



Small Scale CHP from biomass – a demonstration project in Southeast Sweden

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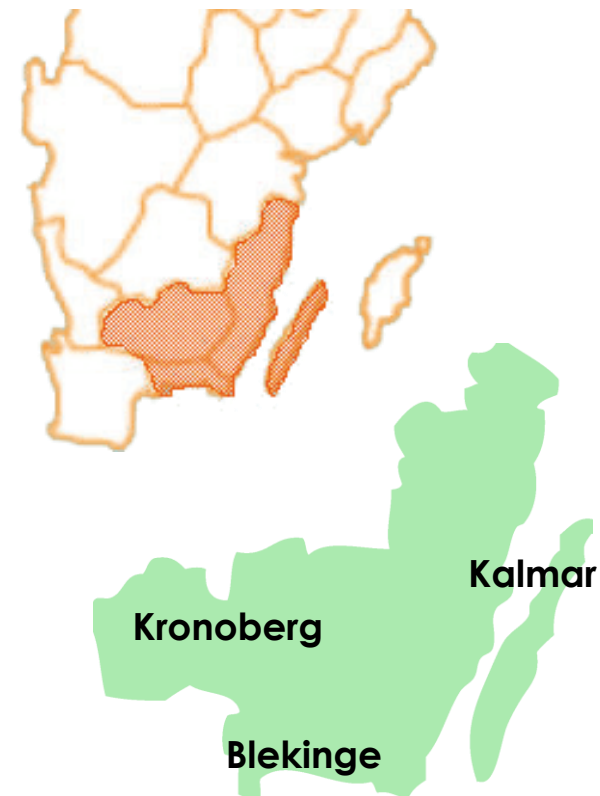


Agenda

- ESS (Energy Agency for Southeast Sweden)
- Small scale CHP – potential, reasons and opportunities
- Demonstration project Small Scale CHP from bioenergy
- The first micro-gasifier in Sweden
 - The dairy
 - Reasons for investing
 - Technology
 - Status and lessons learned
 - Upcoming actions

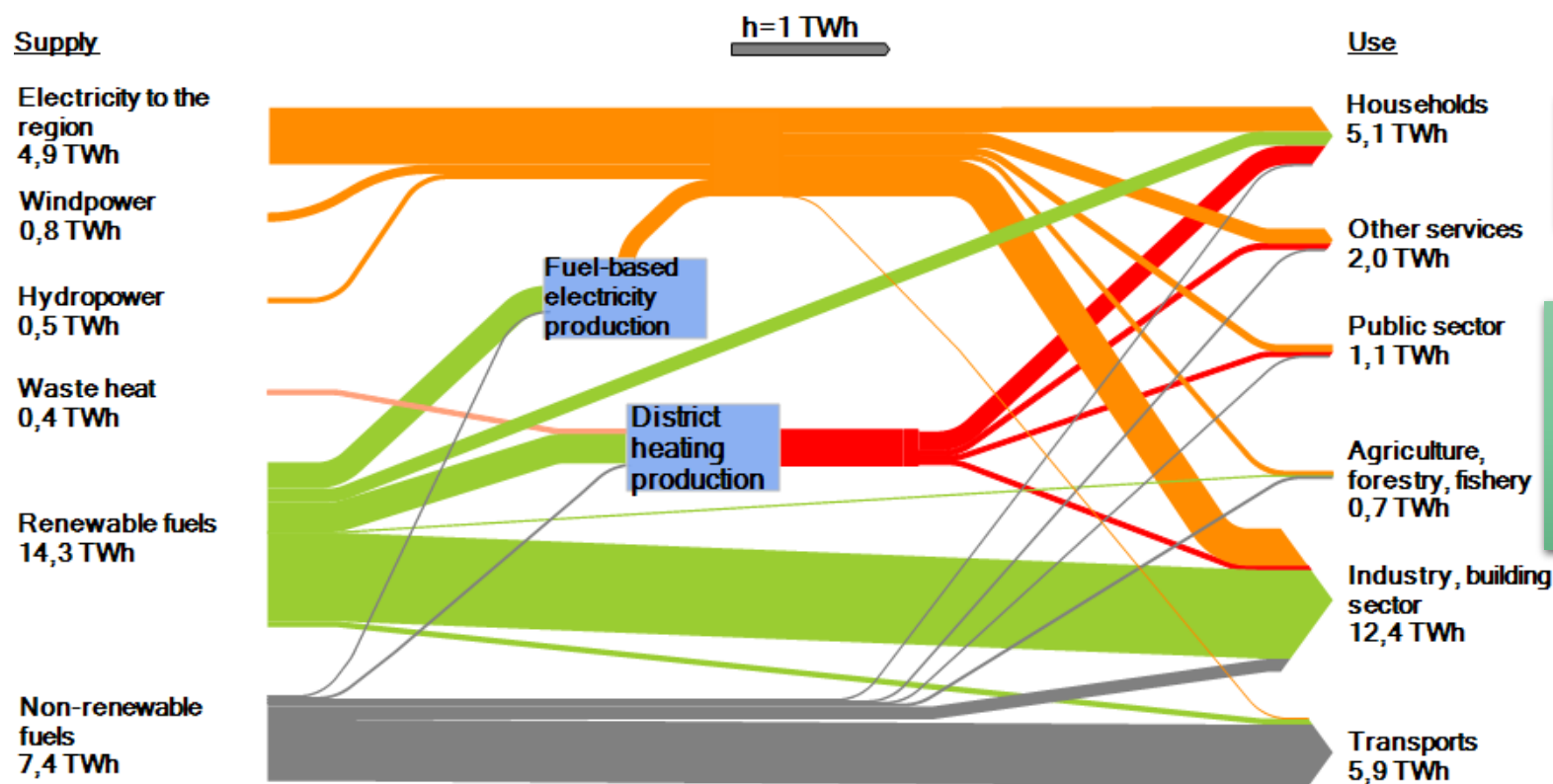
The Energy Agency for Southeast Sweden (ESS)

