

SMALL SCALE WASTE-TO-ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The dominant technology for large Waste-to-Energy (WTE) facilities is combustion on a moving grate of “as-received” municipal solid wastes (MSW). However, there are circumstances where a low-capacity plant is required. This study examines the technical, economic, and environmental aspects of some small-scale WTE technologies currently in operation. The investigation included both existing grate combustion plants and novel processes, in particular, the Energos technology.

The Energos technology was developed in Norway, in order to provide relatively small communities with an economically efficient alternative to conventional grate combustion (also called ‘mass-burn’ incineration) with equally low emissions to the atmosphere and flexibility in feedstock. All Energos plants treat MSW plus additional streams of commercial or industrial wastes. Prior to thermal treatment, the materials are shredded in a high-torque, low-rpm shredder and ferrous metals are removed magnetically. The feedstock is partially oxidized on a moving grate in the gasification chamber where the fixed carbon is completely burnt off. The volatilized gases flow into a second chamber where they are fully combusted and the generated heat is transferred to a heat recovery system where steam is produced.

The Energos grate gasification and combustion technology is currently in operation at six plants in Norway, one in Germany, and one in the UK; they range in capacity from 30 tons/day per unit to a high of 118 tons/day per unit. As expected, the capital cost per ton of annual ton of capacity increases with decreasing plant capacity, while there is a linear relationship between energy recovery and capacity. These low capacity WTE facilities require a relatively small footprint of less than one hectare (<2.5 acres) and can be built at a capital cost per ton that is as low, or possibly lower, than that of large mass burn WTE facilities. Some other small-scale technologies examined in this study were the Novo Energy inclined fixed grate combustion technology, the emergence of various small scale thermal processes in Japan (e.g., Ebara), and the modular systems of Envikraft/Scan American Corp., KI Energy, and IST Energy GEM.

An analysis of a compilation of over 330 WTE plants in Europe by the International Solid Waste Association showed that there are about 170 small scale plants in Europe. It was determined that 84 plants (nearly 25% of the total number of plants included in the ISWA survey) have an annual capacity of less than 50,000 tons and another 85 plants range in capacity from 50,000 and 100,000 tons. The total capacity of these small scale plants is just over 8.5 million tons of feedstock combusted.

By analyzing the ISWA data further, in terms of plants which co-combust MSW with wastes other than commercial and industrial wastes (e.g., hospital waste and sludge cake from wastewater treatment plants), it was concluded that approximately 33% of European waste-to-energy plants in the ISWA survey are small scale plants that co-combust hospital waste. These plants ranged in annual capacity from 5,000 to 95,000 tons and, on the average, hospital waste amounted to about 3% of the combusted materials. Also, of the 24 plants in the ISWA survey that reported co-combusting sludge cake (from wastewater treatment plants) 25% are of low capacity, ranging from 50,000 to 79,000 tons per year. The co-combusted sludge cake ranged from 0.2% to 12% of the total feed.

By assessing these small scale technologies, it was concluded that, under certain circumstances, the construction of small scale WTE plants is beneficial because it avoids the economic and environmental impacts associated with the long distance transfer of waste.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Current Status of Waste Management

According to the 2008 national data on municipal solid waste (MSW), reported in the Columbia/BioCycle national survey *State of Garbage in America*, the U.S. generates 389.5 million tons of MSW. Of this total, 69 percent is landfilled, 24 percent is recycled and composted, and 7 percent is combusted via waste-to-energy (WtE) systems¹. Therefore, of the nearly 60% of MSW that is available for conversion to energy, currently only 7% of this is converted².

Past studies by the Earth Engineering Center (EEC) have shown that globally about 200 million tons of municipal solid waste (MSW) is treated thermally to recover energy and produce an estimated 40 million tons of WTE ash. Another one billion tons are landfilled.

In view of the location of Columbia University in New York State, it is of interest that New York City currently sends its MSW to out of state landfills at a cost of \$110/ton, although, for about \$60-70/ton the City could have WTE plants built, either in NY or NJ, to serve the City³.

1.2 Hierarchy of Sustainable Waste Management

It is important to emphasize the “Expanded Hierarchy of Sustainable Waste Management⁴” depicted below in Figure 1. This figure shows that the first priority in terms of sustainable waste management is the reduction of waste. Secondly, the emphasis is on the recovery or recycling of materials, and once this is achieved, the priority shifts to the aerobic and anaerobic composting (or digestion) of source separated organics (e.g., wet food and yard wastes). It is only then that the emphasis shifts to the recovery of energy through a thermal waste conversion process, as this system should only accept non-recyclables. Again, emphasizing that a waste to energy system is complimentary to recycling and utilizes the calorific value in “black bag” municipal solid waste (approximated as 10 MJ/Kg or 2800 kWh/ton⁵). Therefore, “waste to energy” systems are superior to landfills. It is important however to distinguish between landfills which capture and utilize the landfill gas (methane) as opposed to those which do not perform energy recovery.

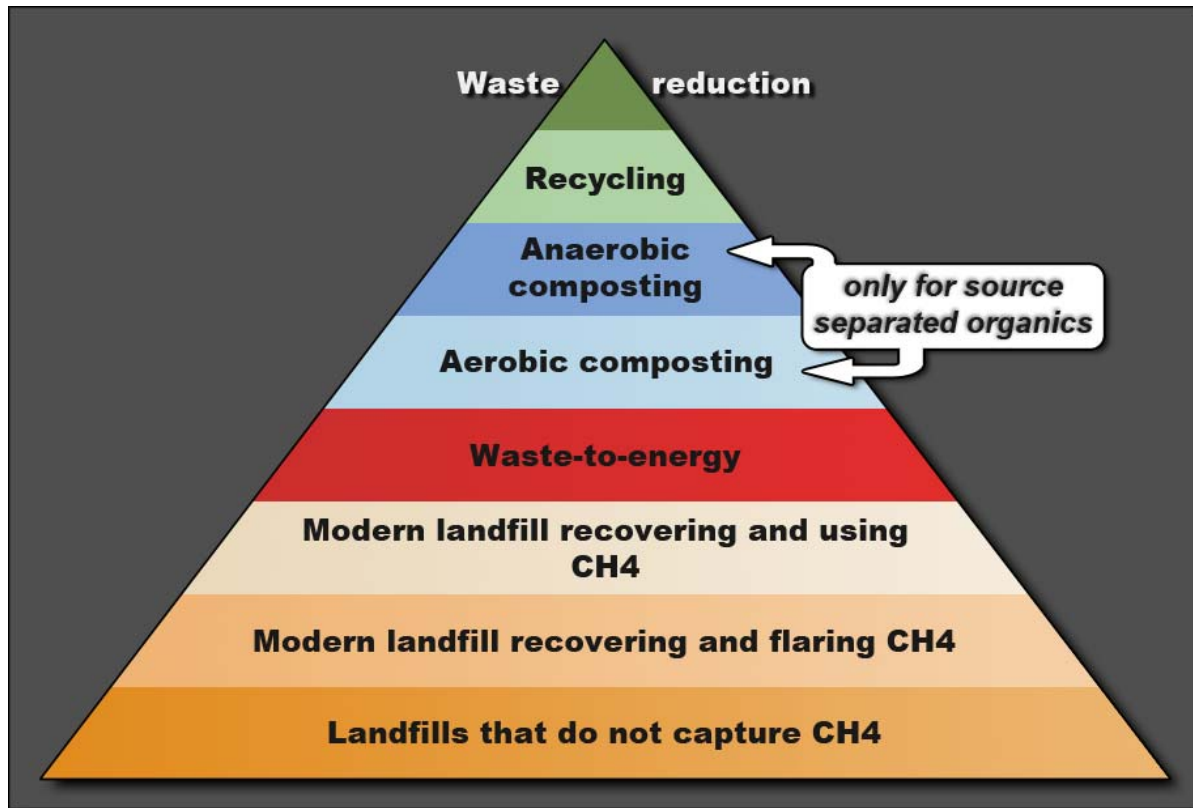


Figure 1 Expanded Hierarchy of Sustainable Waste Management⁴

1.3 Waste to Energy Fundamentals

There are three principal ways to recover the energy content of MSW by treating it thermally, as shown below. These include pyrolysis, gasification and combustion. These processes are differentiated by the ratio of oxygen supplied to the thermal process divided by oxygen required for complete combustion. This ratio is defined as the “lambda” ratio and in the case of pyrolysis, it is equal to zero. Gasification is conducted at substoichiometric conditions and full combustion is carried out using a lambda greater than one.

- Pyrolysis $\lambda = 0$, no air, all external heat
- Gasification $\lambda = 0.5$, partial use of external heat
- Combustion $\lambda = 1.5 +$, no external heat

where λ represents: oxygen input/ oxygen required stoichiometrically for complete oxidation of all organic compounds in MSW.

1.4 Operating Small Scale Technologies

This study is an analysis of various low capacity WTE technologies in operation and is based on information in the literature as well as contacts with operators of these plants. This includes an evaluation

of plant capacity, technology, ownership and operation, capital and operating costs, plant footprint, environmental impacts, and overall benefits of these small scale plants. This paper concentrates on the most prominent of the technologies, the Energos technology. In addition to the analysis of Energos and the statistical analysis conducted from the 2006 International Solid Waste Association (ISWA) data set⁶, other small-scale technologies which were investigated within this report are listed below in bold. It should be noted that the technologies listed in italics were investigated in 2004 by an Australian Company, CSIRO Technology⁷. It appears that very few investigations to date have been conducted specific to small scale waste to energy systems. As such, CSIRO Technology could provide for a good point of contact for the Waste to Energy Research and Technology Council.

Small Scale Operating Facilities:

- *Energos (Norway)*
- **Novo Energy (USA)**
- **Envikraft (Denmark)**
- **Scan American Corp. (USA)**
- **KI Energy (Portugal)**
- **IST Energy (USA)**
- *Eddith Thermolysis (France)*
- *Foster Wheeler (Finland)*
- *Compact Power (UK)*
- *Naanovo Energy (Canada)*
- *Entech Renewable Energy Systems (Australia)*
- *Ntech Environmental (Spain)*
- *WasteGen (UK)*
- *TPS (Sweden)*

2 THE ENERGOS GRATE COMBUSTION AND GASIFICATION TECHNOLOGY

Energos is part of the ENER-G group, headquartered near Manchester, UK. This technology was developed in Norway in the 1990s in order to provide an economic alternative to mass-burn WTE with equally low emissions to the atmosphere and flexibility in feedstock. All operating plants treat MSW plus additional streams of commercial or industrial waste^{8, 9}. The current operating plants range in capacity from 10,000 to 78,000 tons per year¹⁰.

2.1 Technology Description and Emissions Abatement

The feedstock to an Energos plant is post-recycling MSW mixed with a smaller amount of other waste streams. These include industrial wastes and residues from materials recovery facilities (MRF). Prior to thermal treatment, the materials are shredded in a high-torque, low-rpm shredder and then ferrous metals are removed magnetically^{9,11}.

The Energos thermal treatment process consists of two stages: Partial oxidation and gasification of the waste in the primary chamber on a moving grate at sub-stoichiometric oxygen conditions (air to fuel ratio= $\lambda=0.5-0.8$) where combustion of the fixed carbon on the grate results in total organic carbon (TOC) of <3% in the WTE ash^{9,12}. The volatile gases generated in the gasification chamber are then combusted fully in an adjoining chamber and the heat in the combustion gases is transferred to steam in a heat recovery system. Temperatures reach up to 900°C in the gasification chamber and up to 1000°C in the oxidation chamber⁹. Formation of NO_x is kept relatively low (at about 25 % of the EU limit)¹³, any dioxins in the feed are destroyed in the combustion chamber, and the rapid cooling achieved in the energy recovery system minimizes formation of dioxins. The schematic diagrams of the Gasifier and Thermal Oxidizer, and Heat Recovery Steam Generation units are shown in Figures 2 and 3, respectively.

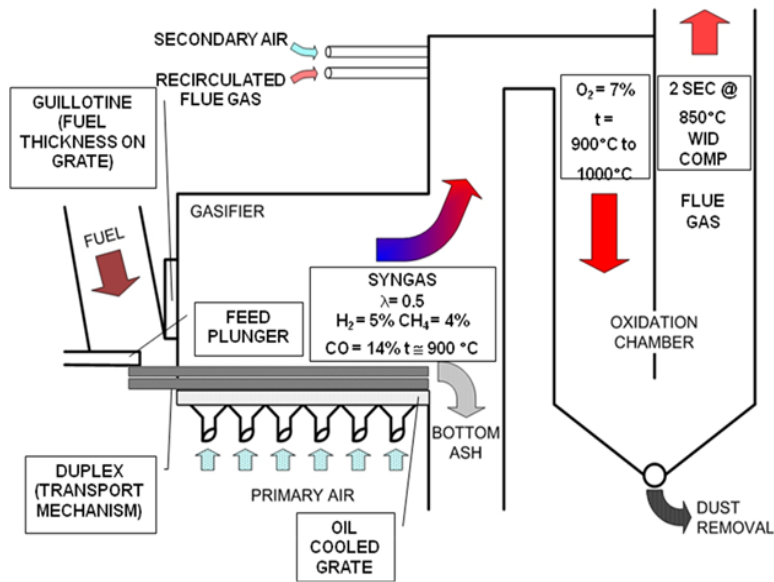


Figure 2 Energos Gasifier and Thermal Oxidizer^{9,12}

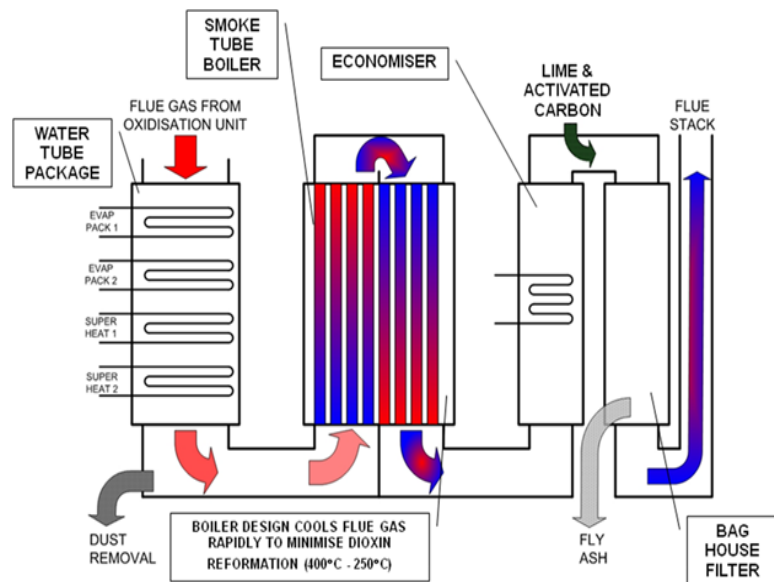


Figure 3 Energos Heat Recovery Steam Generation (HRSG)^{9,12}

Downstream of the heat recovery steam generator (Figure 3), the flue gas enters the dry flue gas cleaning system that consists of dry scrubbing with lime, activated carbon injection, a bag filter, and a filter dust silo¹³. The lime absorbs acidic compounds in the flue-gas and the activated carbon adsorbs dioxins and heavy metals¹⁴. Emissions are monitored continuously. Table 1 shows typical emission measurements at

the Energos Averoy Plant in Norway. These measurements were taken by an independent agency (TUV NORD Umweltschztz)⁸ for the Norwegian Environmental Agency and are reported at 11% oxygen⁸.

Table 1 Energos Emissions Summary⁸

| Parameter | EU Limits, mg/Nm ³ | Energos |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------|
| Dust | 10 | 0.24 |
| Hg | 0.03 | 0.00327 |
| Cd + Tl | 0.05 | 0.00002 |
| Metals | 0.5 | 0.00256 |
| CO | 50 | 2 |
| HF | 1 | 0.02 |
| HCl | 10 | 3.6 |
| TOC | 10 | 0.2 |
| NOx | 200 | 42 |
| NH3 | 10 | 0.3 |
| SO2 | 50 | 19.8 |
| Dioxins, ng/Nm ³ | 0.1 | 0.001 |

2.2 Operating Energos Plants

The reported availability of the operating Energos plants is about 90% (8,000 hours per year)⁸. There are six plants in Norway, one in Germany, and one (retrofitted plant) in the UK. In addition, there are plans for six new plants in the UK by 2013^{10,14} of 80,000-100,000 tons capacity¹⁵. A summary of the existing Energos plants, thermal energy generation, and capital costs is provided in Table 2.

Table 2 Operating Energos Plants ^{9, 10, 15}

| Plant Location (start up year) | Waste Input Streams | Total Annual Capacity, tons (no. of lines) | Approximate Site Area (m ²) ¹ | Thermal Energy Produced (MWh/year) | MWh,th per ton | Investment per ton of annual capacity ² | Investment per MWh, th produced |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|------------------------------------|----------------|--|---------------------------------|
| Ranheim, Norway (1997) | Paper mill rejects + various commercial wastes | 10,000 (1) | N.A. | 25,000 | 2.5 | \$1,350 | \$540 |
| Averoy, Norway-Nordmore Region (2000) | Mixed MSW + various commercial wastes | 30000 (1) | 6,000 | 69,000 | 2.3 | \$1,033 | \$450 |
| Hurum, Norway (2001) | Mixed MSW + commercial waste from airport + paper rejects | 39000 (1) | 6,000 | 105,000 | 2.7 | \$657 | \$238 |
| Minden, Germany (2001) | 50% Residual MSW + RDF (paper and plastic waste) | 39000 (1) | 6,000 | 105,000 | 2.7 | \$673 | \$243 |
| Forus, Norway-Stavanger Region (2002) | Residual MSW + commercial wastes | 39000 (1) | 6,000 | 105,000 | 2.7 | \$825 | \$314 |
| Sarpsborg 1, Norway (2002) | MSW + commercial wastes | 78000 (2) | 9,000 | 210,000 | 2.7 | \$525 | \$195 |
| Sarpsborg 2, Norway (2010) | MSW + commercial wastes | 78000 (2) | 9,000 | 256,000 | 3.3 | \$525 | \$195 |

¹ Since site area is project specific, approximate site area has been estimated by use of the following data provided by Energos: Single Line site area is 6,000 sq meters and double line site area is 9,000 sq meters. The data shown in this Table will be further refined during continuing thesis research.

