



Recent developments in Denmark

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Denmark is....



- Not the capital of Sweden.....,
- but a small European country adjacent to Germany and connected to Sweden by a bridge.



Overview



- 1. Political framework conditions**
- 2. Companies and institutions active in biomass combustion R&D**
- 3. Ongoing and finished R&D projects**
- 4. Market development**
- 5. Recent biomass combustion systems implemented**

Political framework conditions (1)

- **New government November 2001**
- **Less government support to energy RD&D**
- **Substantial cuts in energy programmes in the fiscal budget**
- **Cost efficient energy supply in focus**
- **Renewable energy to survive under market conditions**
- **Danish climate obligations according to the Kyoto protocol expected to be met by Joint Implementation, Clean Development Mechanism and quota trading**
(Only to the extent it's cheaper than by domestic measures)

Political framework conditions (2)

- **Department of Energy and Environment split into DOEnv. and Ministry of Trade and Industry**
- **We are all waiting for first substantial energy policy document from the new government: a strategy for Denmark's actions to meet the obligations according to the Kyoto agreement**

Programme reductions



Programme	Government support before	Government support after
Development and information of RE	20 M Euro	0 M Euro
Energy research	14 M Euro	5 M Euro
Utilites energy research	10 M Euro	10 M Euro
Energy savings and fuels switch in industry	19 M Euro	0 M Euro
Investment grants for biomass CHP	4 M Euro	0 M Euro
JI and CDM	0 M Euro	17 M Euro

The actors on the scene:



Recent changes:

- **CBT (Centre for Biomass Technology) continues as a network, based on consultancy fees, project tasks etc. (www.videncenter.dk/uk/)**
- **FLS Miljø biomass power activities are sold out to BURMEISTER & WAIN ENERGY A/S, owned by Italian STF (www.bwe.dk)**

Ongoing and finished R&D projects



- 1. Quality characteristics of Biofuel Pellets**
- 2. The Pellet Handbook**
- 3. Corrosion in wood fired boilers**
- 4. Follow-up programme for biomass CHP plants**
- 5. Combustion of low-contamination waste wood in wood industry**
- 6. Separation and recycling of ashes from biomass energy systems**

1. Quality characteristics (1)



- **Recipes for several low cost pellets produced from low lost material was developed**
- **Some of these showed resonable combustion characteristics (slagging, fouling and combustion quility) AND low costs**
- **Report so far in paper version**

Quality characteristics (2)



Pellet type	Composition	DKK/GJ	Dust fouling	Combustion quality
R1	Straw + Al(OH) ₃ 1%	70.25	10	10
R2	Straw + kaolin 2%	71.71	10	6
R3	Straw + CaO 1% +	70.51	10	10
R4	2/3 straw, 1/3 wood + limestone 5%	75.05	8	4
R5	2/3 straw, 1/3 wood + Al(OH) ₃ 5% +	87.68	10	2
R6	2/3 straw, 1/3 wood + limestone 5% +	79.19	3	3
R7	2/3 grain screening, 1/3 wood + limestone 5% +	74.90	4	2
R8	2/3 grain screening, 1/3 sunflower + limestone 5% +	74.04	4	2
R9	2/3 grain screening, 1/3 sheanut + limestone 5% +	76.34	4	2
R10	Grain screening + limestone 5% +	69.10	5	2
R11	2/3 grain screening, 1/3 wood + limestone 3% +	71.68	2	2
R12	2/3 grain screening, 1/3 shea nut + limestone 3%	69.56	2	1
Pellets of sawdust		79.17	1	1
Pellets of dried logs		69.20		

