

Increasing boiler plant lifecycle with retrofit controls



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Pressure to reduce carbon emissions

- Organisations are facing increasing pressure to reduce carbon emissions:
 - Increasing legislation
 - Reducing operating costs
 - Organisations reputation
 - Internal and external stakeholders
- Energy efficiency is one of the primary drivers organisations can implement to meet these demands
- Heating and hot water generation can account for up to 60% of your total energy costs
- Increasing the energy efficiency of boiler plant can deliver significant energy savings and increase the lifecycle of the plant

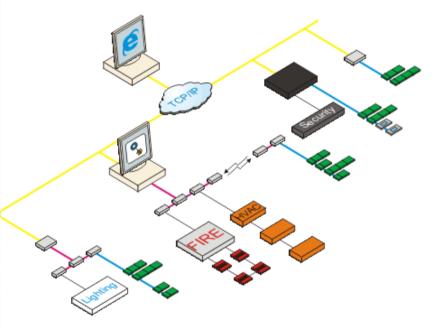
Reducing stress on boiler plant

- Ensuring the longevity of boiler plant is essential
- Replacing boiler plant can be expensive and disruptive
- The application is often different to the scenarios used in the manufacturers "mean time to failure" analysis
- More energy efficient boilers i.e. low water content boilers must not be over stressed



Increased longevity = increased control

- Building and environmental controls are widely used within the commercial sector
 - Building Management Systems (BMS)
 - Building Automated Systems (BAS)
 - Weather compensation (outdoor reset)
 - Boiler load optimisation
- Boiler load optimisation ensures boiler plant only fires when required, delivering;
 - Less thermal shock
 - Mean Time to Failure of boiler/burner component is increased
 - Reduced energy consumption
 - Reduced maintenance
 - Less downtime



What is Boiler load optimisation?

- Boiler load optimisation is now widely used
- A retrofit optimiser installed to new and existing boiler plant
- Designed to prevent boilers from firing unnecessary as a consequence of boiler dry cycling
- Boiler firings are typically reduced by 50%
- Energy consumption is typically reduced by 10% to 25%
- Integrates with existing controls i.e. BMS (BAS)
- No impacts to designed set points or ambient temperatures

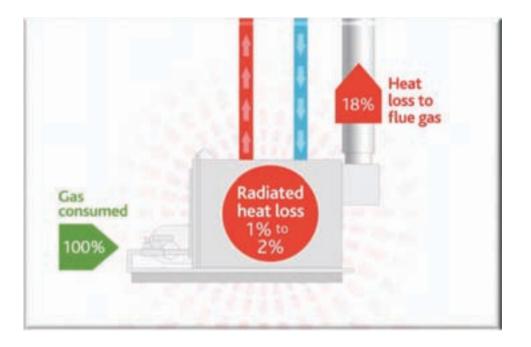


3 boiler load optimisers controlling 3 boilers

What is boiler dry cycling?

All boilers waste heat, even modern boilers. This is known as "standing losses"

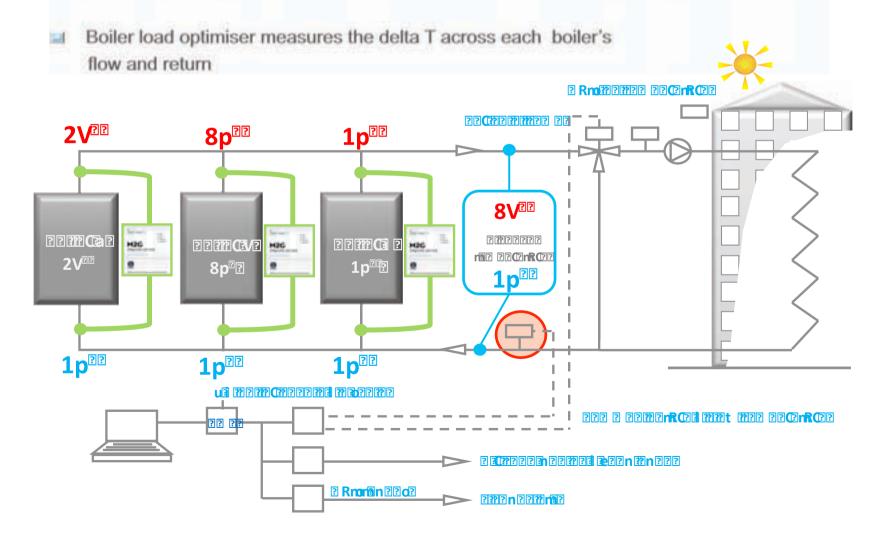
- Boilers often fire to recover these standing losses only
- This is known as "boiler dry cycling"
- Boiler dry cycling is an industry recognised problem
- Many attempts to remove boiler dry cycling have failed