² Assuming Investment per ton for Sarpsborg 2 Plant is the same as Sarpsborg 1.

2.3 Economics

The Energos plants are reported to have treated over 1.8 million tons of post-recycling wastes and produced 3,800 GWh (both thermal and electric). This has resulted in a reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, over landfilling, by an estimated 990,000 tons of equivalent carbon dioxide emissions¹⁰. As shown in Table 2, the Sarpsborg plants are the least capital-intensive Energos plant with reported capital investment of \$525 per ton of annual capacity and \$195 per MWh of thermal energy produced. Figure 4 shows the capital investment and thermal energy recovery at seven Energos plants of various capacities.

As expected, the capital cost per ton of annual ton of capacity increases with decreasing plant capacity, while there is a linear relationship between energy recovery and capacity. However, it is believed that low capacity plants can be built at a capital cost per ton that is as low, or even lower, as that of large mass burn WTE facilities.

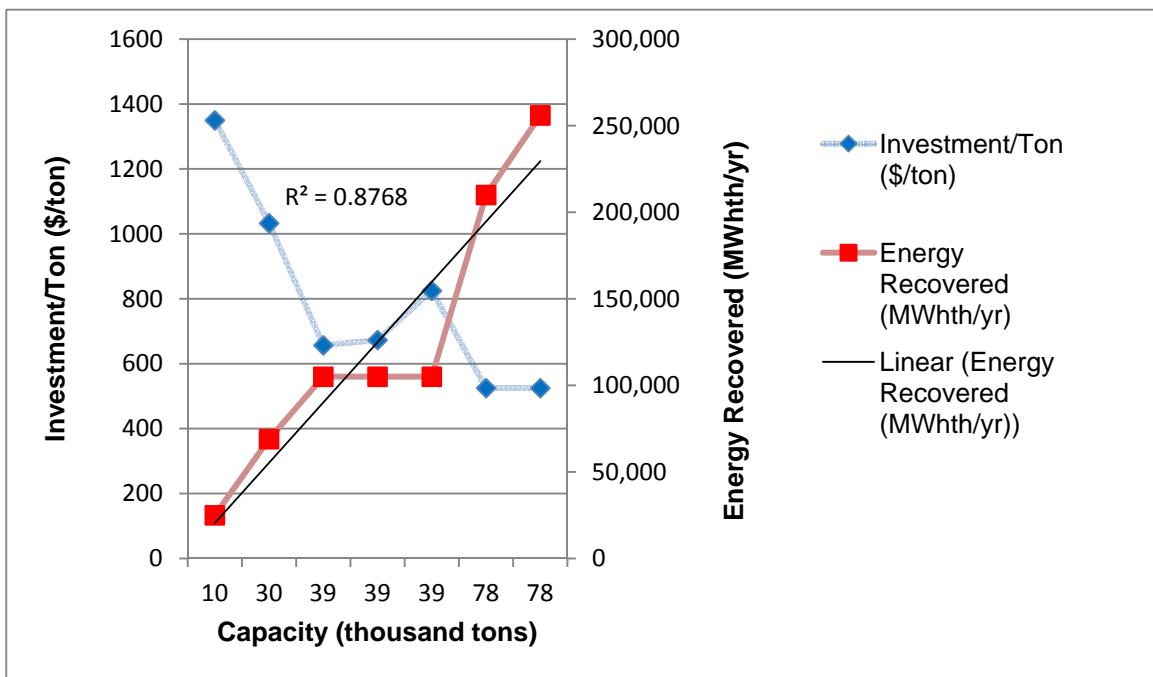


Figure 4 Energos Performance

2.4 Ownership and Operation of Existing Energos Plants

Energos works with various waste management companies, local authorities and industries. Energos provides district heating as well as steam to local industries, including chemical, pharmaceutical, paper, and food processing plants¹⁶. Table 3 below provides information regarding the ownership and waste and energy contractual arrangements of the Energos plants in Norway and Germany.

Table 3 Energos Ownership and Operation ^{17, 18, 19, 20}

| Plant Location | Ownership | Ownership Description | Waste Contracts | Waste Contract Description | Energy Contracts | Energy Contract Description |
|----------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Ranheim, Norway | 100% Energos | See ownership | Peterson Ranheim Linerboard + Local Commercial Waste | Peterson Ranheim is a local paper mill. | Peterson Ranheim Linerboard | See energy contract description. |
| Averoy, Norway (Nordmore Region) | 90% Energos + 10% NIR | NIR is the Nordmore Region's waste management network | MSW from NIR + Local MSW and Commercial Waste | See ownership description | Skretting AS | Local Fishmeal Plant |
| Hurum, Norway | 100% Daimyo AS | Privately owned waste management, energy and recycling business | MSW from ROAF, Commercial waste from OSL, Paper Rejects from Various Companies | ROAF is a waste management company. OSL is a waste supplier at the Oslo Airport | Hurum Fabrikker AB | Paper Manufacturer |
| Minden, Germany | 100% AML Immobilien GmbH | Provides waste management services | 50% residual waste from local municipalities and 50% from GVR | GVR is the operator of Mubeck MBT | BASF | Chemical Company |
| Forus, Norway (Stavanger Region) | 44.5% Lyse Energi, 44.5% IVAR IKS, 11% Westco | Westco offers waste disposal services | Residual MSW from IVAR IKS and local commercial waste | IVAR IKS is a paper manufacturer | Lyse Energi AS | Local Energy Company |
| Sarpsborg I, Norway | 100% Ostfold Energi AS | Local Energy Company | Various Local Municipal and Commercial Waste | See waste contracts | Borregaard Fabrikker AS | Chemical Company |
| Sarpsborg II, Norway | 100% Hafslund ASA | Utility Company | See ownership description | See ownership description | Borregaard Fabrikker AS | Chemical Company |

2.5 The Energos Plant at Forus, Norway (Stavanger Region)

In an effort to reduce landfilling, IVAR ("Waste Disposal Authority") provides the Stavanger region of Norway (population: 120,000) with a waste management system that is based primarily on source separation⁸. Households in the Stavanger region are provided with four bins⁸:

- a) Garden and kitchen waste.
- b) Paper and cardboard.
- c) Hazardous materials, batteries, paint, oil etc.
- d) Residual waste.

Garden and kitchen wastes are collected and delivered to a composting plant; paper and cardboard are recycled. Households are encouraged to recycle bulky waste at "household recycling centers"¹¹. The Stavanger household waste collected in 2007 and its composition are shown in Table 4 and Figure 5, respectively.

Table 4 Stavanger Household Waste Collected in 2007²¹

| Waste Category | Total (tons) |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Organic Waste | 14,160 |
| Paper | 9,412 |
| Glass | 1,121 |
| Plastics | 463 |
| Metal | 1,356 |
| Textiles | 780 |
| Hazardous Waste | 173 |
| WEEE | 1,994 |
| Wooden Objects | 3,970 |
| Total Material Recycling | 33,429 |
| Residual Waste for Energy Recovery | 17,930 |
| Total | 51,358 |
| Material Recycling | 65% |

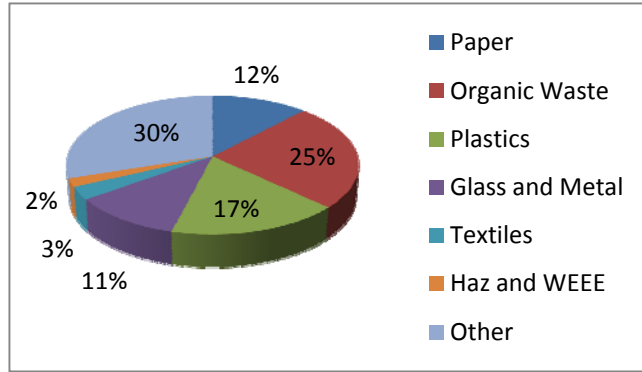


Figure 5 Composition of Stavanger Residual Waste (2007)²¹

As noted in Tables 2 and 3, the Stavanger WTE plant opened in 2002 in partnership with Lyse AS, the local energy company. Table 2-4 showed that recycling and composting reduce the municipal solid waste of Stavanger to less than 18,000 tons/year. The other 21,000 tons treated at the Energos plant are non-recyclable industrial residues from the region.

The Stavanger, Forus plant is a combined heat and power (CHP) system. During periods of low heat demand, steam is used to produce electricity and this electricity is then sold to the grid and used by local consumers. Electricity income is enhanced by "renewable obligation certificates" (ROCs)¹¹.

3 NOVO ENERGY

Novo Energy is a WTE company headquartered in Colorado and holds the patents and licenses for what was the Barlow technology package²². The technology is currently implemented in four states (Minnesota, Oklahoma, Virginia, and Pennsylvania)²³. The Novo Energy technology is in small scale operation at the Pope Douglas Resource Recovery Facility in Minnesota with an annual combustion capacity of 39,600 tons²⁴ and the Harrisonburg Resource Recovery Facility in Virginia with an annual combustion capacity of 66,000 tons²⁵.

3.1 NOVO Energy Inclined Fixed Grate Combustion Technology

The feedstock of this system moves by gravity, utilizing an inclined grate, where the waste moves down the surface of the combustion chamber using timed pulses of air. The pulsing action ensures maximum burnout and facilitates migration of the waste down the inclined surface of the combustion chamber. The pulse technology is depicted in Figure 6, below. An advantage of this system is that it utilizes no moving parts in the combustion zone, thereby minimizing maintenance issues and costs²².



Figure 6 Aireal® Pulse Technology²⁶

A series of the pulse technology comprises an entire grate system as depicted in Figures 7 and 8, below.



Figure 7 Series of Aireal® Pulse Technology Segments²⁶

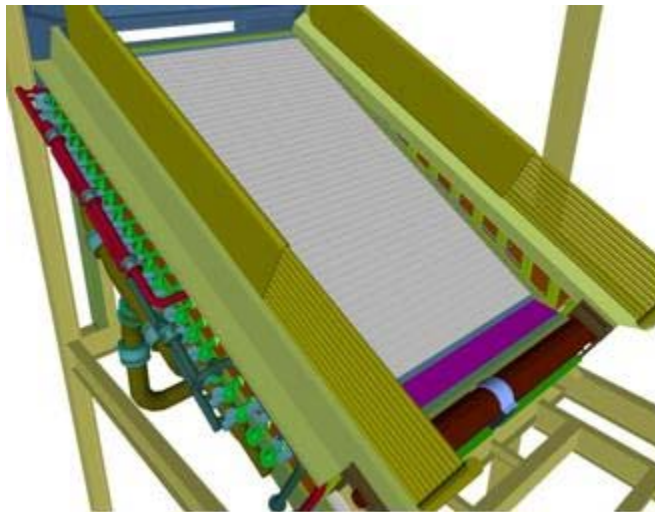


Figure 8 Novo Energy Inclined Fixed Grate²⁶

3.2 NOVO Energy-Pope Douglas Resource Recovery Facility (Minnesota)²⁴

- Currently undergoing expansion to double facility capacity (80,000 tons/yr)
- **Service Area:** Pope and Douglas Counties, MN
- **Owner/Operator:** Pope-Douglas Solid Waste
- **Financing:** Authority Funds
- **Combustion System:** Mass Burn, Refractory lined, Aireal® Combustion System (ACS)
- **New Expansion Process Line:** 1
- **Additional Generating Capacity:** 1000 kW
- **Steam Capacity:** 60,000 lbs/hr

- **Steam Customer:** 3 M Manufacturing & Douglas County Hospital
- **Material Recovery:** Existing
- **Air Quality Control:** Dry Sorbent Injection, fabric filter, CEMS

3.3 NOVO Energy-Harrisonburg Resource Recovery Facility (Virginia)²⁵

- **Current capacity is 66, 000 tons/yr**
- **Service Area:** City of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County, VA
- **Owner/Operator:** City of Harrisonburg, VA
- **Financing:** Municipal Bond
- **Combustion System:** Mass Burn, Refractory lined, ACS
- **Process Lines:** 2
- **Steam Capacity:** 57,000 lbs/hr
- **Steam Customer:** James Madison University
- **Material Recovery:** Post Combustion Ferrous Metal Recovery
- **Air Quality Control:** All dry scrubbing system, carbon injection, fabric filter, CEMS

4 SMALL SCALE PLANTS IN JAPAN

Japan has made a significant impact worldwide in the development and implementation of thermal treatment processes. Japan thermally treats over 60% of the approximately 65 million tons of MSW it generates, and recycles the remaining 40%²⁷. Though the majority of Japan's thermal treatment systems utilize the well-known Martin Grate combustion technology, there are several which do not and also operate in small scale, providing further proof that WTE can be economical in low capacity. These data are shown in Table 5, below.

Table 5 Small Scale Thermal Treatment Technologies Used in Japan²⁷

| Technology | Number of plants | All plants, tons/day | Average tons/day per plant |
|---|------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| JFE Volund grate (stoker) | 54 | 10,100 | 187 |
| Nippon Steel Direct melting | 28 | 6,200 | 221 |
| JFE Hyper Grate (stoker) | 17 | 4,700 | 276 |
| Rotary kiln | 15 | 2,500 | 167 |
| JFE Thermostelect (gasification) | 7 | 1,980 | 283 |
| All other fluid bed | 15 | 1,800 | 120 |
| Ebara fluid bed | 8 | 1,700 | 213 |
| JFE Direct Melting (shaft furnace) | 14 | 1,700 | 121 |
| Hitachi Zosen fluid bed | 8 | 1,380 | 173 |
| JFE fluid bed (sludge & MSW) | 9 | 1,300 | 144 |
| All other Direct Melting | 9 | 900 | 100 |
| Fisia Babcock (2 forward, 1 roller grate) | 3 | 710 | 237 |
| Babcock & Wilcox air cooled grate | 43 | 690 | 16 |

5 MODULAR AND MICROSCALE SYSTEMS

The author has defined micro-scale waste to energy systems as those systems with a capacity in the order of 1,000 tons/year. It should be noted that many of these systems are “modular” in design, in that the units are mobile and therefore can be assembled where needed²⁸.

Similar systems which were not analyzed in detail in this report and that have only recently been developed for military applications include: Ontario based Eco Waste Solutions and Idaho based Dynamis Advanced Mobile Waste and Power Stations^{29, 30}.

5.1 KI Energy

KI Energy is a microscale scale MSW and biomass WTE company^{31, 32}. KI Energy’s systems include the following technologies³³:

- Fixed Bed Gasifier
- Fluidized Bed Gasifier
- Fluidized Bed Combustor

One of the authors of the paper recently visited a KI Energy Plant at the Marmara Research Center near Istanbul, Turkey. The site visit included a tour of a microscale fixed bed gasifier (pictured in Figure 9) with a mixed feedstock of biomass and low value heating coal.

5.1.1 KI Energy Micro Scale Fixed Bed Gasifier Design Details³²:

- **Feedstock:** Biomass (Woodwaste, Hazel nutshells) and Lignites
- **Fuel Feeding Rate:** 1100 ton/yr
- **Thermal Capacity:** 300 kWth
- **(Electricity) Production:** 50 kW_e
- **Commissioning Date:** 2008
- **Investment Cost:** 750,000 euros



Figure 9 Micro Scale Fixed Bed Gasifier

5.1.2 Fixed Bed Gasification Technology Description

There are two types of fixed bed gasifiers: counter current and co-current. These systems differ in terms of the direction of gas flow. Current development of these technologies focuses on solving issues such as fuel feeding, gas cleaning, and the treatment of by-products³⁴.

In the fixed bed, gasification occurs in four different zones for the following different gasification reactions:

- Drying
- Pyrolysis
- Oxidation
- reduction

These four reactions take place within different layers of the fuel bed and with increasing temperature.

Figure 10 below shows both co-current/downdraft gasification (on the left) and counter-current/updraft gasification (on the right).

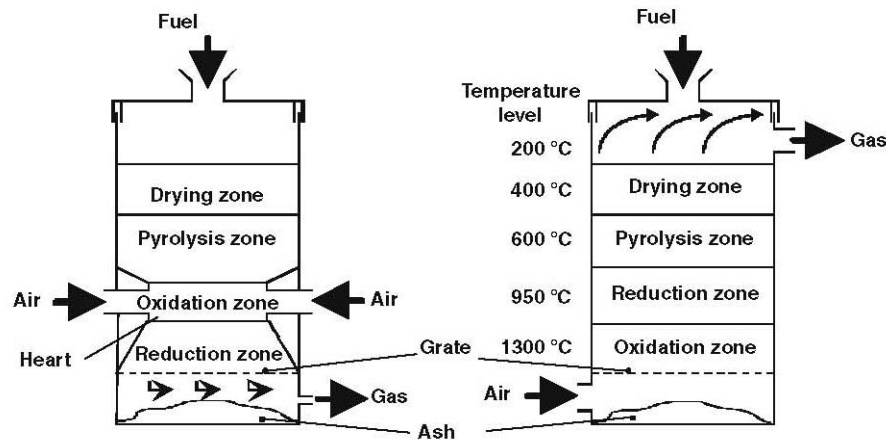


Figure 10 Downdraft and Updraft Gasification³⁴

5.1.2.1 Counter-Current Gasification (Updraft Gasifier)

The most common design for the counter-current (or updraft) gasifier is the vertical reactor. Here, the fuel is fed from the top of the reactor and the air is fed from the bottom. The opposing fuel and gas flows within the reactor separate the reaction zones. The term “updraft gasification” stems from the rising gas produced from within the reactor, which exits from the top. These counter-current gasifiers have the advantage of not requiring the pre-processing of fuel. Therefore, these systems can accept a variety of fuel types, sizes, and moisture contents. However, the disadvantage of these systems is that the volatile matter gasified in the pyrolysis zone becomes part of the rising gas and therefore contains a large amount of tar products³⁴.

