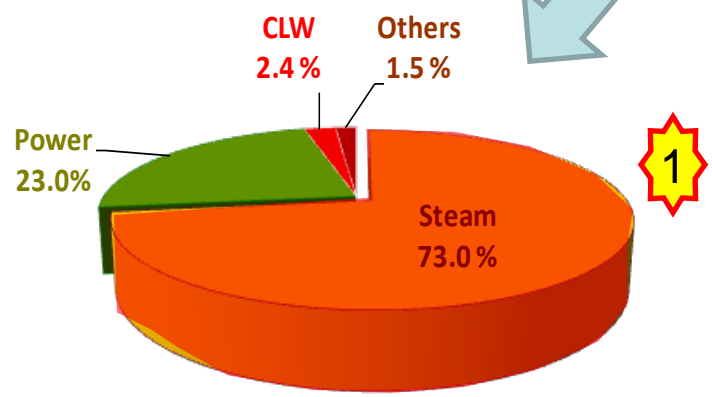
# Cost structure of BPA Plant



BPA Production Cost



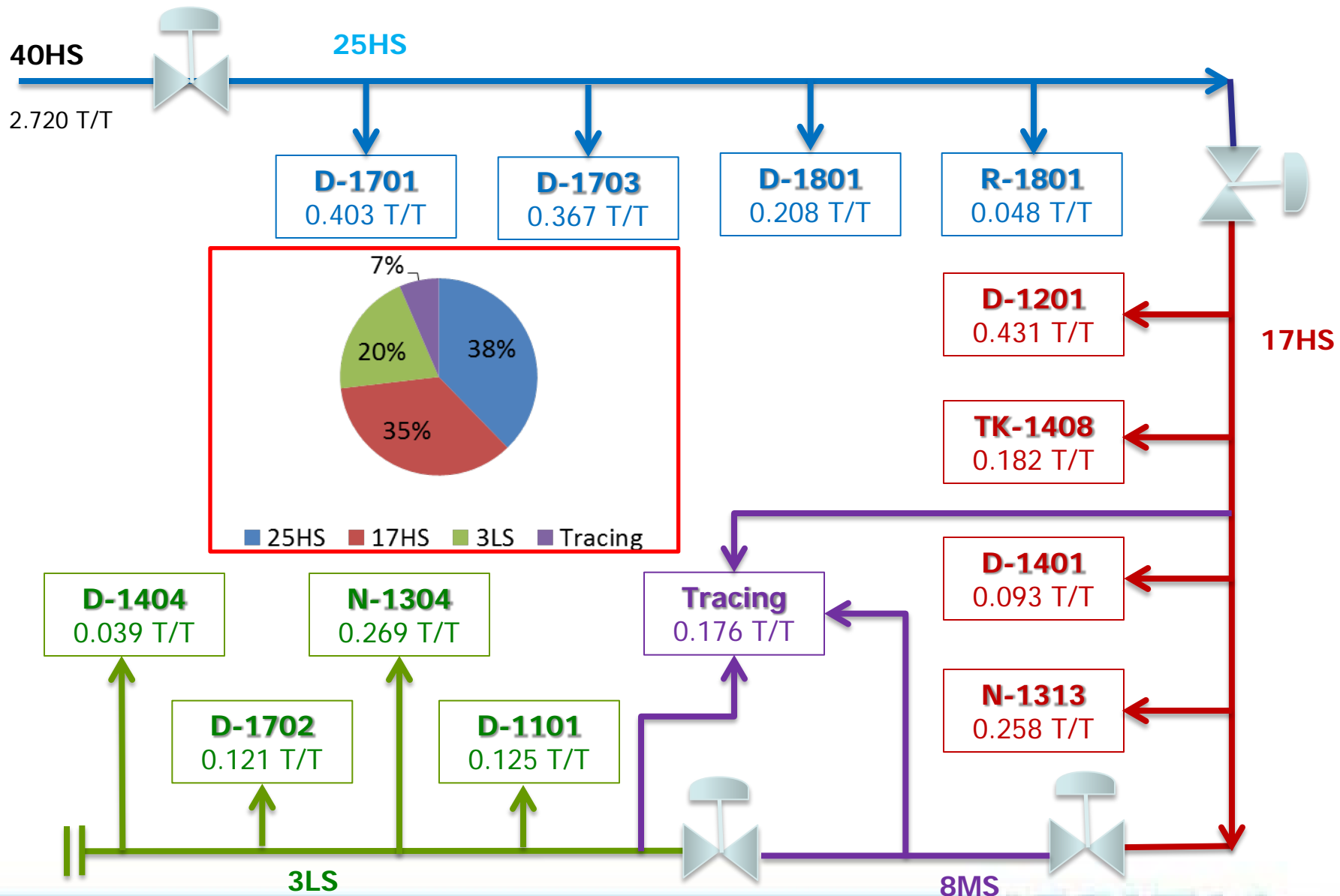
Conversion Cost



Utilities Cost

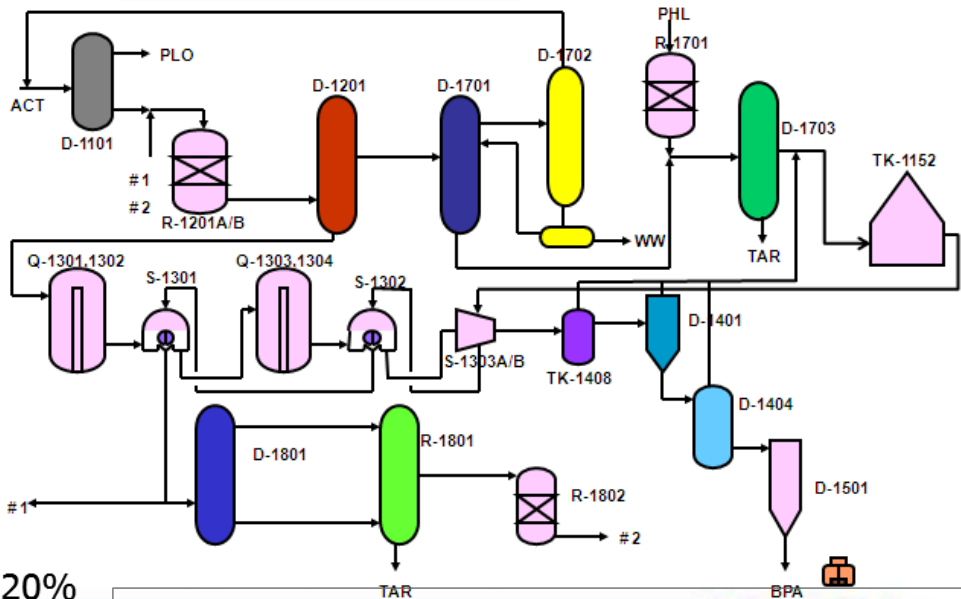


# Steam mapping of BPA plant

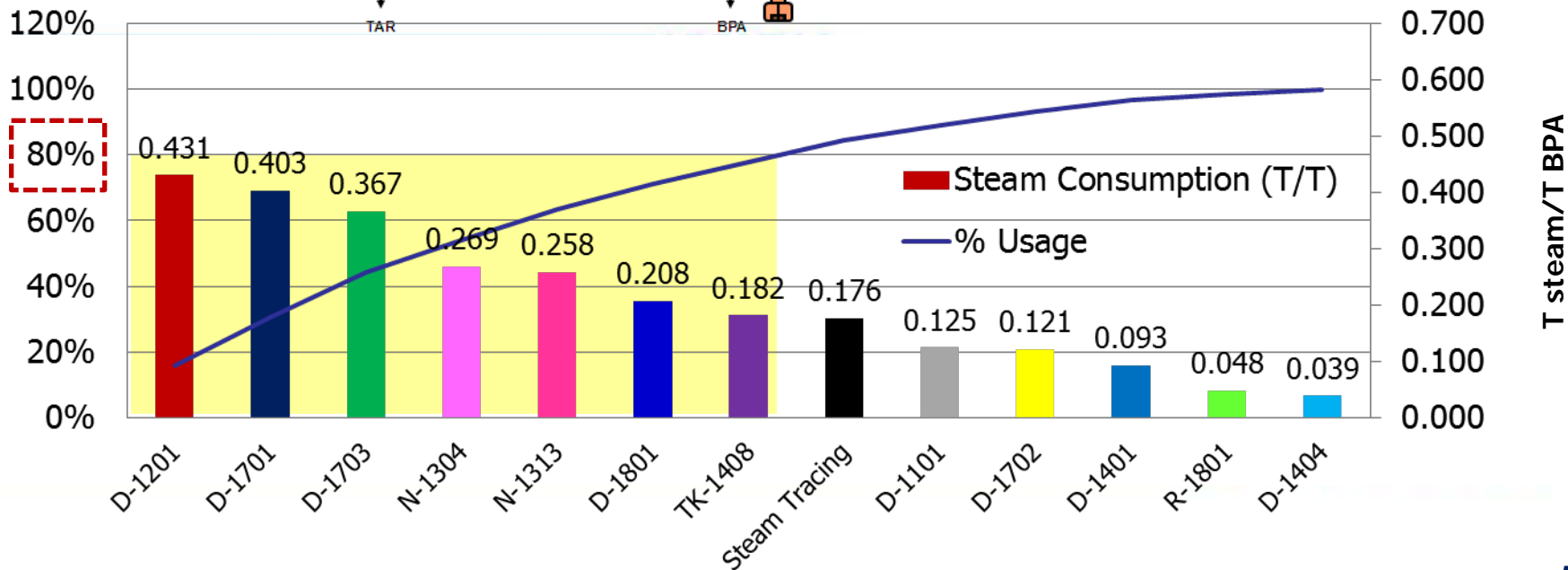


# Problem Assessment

Phenol Process flow diagram



Steam consumption each user  
Year 2014



# Value Assessment Matrix (VAM)

| Problem                    | Impact |   |   |   | Possible |   |   |   | Value |
