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**Ridgewood New Jersey an Energy
Positive - Cash Positive**

Wastewater Treatment Plant

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Village of Ridgewood WWTP



- 5 MGD design
- 2.2 MGD
- Conventional Activated Sludge
- Nitrification
- Sludge thickened and sent to Digestion

Village of Ridgewood AD-Codigestion



- **Co-thickening**
- **Primary and Secondary Digesters**
- **Mesophilic**

Village of Ridgewood FOG receiving



- Started Operation in February 2013
- 10,000 gallons
- Screening
- Heated
- Mixed

Village of Ridgewood Gen Set



- 240 kW
- CHP to heat digesters
- No ORC

Village of Ridgewood Gas Storage

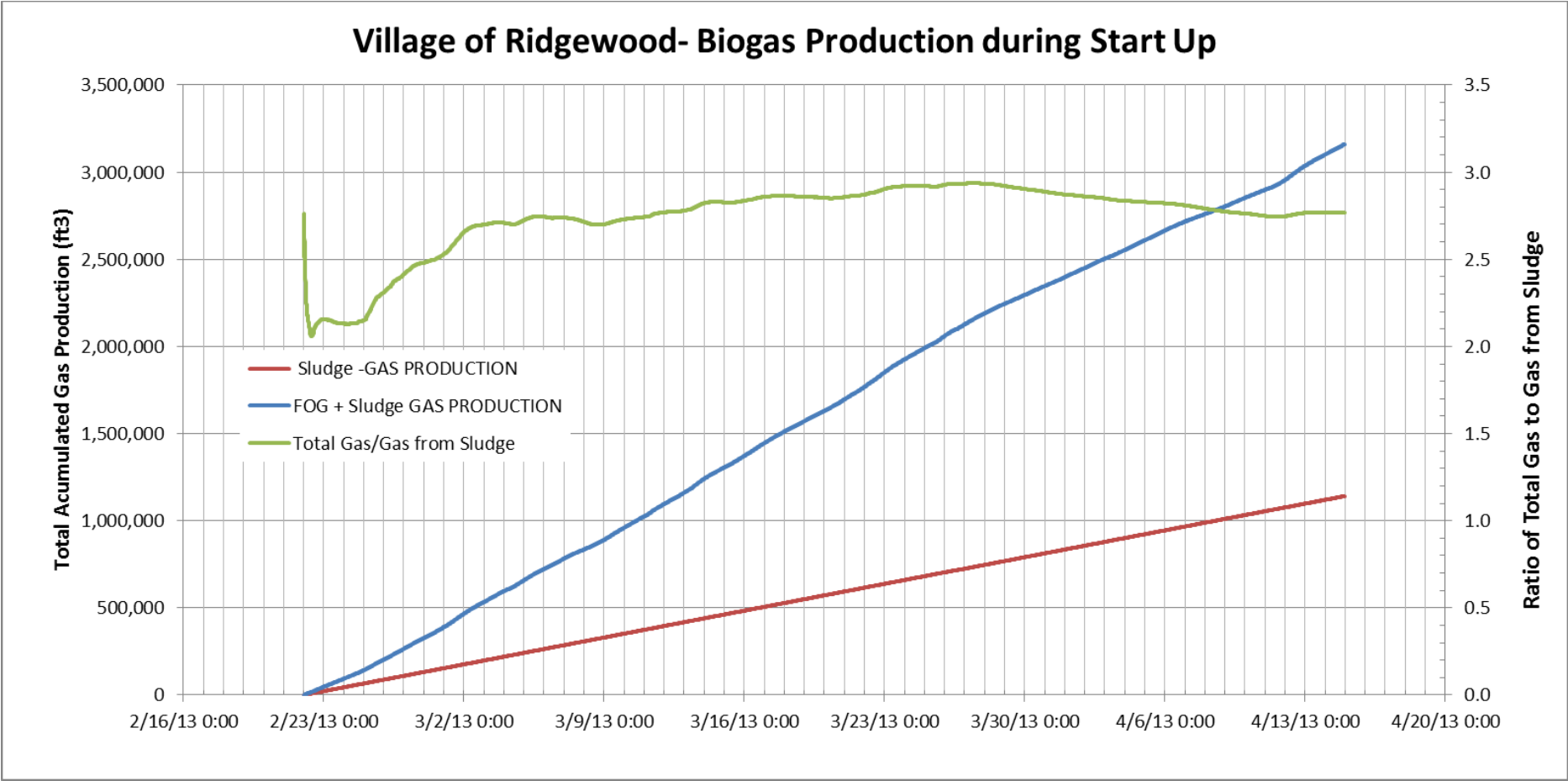


- Double Membrane
- OK

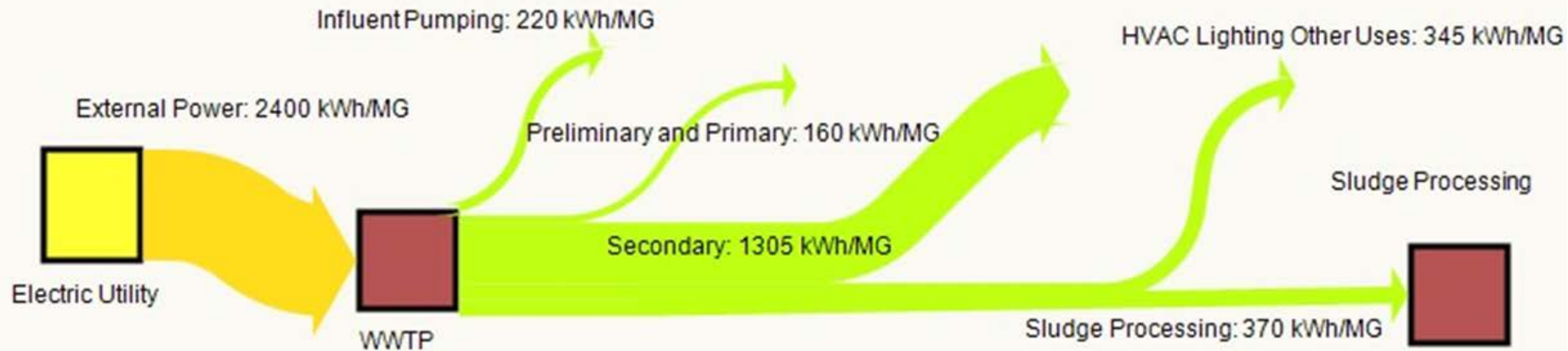
Public Private Partnership

- Ridgewood Green Responsible Management Entity (RGRME) is providing the following on a turnkey basis:
 - Host utility risk mitigation
 - Increase in methane produced and therefore heat and power production
 - Alternative energy sources to achieve Positive Net Energy
 - Reduce cost of energy for operations
 - Increase revenues to the Village

Village of Ridgewood Biogas Production



Ridgewood WWTP Energy Balance No-CHP



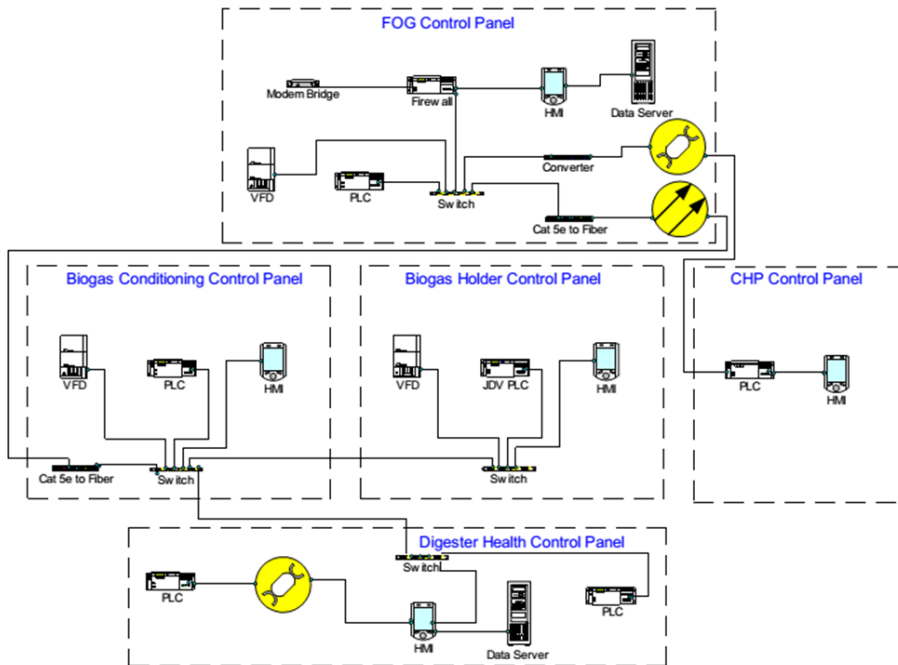
- Gas Flaring
- No Renewable Energy
- Higher Energy Costs
- Subject to Energy Price Risk
- Less Resilient