5.1.2.2 Co-Current Gasification (Downdraft Gasifier)

In co-current gasification, the fuel and the gas move in the same direction. Here, the gas stems from the bottom of the reactor, which is why it is often referred to as “downdraft gasification.” With this type of system, the heat transfer between the feedstock and the gasifying agent is less than it is with counter-current gasification and therefore, the gasification efficiency is lower. Also, due to the higher temperatures in the oxidation zone, there is a greater chance for slag to form within this co-current gasification system than within the counter-current gasification system³⁴.

Co-current gasifiers also require more fuel preparation than the counter-current gasifiers. However, the gas produced within this system contains much less tar than the counter-current gasifiers, which is a significant advantage³⁴.

5.1.3 Fluidized Bed Technology

In a fluidized bed reactor, gas flows upward through the bottom of a vertical cylinder at a flow rate which gradually increases. Dependent upon the air velocity, the bed will undergo either a fixed bed form of fluidization (as described above in Section 5.1.2), a “bubbling fluidized bed” (BFB) or “circulating fluidized bed” (CFB). With a BFB, the gas flow increases to a point where the particles lift and the bed of solids “bubble” similar to a boiling liquid³⁵. In a CFB, the gas velocity is increased to a point high enough that the majority of MSW particles are lifted up by the gas flow³⁵. This increase in pressure drop with increasing gas flow is illustrated in Figure 11, below.

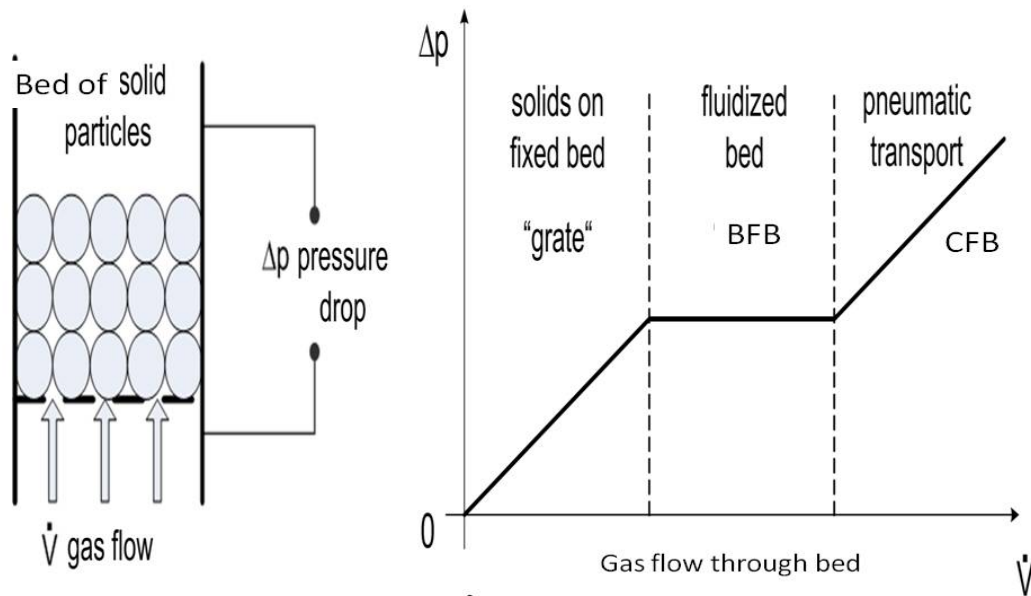


Figure 11 Increasing Pressure Drop with Increasing Gas Flow for Grate, BFB, and CFB Systems³⁵

5.2 Envikraft/Scan American Corp.

Envikraft is a Danish engineering company specializing in small scale modular waste to energy systems which co-treat MSW, industrial and hazardous waste. This system can be provided for 1-20 MW thermal input capacities³⁶.

5.2.1 Envikraft/Scan American Corp.-Senja Avfall, Norway Plant Data¹⁶

The data below was supplied to the EEC for the operating facility in Norway. This plant meets Canadian A-7 and EU emission standards³⁷.

- Plant Capacity: 16,000 tons/yr
- Waste Calorific Value: 11.5 MJ/kg
- Steam Production: 7,150 kg/h

- Heat Production: 4.7 MW
- Power: 350 kW
- Thermal Output: 5.1 MW
- Bottom Ash : 20%
- Fly Ash: 0.7%

5.2.2 Envikraft/Scan American Corp. Technology Description

The Envikraft Technology is a fixed hearth incineration system³⁸. This process utilizes horizontal ram pushing for waste feeding and rotating augers above the incinerator bed in order to mix the waste and provide for complete ash burnout. The auger system is pictured below in Figure 12.

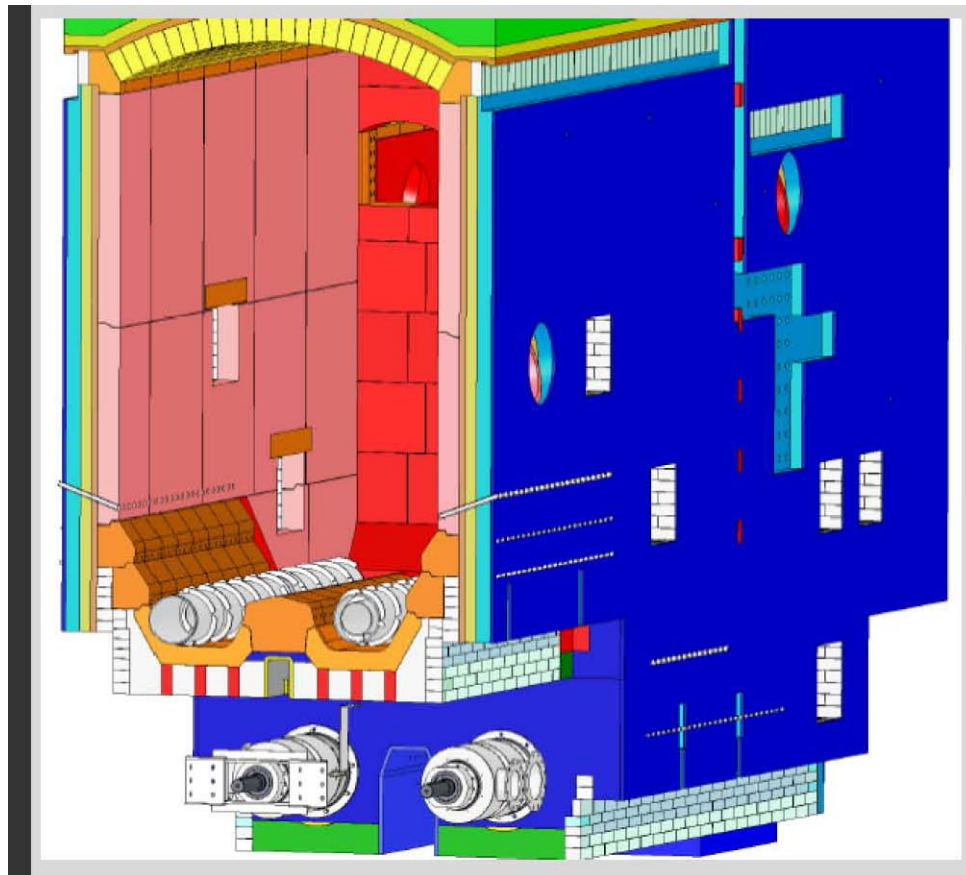


Figure 12 Envikraft Auger System³⁶

5.3 IST Energy GEM

IS Energy, headquartered out of Massachusetts, provides a mobile microscale downdraft gasification system which is about the size of a large garbage dumpster (as shown below in Figures 13 and 14). Two units which had been functioning as the demonstration models at the company's headquarters have recently been sent to the Edwards Air Force Base in California and to the Plymouth County Correctional Facility in Massachusetts for operation³⁹.

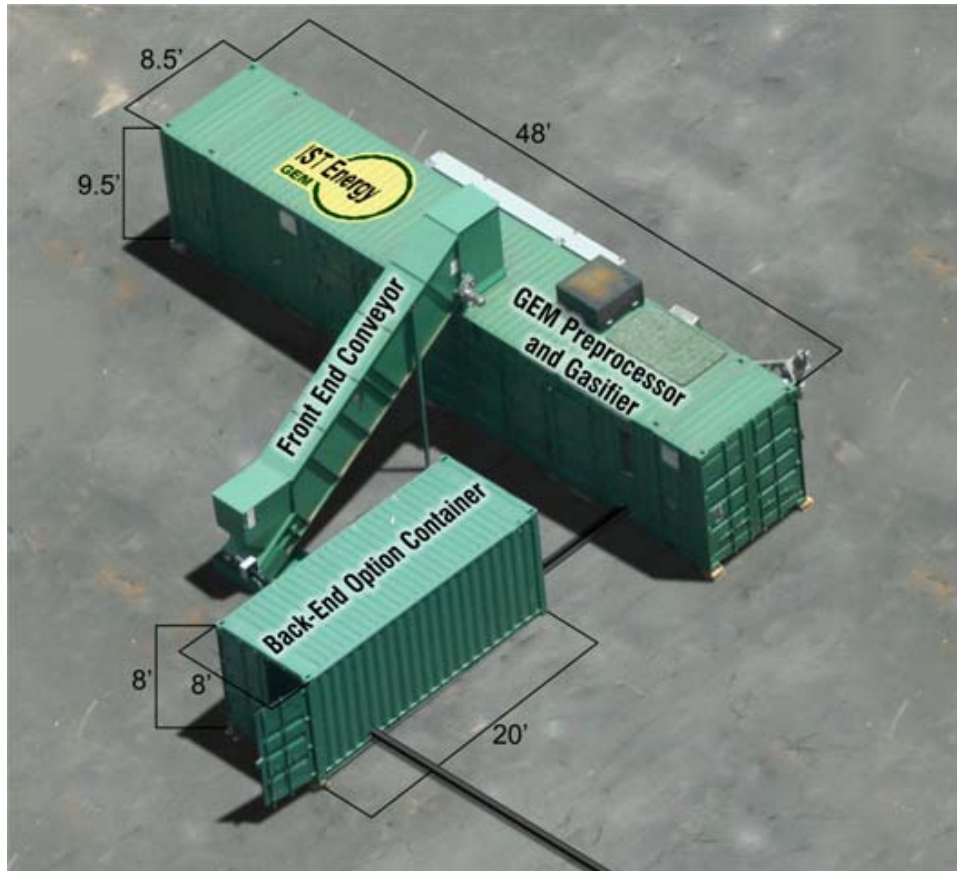


Figure 13 IST Energy's Mobile GEM 3T120 Gasification System⁴⁰



Figure 14 Energy's Mobile GEM 3T120 Gasification System⁴¹

Table 6 Specifications for the IST Energy (Microscale) Mobile GEM 3T120 Gasification System⁴⁰

| Capacity | 3 tons/day |
|---|---|
| Waste Conversion Rate | 200 lb/hr dry |
| Allowable Moisture Content of Waste | 5% to 40% |
| Nominal Pellet Size | Approx. 1/2" diameter |
| Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Efficiency | up to 60% |
| Net Electrical Output - CHP | 72 kW _e ¹ |
| Net Thermal Output - CHP | 614,000 Btu/hr ¹ |
| Net Thermal Output - Boiler | 1,200,000 Btu/hr ¹ |
| Max Gasification Temperature | 1650° F |
| Motive Force for Gas Movement | Blower or Engine Vacuum |
| Gas Cooling Method | Gas-to-Air Heat Exchanger |
| Gas Cleaning Method | Dry Filter |
| Solid Waste Constituents | Ash + Small Amount of Char (5% by weight) |
| Tar Content After Gas Cleaning Operations | < 250 ppm |
| Nominal Gas Energy | 180 Btu/Std ft ³ |
| Combustible Gas as % of Total Gas Output | 20% CO; 14% H ₂ ; 7% CH ₄ |

6 SMALL SCALE PLANTS STATISTICAL ANALYSIS FROM ISWA DATA SET

Grate combustion is also used in small scale WTE plants that serve populations as small as 10,000 people. Number of Plants vs Plant Capacity in Europe^{6, 27}

is an analysis of 2004 data compiled by the International Solid Wastes Association (ISWA)⁶. It should be pointed out that the number of ISWA plants totals 431, but capacity data was submitted for only 331 plants. For example, pages 5 and 13 of the “*Energy from Waste State of the Art-Report Statistics 5th Edition, August 2006,*” International Solid Waste Association, Working Group on Thermal Treatment of Waste” show a total number of plants in Austria to be nine, though “total incinerated waste quantity data” is only submitted for four plants in Austria (page 18 of ISWA report). The tabulation and analysis for the 331 plants is provided in Appendix 1, Table 10 -Analysis of All Data Compiled in ISWA Compilation of 2004 WTE Data.

The plant capacities of these plants were divided in segments of 0-50,000, 50,000-100,000 tons, etc. and the results are plotted in the form of number of plants vs. capacity range. It was determined that 83 plants (about 25% of the total number of ISWA plants for which capacity data was submitted) have an annual capacity of less than or equal to 50,000 tons (roughly less than 100,000 people) and 85 plants have an annual capacity between 50,000 and 100,000 tons (both of these data points are circled below in Figure 15). As such, over half of the ISWA plants are operating in small scale (Figure 16).

The cumulative capacity of these small scale plants is just over 8.5 million tons of feedstock combusted (dotted arrow in Figure 15). The cumulative capacity of the total number of ISWA plants was about 50 million tons (solid line in Figure 15).

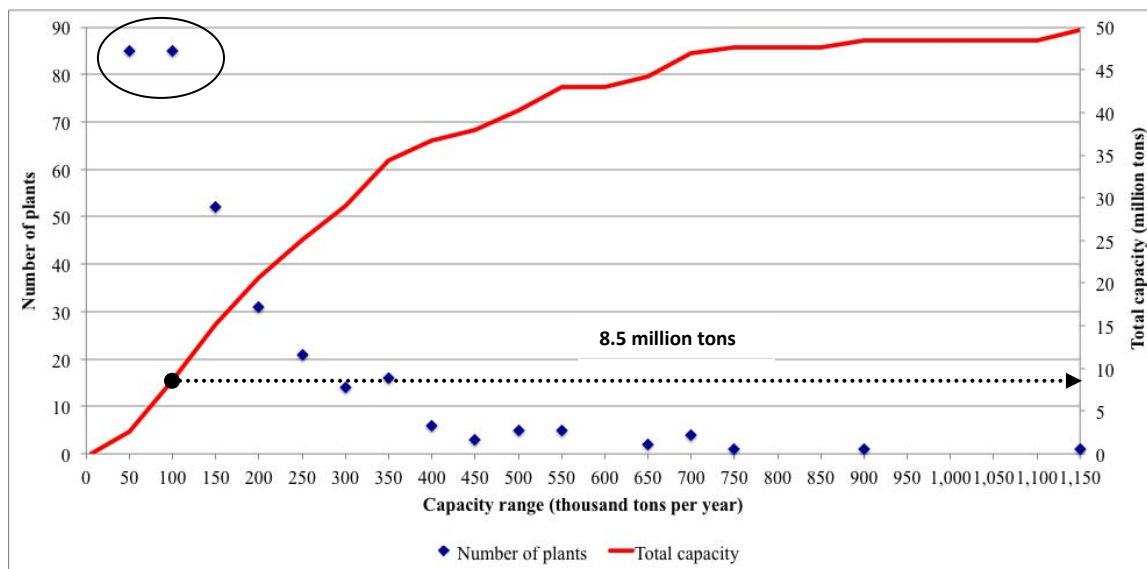


Figure 15 Number of Plants vs Plant Capacity in Europe^{6, 27}

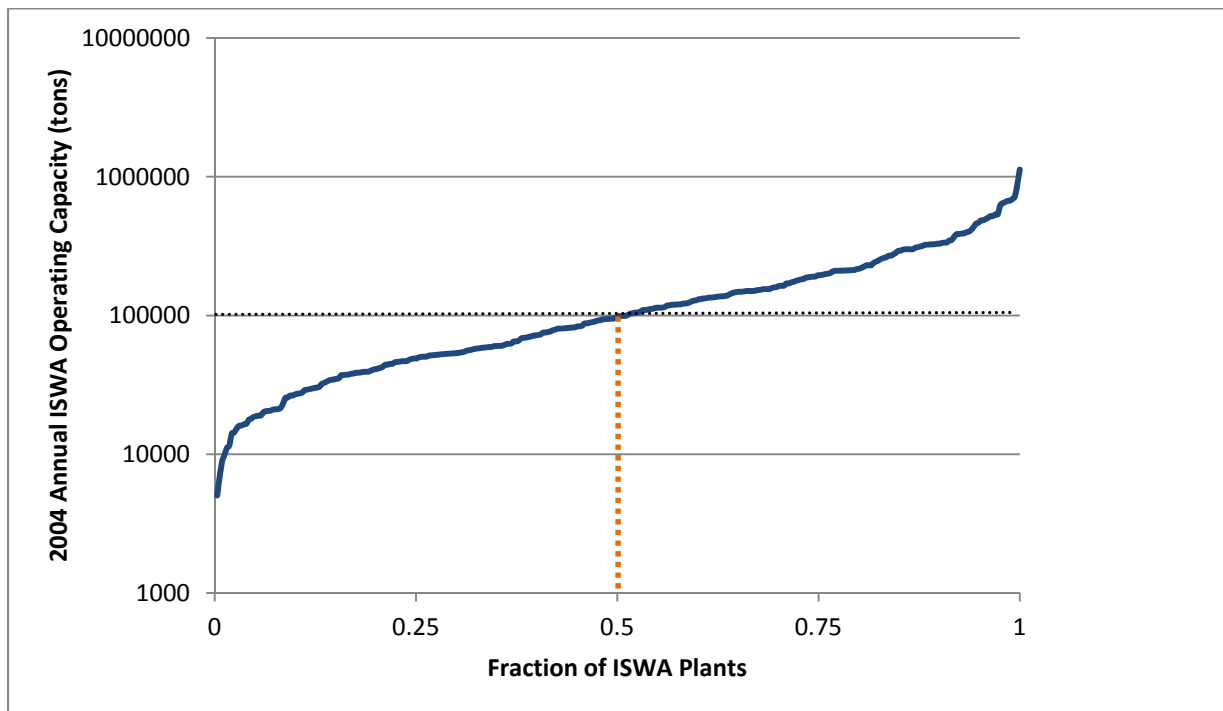


Figure 16 Fraction of Small Scale Plants in Europe

By separating and analyzing the ISWA data further in terms of plants which co-combust MSW with wastes other than commercial and industrial types of waste (i.e., sludge, hospital waste, and RDF), it was concluded that 33% of all the European co-combustion plants (including large scale plants >100,000 tons annual capacity) are small scale plants which co-combust hospital waste, as depicted in Figure 17. Also, per ISWA's 41 plants which co-combust hospital waste, 59% are of low capacity (Figure 18). The data associated with these 24 plants are provided below in Table 7.