|----------------------------|--------|---|---|---|----------|---|---|---|-------|
|                            | 1      | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1        | 2 | 3 | 4 |       |
| Dehydrator (D-1201)        |        |   |   | ✓ |          | ✓ |   |   | 8     |
| Water Column (D-1701)      |        |   |   | ✓ |          |   | ✓ |   | 12    |
| ★ Phenol Column (D-1703)   |        |   |   | ✓ |          |   |   | ✓ | 16    |
| Phenol evaporator (D-1801) |        |   | ✓ |   |          |   | ✓ |   | 9     |
| Solution Vessel (N-1304)   |        |   | ✓ |   |          | ✓ |   |   | 6     |
| Melt Vessel (N-1313)       |        |   | ✓ |   | ✓        |   |   |   | 3     |
| Preflasher (TK-1408)       |        | ✓ |   |   | ✓        |   |   |   | 2     |



Impact : Cost Impact  
Possible : Solving Problem Possibility





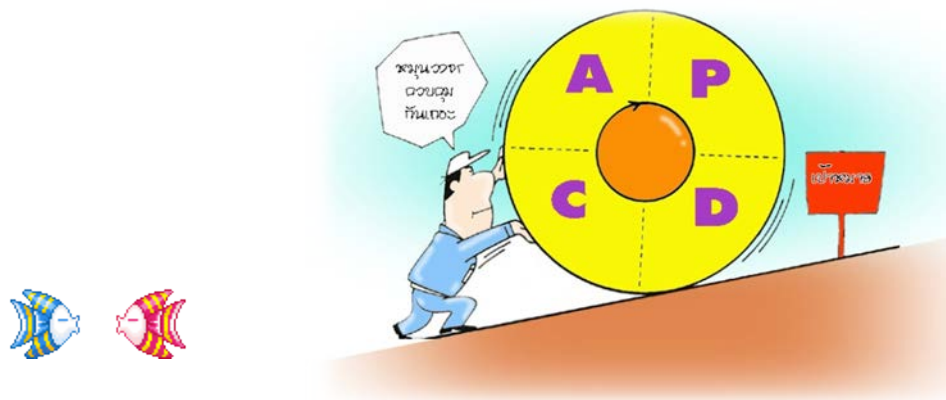
# Objective and Target



## Objective



Reduce steam consumption at Phenol Column (D-1703)