- Started 1999
- Owned by municipalities, regional councils and county councils in Blekinge, Kalmar & Kronoberg
- 20 employees, head office in Växjö, regional offices in Kalmar, Karlskrona & Oskarshamn
- Experienced project partner
- Sustainable energy region:
 - Energy efficiency
 - Renewable energy
 - Mobility
 - Energy in society



Background - Energy use southeast Sweden

Energy use and renewable electricity and district heating production in 3 Southeast Counties: Blekinge, Kalmar and Kronoberg 2013 (TWh)



Small Scale CHP from biomass is one part of the solution

- 80 potential plants for small scale CHP

- 40-50 plants with a possible average electricity production of 3 GWh/year

Reasons and opportunities for investing in small scale CHP based on biomass

- Lower costs for bought electricity
- Unburden the power grid
- Environmental profile to the company – green electricity and heat
- Local fuel
- Decreased tax relief for oil use in Swedish industry
- Promote employment in rural areas
- Increase locally produced renewable electric power



Photo: Bo Dahlin, Svenska kraftnät



Photo: Ronneby Miljö och Teknik AB



Small scale CHP

– a demonstration project in Southeast Sweden

- A project within the EU programme Life+
 - Energy Agency for southeast Sweden (*project manager*)
 - The Emå-dairy
 - Ronneby district heating

Objective:

- Demonstrate different technologies for small scale CHP
 - Gasification to power
 - Wet steam turbine
 - Organic Rankine cycle
- Increase the use of small scale CHP
- Establish a platform for small-scale CHP showcases
 - Study visits at the plants
- Decrease emissions of CO₂
- Increase renewable electricity production



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Target groups for micro gasification CHP

- Small industries with heating systems based on oil or in need for reinvestments
- Farmers
- Greenhouses
- Department stores
- Hotels/block of flats

➡ In south east Sweden still appr. 170 companies use oil, 40 of them same size or larger than the dairy.



