

Environment Drivers – Qatalum

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Presentation Outline

- Safety Moment
- Design & Operating Standards
- Environmental Inputs – Outputs
- Water
- Solid Waste
- Emissions

Safety Moment



Use the right tools



Design Standards

GCC Smelters:

- **EIA for Approval**
- **International Construction Standards**
- **International Standards**
- **Local Standards**
- **Consent to Operate**
- **Corporate Social Responsibility**

The Environment

**Raw Materials, Air &
Natural Gas**



Air Emissions



Treated Emissions

**Sea Water, Municipal
Water, Rain & Chemicals**



Water Treatment



**Safe disposal &
Irrigation**

Water

IN: Seawater, Municipal Water, Rain, & Chemical

- **Seawater Effluent** **Chemical Treatment/Aeration**
(16,000 m³/h. Caustic soda is used for pH correction)
- **Freshwater Effluent** **Chemical Treatment/Oil Removal**
- **Sewage** **Sewage Treatment**
- **Rain Water** **Chemical Treatment, if required**

Almost all TSE is used for irrigation

Solid Waste

Sources of Rejects/By-Products

➤ Normal Operations:

- Non-Hazardous (for Disposal & Recycling)
- Process By-Products (carbon powder, CCM, scrap, etc.)

➤ Start-Up: Process By-Products (pots & other units)

➤ Power Outage: Process By-Products (August 2010)

➤ Construction Phase: Excess materials & waste

Solid Waste

Types of Waste – End Use

- **Non-Hazardous Waste – Disposal Locally**
- **Hazardous Waste – Treatment/Disposal Locally**
- **Recyclable Waste – Paper, Plastic, Steel Locally**
- **Aluminium Dross – Processed for Cold Metal**
- **Spent Potliner (SPL) – Use in other Industries**

Solid Waste Management

Color coded/labeled waste skips –
segregate at the source

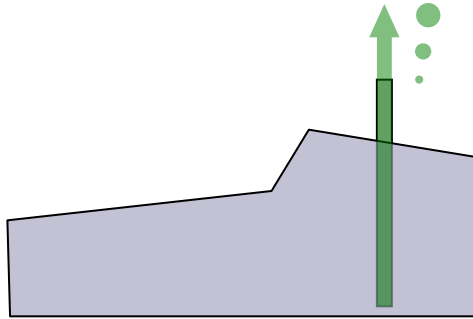


Before & After Cleanup



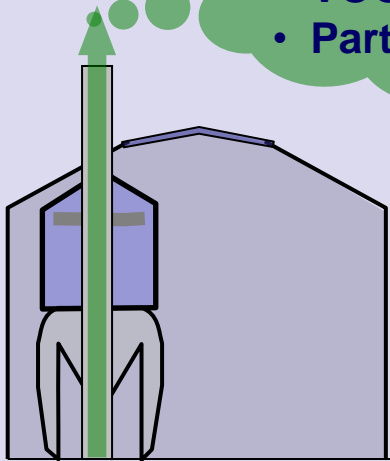
Emissions

Combustion Products NOx, Carbon Dioxide

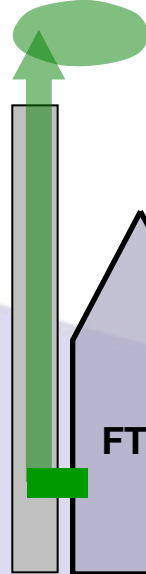


Power & Casting

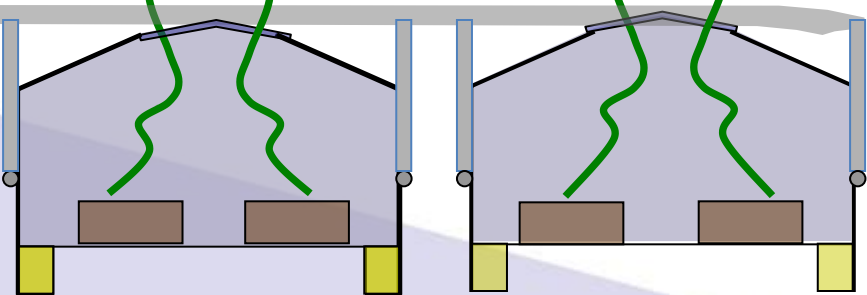
- Fluoride
- Sulphur Dioxide
- VOC
- Particulates



Carbon (Bake Furnaces)



FTP



Reduction

- Fluoride
- Sulphur Dioxide
- Carbon Dioxide
- Particulates

Emissions

In: Natural Gas, Air, & Raw Materials

Out: Emissions, Dust, & Gases (HF , SO₂, CO₂, NO_x, SO_x)

Installed:

Dust Collectors

Fume Treatment Plants

Carbon Fume Treatment Canisters

Power Low Nox Burners

Treated Emissions

Fume Treatment Plants



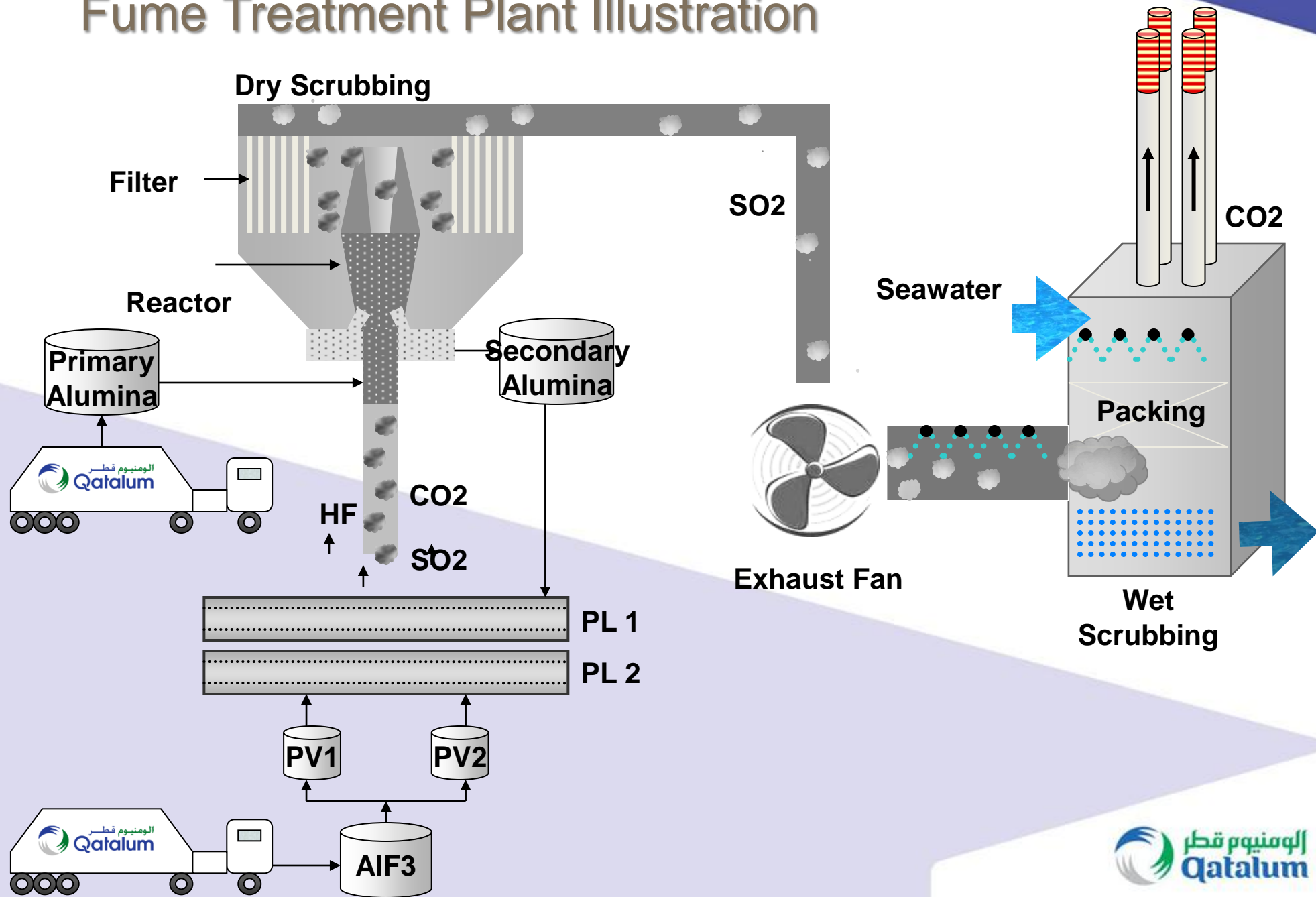
Four Fume Treatment Plants

Purpose of FTP:-

- Gas suction to capture:
 - ✓ HF (hydrogen fluoride) gases
 - ✓ HF particulates,
 - ✓ SO₂ (Sulphur Dioxide)
 - ✓ CO₂
- Booster Fans trigger Forced Gas Suction during pot tendering activities. (*min/eliminates fume escape*)
- Al₂O₃ (primary alumina) used to scrub gases. (Also enriched and fed back as secondary alumina)
- Dust monitoring instruments provide live feedback to operators & allow identification of emissions
- Seawater/wet scrubbing clean sulphur dioxide (SO₂). *Seawater effluent is treated & released*