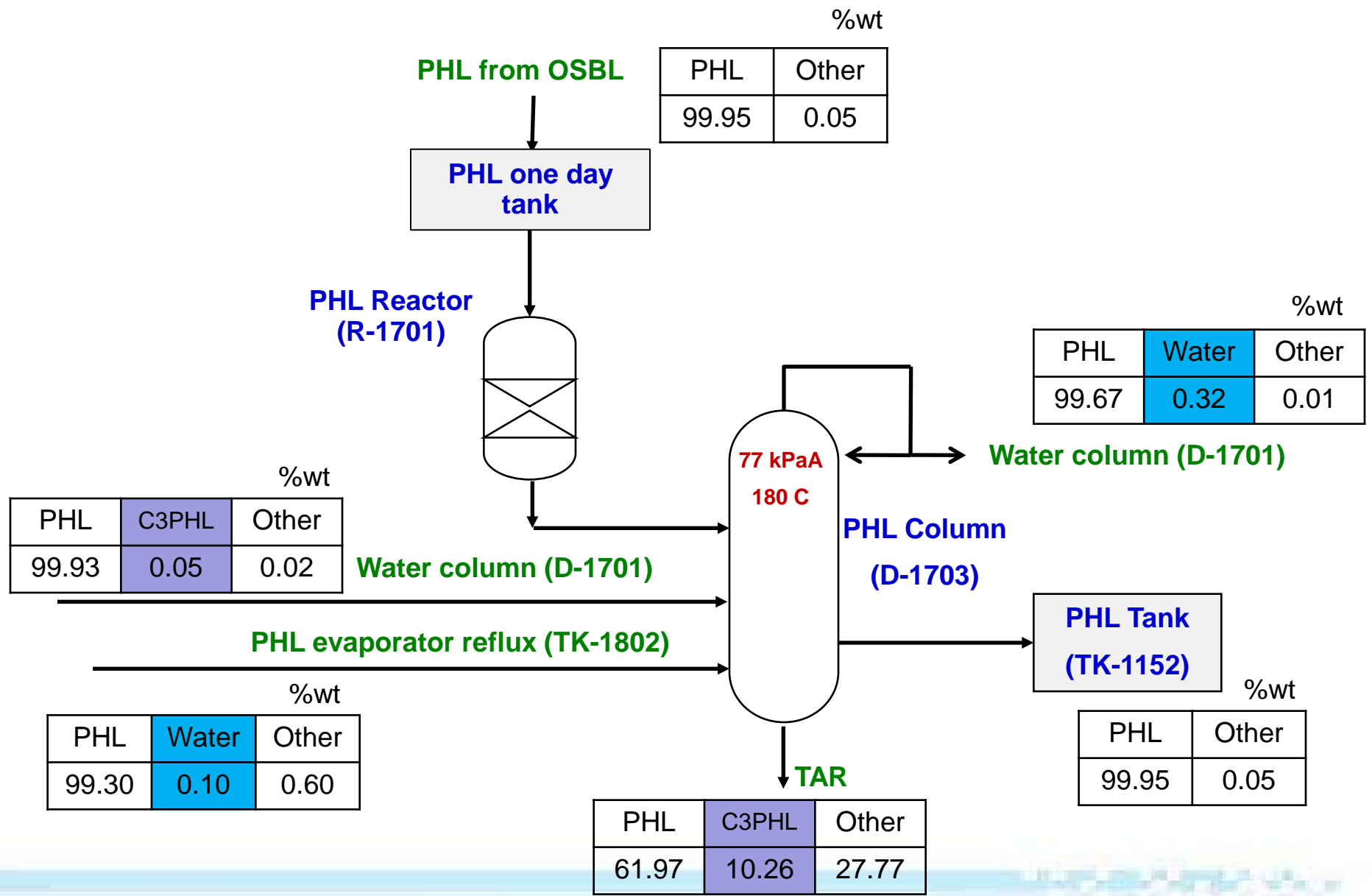


## Target

Steam Reduction  
**10 %**



# Outline of Process



# Situation Before Improvement

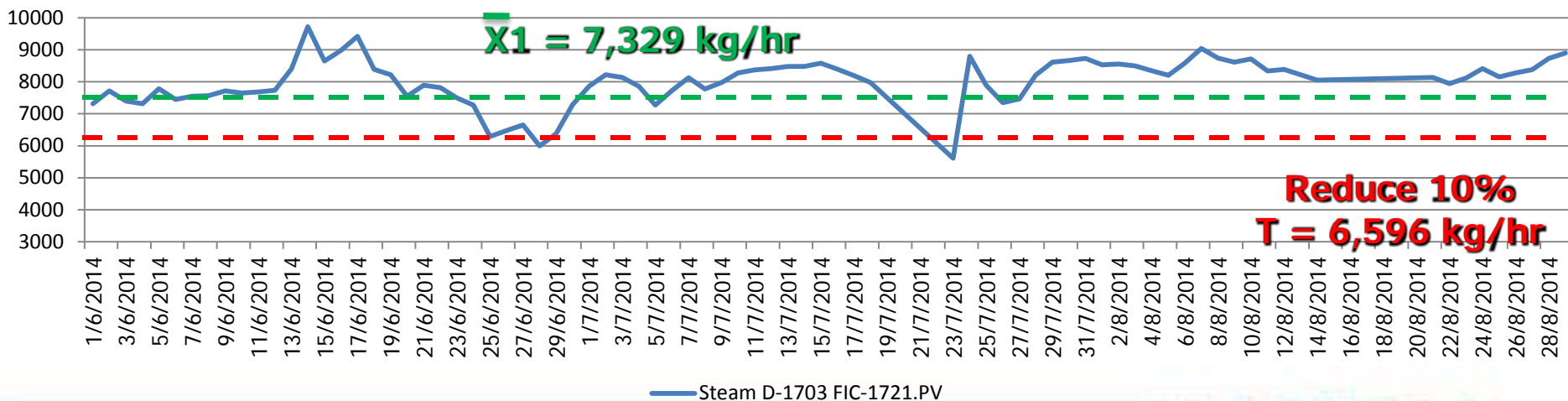
## Loss Table and Graph "Before"

| Loss  | Average (Kg/hr) | Average (Baht/hr) |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|
| Steam consumption at Phenol Column (D-1703) Year 2014 | 7,329           | 8,062             |