Emå dairy



- Local dairy, in Hultsfred
- Focus on traceability
- Produce appr. 13 million kilo dairy products/year
- Milk from local farms
- Aim at minimum possible climatic impact:
 - Own electricity production
 - Short transportation
 - Paper packings
 - Decay products go back to the suppliers (farms) for biogas production



Why Emå dairy invests in CHP

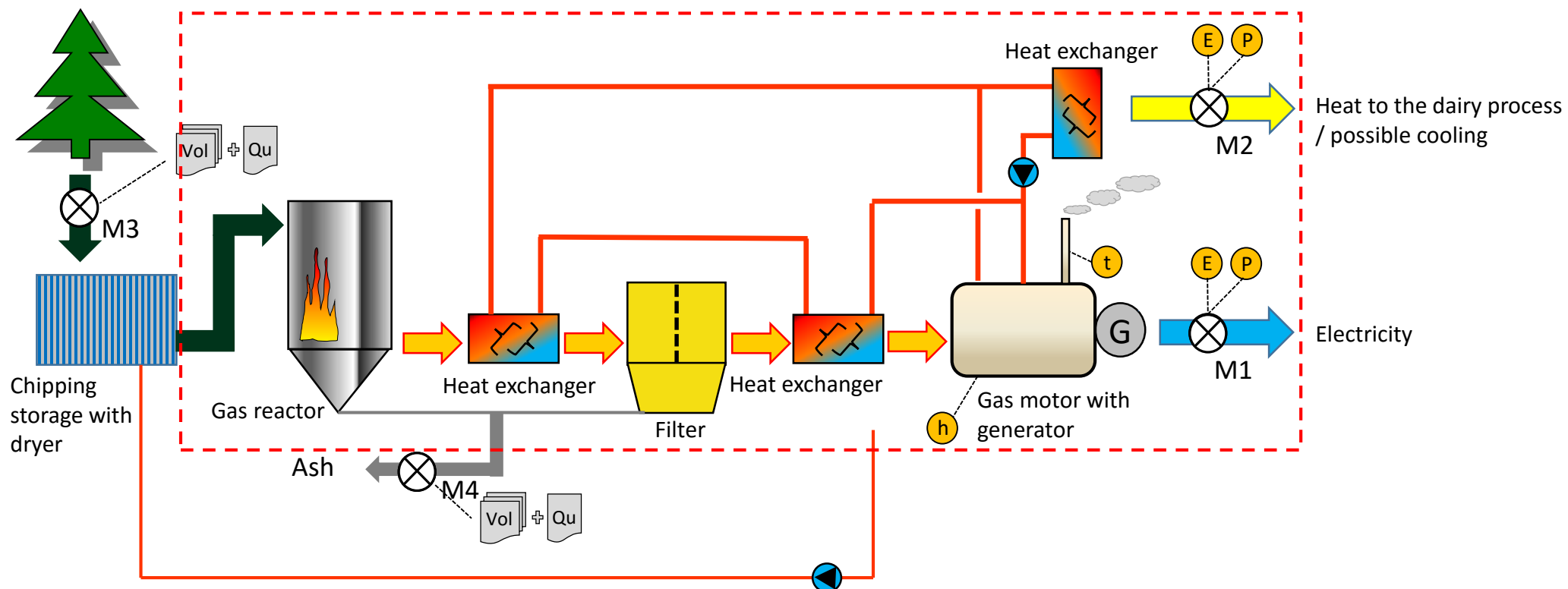
- Existing heating system in need of re-investment
- Lower tax-relief for oil in production industry
- Green electricity to the company
- Energy from local produced chippings
- Be part of development towards a sustainable society
- Promote rural areas
- Increased environmental/climate awareness of consumers