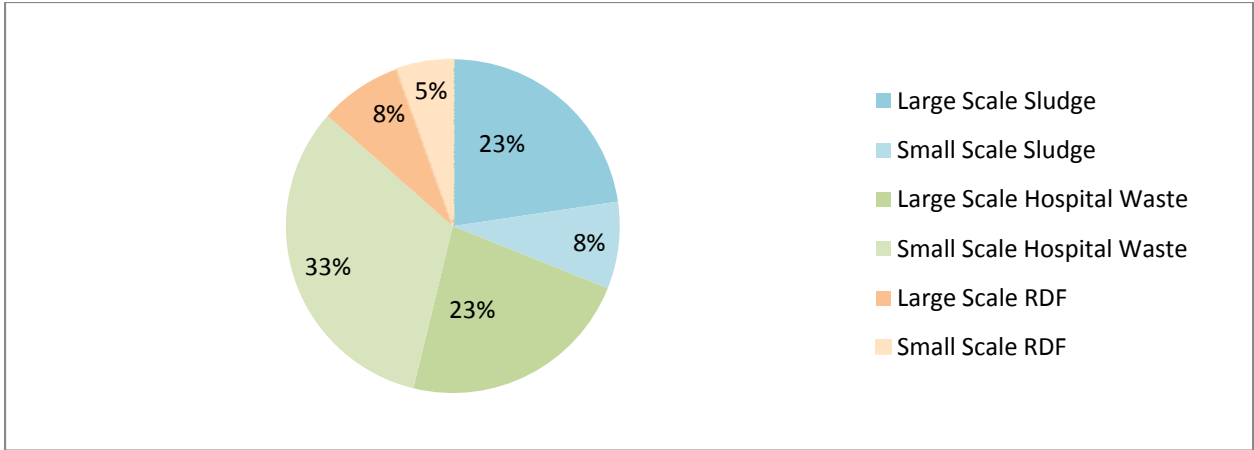


Figure 17 ISWA Small Scale vs ISWA Large Scale Co-Combustion

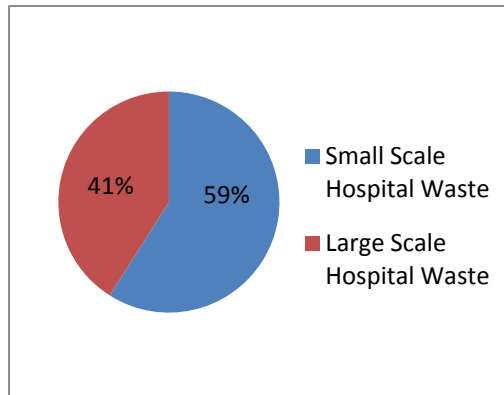


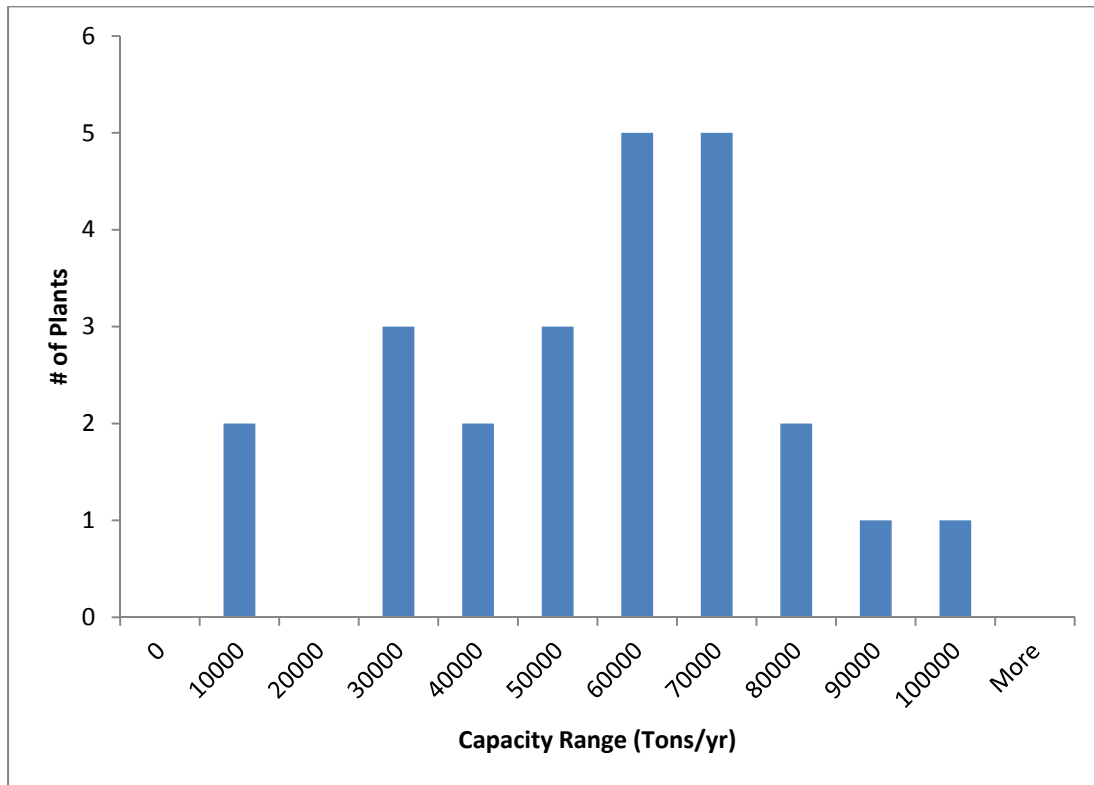
Figure 18 ISWA Small Scale vs ISWA Large Scale Facilities Co-Combusting Hospital Waste

Table 7 ISWA Small Scale Co-Combustion of Hospital Wastes

| Country | Plant Name | Total, tons/y | Hospital Waste, tons/y | % of Hospital Waste |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Belgium | Gent | 94383 | 475 | 0.50% |
| Belgium | Houthalen | 69195 | 1700 | 2.46% |
| Denmark | Hjørring | 61270 | 479 | 0.78% |
| Denmark | Svendborg | 54000 | 400 | 0.74% |
| France | Douchy les Mines | 39295 | 3530 | 8.98% |
| France | Villefranche sur Saône | 78301 | 287 | 0.37% |
| Germany | Kempton | 76661 | 514 | 0.67% |
| Germany | Neustadt | 59449 | 668 | 1.12% |
| Great Britain | Shetland Islands | 21511 | 16 | 0.07% |
| Italy | Cremona | 64996 | 529 | 0.81% |
| Italy | Desio (MI) | 49019 | 3152 | 6.43% |
| Italy | Ferrara | 20500 | 613 | 2.99% |
| Italy | Melfi PZ) | 47000 | 2000 | 4.26% |
| Italy | Ospedaletto (PI) | 57944 | 3525 | 6.08% |
| Italy | Padova | 60376 | 2992 | 4.96% |
| Italy | Rufina/Pontassieve (FI) | 9878 | 31 | 0.31% |
| Italy | Schio (VI) | 57470 | 4700 | 8.18% |
| Italy | Terni | 27000 | 1200 | 4.44% |
| Italy | Valmedrara (LC) | 62300 | 5600 | 8.99% |
| Italy | Vercelli | 58890 | 2600 | 4.42% |
| Norway | Frederikstad | 80381 | 760 | 0.95% |
| Norway | Lenvik | 5050 | 120 | 2.38% |
| Norway | Spjelkavik | 34658 | 210 | 0.61% |
| Sweden | Karlskoga | 42600 | 200 | 0.47% |
| Total # of Plants | | Total MSW, tons | Total Hospital Waste, tons | Hospital Waste as % of total wastes |
| 24 | | 1,232,127 | 36,301 | 2.95% |

It was demonstrated in Figure 19 below that most small scale plants that co-combust hospital waste have an annual capacity between 60,000 and 80,000 tons.

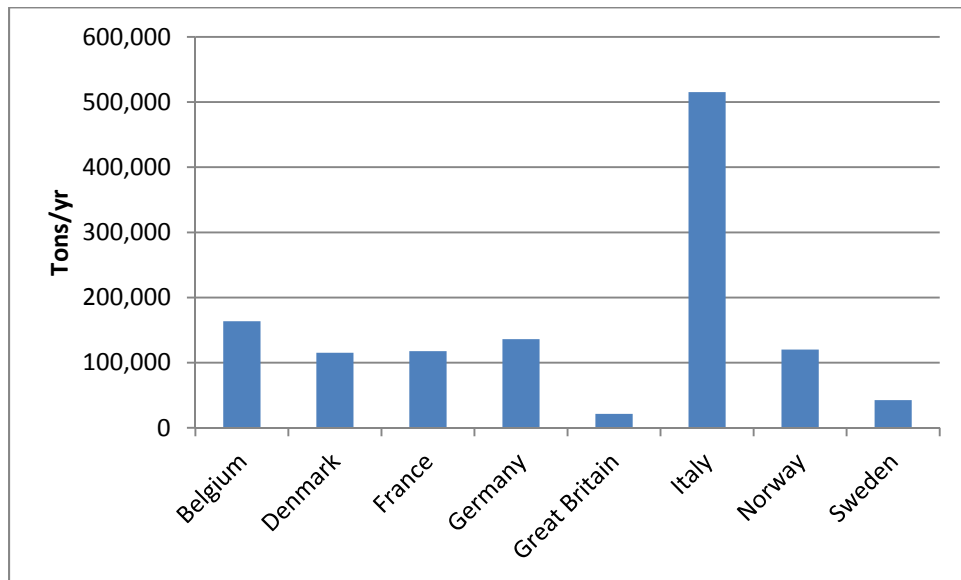
Figure 19 Histogram Small Scale Co-Combustion of Hospital Waste



Additional analysis in terms of ISWA small scale co-combustion of hospital waste is visually presented in Figures 20 and 21.

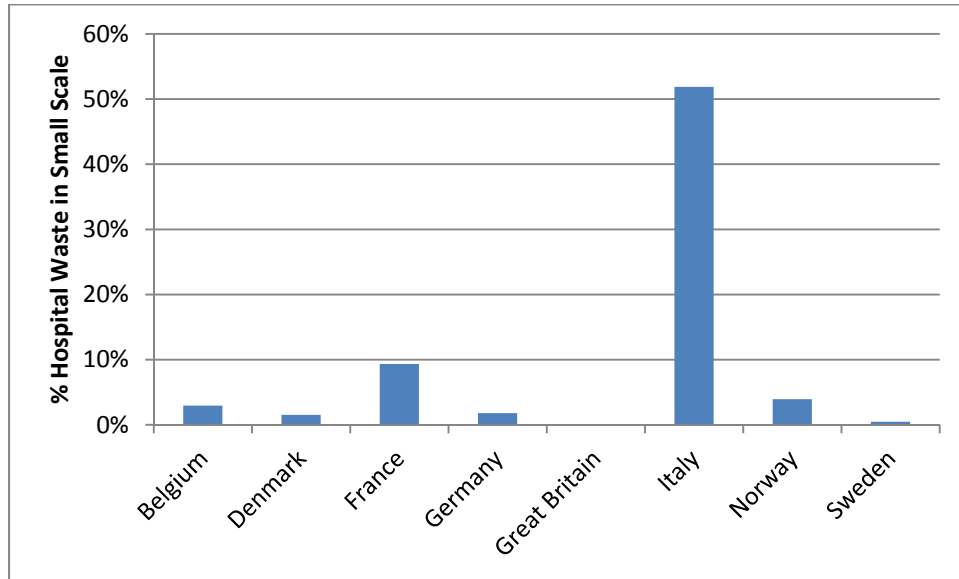
In Figure 20, the cumulative total small scale MSW annual capacity for those plants that co-combust hospital waste was plotted with respect to the ISWA country performing the small scale co-combustion of hospital waste. Figure 20 shows that Italy dominates in terms of small scale co-combustion of hospital wastes.

Figure 20 Cumulative Small Scale Capacity vs European Country Co-Combusting Hospital Waste in Small Scale



In Figure 21, the cumulative % of hospital waste co-combusted in small scale was plotted with respect to the ISWA country performing this form of co-combustion in small scale. It can be seen below that Italy's percent distribution of small scale co-combustion of hospital wastes also dominates at over 51%.

Figure 21 Cumulative % of Hospital Waste in Small Scale vs European Country



Also, from the 24 plants in the ISWA survey that reported co-combusting MSW and sludge cake from wastewater treatment plants, 25% are of low capacity, ranging from 50,000 to 79,000 tons per year. The sludge co-combusted ranged from 0.2% to 12% of the total feed. The data for these six plants are provided below in Table 8.

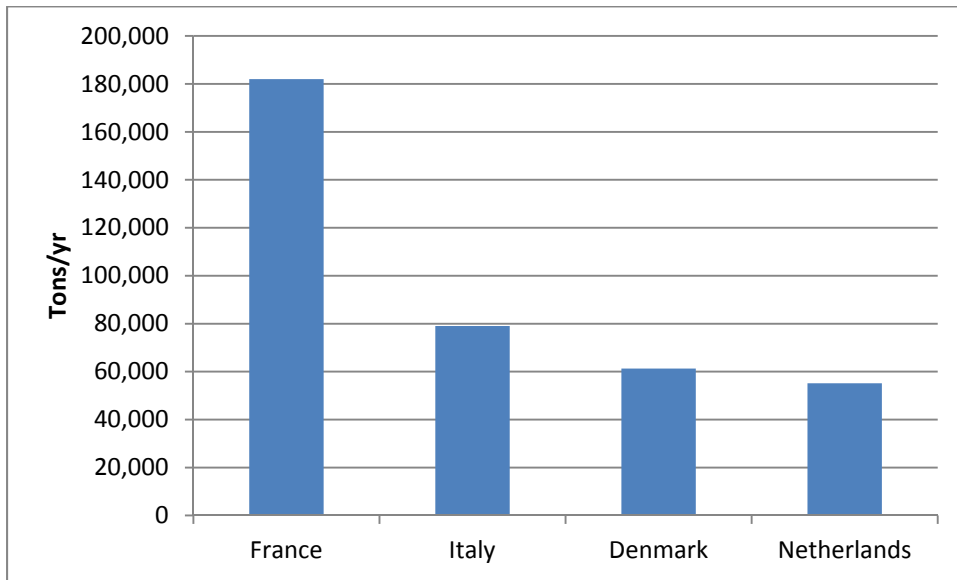
Table 8 ISWA Small Scale Plants Co-Combusting Sludge

| Country | Location | Total tons/y | Sludge, tons/y | % of Sludge Co-combusted |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Denmark | Hjørring | 61,270 | 2,735 | 4.46% |
| France | Arrabloy | 53,707 | 3,091 | 5.76% |
| France | Besançon | 50,000 | 6,000 | 12.00% |
| France | Villefranche sur Saône | 78,301 | 1,004 | 1.28% |
| Italy | Macomer (NU) | 79,000 | 500 | 0.63% |
| Netherlands | Roosendaal | 55,166 | 99 | 0.18% |
| Total (6 Plants Reporting) | | 377,444 | 13,429 | 3.56% |

Additional analysis in terms of ISWA small scale co-combustion of sludge is visually presented in Figures 22 and 23.

