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A low-angle, dark photograph of an industrial facility, likely a power plant or refinery. The image shows a complex network of steel structures, including tall towers, walkways with railings, and large, curved pipes. The sky is overcast with dark, heavy clouds. An orange semi-transparent rectangular box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing white text.

IGS SCR Solutions

Winning the Ash Battle: *LPA Screen Maintenance Strategies Proven in the Field*

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Increased Power Demand; Coal is Back!

But what does that mean?

- Many Coal Plants Previously Near End of Life Deferred Maintenance
- Life Extensions + Stricter Regulations
 - Must address deferred maintenance
 - Increased Demand for Reliability
 - Must Efficiently meet Emissions
 - Many Plants have New Personnel to Train

*It is time to update your
SCR maintenance
strategies!*

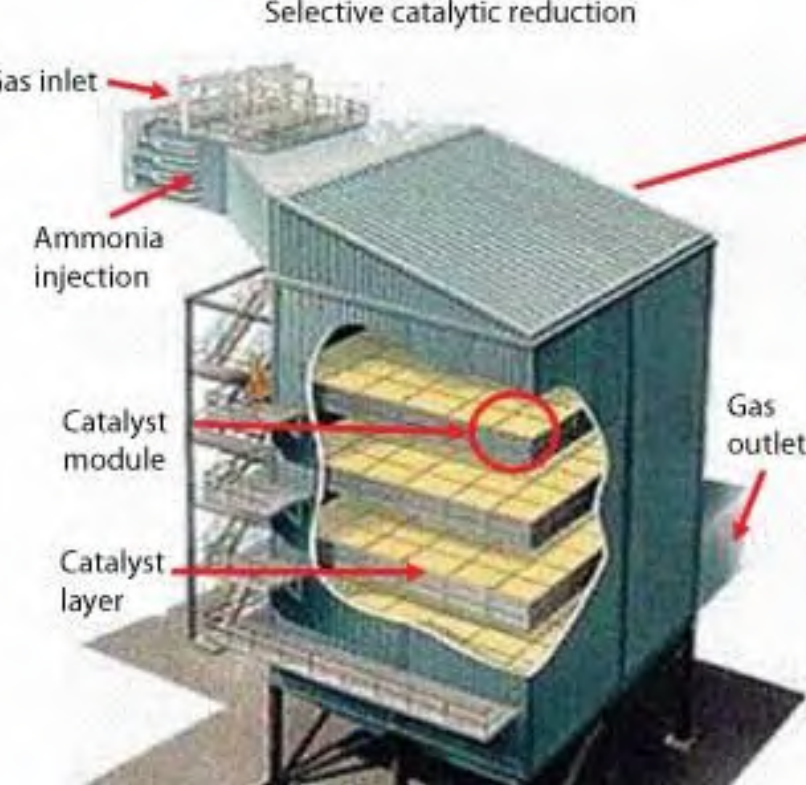


Impacts of SCR Buildup

1. DeNOx Reduction
2. Excessive Pressure Drop
3. **De-Rating Boiler** due to 1 and/or 2
4. Severe **Reduction in Catalyst Life**
5. Excessive Ammonia Usage
6. Corrosion damage due to Ammonia Slip
7. **Forced Outages** to Remove Ash
8. Cost of Removing Ash
9. Non-Compliance Penalties

SCR buildup results in higher operating costs, loss of production costs, and can threaten to permanently close plants!





Solid Fuel SCR Buildup



Coal Fired SCR Buildup Root Causes:

1. LPA Present in SCR
2. Gas Flow Distribution
3. Ash Flow Distribution
4. Inadequate Outage Maintenance Procedures

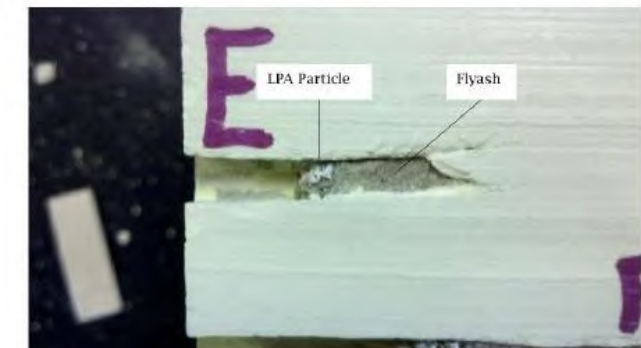
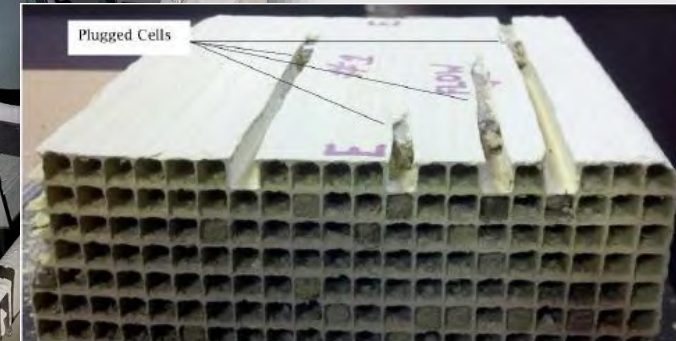
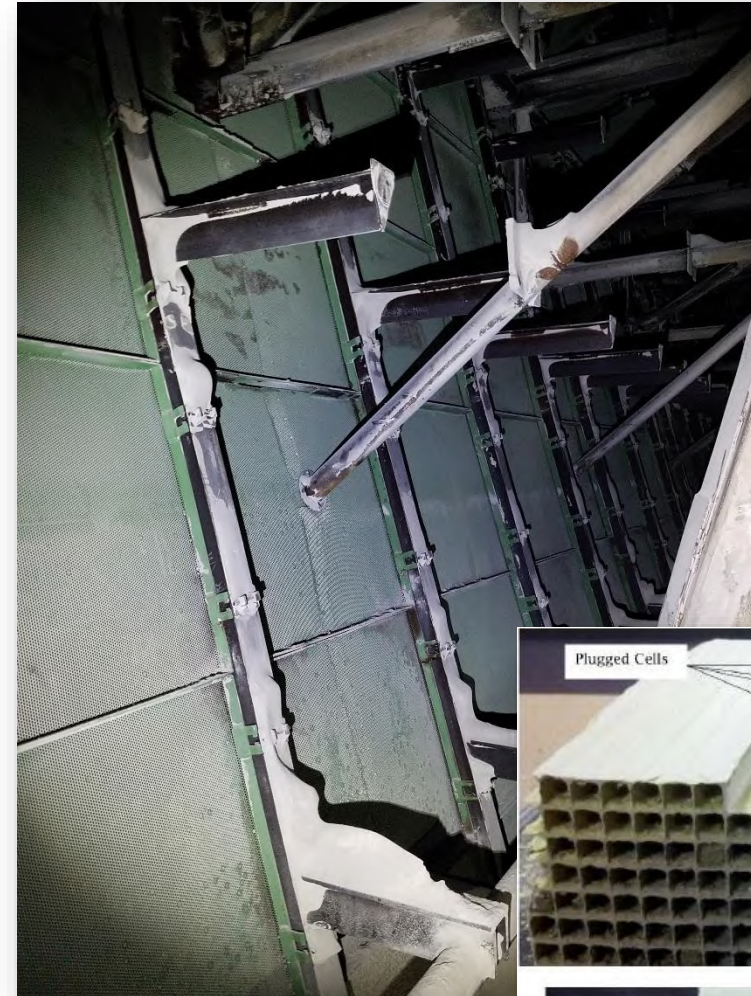


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Elimination of SCR Buildup:

- LPA Screens to Prevent LPA from Reaching SCR
- Air Cannons to Address Ash Flow and Gas Flow Distribution Issues
- Proper Catalyst and Sonic Horns to Improve Overall Ash Capacity
- CatFlow Screens to Protect Catalyst and Enhance Online Cleaning
- Proper Outage Procedures