Calculation      Low pressure steam (3LS)      1 kg = 1.1 Baht  
 $= 1.1 \times 7,329 = 8,062 \text{ Baht/hr}$

Steam D-1703 FIC-1721.PV



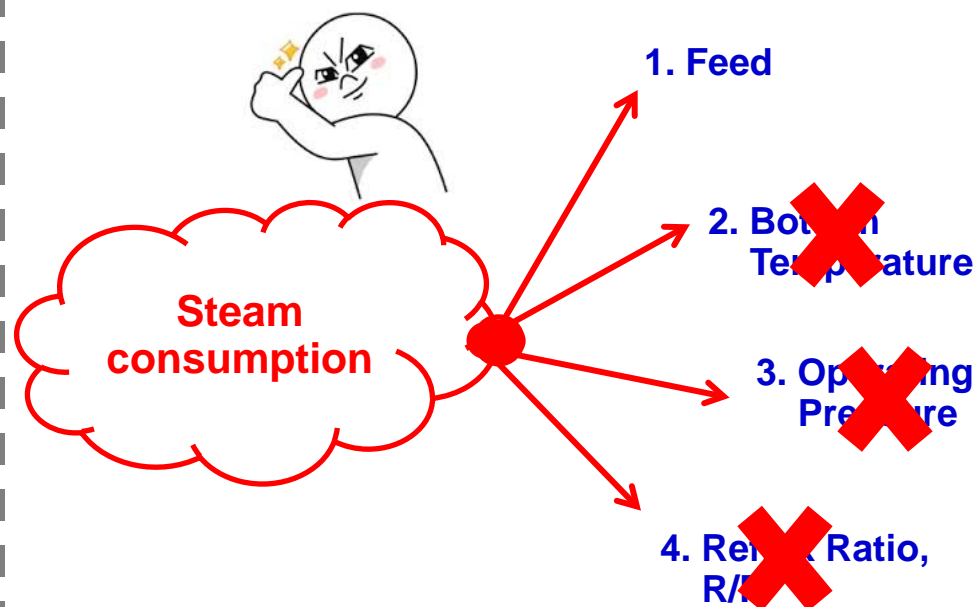
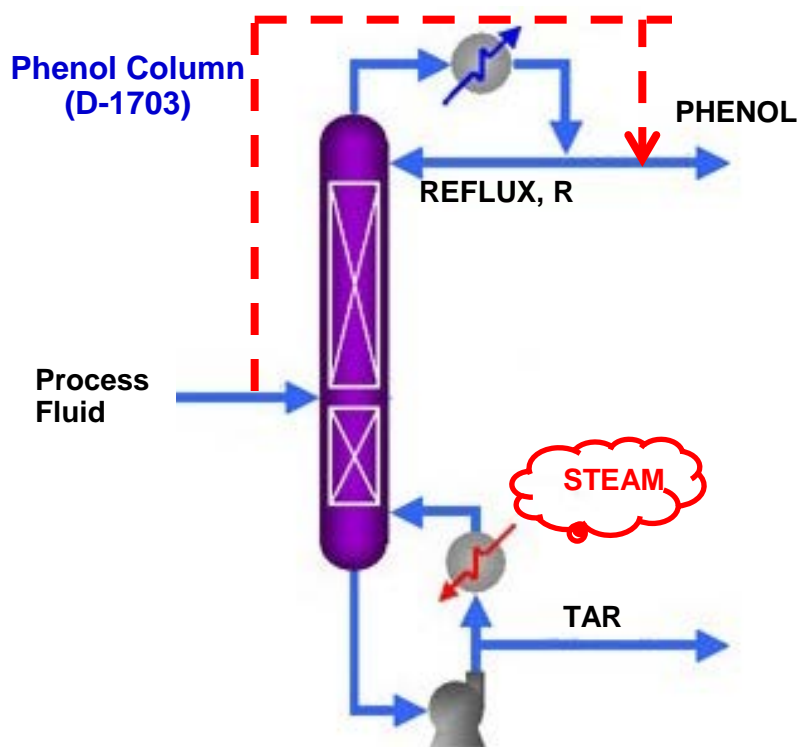
# Improvement Plan