In Figure 22, the cumulative total small scale MSW annual capacity for those plants that co-combust sludge was plotted with respect to the ISWA country performing the small scale co-combustion of sludge. Figure 22 shows that France dominates in terms of small scale co-combustion of sludge.

Figure 22 Cumulative Small Scale Capacity vs European Country Co-Combusting Sludge in Small Scale



In Figure 23, the cumulative % of sludge co-combusted in small scale was plotted with respect to the ISWA country performing the small scale co-combustion of sludge. It can be seen below that France's percent distribution of small scale co-combustion of sludge also dominates at 19%.

Figure 23 Cumulative % of Sludge in Small Scale vs European Country

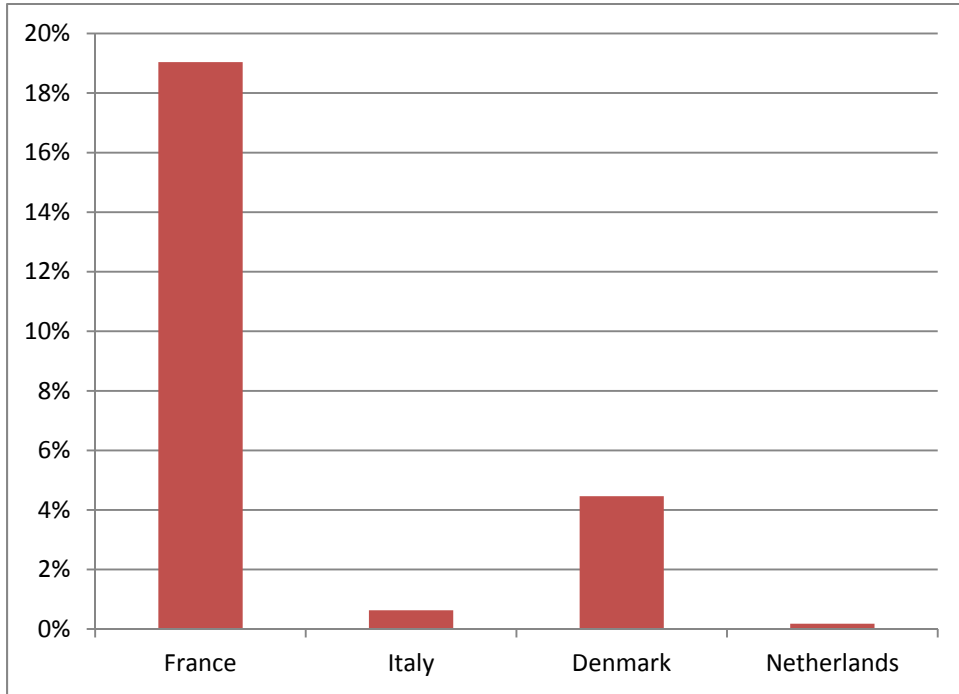
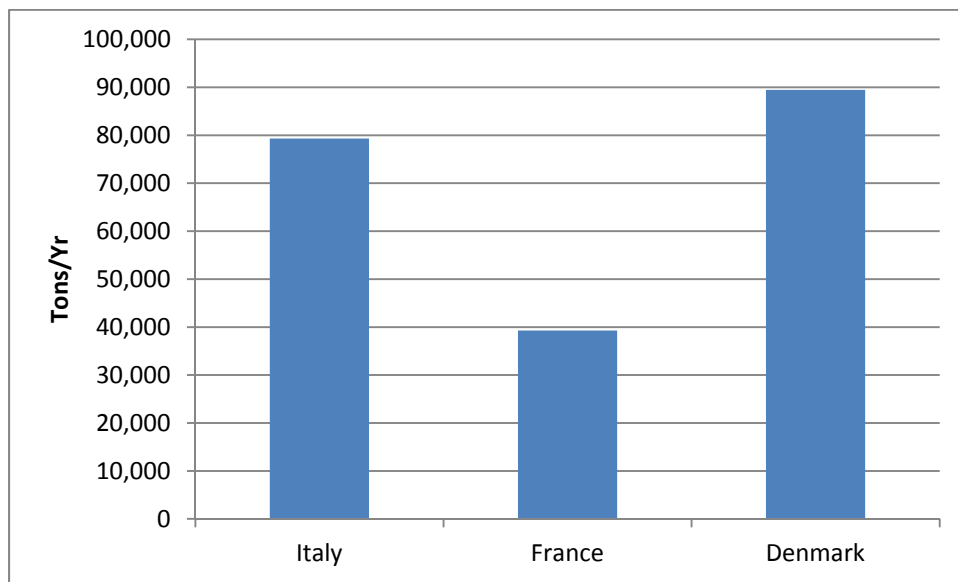


Table 9 Small Scale Plants Co-Combusting RDF

| Country | Location | Total Tons/y | RDF Tons/y | RDF as % of Total Combusted |
|---|------------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Denmark | Næstved | 89,458 | 63 | 0.07% |
| France | Douchy les Mines | 39,295 | 3,530 | 8.98% |
| Italy | Poggibonsi (SI) | 20,436 | 2,728 | 13.35% |
| Italy | Vercelli | 58,890 | 1,530 | 2.60% |
| Total (4 Plants Reporting) | | 208,079 | 7,851 | 3.77% |
| *The following small scale ISWA plants are combusting RDF only and therefore were not included in the above table as no co-combustion is taking place: Bergamo, Italy (7 plants), and San Vittore del Lazio , Italy (1 plant) | | | | |
| **The Schio, Italy plant is not co-combusting RDF with MSW/household waste, only hospital and "other" waste and therefore was not included in the above table. | | | | |

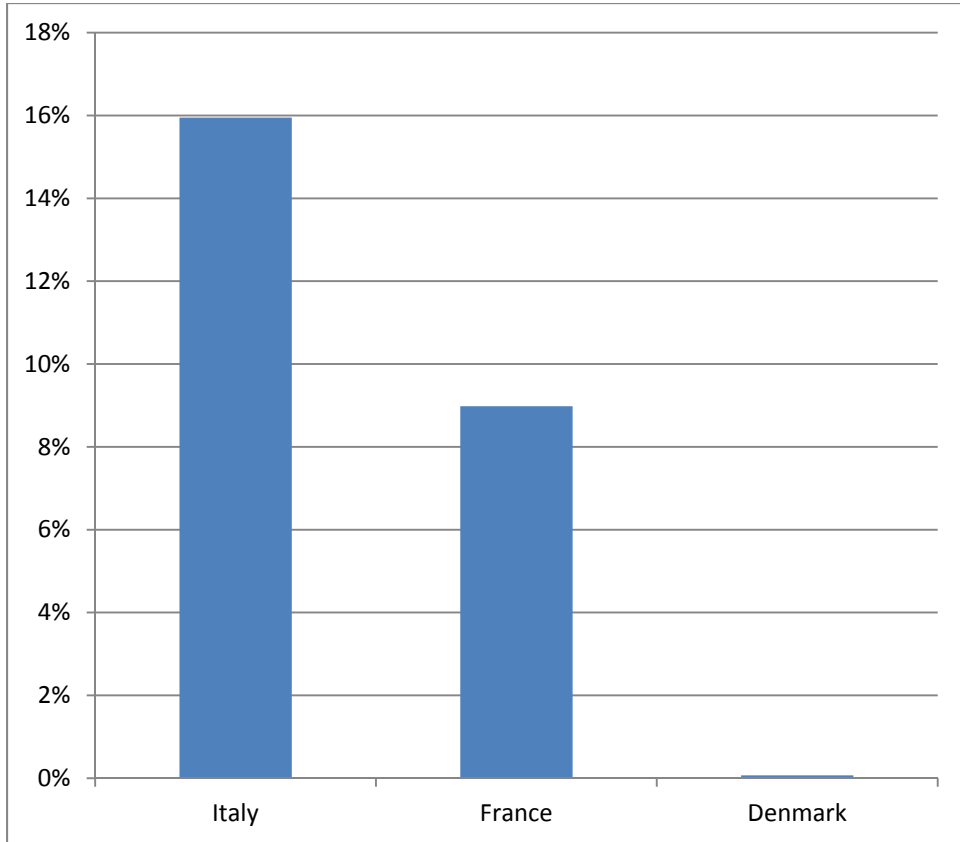
Additional Analysis in terms of ISWA small scale co-combustion of RDF is visually presented in Figures 24 and 25. In Figure 24, the cumulative total small scale MSW annual capacity for those plants that co-combust RDF was plotted with respect to the ISWA country performing the small scale co-combustion of RDF. Figure 24 shows that Denmark dominates in terms of small scale co-combustion of RDF.

Figure 24 Cumulative Small Scale Total Capacity vs Country Co-Combusting RDF in Small Scale



It can be seen below in Figure 25 that Italy's percent distribution of small scale co-combustion of RDF dominates at 16%.

Figure 25 Cumulative % of RDF in Small Scale v Country Co-Combusting RDF in Small Scale



7 BENEFITS OF SMALL SCALE PLANTS

It has been proven herein that a localized approach to waste management is beneficial as there is both expense and negative environmental impact associated with the long distance transfer of waste. The benefits of small scale facilities were well stated by Christian Reeve, the CEO of Biogen Power, a company that plans to incorporate the Energos technology at six facilities in the UK²⁶: “In comparison to the traditional mass burn incinerators that are generally used at the moment, this type of facility has a very small footprint so it can be built in urban areas without looking out of place. The result of this is that the problem of waste treatment can be addressed at a local level, close to the waste source, rather than spending huge amounts of the tax payer’s money transporting waste around the country to landfill sites-an activity, in itself, that creates more traffic congestion and produces even more greenhouse gases²⁶.”

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APPENDICES

Table 10 Analysis of All Data Compiled in ISWA Compilation of 2004 WTE Data

ALL - Operational Data, 2004

| Country | Location | Combusted materials | | | | | | | Ash Residues | | Energy Produced | | | Energy Sold | | |
|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|
| | | Total tons/y | Household tons/y | Commercial and Industrial tons/y | RDF Pellets tons/y | Sludge tons/y | Hospital Waste tons/y | Other Materials tons/y | Bottom Ash tons/y | Fly Ash tons/y | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh,e | Heat MWh,th | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh | Heat MWh |
| Austria | Arnoldstein | 40,644 | 40,644 | | | | | | 9,400 | 3,100 | 130,000 | | 7,300 | 12,330 | 1,140 | |
| Austria | Wien (Flötzersteig) | 209,629 | 209,629 | | | | | | 55,201 | 3,841 | 580,168 | | 406,118 | 478,287 | 334,801 | |
| Austria | Wien (Spittelau) | 268,957 | | | | | | | 60,577 | 5,204 | | 36,800 | 518,583 | 11,082 | 508,259 | |
| Austria | Zwentendorf | 323,000 | 190,000 | 129,900 | 2,300 | | 800 | | 86,600 | 11,830 | 1,111,000 | - | 1,111,000 | | | |
| Belgium | Brugge | 174,733 | 129,933 | 41,277 | | | 3,523 | | 26,982 | | 439,323 | 27,825 | 326,525 | | 27,262 | |
| Belgium | Doel-Beveren | 397,029 | | | | | | | 110,355 | 13,510 | 1,300,000 | 150,308 | | 566,645 | 148,445 | |
| Belgium | Gent | 94,383 | 81,576 | | | | 475 | 12,332 | 16,292 | 4,741 | | | | | | |
| Belgium | Herstal | 123,787 | 89,645 | 34,142 | | | | | 17,552 | 6,705 | 462,622 | 83,495 | | | 62,387 | |
| Belgium | Houthalen | 69,195 | 65,195 | 2,300 | 0 | 0 | 1,700 | 0 | 16,043 | 2,815 | | 25,426 | 14,062 | | 19,306 | |
| Belgium | Oostende | 65,000 | 50,000 | 15,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13,000 | 2,000 | | 27,000 | 0 | | 20,000 | |
| Belgium | Roeselare | 56,000 | 45,000 | 11,000 | | | | | 8,800 | 2,000 | | | 125,000 | | 28,000 | |
| Belgium | Thurmaide | 259,614 | 69,386 | 134,910 | | 7,352 | 22,157 | 16,728 | 55,850 | 11,225 | | 149,098 | | | 126,217 | |
| Belgium | Wilrijk (Antwerpen) | 130,952 | 130,952 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | 78,504 | | | 78,504 | |
| Czech Republic | Brno | 106,740 | 101,769 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 254 | 0 | 24 | 5 | 306 | 2 | 242 | 157 | 190 | |
| Czech Republic | Liberec | 92,260 | 81,809 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 36 | 1 | 269 | 15 | 239 | 6 | 169 | |
| Czech Republic | Praha | 211,383 | 211,383 | - | - | - | - | - | 54 | | 609 | - | 489 | 421 | 336 | |
| Denmark | Esbjerg | 181,635 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36,225 | 4,111 | | | 0 | 94,178 | 398,925 | |
| Denmark | Frederikshavn | 35,295 | | | | | | | 12,312 | 810 | | 18,065 | 75,194 | | 14,935 | |
| Denmark | Glostrup | 466,000 | | | | | | bonemeal | 95,000 | 15,200 | | 107,000 | 1,168,000 | | 107,000 | |
| Denmark | Grenaa | 20,975 | 12,493 | 6,166 | | | | 2,240 | 3,900 | 433 | | | 49,493 | | | |
| Denmark | Haderslev | 56,292 | | | | | | | 9,893 | 770 | | 32,216 | 100,554 | | 26,702 | |
| Denmark | Hadsund | 20,092 | 12,648 | 4,845 | | | | | 3,490 | 222 | | | 46,618 | | 43,221 | |
| Denmark | Hammel | 29,501 | | | | | | | 5,088 | 1,106 | | | 77,918 | | | |
| Denmark | Herning | 39,341 | | | | | | | 6,295 | 743 | | 27,728 | 85,630 | | 27,728 | |
| Denmark | Hjørring | 61,270 | 31,718 | 26,338 | 0 | 2,735 | 479 | 0 | 13,676 | 655 | | 34,763 | 112,435 | | 106,180 | |
| Denmark | Hobro | 25,450 | 15,745 | 9,705 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5,360 | 404 | 0 | 0 | 68,900 | 0 | 47,623 | |
| Denmark | Holstebro | 142,957 | | | | | | | 27,589 | 2,419 | | 158,392 | 452,500 | | 141,650 | |
| Denmark | Horsens | 70,713 | | | | | | | 15,924 | 1,741 | | 44,463 | 151,873 | | 40,683 | |
| Denmark | Høje-Taastrup | 53,356 | | | | | | | 10,064 | 1,271 | | 0 | 134,705 | | | |
| Denmark | Hørsholm | 109,493 | 51,304 | 28,835 | 0 | 137 | 0 | 29,218 | 17,728 | 3,365 | | 49,560 | 236,518 | | 214,099 | |
| Denmark | Kolding | 94,169 | 36,786 | 55,659 | | | | 829 | 15,431 | 1,923 | | 49,401 | 206,750 | | 44,681 | |
| Denmark | København | 401,823 | 208,807 | 177,411 | 0 | 0 | 1,942 | 13,663 | 80,365 | 21,655 | | 149,417 | 813,941 | | 149,417 | |
| Denmark | Leirvik | 16,116 | | | | | | | 2,365 | 124 | | | | | | |
| Denmark | Middelfart | 21,098 | 8,700 | 12,330 | | | | | 4,194 | 338 | | | 48,330 | | 48,330 | |
| Denmark | Nykøbing F | 105,000 | 40,000 | 53,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6,000 | 21,000 | 2,100 | 0 | 40,600 | 211,500 | 0 | 40,600 | |
| Denmark | Næstved | 89,458 | 48,961 | 40,316 | 63 | | | | 16,904 | 1,387 | | 41,406 | 223,726 | | 197,427 | |
| Denmark | Odense | 268,498 | 100,790 | 109,740 | | | | 57,968 | 53,479 | 4,092 | | 178,371 | 530,833 | | 156,893 | |
| Denmark | Roskilde | 198,443 | | | | | | | 41,358 | 5,627 | | 104,200 | 381,518 | | 104,200 | |
| Denmark | Rønne | 21,158 | | | | | | | 3,102 | 355 | | | 58,333 | | 47,346 | |
| Denmark | Skagen | 11,116 | | | | | | | 2,445 | 240 | | | 27,835 | | 19,530 | |
| Denmark | Skanderborg | 57,002 | | | | | | | 9,986 | 1,183 | | 22,147 | 120,050 | | 22,147 | |
| Denmark | Slagelse | 60,152 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11,013 | 1,417 | | 21,787 | 135,278 | | | |
| Denmark | Svendborg | 54,000 | 21,900 | 23,500 | | | 400 | 8,200 | 9,600 | 950 | | 32,600 | 111,300 | | 28,600 | |
| Denmark | Sønderborg | 65,918 | | | | | | | 11,882 | 630 | | 38,235 | 127,449 | | | |
| Denmark | Thisted | 51,821 | 22,474 | 28,479 | | | | | 9,014 | 1,183 | | 20,516 | 116,483 | | 16,453 | |
| Denmark | Torshavn | 14,365 | | | | | | | 1,562 | 290 | | | | | 103,583 | |