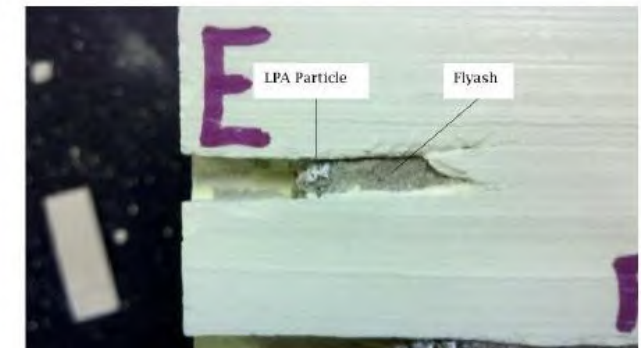
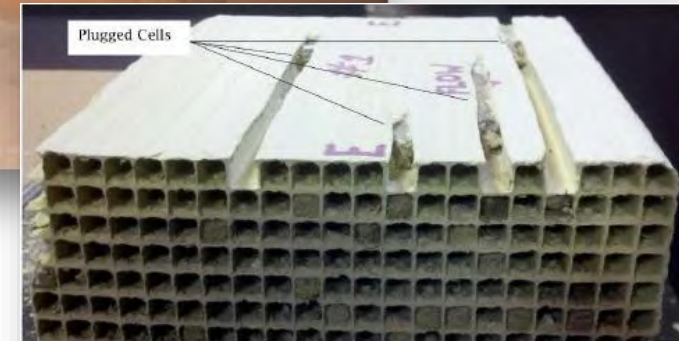
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Understanding LPA Buildup:

- A small amount of LPA can cause massive fly ash piling
- Changes in parameters can cause LPA formation including:
 - Coal Type
 - Changes in Combustion
 - Cycled Loading
 - Fuel Additives

It is not uncommon for a plant to develop LPA after a seemingly insignificant process change, all SCRs must be defended against it.



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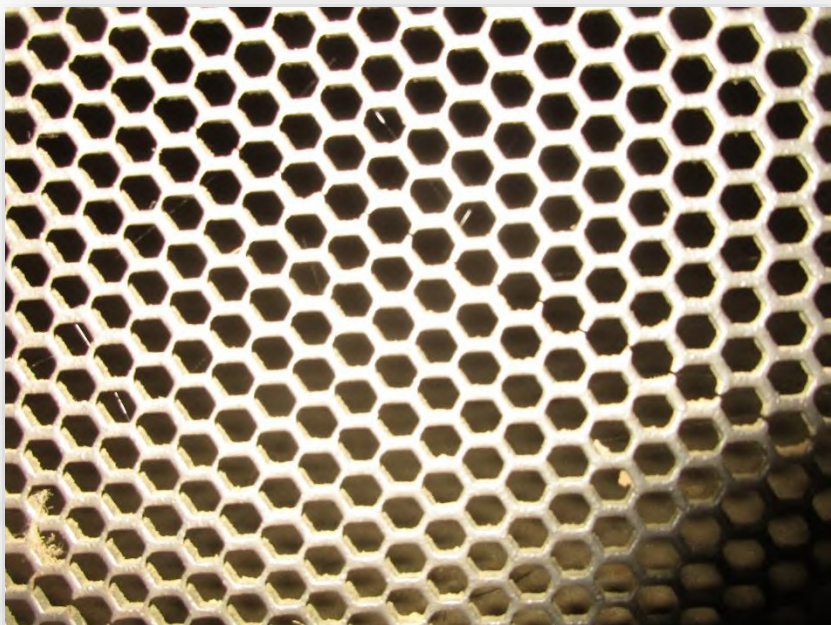
- Typical LPA Screen Panel Life 4-6 Years
- Replace Worn Panels Prior to Failure
- When Panels Begin to Fail, they Fail Quickly!
- Having 15-20% Spare Panels in Stock Allows for Maintenance during Short Outages

Developing and implementing an Inspection and Maintenance plan to fit your specific application is the key to reliable SCR protection.



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*Early Signs of Wear – Time to Plan
to Replace @ Next Opportunity*



*Screen End of Life – Replace
ASAP*



Severe Failure – Too Late!