2. The wood pellet handbook

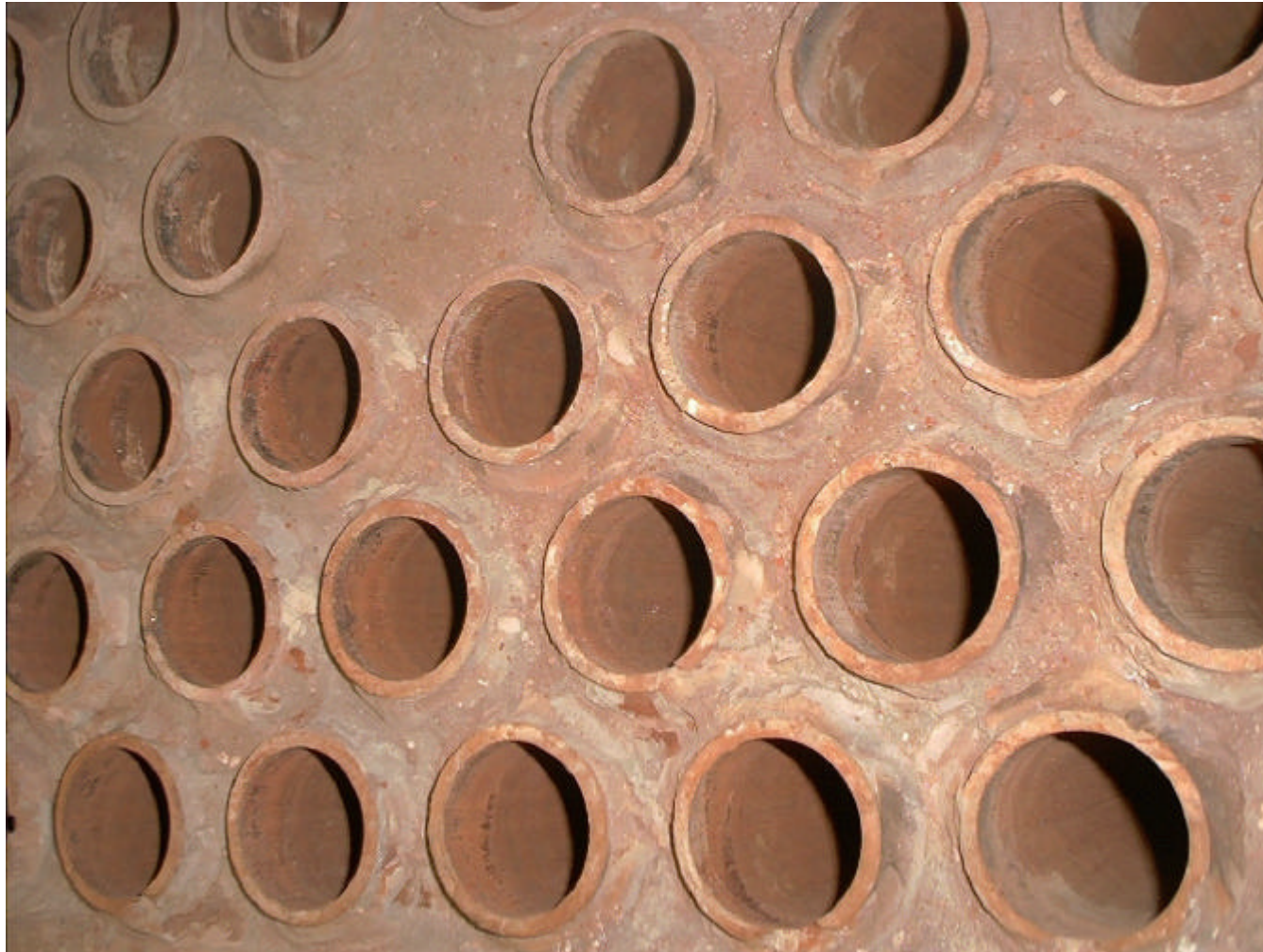


- **Complete reference to wood pellet issues:**
 - Properties
 - Legislation
 - Combustion
 - Markets
 - Design and engineering of wood pellet boilers and systems
- **In Danish (sorry folks!)**
- **www.pellets.dk-technik.dk**