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| Country | Location | Combusted materials | | | | | | Ash Residues | | Energy Produced | | | Energy Sold | | | |
|---------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|
| | | Total tons/y | Household tons/y | Commercial and Industrial tons/y | RDF Pellets tons/y | Sludge tons/y | Hospital Waste tons/y | Other Materials tons/y | Bottom Ash tons/y | Fly Ash tons/y | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh,e | Heat MWh,th | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh | Heat MWh |
| Denmark | Vejen | 38,164 | | | | | | | 7,520 | 1,089 | | 19,069 | 71,944 | | 16,086 | 58,333 |
| Denmark | Aalborg | 134,774 | 74,025 | 60,749 | | | | | 36,422 | 4,538 | | 41,545 | 283,508 | | 36,510 | 283,508 |
| Denmark | Århus | 183,047 | 92,973 | 90,274 | | | 361 | | 30,472 | 4,399 | | 63,067 | 374,303 | | 60,217 | 374,113 |
| Denmark | Aars | 53,461 | | | | | | | 9,298 | 699 | | 17,625 | | | 17,625 | 58,978 |
| Finland | Turku | 49,000 | 49,000 | | | | | | 10,000 | 2,000 | | | 104,700 | | | |
| France | Antibes | 135,067 | 135,067 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29,168 | 5,717 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| France | Argenteuil | 173,000 | | | | | | | 45,000 | 4,000 | | 33,000 | 64,000 | | | |
| France | Arrabloy | 53,707 | 41,683 | 8,933 | | 3,091 | | | 4,661 | 4,484 | | 12,067 | 123,321 | | 4,490 | |
| France | Aurillac | 6,840 | 6,700 | 140 | | | | | | | | | 11,800 | | | 8,700 |
| France | Bègles | 275,000 | | | | | | | 47,000 | 6,580 | | 135,000 | | | | |
| France | Besançon | 50,000 | 55,000 | | | 6,000 | | | 12,000 | 1,500 | | 5,000 | 50,000 | | | |
| France | Bessières | 155,000 | 155,000 | | | | | | 32,000 | 3,700 | | 80,000 | | | | |
| France | Briec de l'Odet | 52,800 | | | | | | | 12,493 | | | 17,563 | | | 14,010 | |
| France | Carrières sous Poissy | 115,000 | | | | | | | 24,000 | 2,800 | | 50,000 | | | | |
| France | Cenon | 134,242 | 123,138 | 0 | 0 | 11,104 | 0 | 0 | 35,358 | 3,108 | 304,331 | 8,102 | 108,417 | 0 | 0 | 108,417 |
| France | Cergy Pontoise | 152,300 | 143,500 | 8,800 | | | | | 37,000 | | | 46,800 | 165,000 | | 34,850 | 165,000 |
| France | Chaumont | 73,100 | 73,100 | | | | | | 14,000 | | | 30,500 | | | 25,000 | |
| France | Concarneau | 46,000 | 46,000 | | | | | | 5,213 | | | | 85,000 | | | 33,700 |
| France | Confort Meilars | 18,809 | 18,332 | 477 | | | | | 4,573 | 461 | | | | | | |
| France | Coueron | 98,954 | 59,217 | 35,882 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,855 | 23,882 | 2,066 | 277,931 | 21,055 | 239,791 | 51,517 | 15,015 | |
| France | Douchy les Mines | 39,295 | 33,608 | 2,157 | 3,530 | | | | 9,295 | 1,236 | | | | | | |
| France | Dunkerque | 83,353 | 79,981 | 3,221 | | | | | 24,858 | 1,743 | | | | | | |
| France | ECHILLAIS | 29,750 | 29,750 | | | | | | 6,875 | | | | | | | 17,250 |
| France | Fourchambault | 20,650 | 20,650 | | | | | | | | | 2,333 | | | 1,905 | |
| France | Grand Quevilly | 293,215 | 290,460 | 2,755 | | | | | 73,500 | | | 172,160 | | | 137,520 | |
| France | Guerville | 52,365 | 52,365 | | | | | | 7,366 | | | 22,276 | 145,000 | | 12,806 | |
| France | Guichainville | 90,000 | | | | | | | 23,500 | 2,800 | | 42,000 | | | 31,000 | |
| France | Halluin | 332,976 | | | | | | | 84,310 | | | 170,459 | | | 127,110 | |
| France | Henin-Beaumont | 54,443 | 48,478 | 5,964 | | | | | 12,035 | 1,843 | | | | | | |
| France | Issy-Les-Moulineaux | 537,094 | 533,411 | 3,683 | | 532 | | | 128,291 | 12,068 | | 82,853 | 918,711 | | 41,236 | 847,870 |
| France | La Rochelle | 59,000 | 59,000 | | | | | | 16,080 | | | | 140,700 | | | 57,200 |
| France | La Séguinière | 29,185 | 29,185 | | | | | | 6,995 | 1,743 | | 0 | 59,388 | | | |
| France | Le Mans | 103,840 | 97,712 | 6,128 | | | | | 29,317 | | | 10,262 | 160,500 | | 4,217 | 17,518 |
| France | Lescar | 82,000 | 82,000 | | | | | | 20,000 | 2,000 | | 25,000 | | | | |
| France | Limoges | 87,727 | 87,727 | | | | | | 17,530 | | | 10,500 | 157,000 | | 3,700 | 34,500 |
| France | Livet | 16,022 | 16,022 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| France | Ludres | 101,200 | 96,040 | 5,160 | | | | | 25,600 | | | 35,000 | 257,000 | | 25,000 | 82,000 |
| France | Marignier | 41,928 | 41,928 | | | | | | 7,764 | | | 6,838 | | | | 4,724 |
| France | Maubeuge | 87,379 | 71,314 | 16,065 | | | | | 19,888 | 3,716 | 226,429 | 43,510 | 0 | | 36,323 | |
| France | Montauban | 37,500 | | | | | | | 5,500 | 1,500 | | | 17,000 | | | |
| France | Montbéliard | 53,200 | | | | | | | 7,840 | 2,980 | | 0 | 86,520 | | | 53,500 |
| France | Montereau Fault Yonne | 15,321 | | | | | | | 4,742 | | | | | | | |
| France | Monthyon | 122,126 | | | | | | | 32,000 | 4,200 | | 36,054 | 46,758 | | | |
| France | Nice | 325,900 | 322,000 | 3,900 | | | | | | | | 67,000 | | | 43,000 | 118,000 |
| France | Paris | 690,123 | 684,844 | 5,279 | | 990 | | | 152,046 | 15,922 | | 181,385 | 1,266,643 | | 134,759 | 930,764 |
| France | Plouharnel | 23,000 | 23,000 | | | | | | 6,405 | | | | | | | |
| France | Pluzunet | 52,000 | 52,000 | | | | | | 10,000 | | | 17,639 | | | 12,900 | 6,000 |
| France | Poitiers | 37,200 | 37,200 | | | | | | | | | | 57,000 | | | 46,400 |
| France | Pontarlier | 32,680 | 37,500 | | | | | | 4,700 | 1,300 | | | 60,000 | | | 23,000 |
| France | Pontcharra | 18,059 | 18,059 | | | | | | 2,236 | | | | | | | |

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| Country | Location | Combusted materials | | | | | | | Ash Residues | | Energy Produced | | | Energy Sold | | |
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| | | Total tons/y | Household tons/y | Commercial and Industrial tons/y | RDF Pellets tons/y | Sludge tons/y | Hospital Waste tons/y | Other Materials tons/y | Bottom Ash tons/y | Fly Ash tons/y | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh,e | Heat MWh,th | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh | Heat MWh |
| France | Pontivy | 27,877 | 27,589 | 288 | | | | | 4,286 | 1,226 | 69,435 | | | 52,466 | | |
| France | Pontmain | 62,946 | 61,240 | 1,706 | | | | | 16,921 | 2,340 | 170,361 | | | 116,318 | | |
| France | Pontx-les-Forges | 39,866 | 38,475 | 1,391 | | | | | 7,826 | 1,850 | 97,647 | 13,436 | | | 13,436 | |
| France | Rambervillers | 95,000 | | | | | | | 20,000 | 2,000 | | 16,000 | | | 16,000 | |
| France | Reims | 80,550 | 80,550 | | | | | | | | | 3,550 | 47,000 | | | 47,000 |
| France | Rennes | 132,709 | 132,709 | | | | | | | | | 37,996 | 256,177 | | 26,193 | 81,571 |
| France | Rungis | 118,390 | 118,390 | | | | | | 23,343 | | | | 170,586 | | | 105,600 |
| France | Saint Ouen | 622,653 | 619,226 | 3,427 | | 463 | | | 143,753 | 11,482 | 1,647,549 | 59,591 | 1,210,120 | | 22,136 | 1,248,783 |
| France | Saint Pourcain sur Sioule | 51,300 | 39,500 | 11,800 | | | | | 9,500 | | | | 121,000 | | | 80,600 |
| France | Saint Saulve | 128,679 | 126,155 | 2,524 | | | | | 29,562 | 2,183 | 84,160 | 40,139 | | | 32,146 | |
| France | Sainte Gemmes sur Loire - ANGERS | 83,489 | 81,333 | 2,156 | | | | | 19,911 | 2,954 | | | | | | 64,836 |
| France | Saran | 99,380 | 97,900 | 1,480 | | | | | 22,600 | | | 44,500 | | | 37,000 | |
| France | Sarcelles | 154,101 | 154,101 | | | | | | 35,053 | | | 5,733 | 196,805 | | 501 | 113,971 |
| France | Schweighouse sur Moder | 70,000 | | | | | | | 18,500 | 2,500 | | 10,000 | 60,000 | | | |
| France | Sens | 17,700 | 17,700 | | | | | | 3,550 | | | | 26,500 | | | 17,500 |
| France | Sète | 39,200 | 38,000 | 1,200 | | | | | | | | | 52,000 | | | 11,500 |
| France | St Thibault des Vignes | 147,953 | 127,169 | 20,784 | | | | | 33,188 | 5,494 | 427,474 | 11,432 | | | 3,155 | 226 |
| France | Strasbourg | 282,329 | 255,041 | 27,288 | | | | | 77,449 | 7,911 | 921,498 | 85,601 | 607,300 | 261,830 | 67,889 | |
| France | Taden | 103,200 | | 8,245 | | 9,525 | | | 0 | 2,350 | 126,785 | 35,398 | | | | |
| France | Thiverval-Grignon | 191,000 | 128,000 | 57,000 | | 5,600 | | | 37,500 | 5,210 | | 45,300 | 66,700 | | 28,300 | 66,700 |
| France | Thonon Les Bains Cedex | 38,700 | 38,700 | | | | | | 6,330 | | | | 82,900 | | | 50,500 |
| France | Tignes | 8,900 | 8,900 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| France | Toulouse Mirail | 209,600 | 205,000 | 4,600 | | | | | 50,800 | | | 246,000 | 360,000 | | 10,000 | 150,000 |
| France | Tronville en Barrois | 30,000 | | | | | | | 6,500 | 600 | | | 28,000 | | | |
| France | Vaux-le-Penil | 128,000 | 126,000 | 2,000 | | | | | 33,000 | 5,000 | 385,000 | 70,000 | 0 | | 61,700 | |
| France | Villefranche sur Saône | 78,301 | 76,262 | 397 | | 1,004 | 287 | | 17,632 | 2,743 | 227,541 | 16,237 | 173,663 | 22,678 | 13,340 | |
| France | Villejust | 81,500 | 59,600 | 21,900 | | | | | 27,000 | | | | 68,000 | | | |
| France | Vitré | 26,500 | 28,000 | | | | | | 4,400 | 1,200 | | 1,200 | 25,250 | | | 25,250 |
| Germany | Augsburg | 201,879 | | | | | | | 48,242 | | | 681,100 | | | | |
| Germany | Bamberg | 114,000 | | | | | | | 27,000 | | | 400,000 | | | 9,500 | 72,600 |
| Germany | Berlin-Ruhleben | 520,000 | | | | | | | | | | 1,000,000 | | | | |
| Germany | Bielefeld | 325,000 | | | | | | | 82,000 | | | 1,229,316 | | | 118,402 | 299,647 |
| Germany | BKB Hannover | 230,000 | | | | | | | 60,000 | | | 468,000 | | | 159,000 | 45,000 |
| Germany | Bonn | 240,000 | | | | | | | 62,902 | | | 742,548 | | | | |
| Germany | Bremen | 310,300 | | | | | | | 74,700 | | | 1,150,000 | | | 1,457 | 190,669 |
| Germany | Bremerhaven | 300,000 | | | | | | | 95,000 | | | 980,000 | | | 66,000 | 230,000 |
| Germany | Burgkirchen | 212,372 | 117,000 | 95,000 | | | | | 46,129 | 6,600 | 729,498 | 105,000 | | 93,473 | 73,917 | |
| Germany | Böblingen | 139,775 | | | | | | | 27,912 | 3,145 | 473,000 | 53,375 | | | 34,956 | 120,801 |
| Germany | Coburg | 117,886 | | | | | | | 28,218 | | | 336,866 | | | 33,259 | 85,051 |
| Germany | Darmstadt | 177,516 | | | | | | | 47,283 | | | 600,000 | | | 34,024 | 62,880 |
| Germany | Düsseldorf | 413,000 | 323,922 | 89,043 | | | | | 94,000 | 24,120 | 1,058,000 | | | 1,019,836 | | |
| Germany | Eschbach | 150,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Germany | Eschweiler | 368,007 | | | | | | | 99,269 | | | 1,164,538 | | | | |
| Germany | Essen | 668,773 | | | | | | | 163,976 | | | 2,009,000 | | | 176,939 | 481,373 |
| Germany | Frankfurt | 211,000 | | | | | | | 51,000 | | | 500,000 | | | | |
| Germany | Greppin | 16,600 | | | | 12,456 | | | 8,000 | | | 45,000 | | 25,000 | | |
| Germany | Göppingen | 120,000 | | | | | | | 30,000 | | | | | | 40,000 | 70,000 |
| Germany | Hagen | 119,500 | | | | | | | 40,000 | 3,767 | 340,000 | | | | | 70,000 |
| Germany | Hamburg | 323,400 | | | | | | | 84,084 | 12,202 | | | 769,520 | | | 664,072 |

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| | | Total tons/y | Household tons/y | Commercial and Industrial tons/y | RDF Pellets tons/y | Sludge tons/y | Hospital Waste tons/y | Other Materials tons/y | Bottom Ash tons/y | Fly Ash tons/y | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh,e | Heat MWh,th | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh | Heat MWh |
| Germany | Hamburg | 325,590 | | | | | | | 72,000 | | 970,000 | | | | 48,600 | 444,270 |
| Germany | Hamburg | 150,000 | | | | | | | 41,000 | | 471,000 | | | | 40,500 | 64,000 |
| Germany | Hamel | 159,366 | | | | | | | 37,000 | | 522,314 | | | | 13,590 | 285,000 |
| Germany | Hamm | 255,370 | | | | | | | 66,300 | | 642,000 | | | | 82,000 | |
| Germany | Helmstedt | 298,000 | | | | | | | 80,000 | | 930,000 | | | | 150,000 | |
| Germany | Herten | 262,023 | | | | | | | 64,861 | | 1,028,868 | | | | 80,539 | 9,882 |
| Germany | Ingolstadt | 211,000 | 106,665 | 57,970 | | | | 6,183 | 54,000 | 4,711 | 690,000 | 105,795 | | | 78,000 | 128,000 |
| Germany | Iserlohn | 230,000 | | | | | | | 65,357 | | 457,000 | | | | 62,586 | 151,028 |
| Germany | Kamp-Lintfort | 221,145 | | | | 4,700 | | | 59,613 | | 767,887 | 111,000 | 111,000 | | 81,100 | 116,391 |
| Germany | Kassel | 150,000 | | | | | | | 36,755 | | 514,912 | | | | 72,552 | 154,396 |
| Germany | Kempten | 76,661 | 36,645 | 27,922 | | | 514 | 11,580 | 19,147 | | 302,253 | 50,871 | 41,078 | | 36,345 | 41,078 |
| Germany | Kiel | 133,000 | | | | | | | 33,464 | | | | | | 19,972 | 212,694 |
| Germany | Krefeld | 346,231 | 281,124 | 24,542 | | 16,873 | 1,263 | 22,429 | 96,954 | 10,332 | 993,043 | 131,983 | 305,741 | | 75,281 | 179,431 |
| Germany | Köln | 671,698 | | | | | | | 146,147 | | 2,199,289 | | | | 316,705 | 277,279 |
| Germany | Lauta | 225,000 | | | | | | | 56,000 | 10,038 | 675,000 | 58,000 | 0 | 0 | 120,000 | 0 |
| Germany | Leuna | 195,000 | | | | | | | 54,600 | | 660,000 | | | | 120,000 | |
| Germany | Leverkusen | 210,000 | | | | | | | 56 | 2,3 | 620,000 | 44 | | | 9,5 | 150 |
| Germany | Ludwigshafen | 150,300 | | | | | | | 45,000 | | 470,000 | | | | | |
| Germany | Magdeburg | 300,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 170,000 | 300,000 |
| Germany | Mainz | 200,000 | | | | | | | 62,000 | | 720,000 | | | | | |
| Germany | Mannheim | 317,102 | 236,115 | 80,987 | | | | | 82,690 | 7,336 | 1,250,000 | 59,146 | 884,844 | 717,958 | 65,000 | 680,000 |
| Germany | Neunkirchen | 121,000 | | | | | | | 31,893 | | 384,537 | | | | 43,779 | 41,607 |
| Germany | Neustadt | 59,449 | 37,544 | 16,169 | | | 668 | 5,068 | 15,083 | 1,204 | 194,000 | 26,000 | 29,600 | | 17,600 | 29,200 |
| Germany | Nürnberg | 216,000 | | | | | | | 46,000 | | 740,000 | | | | | 490,000 |
| Germany | Oberhausen | 496,000 | | | | | | | 130,000 | | 1,400,000 | | | | 178,000 | 150,000 |
| Germany | Offenbach | 190,000 | | | | | | | 49,463 | | 500,000 | | | | 44,465 | 138,817 |
| Germany | Olching | 92,961 | | | | | | | 23,974 | | 314,502 | | | | 33,234 | 9,479 |
| Germany | Pirmasens | 170,000 | | | | | | | 47,400 | | 554,000 | | | | 71,600 | 13,300 |
| Germany | Rosenheim | 58,568 | | | | | | | 12,600 | 5,929 | 195,000 | | | | 28,000 | 116,000 |
| Germany | Schwandorf | 388,900 | | | | | | | 79,946 | | 1,334,350 | | | | 142,287 | 38,997 |
| Germany | Schweinfurt | 155,000 | | | | | | | 41,540 | | 460,000 | | | | 42,700 | 231,960 |
| Germany | Solingen | 94,500 | | | | | | | 21,010 | | | | | | 41,650 | 30,061 |
| Germany | Stapelfeld | 350,000 | | | | | | | 100,000 | | 980,000 | | | | 82,000 | 150,000 |
| Germany | Stassfurt | 300,000 | | | | | | | 90,000 | | 930,000 | | | | 71,836 | 156,800 |
| Germany | Stuttgart | 195,000 | | | | | | | 39,452 | | 566,500 | | | | 86,500 | 243,700 |
| Germany | Stuttgart | 27,320 | | | | | | | 6,785 | | | | | | | |
| Germany | Tornesch | 76,000 | 46,200 | 22,500 | | | | 7,300 | 18,050 | 2,240 | 205,000 | 28,200 | 49,800 | | 10,500 | 48,500 |
| Germany | Ulm | 111,625 | 68,412 | 44,679 | | | | | 25,665 | 3,075 | 383,792 | 51,489 | | | 32,455 | 98,899 |
| Germany | Unterföhring | 644,142 | | | | | | | 153,307 | | | | | | 108,481 | 838,144 |
| Germany | Völklingen | 210,488 | 188,132 | 19,134 | | 452 | 2,270 | | 56,540 | 8,428 | 646,790 | 119,470 | | | 91,629 | |
| Germany | Weißfels | 300,000 | | | | | | | 80,000 | | 987,000 | | | | 160,000 | 3,100 |
| Germany | Weißhorn | 91,419 | | | | | | | 18,456 | | | | | | 40,000 | |
| Germany | Wuppertal | 389,900 | | | | | | | 106,000 | | 1,308,000 | | | | 135,700 | 30,100 |
| Germany | Würzburg | 155,000 | | | | | | | 38,500 | | 474,000 | | | | 62,800 | 32,850 |
| Great Britain | Billingham | 230,361 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 66,642 | 7,446 | - | 155,579 | - | - | 142,360 | - |
| Great Britain | Huddersfield | 135,814 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 31,637 | 5,397 | - | 85,824 | - | - | 74,823 | - |
| Great Britain | London | 485,111 | | | 0 | 0 | | | 118,767 | 17,201 | 1,311,928 | 262,442 | N/A | N/A | 222,442 | N/A |
| Great Britain | Shetland Islands | 21,511 | 17,702 | 3,793 | | | 16 | | 4,936 | 403 | | | 51,459 | | | 51,459 |
| Hungary | Budapest | 160,054 | | | | | | | 38,125 | 4,177 | 391,539 | 54,068 | 301,048 | | 40,291 | 47,684 |
| Italy | Arezzo | 38,000 | 38,000 | | | | | | 9,723 | 1,226 | | 16,800 | | | 15,193 | |