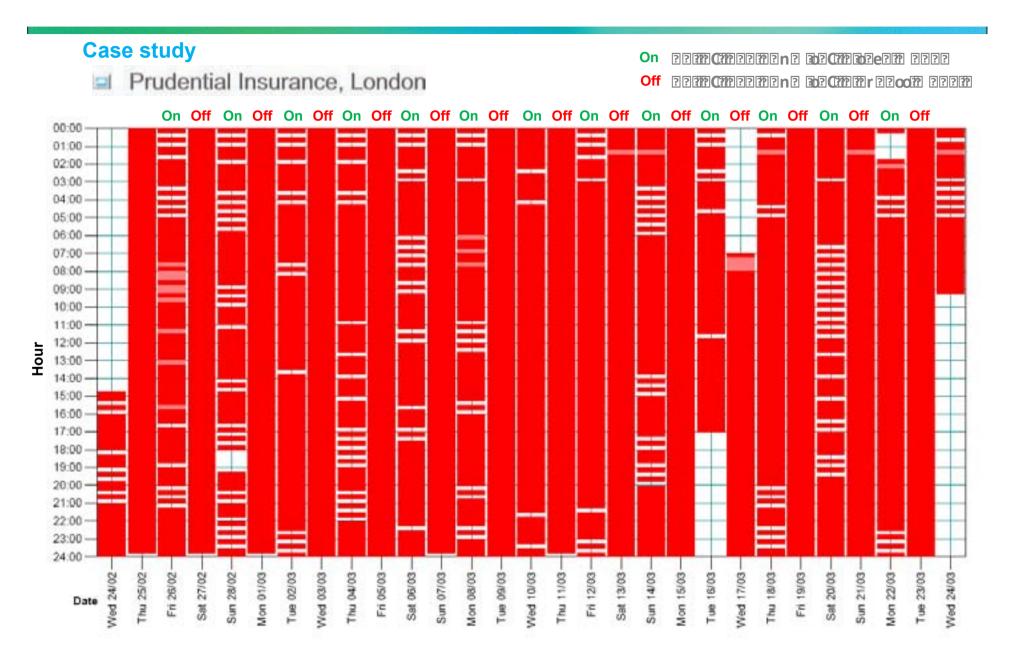
Even buildings with sophisticated building controls and modern boilers are likely to suffer from boiler dry cycling

Optimising each boiler

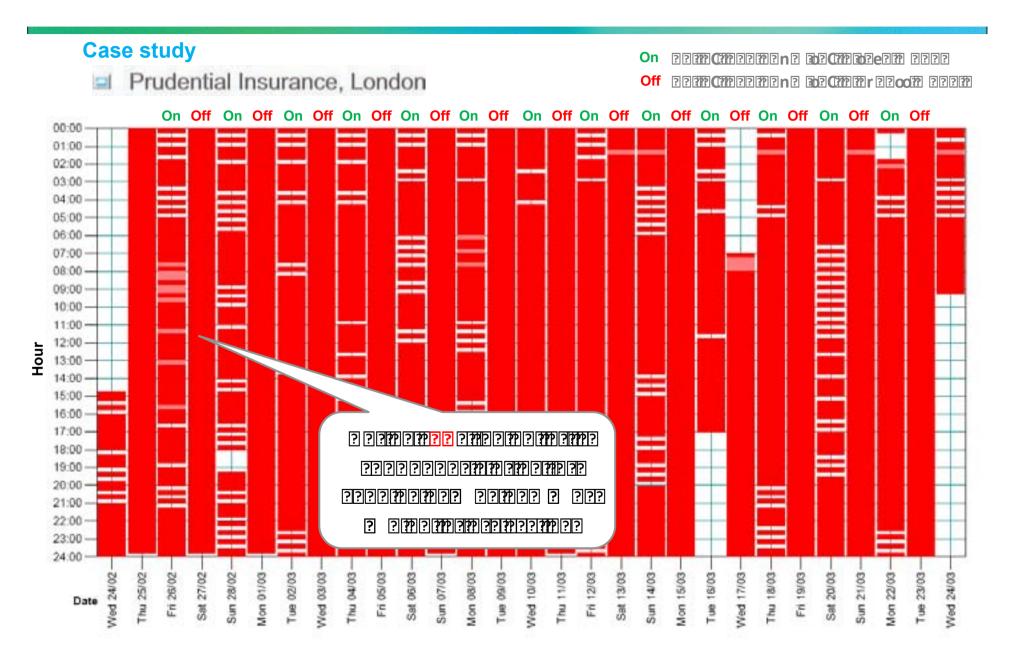
- BMS (BAS) is typically measuring the blended common flow and return temperatures
- Boiler dry cycling cannot be identified unless the flow and return of each boiler is analysed