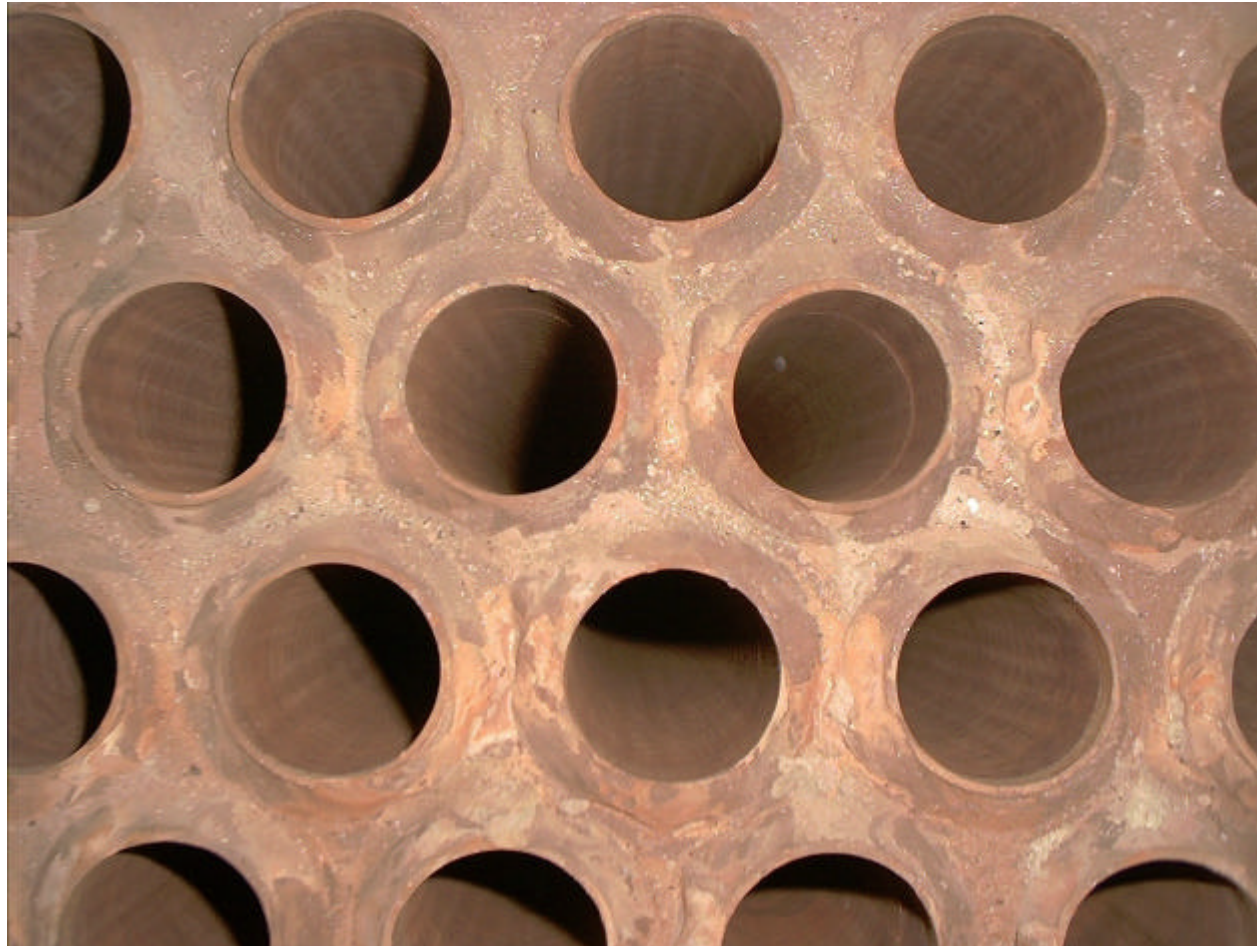
3. Corrosion (1)



Corrosion (2)



Corrosion (3)



Corrosion (4)



- **Convection tubes often corroded by 1 mm/year, lifetime often 3-5 years, as low as 2 years on wood chip fired hot-water boiler for moist wood chips**
- **3 different hypotheses on cause**
 - Sulphuric acid
 - Saline fouling
 - Organic acids
- **Main recommendation: raise boiler operating temperature to minimum 85-90°C (inlet temperature on boiler water)**
- **Other recommendations:**
 - watch out for red fly ash
 - air preheating
 - reduced water in wood chips
 - flue gas recirculation
- **www.fjernvarmen.dk go to F&U konto / Report 2001-04**

4. Follow-up programme sample data

November 2002	Heat + el efficiency, %	Electric efficiency, %
Ansager	0	0
Assens	82	23
Ensted	-	48
Grenaa	95	19
Harboøre	101	2
Haslev	90	22
Hjordkær	98	11
Høgild	48	14
Junckers 7	-	16
Junckers 8	-	28
Masnedø	83	23
Måbjerg	81	24
Rudkøbing	89	21
Sakskøbing	89	29
Slagelse	-	27

5. Low-contamination waste wood

- Investigation into environmental effects of combustion of industrial wood waste with limited and well-defined contaminations
- Finding no 1: No indication of an increase in NO_x emissions from combustion of wood waste containing even high concentrations of glue (fibre boards)
- Precondition: good combustion condition
- To be published by Danish EPA on www.mst.dk

6. Ash separation and recycling (1)

- **A survey into ash volumes, ash properties, ash handling costs and handling scenarios**
- **Approximately 70,000 ton of ashes to be handled in 2030**
- **New energy systems are expected to establish separate ash handling systems**
- **Fractionated ash handling removes barriers for ash recycling**

Ash separation and recycling (2)

2000 Ash in ton/year	Total ash production	Distributed in agriculture or forestry	Landfill
Straw fired district heating	13.440	10.750	2.690
Woo fired district heating	2.570	0	2.570
Wood pellet ditstrict ehating	560	0	560
Large straw fired power and CHP	14.230	9.930	4.300
Industrial CHP	1.500	0	1.500
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Market developments