A Proven Maintenance Strategy is Critical to Protect the SCR Between Outages



Various Maintenance Strategies:

- Full Screen Replacement Schedule
- Partial Screen Replacement Schedule
- Inspection & Partial Replacement
- Inspection & Refurbishment
- System Upgrades & Retrofits

There are Pros and Cons of each method; it is important to determine which plan is right for your facility and application.



Proactive Screen Replacement Based on Schedule:

- *Full Panel Replacement Done at Set Intervals*
- *Interval Depends on System Design (Often between 4-10 years)*
- *Interval Determined by Inspection History and Design Parameters*
- **Eliminates Screen Failure Risk**
- **Minimizes Need for Maintenance and Inspections, Saving Time & Resources**
- **Predictable Outage Budget**



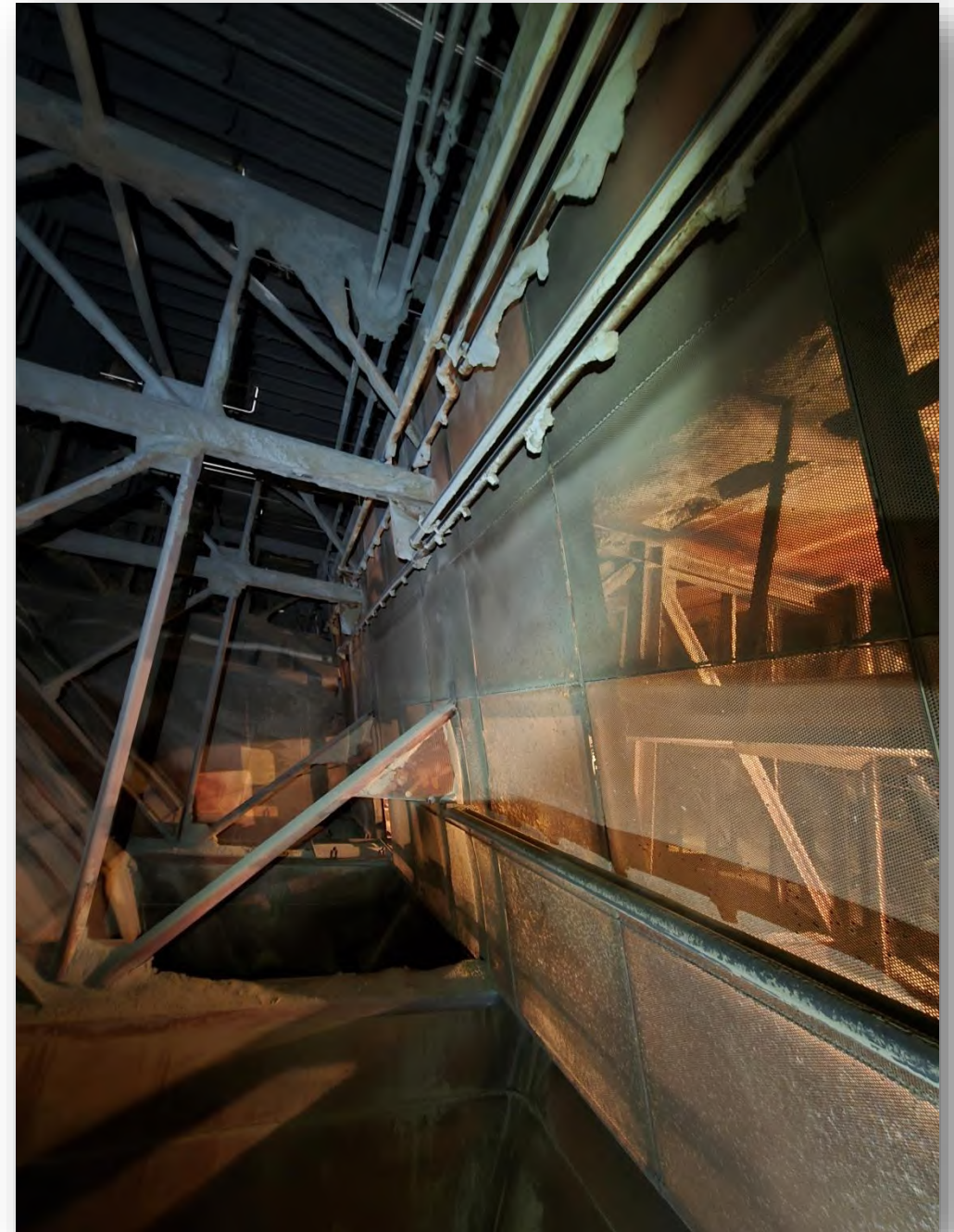
Proactive Screen Replacement Based on Schedule:

- Case Study 1:
 - 700MW x 4 Units in Southeast
 - LPA Screens Originally Installed in 2010
 - Proactive Full Panel Replacement at 10 Year Regular Intervals
 - LPA Present in System, but has not reached SCR
- Case Study 2:
 - 600MW x 2 Units in Western US
 - LPA Screens Originally Installed in 2015/2016
 - Proactive Full Panel Replacement at 4 Year Regular Intervals
 - LPA Present in System, but has not reached SCR



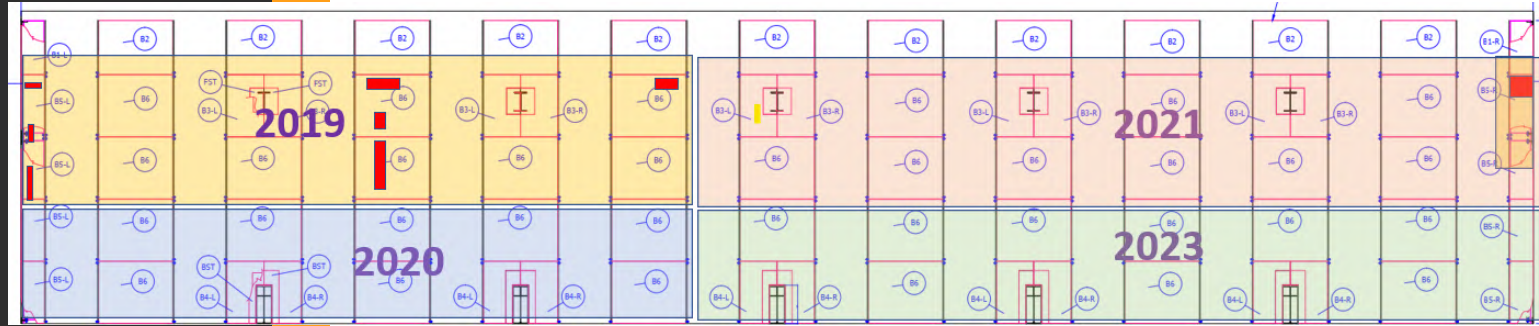
Partial Screen Replacement Based on Schedule:

- *Partial Panel Replacement Done at Set Intervals*
- *Interval Determined by Inspection History and Design Parameters*
- Eliminates Screen Failure Risk
- Requires Screen Replacement Mapping
- Reduces Cost Per Year, but Increases Labor Costs Overall
- Predictable Outage Budget