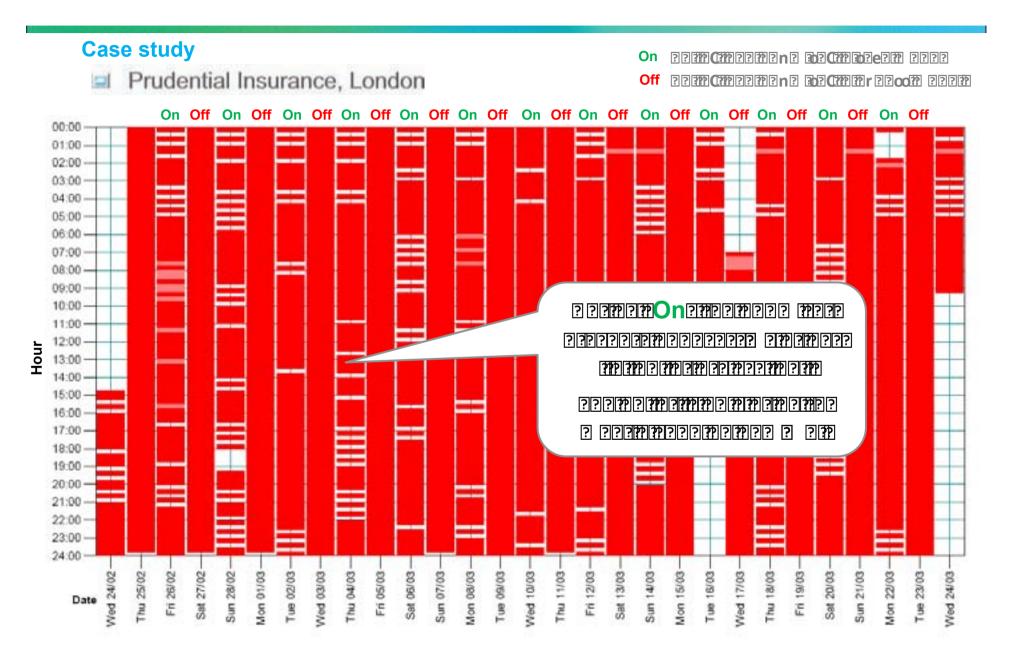
Example of reduced firings with boiler load optimisation



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Reduced boiler firings



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Case study

Plaza Towers Condominium Association, Atlanta, Georgia

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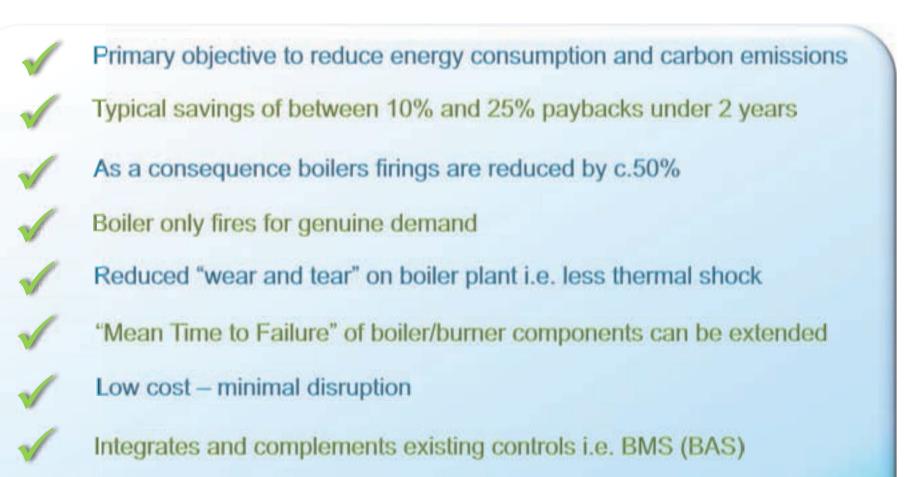


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