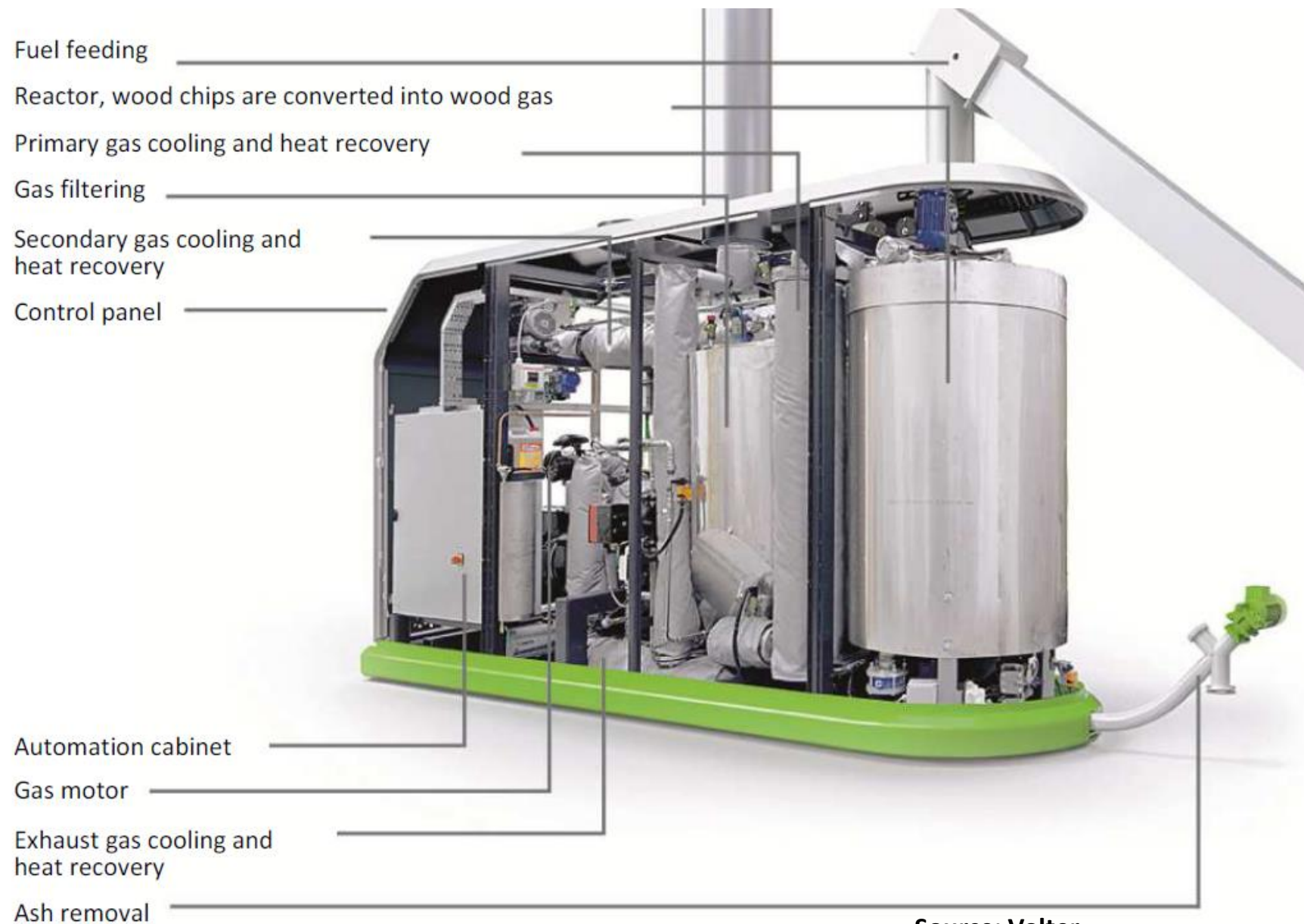
The gasifier at Emå dairy

- Wood chips fuelled gasification unit
 - 40 kW electricity
 - 100 kW heat or 70 kW cooling
 - Volter OY