Ridgewood WWTP Energy Balance CHP



- Increased Sustainability
- About 30% External Power offset
- Some Reduction in Energy Costs
- Reduction in Energy Price Risk
- Enhanced Resiliency

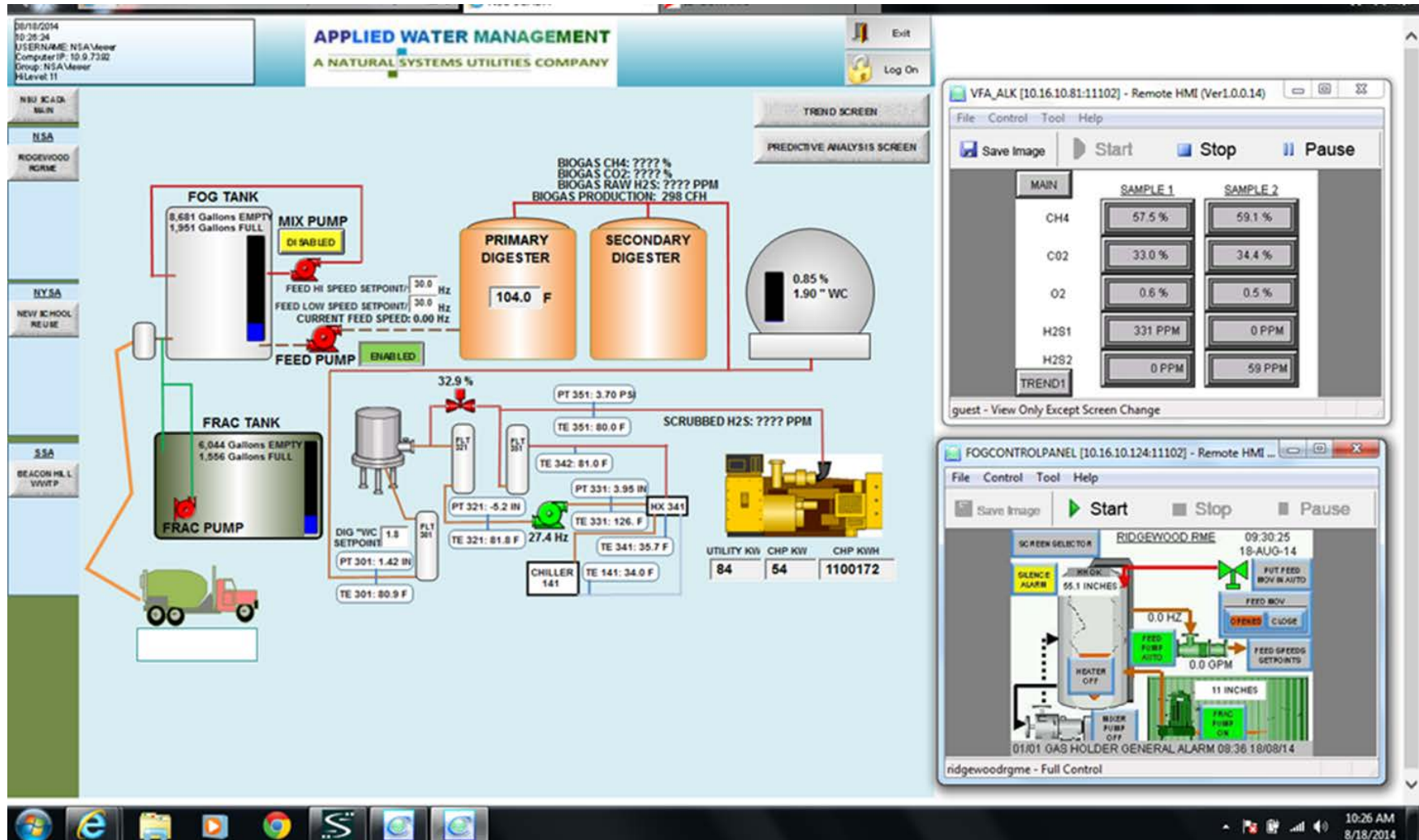
AD Monitoring and Control



- Control for Power tracking
- Control for Power export
- On-Line Monitoring Biogas, pH, Alkalinity, VFA
- Interactive Decision Support Tool for Feed Scheduling