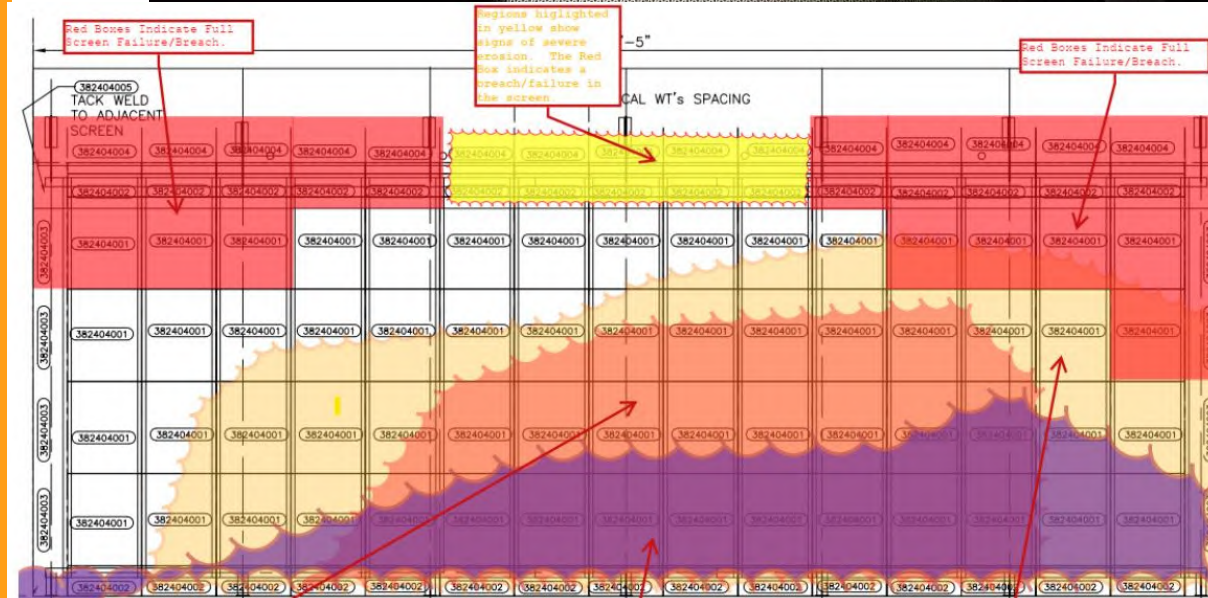
Partial Screen Replacement Based on Schedule:

- Case Study 3:
 - 900MW x 4 Units in Southeast
 - LPA Screens Originally Installed in 2011-2013
 - Inspection and ~25% Panel Replacements Each Major Outage
 - LPA Present in System, but has not reached SCR
- Case Study 4:
 - 800MW x 2 Units in Midwest US
 - LPA Screens Originally Installed in 2010
 - Inspection and ~10% Panel Replacements Each Annual Outage
 - LPA Present in System, but has not reached SCR



Regular Inspection & As Needed Replacement:

- LPA Screens Inspected for Wear Each Outage
- Higher Risk of Screen Breach Between Outages
- To be effective, screens must be replaced as soon as wear is identified
- Requires qualified inspectors and sufficient spare panels to be kept on hand to replace worn panels when identified.
- Detailed Screen Condition Mapping Required to Accurately Predict Required Replacement Panels



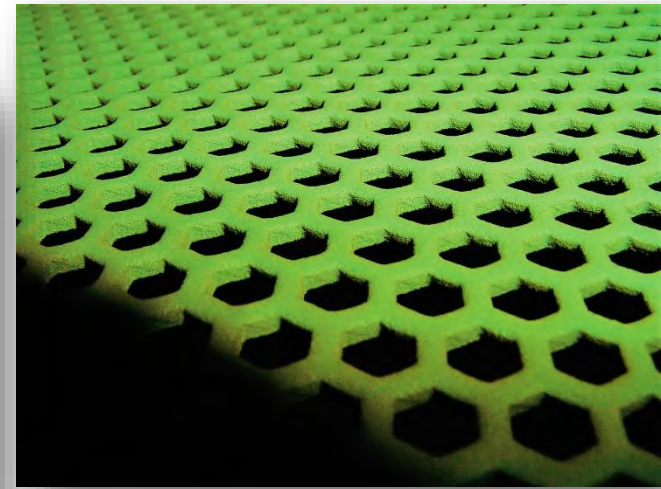
Regular Inspection & Proactive Replacement:

- Case Study 5:
 - 500MW x 2 Units in Midwest
 - Inspect & Map Each Outage
 - 15% Spare Panels Kept on Hand, Typically utilize most on each cycle
 - For the most part, screen breaches have been prevented



