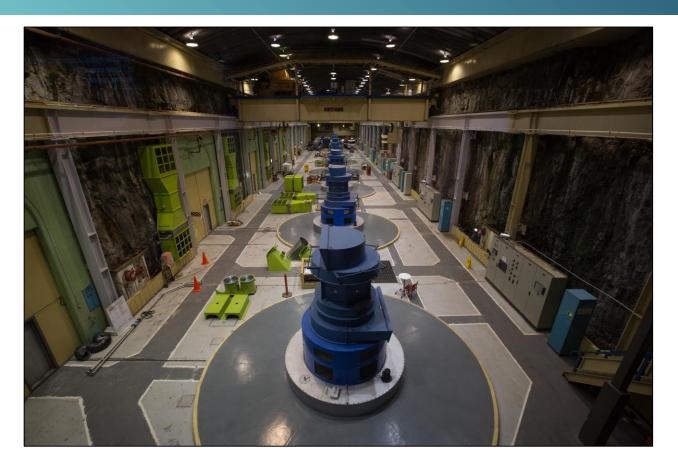
## The Crude Reality of Oil

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## What is Oil?

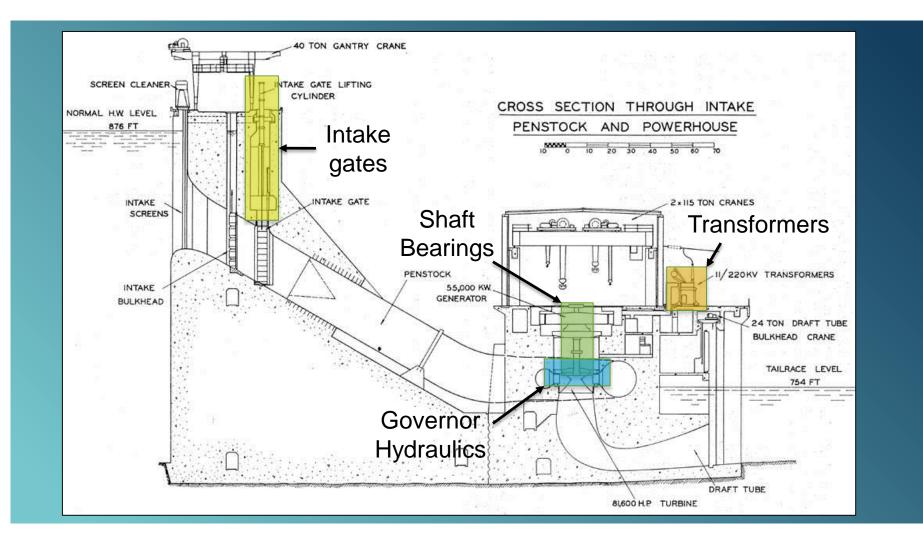


- Crude oil is the most commonly traded commodity in the world.
- Crude oil accounts for 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the worlds energy use.
- Crude oil is used for many different purposes across a wide range of industries.
- Critical component in hydro generation equipment



## Oil in Hydro Systems





## Oil in Hydro Systems - Governors



- Used as a lubricant in hydraulic systems
- Used as a hydraulic fluid
- Viscosity of 68.1 cSt at 40 °C



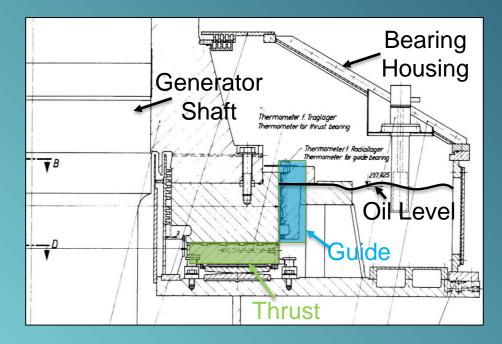




## Oil in Hydro Systems - Bearings



- Used as a lubricant in guide and thrust bearings
- Used as a coolant
- Viscosity of 68.1 cSt at 40 °C





# Oil in Hydro Systems – Intake and Spill Gates



- Used as a lubricant in hydraulic control system and gate hydraulic rams.
- Used as a hydraulic fluid.
- Environmentally friendly oil
- Viscosity of 48.8 cSt at 40 °C







## Oil in Hydro Systems – Transformers

- Used as an insulator
- Used as a coolant.
- Viscosity of 48.8 cSt at 40 °C





## **Promoting Good Oil Condition**



- Condition Monitoring
- Oil Filtration
- Purification
- Streamlining
- Oil Replacement
- Sump Design
- Breathers
- Oil Temperature

## Promoting Good Oil Condition -Condition Monitoring



## ISO Particle Count

### **Element Testing**

	ISO 4406 Chart	
Range	Particles per	milliliter
Code	More than	Up to/including
24	80000	160000
23	40000	80000
22	20000	40000
21	10000	20000
20	5000	10000
19	2500	5000
18	1300	2500
17	640	1300
16	320	640
15	160	320
14	80	160
13	40	80
12	20	40
11	10	20
10	5	10
9	2.5	5
8	1.3	2.5
7	0.64	1.3
6	0.32	0.64

ELEMENT TESTS																								
Lab No	Eval	Cu	Fe	Cr	Pb	AI	Si	Na	Sn	Mo	Ni	Mg	Zn	Ca	Ρ	B	Ba	Cd	Mn	Ag	Ti	۷	K	iAN
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G1310K1002	A	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	113	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
G1309K0719	В	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	13	0	114	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
G1308K0702	В	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	122	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-

#### **DGA and Dielectric Testing**

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COV	7.5	10	10	5	5	7.5	5	5	5	n/a	5	n/a	10	7.5
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## Promoting Good Oil Condition -Condition Monitoring



Condition monitoring advantages

Allows for predictive maintenance

Example: Much of Meridians governor oil is being replaced due to low Zinc (ZDDP) levels. During the oil changes the governor systems were inspected.







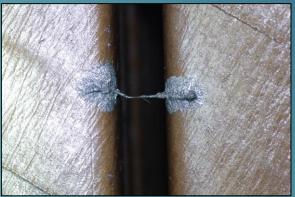
## Promoting Good Oil Condition -Manapouri Transformer Failure



Transformer oil cooler fins were coming loose and entering the oil. No particle monitoring was in place so the Aluminium and Iron in the oil was not identified.







## Promoting Good Oil Condition -Oil Treatment



The Kidney LoopFiltration of oil while unit is in operation



#### **Oil Purification**

Removes water from the oil



**Oil Streamlining** 

• Removes contaminants from transformer oil

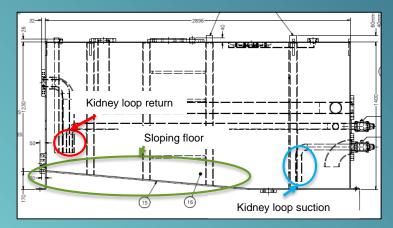


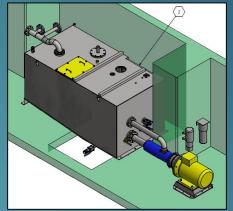
## Promoting Good Oil Condition -Sump design



Tank Design Items to Consider:

- Oil flow
- Kidney loop suction and return
- Ease of access
- Tank breathers
- Oil temperature







## Summary



- Oil is critical to hydro plant operation.
- Oil has many different uses.
- Monitoring of oil condition allows early detection of failing equipment.
- Promoting good oil condition increases the life of both the oil and of generating equipment.



## Questions?