| Responsibility |               | Theme<br>(Loss)  | Before            |           | Target            |           |        | 2014 |   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |   |   |   | 2015 |   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |  |  |  |
|----------------|---------------|--|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|--------|------|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|---|---|---|------|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|--|--|--|
| No.            | Leader        |  | Amount<br>(kg/hr) | (Baht/hr) | Amount<br>(kg/hr) | (Baht/hr) |        | 4    | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4    | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |  |  |  |
| P2-TE          | Peerad<br>ech | Steam<br>Reduction<br>at<br>Phenol<br>Column<br>(D-1703) | 7,329             | 8,062     | 6,596             | 7,255     | Plan   |      |   | P | D |   |   |    |    |    |   | D |   |      | S |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |  |  |  |
|                |               |  |                   |           |                   |           | Actual |      |   | P | D |   |   |    |    |    |   | D |   |      |   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |  |  |  |

**Saving Target = 8062 – 7255 = 807 baht/hr**  
**Or 7.06 Mil. Baht/year**



# Analysis



No. 2,3,4  $\infty$  Purity of Phenol, TAR Production



Decreased Flow



Adjust Process Fluid Flow



Bypass Feed Flow



# Improvement Content

| Item         | 1      |
|--------------|--------|
| Flow (kg/hr) | 16,500 |

| Item         | 2     |
|--------------|-------|
| Flow (kg/hr) | 4,125 |

| Item         | 4     |
|--------------|-------|
| Flow (kg/hr) | 4,125 |

| Item         | 5      | 6     |
|--------------|--------|-------|
| Flow (kg/hr) | 10,500 | 1,000 |

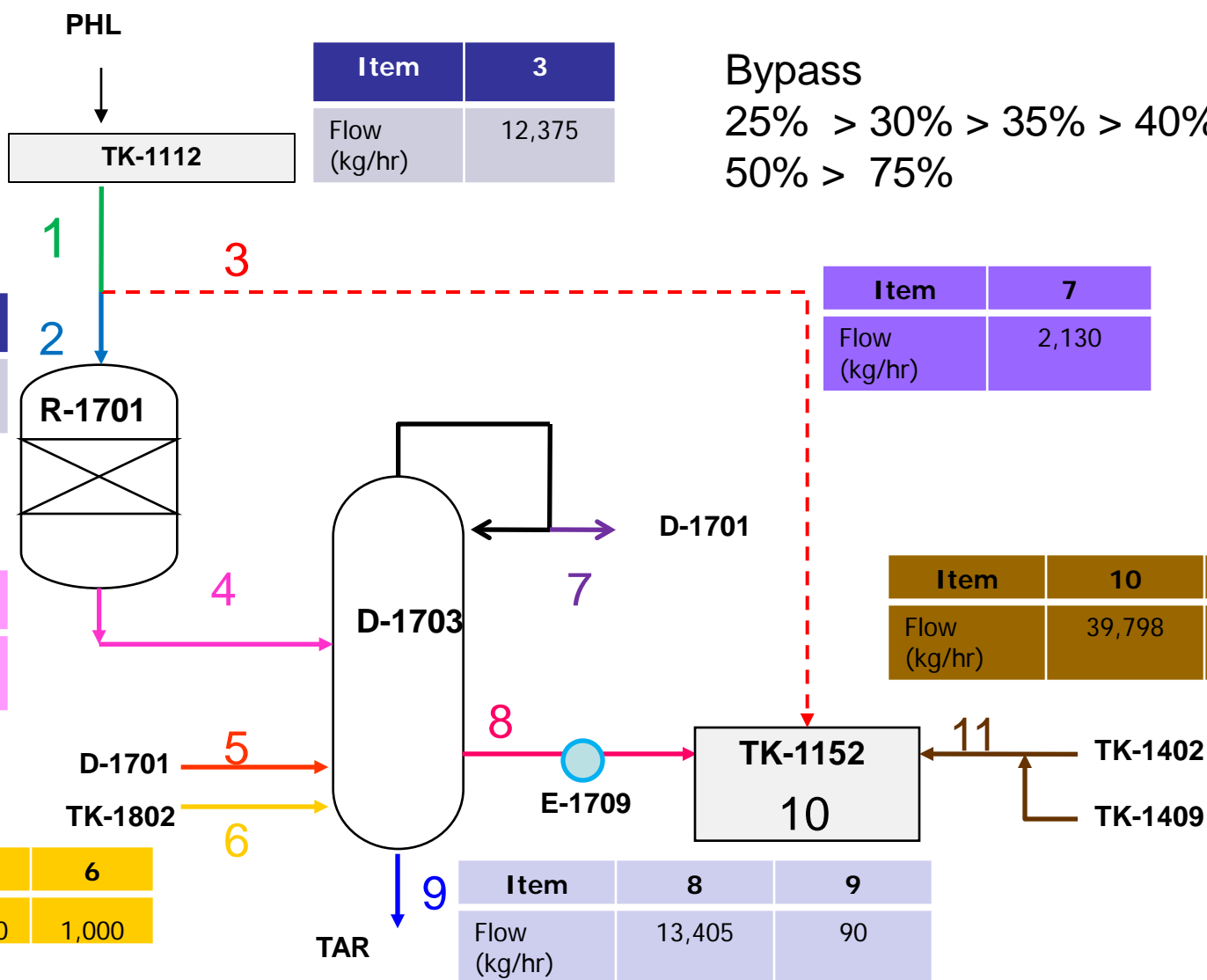
| Item         | 3      |
|--------------|--------|
| Flow (kg/hr) | 12,375 |