Fume Treatment Plant Illustration



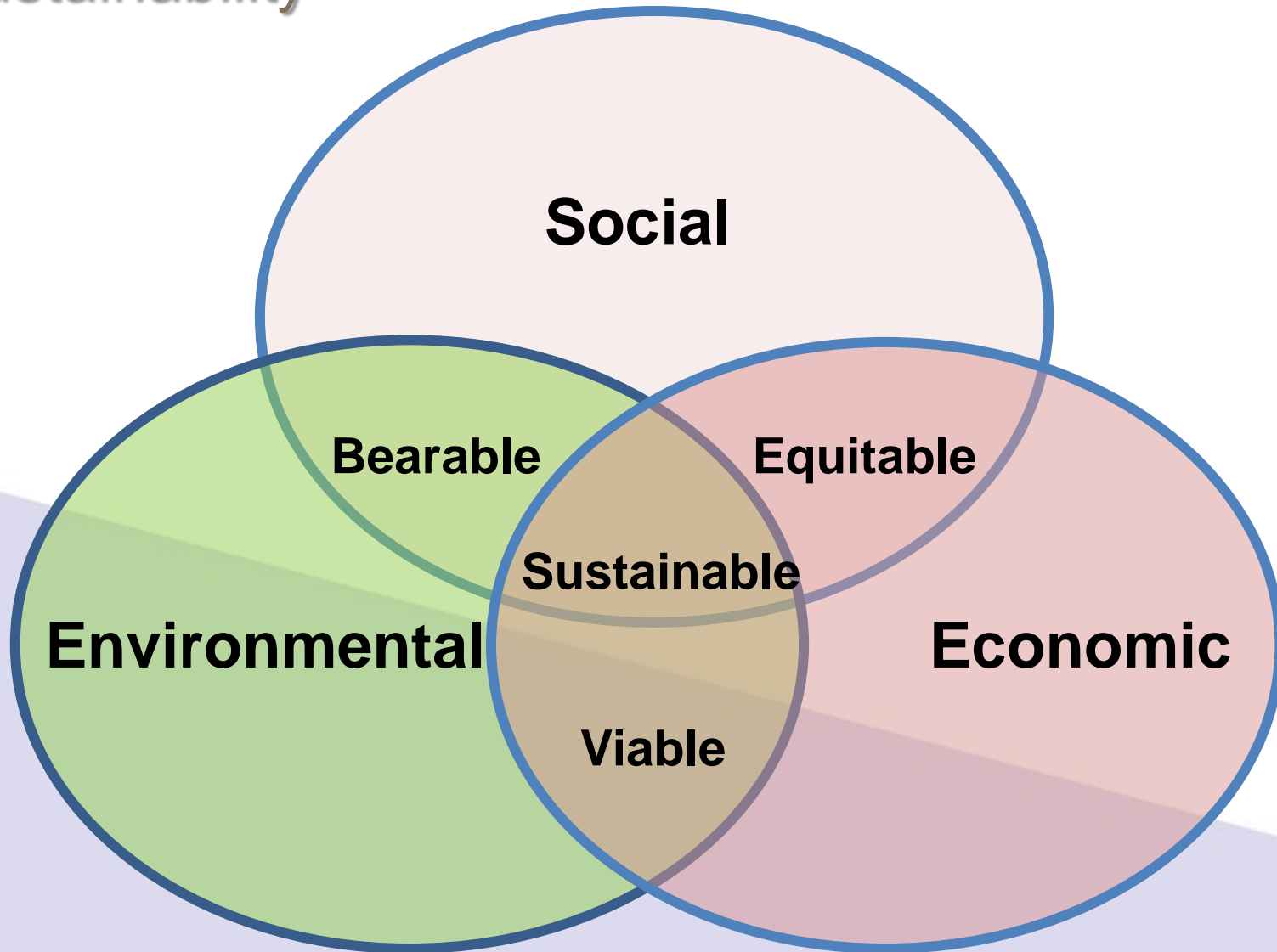
Power Plant – Contribution to Low Emissions

- **Installed Equipment**
 - **Highly Efficient State of the Art equipment – 4GT Frame 9FA in Combined Cycle Configuration**
 - **Large Gas Turbines – More efficient than smaller gas turbines**
 - **Dry Low NOx burners on GTs**
 - **Seawater Cooling Tower – Reduces seawater temperature rise**
- **Fuel**
 - **Natural Gas only**
 - **Low Sulfur Content**

Power Plant – Contribution to Low Emissions

- **Efficient Operation**
 - Higher efficiency means lower amount of emissions, less CO₂
 - Regular tuning of GTs ensures minimum NO_x & CO production
- **Active Emission Control**
 - Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) for NO_x reduction – to 5ppm; via catalyst in Combined Cycle Stack in combination with injecting aqueous ammonia
- **Continuous improvement**
 - Improvements to operating regime and installed equipment improve efficiency & reduce environmental impact.

Sustainability



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