- **Huge increase in wood pellet consumption in domestic sector**
- **Huge increase in straw in utilities sector**
- **Huge increase in wood pellets in utilities sector**
- **Huge increase in wood chips in utilities sector**
- **Wood pellets prices much higher than 2 years ago**
- **Stable price on straw and wood chips**
- **Increasing import**

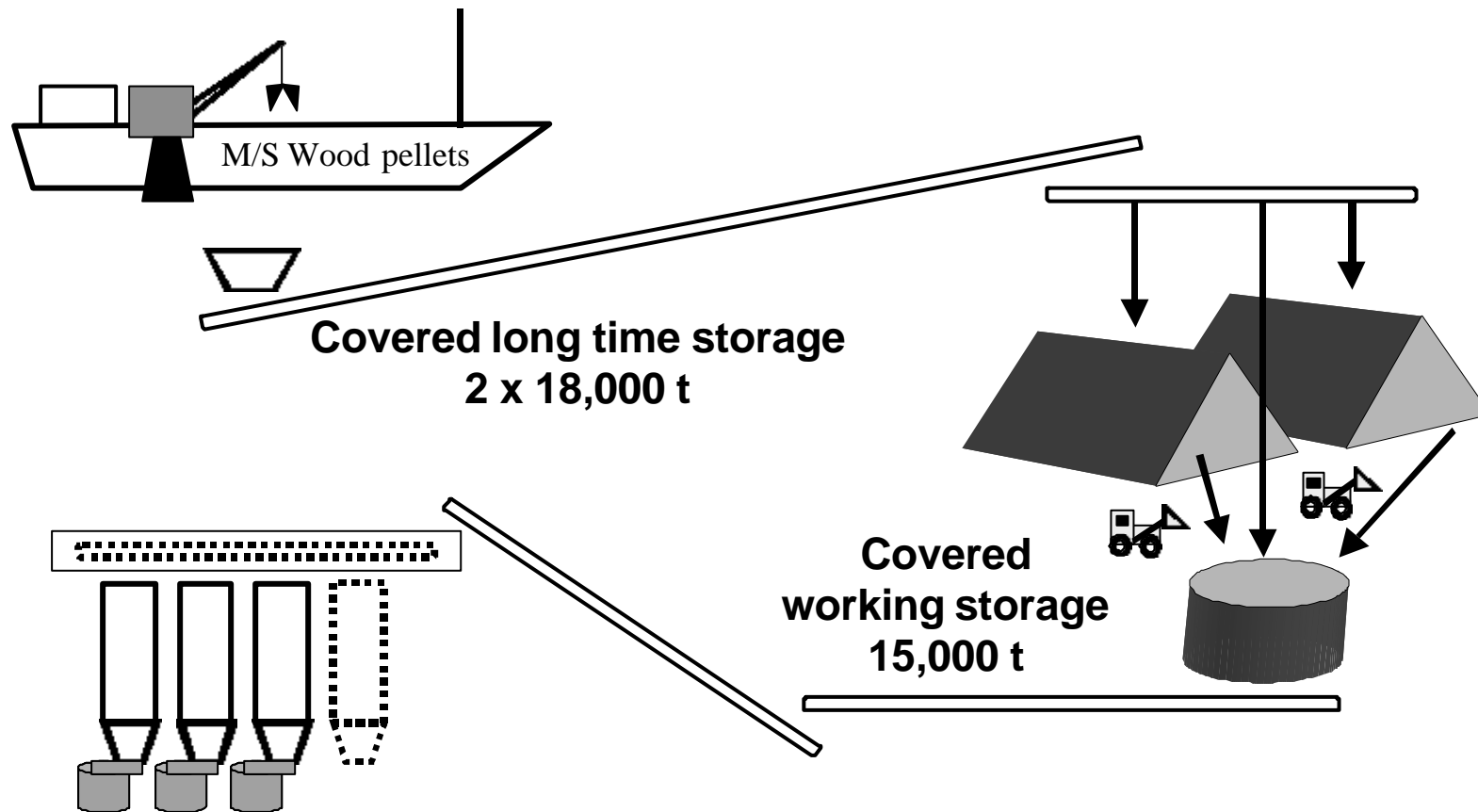
Recent biomass combustion systems

- Avedøre unit II (separate straw boiler, wood dust)
- Herning CHP (wood chips on grate)

Avedøre Power Station



Fuel Handling of Wood Pellets at AVV2



Herning CHP



- **200,000 t of wood chips/year**
- **75% of wood as chips from forestry plantations in Jutland**
- **25% of wood from other sources e.g. whole trees**
- **80 truckloads/day**
- **13,000 m³ storage (3 days)**
- **Revised plant designed for 45% wood chips and 55% natural gas**
- **9 x 10 m grate installed in boiler**