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| Country | Location | Combusted materials | | | | | | | Ash Residues | | Energy Produced | | | Energy Sold | | |
|-------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|----------|
| | | Total tons/y | Household tons/y | Commercial and Industrial tons/y | RDF Pellets tons/y | Sludge tons/y | Hospital Waste tons/y | Other Materials tons/y | Bottom Ash tons/y | Fly Ash tons/y | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh,e | Heat MWh,th | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh | Heat MWh |
| Italy | Bergamo | 48,000 | | | 48,000 | | | | | | 49,352 | | | | | |
| Italy | Bolzano | 81,000 | | | | | | | 21,764 | 1,350 | 35,577 | 24,431 | | 23,590 | 24,431 | |
| Italy | Brescia | 721,000 | 420,000 | 43,000 | | | | | 141,200 | 33,400 | 537,000 | 394,000 | | 475,000 | 394,000 | |
| Italy | Busto Arsizio (VA) | 94,898 | 81,955 | 8,811 | | | | 4,132 | 17,299 | 3,702 | 51,880 | | | 37,938 | | |
| Italy | Castelnuovo Garfagnana (LU) | 11,600 | 11,600 | | | | | | 3,640 | 260 | 2,420 | | | 901 | | |
| Italy | Colleferro (Roma) | 69,000 | | | 69,000 | | | | 11,000 | 6,000 | 71,472 | | | 63,623 | | |
| Italy | Colleferro (Roma) | 72,000 | | | 72,000 | | | | 9,000 | 4,000 | 31,816 | | | 27,632 | | |
| Italy | Como | 72,268 | 72,268 | | | | | | 16,181 | 1,469 | 26,091 | 712 | | 25,945 | | |
| Italy | Coriano (RN) | 126,027 | 119,852 | | | | 0,847 | 5,328 | 36,964 | 2,331 | 57,048 | | | 46,527 | | |
| Italy | Corteolona (PV) | 37,400 | | | 37,400 | | | | 2,393 | 5,345 | 40,288 | | | 36,283 | | |
| Italy | Cremona | 64,996 | 53,836 | 10,630 | | | 529 | | | | 18,380 | 47,014 | | 18,380 | 47,014 | |
| Italy | Dalmine BG) | 137,500 | 113,300 | 24,200 | | | | | 23,800 | 5,300 | 109,552 | | | 102,672 | | |
| Italy | Desio (MI) | 49,019 | | 10 | | | 3,152 | 45,857 | 13,761 | 31 | 7,399 | | | 1,438 | | |
| Italy | Ferrara | 20,500 | 19,887 | | | | 613 | | 5,871 | 480 | | | | | | |
| Italy | Ferrara | 38,840 | | | | | | | 10,374 | 1,569 | 11,904 | | | 11,205 | | |
| Italy | Forli | 41,400 | 35,000 | 6,400 | | | | | 9,900 | 2,090 | 8,933 | 7,736 | | 8,933 | 7,736 | |
| Italy | Granarolo Emilia (BO) | 179,676 | 164,536 | | | | 2,418 | 15,076 | | | 39,619 | 59,391 | | | | |
| Italy | Livorno | 44,806 | | | 44,806 | | | | 10,134 | 1,392 | 18,608 | | | 7,538 | | |
| Italy | Macchiareddu (CA) | 212,600 | 190,000 | 13,600 | | 9,000 | | | | | 43,880 | | | 25,936 | | |
| Italy | Macomer (NU) | 79,000 | 76,800 | 1,300 | | 500 | | 400 | | | 7,010 | | | 6,505 | | |
| Italy | Massafra (TA) | 44,190 | | | 44,190 | | | | 23,000 | 7,686 | 39,648 | | | 37,488 | | |
| Italy | Melfi PZ) | 47,000 | 25,000 | | | | 2,000 | 12,000 | | | | | | | | |
| Italy | Mergozzo (VB) | 28,999 | | | | | | | 7,797 | 575 | 9,476 | | | 3,462 | | |
| Italy | Milano | 335,000 | | | | | | | 55,968 | 5,681 | 36,317 | 281,403 | | 232,176 | 36,317 | |
| Italy | Modena | 122,042 | 115,000 | 2,000 | | | 5,000 | 0,042 | 31,880 | 3,655 | 31,689 | | | 30,511 | | |
| Italy | Montale/Agliana (PT) | 33,300 | 28,600 | 3,090 | | | | 1,340 | 8,318 | 1,048 | 3,681 | | | 3,635 | | |
| Italy | Ospedaletto (PI) | 57,944 | 52,293 | 2,126 | | | 3,525 | | 14,451 | 1,559 | 26,242 | | | | | |
| Italy | Padova | 60,376 | 54,999 | 2,385 | | | 2,992 | 2,804 | | | 23,269 | | | | | |
| Italy | Parona PV) | 186,800 | 137,300 | 49,500 | | | | | | | 121,859 | | | 102,629 | | |
| Italy | Piacenza | 111,409 | 108,866 | | | | 750 | 1,793 | 22,133 | 3,131 | 63,692 | | | 53,907 | | |
| Italy | Pietrasanta /LU) | 46,849 | | | 46,849 | | | | | | 32,766 | | | 29,699 | | |
| Italy | Poggibonsi (SI) | 20,436 | 16,960 | 748 | 2,728 | | | | | | 4,068 | | | 3,054 | | |
| Italy | Ravenna | 169,954 | 117,712 | 7,633 | 44,601 | | 8,7 | | 685 | | 32,109 | | | 31,752 | | |
| Italy | Rufina/Pontassieve (FI) | 9,878 | 9,759 | 88 | | | 31 | 100 | | | | | | | | |
| Italy | San Vittore del Lazio (FR) | 80,300 | | | 80,300 | | | | 12,300 | 5,800 | 74,392 | | | 65,971 | | |
| Italy | Scarlino | 51,600 | | | | | | | | | 24,860 | | | | | |
| Italy | Schio (VI) | 57,470 | | | 30,900 | | 4,700 | 19,500 | 16,000 | 2,000 | 21,850 | | | 13,800 | | |
| Italy | Sesto S. Giovanni (MI). | 60,300 | 60,300 | | | | | | 13,971 | 473 | 30,025 | | | 21,161 | | |
| Italy | Statte (TA) | 48,700 | 48,700 | | | | | | 13,250 | 1,240 | 8,276 | | | 4,198 | | |
| Italy | Terni | 27,000 | 25,600 | 400 | | | 1,200 | | 4,920 | 655 | 9,863 | | | 8,562 | | |
| Italy | Tolentino/Pollenza (MC) | 18,983 | 18,983 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Italy | Trezzo sull | 152,540 | | | 152,540 | | | | 29,898 | 6,429 | 113,599 | | | 107,214 | | |
| Italy | Trieste | 138,200 | 118,600 | 17,400 | 1,000 | | | 1,300 | 40,000 | | 67,654 | | | 67,564 | | |
| Italy | Valmedrara (LC) | 62,300 | 56,700 | | | | 5,600 | | | | 20,592 | | | 14,414 | | |
| Italy | Venezia | 52,448 | 50,357 | 2,086 | | | | | 13,041 | 1,700 | 12,734 | | | 9,013 | | |
| Italy | Vercelli | 58,890 | 49,200 | | 1,530 | | 2,600 | 5,560 | 15,900 | 1,200 | 14,480 | | | 10,690 | | |
| Italy | Verona | 131,300 | 119,600 | 300 | 7,800 | 700 | | 3,000 | 4,600 | 3,400 | 83,428 | 1,922 | | 69,106 | | |
| Netherlands | Alkmaar | 458,218 | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 117,789 | 6,013 | 1,449,557 | 311,114 | 0 | 0 | 233,777 | 0 |
| Netherlands | Amsterdam | 877,351 | 528,963 | 283,552 | 0 | 23,981 | 9,733 | 31,122 | 261,203 | 10,965 | 2,649,987 | 591,568 | 39,512 | 508,080 | 39,512 | |

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| Country | Location | Combusted materials | | | | | | | Ash Residues | | Energy Produced | | | Energy Sold | | |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------|
| | | Total tons/y | Household tons/y | Commercial and Industrial tons/y | RDF Pellets tons/y | Sludge tons/y | Hospital Waste tons/y | Other Materials tons/y | Bottom Ash tons/y | Fly Ash tons/y | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh,e | Heat MWh,th | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh | Heat MWh |
| Netherlands | Dordrecht | 206,991 | 123,100 | 83,891 | | | | | 53,900 | 4,140 | 331,000 | 65,433 | | | | |
| Netherlands | Duiven | 335,738 | 207,815 | 127,923 | | | | | 85,247 | 6,539 | | 159,524 | | | 113,707 | |
| Netherlands | Hengelo | 307,029 | 216,029 | 91,000 | | | | | 73,800 | 8,461 | 941,000 | 181,000 | | | 153,000 | |
| Netherlands | Moerdijk | 655,791 | 478,553 | 177,238 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 150,721 | 15,886 | 2,118,344 | 0 | 0 | 2,118,344 | 0 | 0 |
| Netherlands | Roosendaal | 55,166 | yes | yes | none | 99 | none | none | 35,042 | 1,230 | | none | 140,000 | | none | 52,806 |
| Netherlands | Rotterdam | 385,000 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | some | some | 80,000 | 5,400 | 850,000 | 183,000 | none | none | 115,000 | none |
| Netherlands | Rozenburg | 1,125,000 | 1 | 0 | none | none | none | liquid was | 253,000 | 42,000 | 2,952,000 | 497,000 | none | not known | 429,000 | 567,500 |
| Netherlands | Weurt | 269,585 | | | 269,585 | | | | 60,701 | 16,080 | 982,000 | 190,838 | | | 158,677 | |
| Netherlands | Wijster | 483,119 | not specif | not specif | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 140,104 | 9,600 | 1,645,448 | 355,971 | 7,180 | 0 | 299,016 | 0 |
| Norway | Averøy | 32,124 | | | | | | | 4,963 | 1,375 | | 6,672 | 72,000 | | 6,672 | 21,578 |
| Norway | Bergen | 105,000 | 85,000 | 18,700 | | | 1,300 | | 17,400 | 2,200 | | 41,250 | 276,000 | | 41,250 | 96,271 |
| Norway | Frederikstad | 80,381 | 3,424 | 76,957 | | | 760 | | 15,000 | 1,600 | 240,000 | 4,000 | 208,000 | 207,000 | 4,000 | 173 |
| Norway | Lenvik | 5,050 | 2,250 | 2,803 | | | 120 | | 880 | 94 | | | 10,000 | | | 2,200 |
| Norway | Oslo (Brobekk) | 110,268 | 95,492 | 10,961 | | | | 3,815 | 17,717 | 3,289 | | | 282,507 | | | 246,803 |
| Norway | Oslo (Klemetsrud) | 148,161 | 114,912 | 23,537 | | | 1,677 | 8,035 | 26,574 | 5,470 | | 68,318 | 288,691 | | 68,318 | 176,987 |
| Norway | Oslo (Viken) | 34,356 | | | | | | 34,356 | 6,314 | 3,504 | | | 109,994 | | | 101,775 |
| Norway | Sandnes | 38,596 | 30,737 | 7,859 | | | | | 7,346 | 1,558 | 105,000 | 12,353 | 89,858 | | 12,353 | 15,081 |
| Norway | Sarpsborg | 62,517 | | | | | | | 9,322 | 3,615 | | N/A | 165,000 | | N/A | 154,000 |
| Norway | Spjelkavik | 34,658 | 30,121 | 4,328 | | | 210 | | 4,185 | 1,048 | | | 81,120 | | | 60,000 |
| Norway | Trondheim | 97,012 | 57,509 | 39,503 | | | | | 19,661 | 1,848 | | | 242,065 | | | 201,804 |
| Norway | Ål | 18,600 | 12,400 | 6,200 | | | | | 3,460 | 425 | | 0 | 31,200 | | | 7 |
| Portugal | Funchal | 113,823 | | | | | | | 22,638 | 3,477 | 260,240 | 48,475 | | | 35,070 | |
| Portugal | S. Joao de Talha | 534,640 | 534,640 | | | | | | 100,076 | 19,132 | 1,498,936 | 286,408 | | | 247,656 | |
| Spain | Barcelona | 328,832 | 328,832 | | | | | | 69,388 | 11,516 | 704,858 | 174,037 | | 30,859 | 135,366 | |
| Spain | Bilbao | 157,808 | 157,808 | - | - | - | - | - | 34,828 | 6,312 | - | 521,785 | - | - | 494,295 | - |
| Spain | Cerceda (A Coruña) | 506,247 | | | | | | | 68,647 | 32,180 | | 319,909 | | | 288,069 | |
| Spain | Girona | 30,620 | | | | | | | 6,736 | 798 | | 5,985,000 | | | 2,959,700 | |
| Spain | Madrid | 291,675 | | | 291,675 | | | | 15,540 | 28,547 | | 228,501 | | | 173,377 | |
| Spain | Mataró | 149,218 | | | | | | | 36,772 | 6,382 | 365,138 | 75,521 | | | 64,462 | |
| Spain | Melilla | 46,227 | | | | | | | 11,094 | 739 | | 12,459 | | | 9,086 | |
| Spain | Meruelo (Cantabria) | 244,639 | 244,639 | | 90 | | | | 4,290 | 7,485 | 300,000 | 81,000 | | | 66,000 | |
| Spain | Palma De Mallorca | 328,747 | 326,691 | | | | | | 78,721 | 26,684 | 796,666 | 173,887 | | | 145,810 | |
| Spain | Tarragona | 137,205 | 137,205 | | | | | | 32,775 | 3,292 | | 55,594 | 342,999 | | 44,895 | |
| Sweden | Avesta | 46,800 | 25,600 | 21,300 | | | | | 7,600 | 1,124 | | | 136,000 | | | |
| Sweden | Boden | 58,000 | 48,000 | 10,000 | | | | | 10,000 | 1,000 | | | 158,000 | | 247,000 | |
| Sweden | Bollnäs | 37,099 | 25,963 | 11,136 | | | | | 1,883 | 4,393 | 16,200 | | 81,806 | 16,180 | | 118,884 |
| Sweden | Borlänge | 34,951 | 13,353 | 21,598 | | | | | 3,703 | 609 | | | 116,382 | | | 116,382 |
| Sweden | Eksjö | 19,080 | | | | | | | | | | 3,670 | 47,650 | | | |
| Sweden | Göteborg | 433,700 | | | | | | | 77,532 | 14,915 | | 213,150 | 1,172,660 | | 153,351 | 1,057,672 |
| Sweden | Halmstad | 146,804 | 76,396 | 68,714 | | 1,224 | | 470 | 2,490 | 373 | | 55,277 | 344,173 | | 41,014 | 283,658 |
| Sweden | Haninge | 14,110 | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 61,950 | | | |
| Sweden | Hässleholm | 34,137 | 22,044 | 12,093 | | | | | 5,659 | 1,378 | | 4,536 | 92,136 | | | |
| Sweden | Karlskoga | 42,600 | 30,000 | 10,400 | | | 200 | | | | | | | | | |
| Sweden | Karlstad | 50,408 | | | | | | | 7,794 | 1,610 | | | 144,217 | | | 144,217 |
| Sweden | Kiruna | 53,120 | | | | | | | | | | 11,430 | 98,890 | | | |
| Sweden | Kumla | 136,970 | | | | | | | | | | 41,340 | 229,210 | | | |
| Sweden | Köping | 25,653 | 13,478 | 12,175 | | | | | 4,461 | 458 | | | 75,149 | | | 75,149 |
| Sweden | Landskrona | 30,330 | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 103,070 | | | |
| Sweden | Lidköping | 82,000 | | | | | | | | | | 11,400 | 227,770 | | | |
| Sweden | Linköping | 217,214 | | | | | | | 46,639 | 6,570 | | 14,463 | 634,688 | | 0 | 568,050 |