Bypass  
 25% > 30% > 35% > 40% >  
 50% > 75%

| Item         | 7     |
|--------------|-------|
| Flow (kg/hr) | 2,130 |

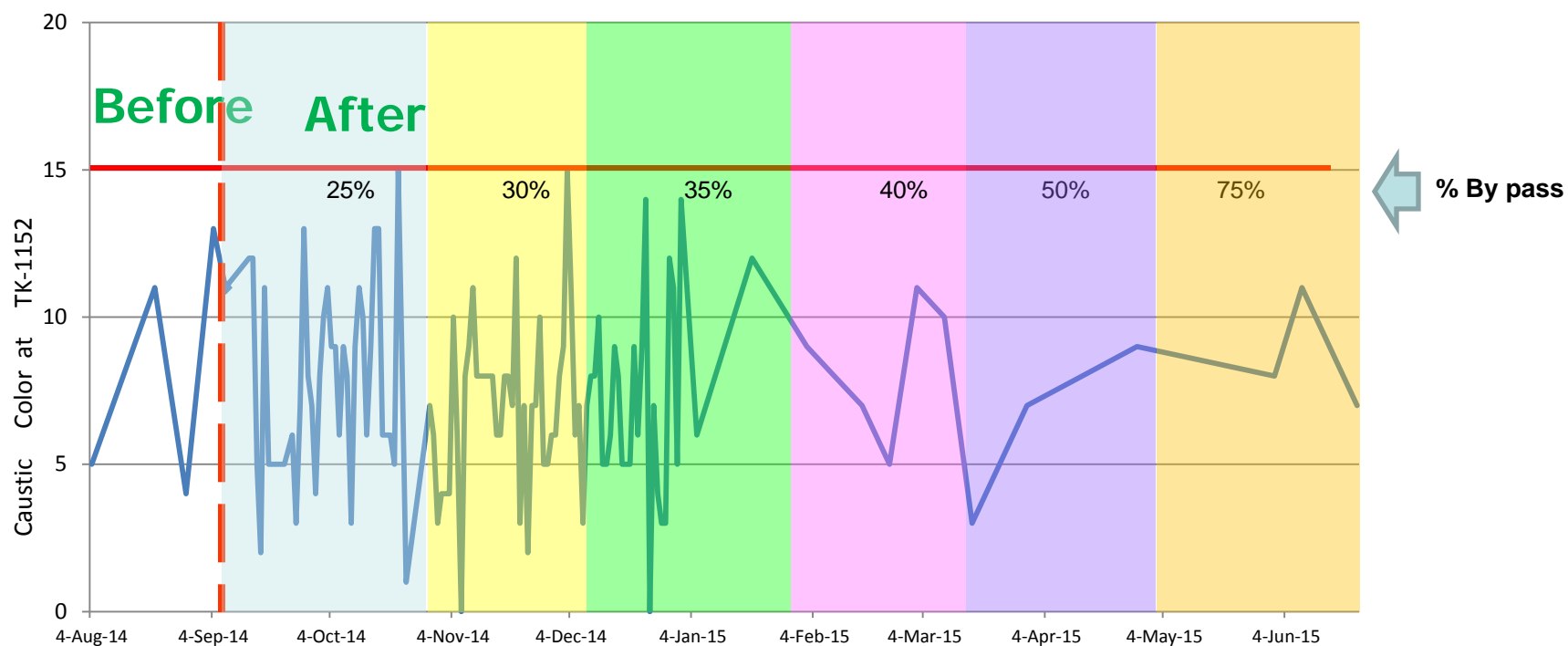
| Item         | 10     | 11     |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| Flow (kg/hr) | 39,798 | 14,018 |

| Item         | 8      | 9  |
|--------------|--------|----|
| Flow (kg/hr) | 13,405 | 90 |