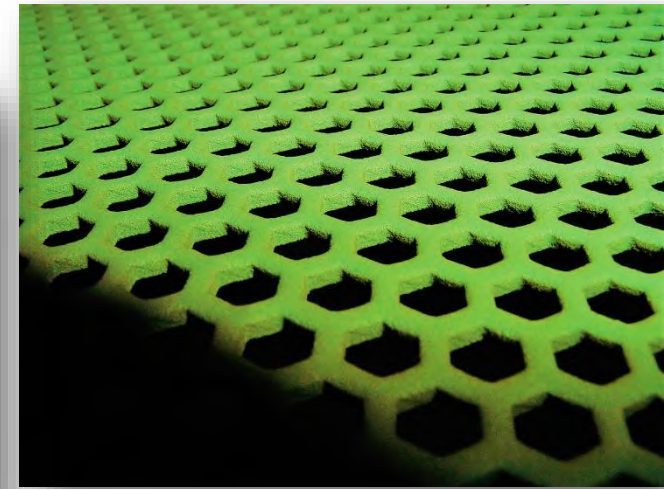
Regular Inspection & Proactive Replacement + Refurbishment:

- Utilizes IGS Two-Stage Cladding
- Top Coat Provides Wear Indication, allowing fast inspection
- Top coat can be refurbished/applied in Situ or in the field
- Maximizes LPA Screen Asset Life



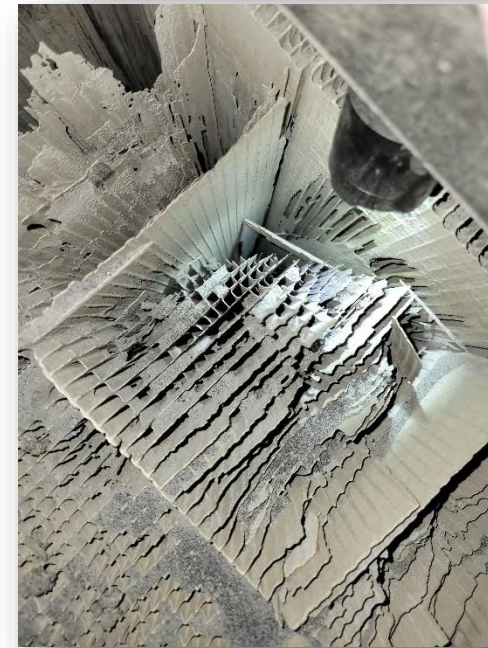
Regular Inspection & Proactive Replacement + Refurbishment:

- Case Study 6:
 - 500MW PC Unit in Midwest
 - Originally Installed with Two-Stage Cladding
 - Allowed for Easy Inspection
 - After 5 Years (2021), IGS Refurbished the Full System in Situ, extending System Life 3+ Years (Inspected in 2026)
 - Since a second Refurbishment was deferred, future replacement will be required in 2027
- Case Study 7:
 - 400MW PC Unit in Southeast
 - Worn Out Screens Replaced and Remaining Screens Refurbished in 2020
 - System Refurbished again in 2024
 - Refurbishment has eliminated need for major replacements



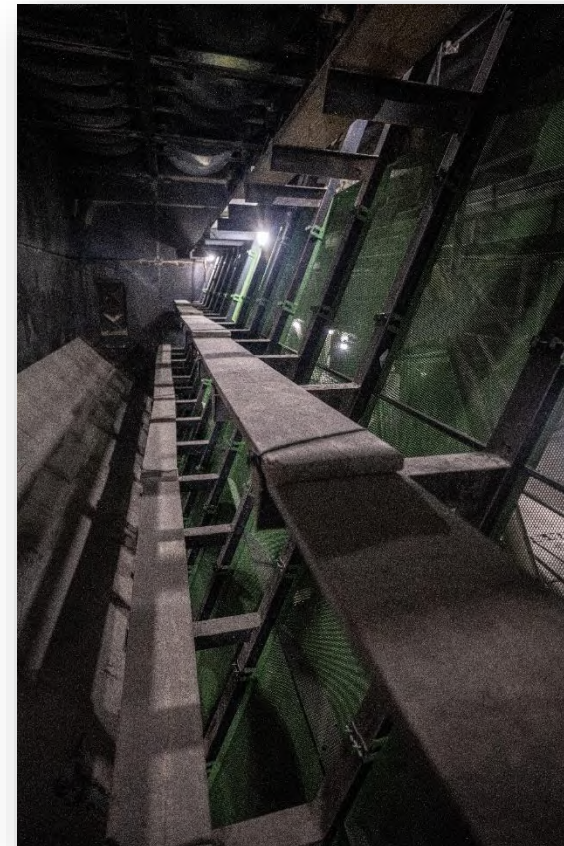
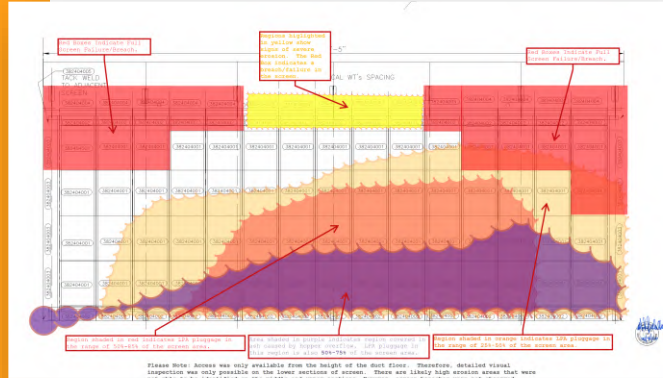
System Upgrades & Retrofits:

- Custom Panels Can be Built to fit Most LPA Screens to improve erosion resistance
- System Retrofits may be needed to achieve desired screen life
- Case Study 8:
 - 650MW PC Unit in Mid-Atlantic
 - Lack of LPA Maintenance threatened to Shut the Plant Down!
 - Partial System Replacement to Retrofit LPA Screen, while minimizing cost
 - Eliminated SCR Failures due to LPA



Additional Considerations:

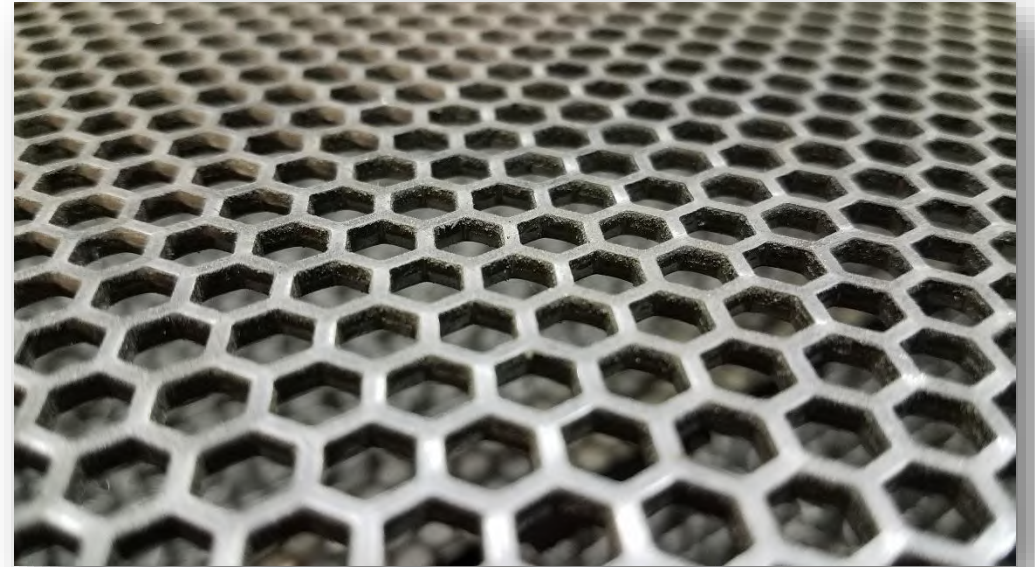
- Reliable Cleaning System will Improve Performance
- Occasional Manual Cleaning may be Necessary
- Keep Wear/Replacement Maps to Track Inspections over time
- Built in Scaffold Brackets allow Quick Maintenance
- Evacuation of Ash Hoppers is Important



Last Line of Defense:

- CatFlow Catalyst Screens Provide a Last Line of Defense – If LPA reaches the SCR, it will be kept out of the Catalyst Modules
- Simultaneously provide enhancements to the online cleaning systems due to material selection

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QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

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