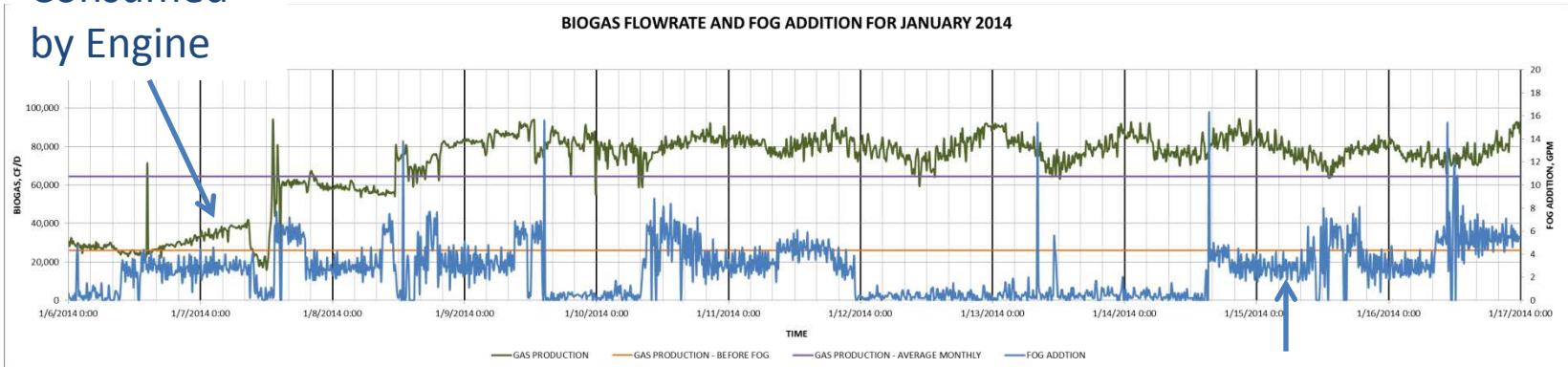


Beyond SCADA – Monitoring and Automatic Control



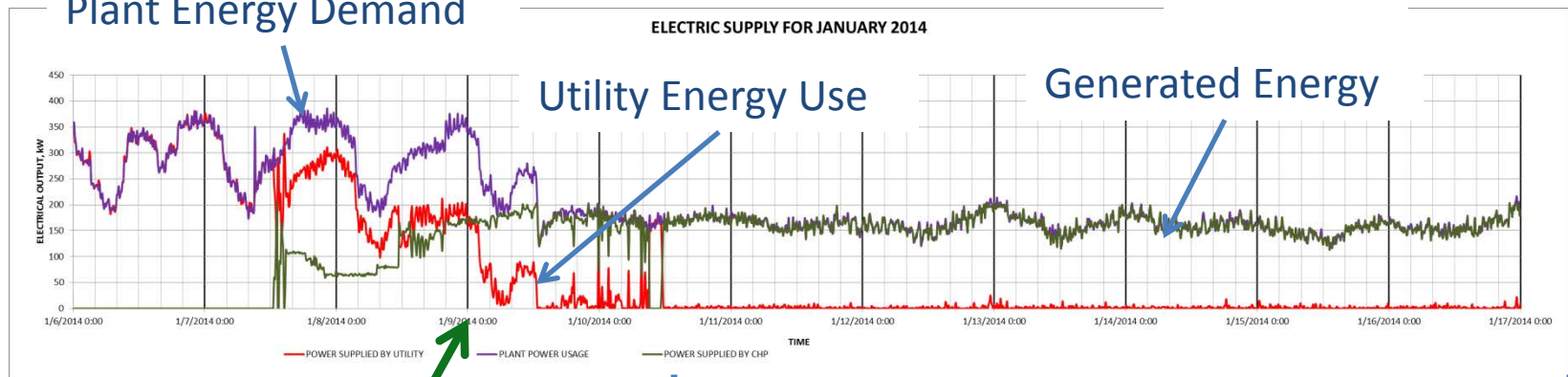
Achieving Energy Neutrality

Gas
Consumed
by Engine



FOG feed

Plant Energy Demand



Aeration Control Started

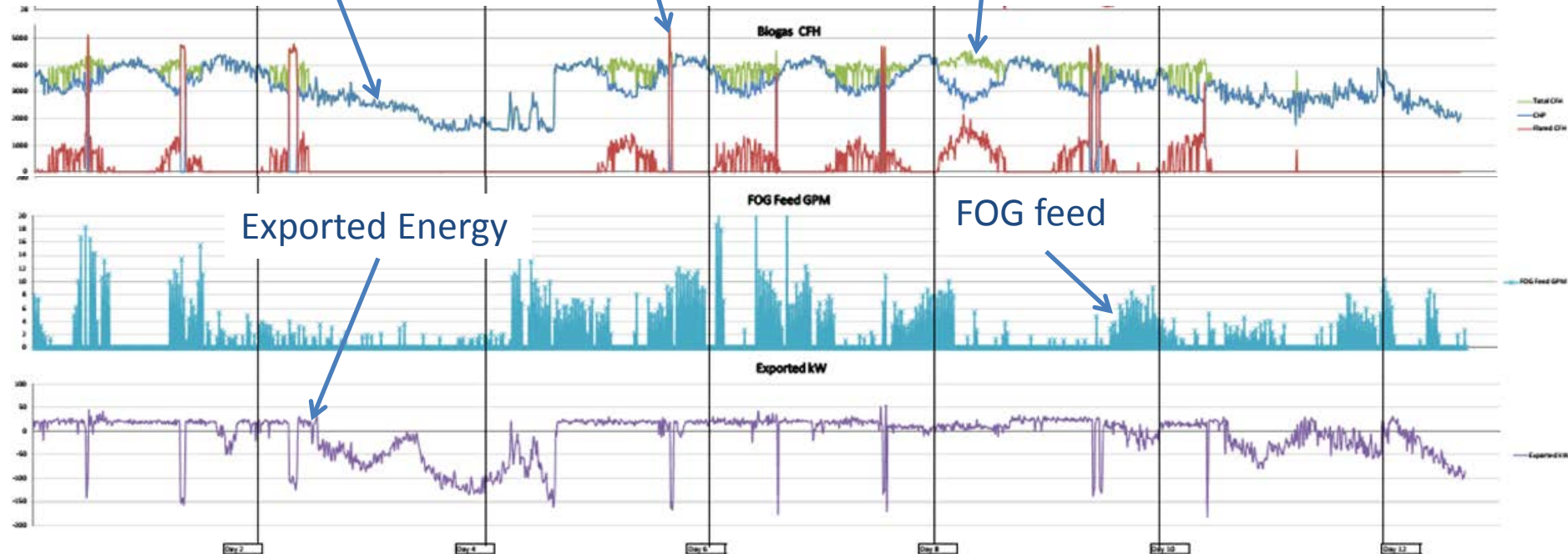
100% of Plant Electric Demand Offset by CHP

Energy Positive Operation

Gas Consumed by Engine

Excess Gas Flared

Total Gas Produced



- Minimize Operations Disturbance -Maximize Power Production

Ridgewood WWTP Energy Balance Codigestion



- Increased Sustainability
- 100% External Power Offset
- Lower Energy Costs
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Conclusions

- Successful PPP.
 - Increased Revenues,
 - Reduced Energy Costs,
 - Locked price of energy
 - Increased Resiliency
 - Increased Sustainability
- Self-Generated Power not enough for Energy Neutrality
- Codigestion Successfully Achieved Energy Positive Operation

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