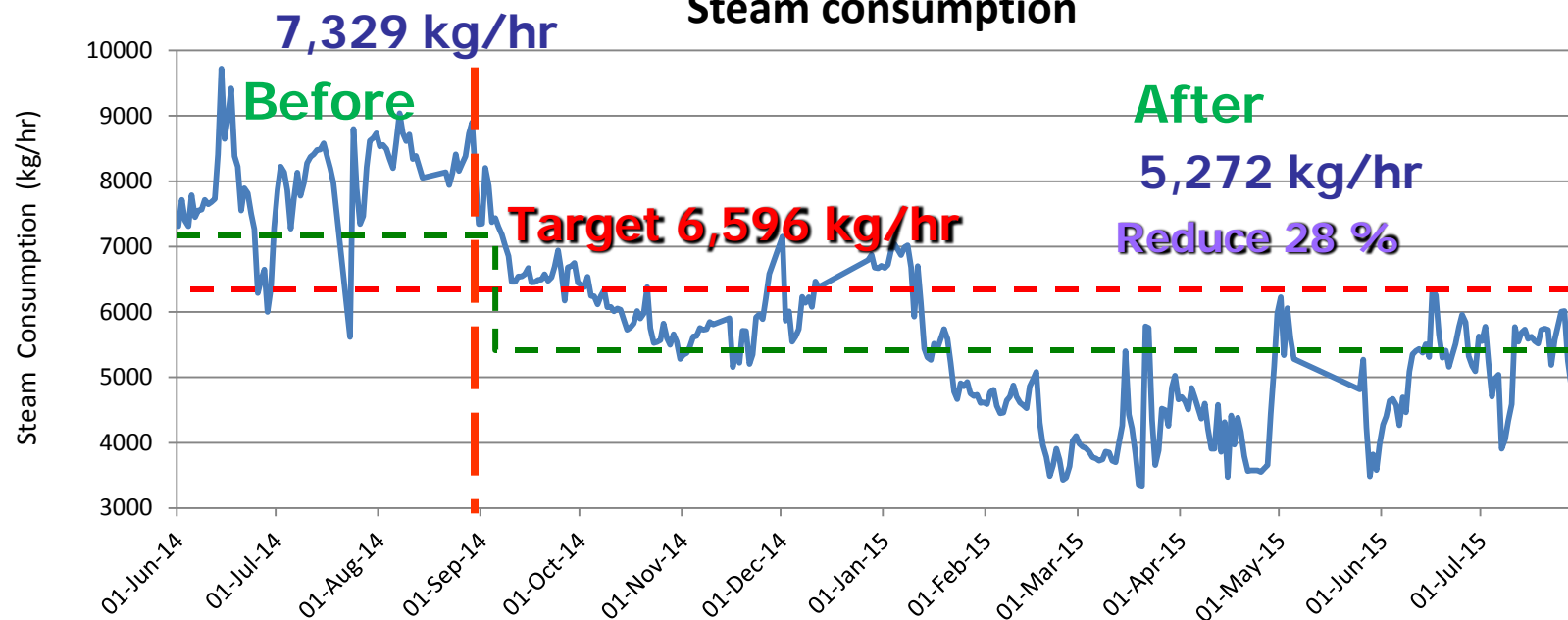


Control Caustic color TK-1152  $\leq 15$  ppm

## Caustic Color at Phenol Tank (TK-1152)



## Comparing "Before" And "After" Implement Steam consumption



## Comparing Table "Before" and "After" Implement

| Action        | Steam Consume (kg/hr) |       | Steam Consume (baht/hr) |       | Saving (baht/year) |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|--------------------|
|               | Before                | After | Before                  | After |                    |
| Bypass R-1701 | 7,329                 | 5,272 | 8,062                   | 5,800 | 19,821,252         |

Note: Base on Steam cost 1.1 baht/kg

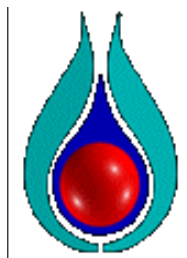


**Tentative operating window of D-1703  
At unit monitoring document**

**"100% Bypass at D-1703"**

**Next action:**

**Try to increase bypass R-1701 to 100%**



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Thank You