Technology – Gasifier at the dairy





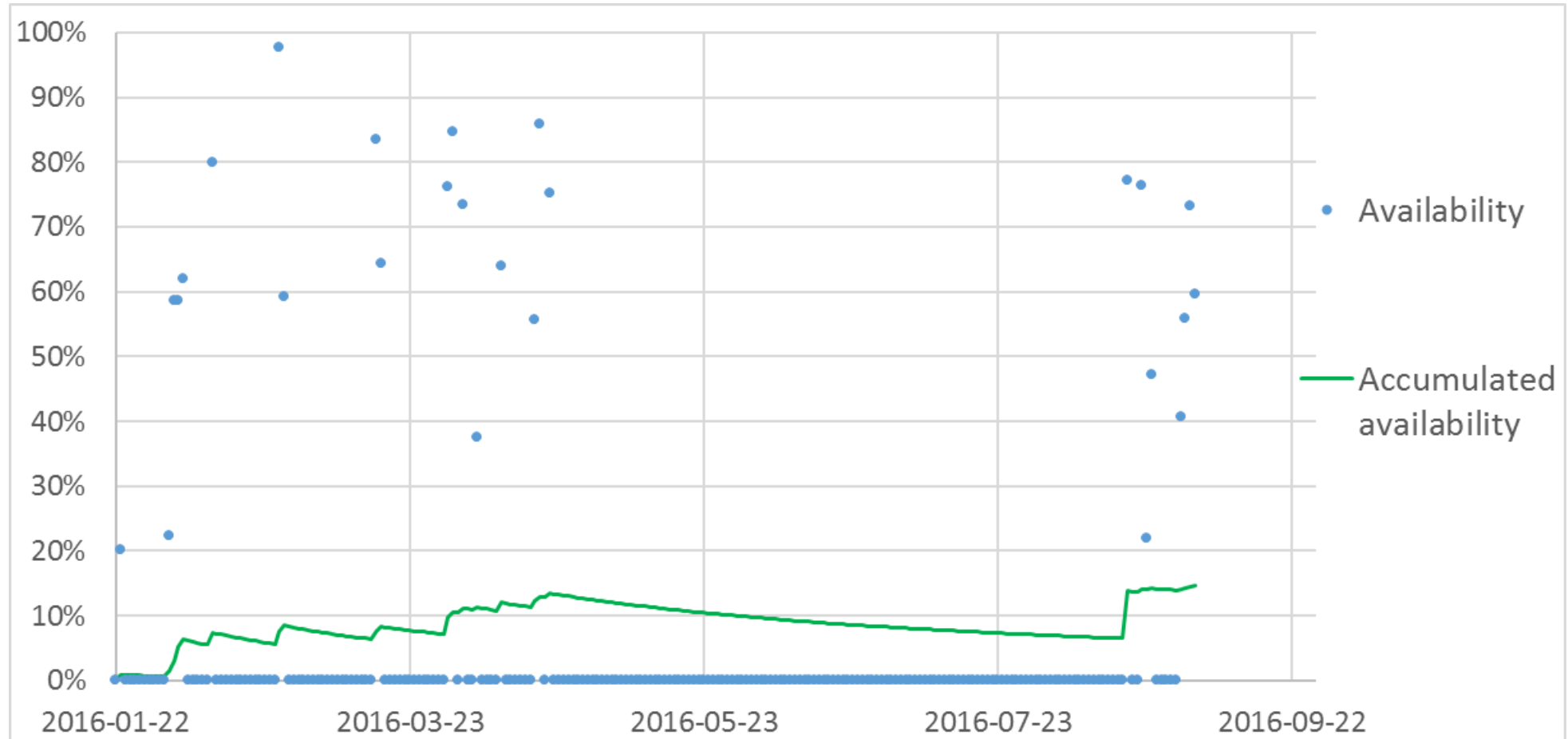
Source: Volter

Status

- Ready
 - Gasifier up and running since October 28th 2015
 - One wood chipping dryer
 - One accumulator tank
- Remaining
 - One more accumulator tank
 - Once more wood chipping dryer



Electricity from the gasifier



Lessoned learned so far?

- Few suppliers for high flow temperatures
- No environmental permissions needed < 500 kW
- Building permits needed for storage and dryer
- Difficult to buy dried steam wood chips (transportation and price)
-> need of a dryer
- Initial problems due to dryer – not gasifier
- More complex than expected to connect gasifier to a process with large fluctuations in heat demand
-> need of an accumulator tank
- Recent problems with sintering



Upcoming actions project

- Monitoring and evaluation of data:
 - Efficiency
 - Accessibility
 - Running costs
 - Maintenance costs
 - Problems
 - Electricity and heat production (alfa-value)
 - Fuel (wood chips) consumption

Disseminate experience from the whole process – from pre-study/procurement process to continuous operation



Great potential for the technologies! Welcome to visit the demonstrations!

Interested?

Contact me or visit our project site!

<http://energikontorsydost.se/smaskaligkraftvarme>



Thanks for listening!



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