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| Country | Location | Combusted materials | | | | | | | Ash Residues | | Energy Produced | | | Energy Sold | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | Total tons/y | Household tons/y | Commercial and Industrial tons/y | RDF Pellets tons/y | Sludge tons/y | Hospital Waste tons/y | Other Materials tons/y | Bottom Ash tons/y | Fly Ash tons/y | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh,e | Heat MWh,th | Steam tons/y | Electricity MWh | Heat MWh |
| Sweden | Malmö | 385,879 | 202,206 | 156,160 | | | 1,700 | 25,813 | 82,680 | 15,996 | | 137,677 | 1,030,136 | | 107,516 | 996,962 |
| Sweden | Mora | 16,455 | 11,500 | 4,955 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,634 | 378 | 0 | 0 | 41,494 | 0 | | 39,860 |
| Sweden | Norrköping | 163,700 | 98,535 | 59,091 | | | | | 14,920 | 13,805 | | 57,717 | 352,319 | | 40,252 | 349,197 |
| Sweden | Stockholm | 520,221 | 339,306 | 180,915 | | | | | 63,666 | 27,287 | | 219,700 | 1,404,900 | | | |
| Sweden | Sundsvall | 44,790 | | | | | | | | | | 19,570 | 90,870 | | | |
| Sweden | Södertälje | 249,211 | | 113,538 | 135,673 | | | | 12,000 | 25,000 | 75,000 | | 938,086 | 75,000 | | 1,810,451 |
| Sweden | Umeå | 188,074 | | | | | | | 30,181 | 6,810 | | 64,658 | 470,189 | | 30,886 | 457,590 |
| Sweden | Västervik | 46,600 | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 116,220 | | | |
| Switzerland | Aire-la-ville | 314,002 | | | | | | | 72,247 | 7,095 | 1,115,625 | 172,328 | | 0 | 129,092 | 0 |
| Switzerland | Basel | 189,624 | | | | | | | 34,000 | 4,720 | | 43,830 | 545,083 | | 19,195 | 443,091 |
| Switzerland | Bazenheid | 75,233 | | | | | | | 17,000 | 2,300 | | 35,600 | 350,000 | | 27,000 | 25,000 |
| Switzerland | Bern | 109,300 | | | | | | | 21,500 | 2,150 | 413,700 | 30,400 | 198,000 | | 12,400 | 191,100 |
| Switzerland | Biel | 40,993 | | | | | | | 8,788 | 1,419 | 164,825 | 20,208 | | | 14,789 | 15,507 |
| Switzerland | Brig-Gils | 27,434 | | | | | | | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. | | n.a. | |
| Switzerland | Buchs AG | 119,500 | | | | | | | 23,100 | 2,670 | | | | | 47,600 | 61,500 |
| Switzerland | Buchs SG | 71,535 | | | | | | | 35,000 | 5,560 | 542,000 | 100,000 | | 81,000 | 80,000 | |
| Switzerland | Colombier | 60,513 | | | | | | | 17,000 | 2,531 | 198,367 | 31,668 | 26,530 | | 21,985 | 20,771 |
| Switzerland | Dietikon | 81,180 | | | | | | | 20,000 | 2,500 | n.a. | 57,000 | n.a. | 0 | 43,000 | 18,000 |
| Switzerland | Emmenbrücke | 84,316 | | | | | | | 18,600 | 1,520 | 265,600 | 43,800 | 43,600 | 0 | 34,500 | 43,100 |
| Switzerland | Horgen | 59,242 | | | | | | | n.a. | n.a. | 130,000 | 20,000 | 71,000 | | 10,000 | 47,000 |
| Switzerland | Kezo | 163,132 | | | | | | | 35,000 | 7,000 | 680,000 | 100,000 | 308,000 | | 70,000 | 20,000 |
| Switzerland | La Chaux-de-Fonds | 50,552 | | | | | | | 10,000 | 1,200 | | 27,000 | 52,000 | | | |
| Switzerland | Lausanne | 44,117 | | | | | | | 9,846 | 1,004 | 140,502 | | 93,855 | 118,108 | | 78,872 |
| Switzerland | Lausanne | 120,000 | 50-100% | 0-40% | 0-20% | 0-10% | 0-10% | n.a. | 24,600 | 2,400 | 548,000 | n.a. | n.a. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Switzerland | Monthey | 98,805 | | | | | | | 20,800 | 4,960 | n.a. | 60,756 | n.a. | 0 | 45,000 | 0 |
| Switzerland | Niederurnen | 99,400 | | | | | | | n.a. | 1,000 | 190,000 | 64,000 | | 0 | 50,000 | |
| Switzerland | Oftringen | 68,362 | | | | | | | 18,000 | 1,900 | 200,000 | 54,000 | 160,000 | 0 | 41,000 | 0 |
| Switzerland | Posieux | 88,401 | | | | | | | 20,000 | 6,000 | | 6,500 | 65,000 | | 6,000 | 55,000 |
| Switzerland | St. Gallen | 75,362 | | | | | | | 19,000 | 2,200 | | 34,200 | 55,000 | | 24,300 | 55,000 |
| Switzerland | Turgi | 113,945 | | | | | | | 23,433 | 2,985 | 441,500 | 86,950 | | | 70,260 | 36,080 |
| Switzerland | Untervaz | 50,396 | | | | | | | 11,300 | 800 | 213,670 | 18,118 | 160,252 | 74,702 | 9,733 | 60,122 |
| Switzerland | Uvrier | 52,480 | | | | | | | 10,350 | 1,260 | 153,400 | 23,700 | | 0 | 14,600 | |
| Switzerland | Weinfelden | 113,097 | | | | | | | 13,885 | n.a. | 470,000 | 46,000 | 417,000 | 164,100 | 31,000 | 183,300 |
| Switzerland | Winterthur | 145,327 | | | | | | | 31,750 | 4,621 | 580,000 | 80,000 | 420,000 | | 62,000 | n.a. |
| Switzerland | Zuchwil | 196,534 | | | | | | | 49,606 | N.A. | 727,168 | 656,625 | | | 40,807 | 233,816 |
| Switzerland | Zürich | 163,613 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 32,728 | 325,711 |
| Switzerland | Zürich | 148,452 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 56,993 | 107,002 |
| Total | 331 Plants Data Submitted | 49,806,932 | 17,535,833 | 3,710,588 | 1,398,260 | 128,874 | 97,458 | 445,400 | 10,731,176 | 1,110,334 | 76,044,919 | 21,784,843 | 32,977,144 | 7,410,179 | 17,415,866 | 30,542,238 |
| % of total combusted or MWh/ton | | 100.0% | 35.2% | 7.4% | 2.8% | 0.3% | 0.2% | 0.9% | 21.5% | 2.2% | 1.53 | 0.44 | 0.66 | 0.15 | 0.35 | 0.61 |
| | | Total tons | MSW, tons | Commercial and Industrial, tons | RDF Pellets, tons | Sludge, tons | Hospital Waste, tons | Other materials, tons | Bottom Ash tons/y | Fly ash, tons/y | Steam produced, tons/ton combusted | Electricity produced, MWh,e /ton combusted | Heat produced, MWh,th,/ton combusted | Steam sold/ton combusted | Electricity sold, MWh /ton combusted | Heat sold, MWh/ton combusted |

* It should be noted that only some WTE plants reported to ISWA materials that were co-combusted. Therefore, there could be other co-combusting WTE plants that are not included in the above table.

Appendix 1 Statistical Analysis from ISWA Data Set

In the case of hospital wastes, our analysis of a tabulation of all European WTE plants by the International Solid Wastes Association⁶ showed that forty-one plants reported co-combusting hospital wastes (Table 11); on the average, the hospital wastes co-combusted by these plants amounted to 1.8% of their total feedstock.

Table 11 Co-Combustion of Hospital Wastes in Europe

| Country | Plant Name/Location | Total combusted (tons/yr.) | Hospital wastes (tons/yr.) | Hospital wastes as % of total |
|----------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Norway | Lenvik | 5,050 | 120 | 2.38% |
| Italy | Rufina/Pontassieve | 9,878 | 31 | 0.31% |
| Italy | Ferrara | 20,500 | 613 | 2.99% |
| Great Britain | Shetland Islands | 21,511 | 16 | 0.07% |
| Italy | Terni | 27,000 | 1,200 | 4.44% |
| Norway | Spjelkavik | 34,658 | 210 | 0.61% |
| France | Douchy les Mines | 39,295 | 3,530 | 8.98% |
| Sweden | Karlskoga | 42,600 | 200 | 0.47% |
| Italy | Melfi (PZ) | 47,000 | 2,000 | 4.26% |
| Italy | Desio (MI) | 49,019 | 3,152 | 6.43% |
| Denmark | Svendborg | 54,000 | 400 | 0.74% |
| Italy | Schio (VI) | 57,470 | 4,700 | 8.18% |
| Italy | Ospedaletto (PI) | 57,944 | 3,525 | 6.08% |
| Italy | Vercelli | 58,890 | 2,600 | 4.42% |
| Germany | Neustadt | 59,449 | 668 | 1.12% |
| Italy | Padova | 60,376 | 2,992 | 4.96% |
| Denmark | Hjørring | 61,270 | 479 | 0.78% |
| Italy | Valmedrara (LC) | 62,300 | 5,600 | 8.99% |
| Italy | Cremona | 64,996 | 529 | 0.81% |
| Belgium | Houthalen | 69,195 | 1,700 | 2.46% |
| Germany | Kempton | 76,661 | 514 | 0.67% |
| France | Villefranche sur Saône | 78,301 | 287 | 0.37% |
| Norway | Frederikstad | 80,381 | 760 | 0.95% |
| Belgium | Gent | 94,383 | 475 | 0.50% |
| Norway | Bergen | 105,000 | 1,300 | 1.24% |
| Czech Republic | Brno | 106,740 | 254 | 0.24% |
| Italy | Piacenza | 111,409 | 750 | 0.67% |
| Switzerland | Lausanne | 120,000 | 6,000 | 5.00% |

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|--|-----------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Italy | Modena | 122,042 | 5,000 | 4.10% |
| Norway | Oslo (Klemetsrud) | 148,161 | 1,677 | 1.13% |
| Italy | Ravenna | 169,954 | 9 | 0.01% |
| Belgium | Brugge | 174,733 | 3,523 | 2.02% |
| Italy | Granarolo Emilia (BO) | 179,676 | 2,418 | 1.35% |
| Denmark | Århus | 183,047 | 361 | 0.20% |
| Germany | Völklingen | 210,488 | 2,270 | 1.08% |
| Belgium | Thurmaide | 259,614 | 22,157 | 8.53% |
| Austria | Zwentendorf | 323,000 | 800 | 0.25% |
| Germany | Krefeld | 346,231 | 1,263 | 0.36% |
| Sweden | Malmö | 385,879 | 1,700 | 0.44% |
| Denmark | København | 401,823 | 1,942 | 0.48% |
| Netherlands | Amsterdam | 877,351 | 9,733 | 1.11% |
| Total (41 plants reporting) | | 5,457,275 | 97,458 | 1.80% |
| <p>*Hospital waste data from the Italy, Coriano plant was not included in the above table as ISWA reported hospital waste from the Italy, Coriano plant as "0,847." This is considered negligible as part of this analysis.</p> | | | | |
| <p>** Switzerland, Lausanne reported hospital waste co-combusted as percentage range of 0-10%. As such, an average of 5% was used to obtain a numerical value for hospital waste in tons co-combusted annually.</p> | | | | |

Analysis of the same data showed that twenty-four plants reported co-combustion of sludge from wastewater treatment plants (Table 12). On the average, the sludge combusted by these plants amounted to close to 2% of the total feedstock.

Table 12 Co-Combustion of Wastewater Sludge in Europe

| Country | Plant Name/Location | Total (tons/yr.) | Tons wastewater sludge | Sludge as % of total combusted |
|---|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Austria | Zwentendorf | 323000 | 2300 | 0.71% |
| Belgium | Thurmaide | 259,614 | 7,352 | 2.83% |
| Denmark | Hjørring | 61,270 | 2,735 | 4.46% |
| Denmark | Hørsholm | 109,493 | 137 | 0.13% |
| France | Besançon | 50,000 | 6,000 | 12.00% |
| France | Arrabloy | 53,707 | 3,091 | 5.76% |
| France | Villefranche sur Saône | 78,301 | 1,004 | 1.28% |
| France | Taden | 103,200 | 9,525 | 9.23% |
| France | Cenon | 134,242 | 11,104 | 8.27% |
| France | Thiverval-Grignon | 191,000 | 5,600 | 2.93% |
| France | Issy-Les-Moulineaux | 537,094 | 532 | 0.10% |
| France | Saint Ouen | 622,653 | 463 | 0.07% |
| France | Paris | 690,123 | 990 | 0.14% |
| Germany | Völklingen | 210,488 | 452 | 0.21% |
| Germany | Kamp-Lintfort | 221,145 | 4,700 | 2.13% |
| Germany | Krefeld | 346,231 | 16,873 | 4.87% |
| Italy | Macomer (NU) | 79,000 | 500 | 0.63% |
| Italy | Verona | 131,300 | 700 | 0.53% |
| Italy | Macchiareddu (CA) | 212,600 | 9,000 | 4.23% |
| Netherlands | Roosendaal | 55,166 | 99 | 0.18% |
| Netherlands | Amsterdam | 877,351 | 23,981 | 2.73% |
| Spain | Palma De Mallorca | 328,747 | 2,056 | 0.63% |
| Sweden | Halmstad | 146,804 | 1,224 | 0.83% |
| Switzerland | Lausanne | 120,000 | 6,000 | 5.00% |
| Total (24 plants reporting) | | 5,942,529 | 116,418 | 1.96% |
| *Excludes sludge data from Greppin Germany as this plant does not co-combust with household waste. | | | | |
| **Switzerland, Lausanne reported wastewater sludge co-combusted as percentage range of 0-10%. As such, an average of 5% was used to obtain a numerical value for tons of sludge co-combusted annually. | | | | |

Analysis of the same data showed that 115 plants reported co-combustion of commercial and industrial waste (Table 13). On the average, the commercial and the industrial waste combusted by these plants amounted to 21.4% of the total feedstock.

Table 13 Co-Combustion of Commercial Waste in Europe

| Country | Location | Total Tons | Commercial and Industrial, tons/y | Commercial/Industrial Waste as % of Total Combusted |
|----------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Austria | Zwentendorf | 323,000 | 129,900 | 40.2% |
| Belgium | Brugge | 174,733 | 41,277 | 23.6% |
| Belgium | Herstal | 123,787 | 34,142 | 27.6% |
| Belgium | Houthalen | 69,195 | 2,300 | 3.3% |
| Belgium | Oostende | 65,000 | 15,000 | 23.1% |
| Belgium | Roeselare | 56,000 | 11,000 | 19.6% |
| Belgium | Thurmaide | 259,614 | 134,910 | 52.0% |
| Czech Republic | Brno | 106,740 | 5 | 0.0% |
| Czech Republic | Liberec | 92,260 | 4 | 0.0% |
| Denmark | Grenaa | 20,975 | 6,166 | 29.4% |
| Denmark | Hadsund | 20,092 | 4,845 | 24.1% |
| Denmark | Hjørring | 61,270 | 26,338 | 43.0% |
| Denmark | Hobro | 25,450 | 9,705 | 38.1% |
| Denmark | Hørsholm | 109,493 | 28,835 | 26.3% |
| Denmark | Kolding | 94,169 | 55,659 | 59.1% |
| Denmark | København | 401,823 | 177,411 | 44.2% |
| Denmark | Middelfart | 21,098 | 12,330 | 58.4% |
| Denmark | Nykøbing F | 105,000 | 53,000 | 50.5% |
| Denmark | Næstved | 89,458 | 40,316 | 45.1% |
| Denmark | Odense | 268,498 | 109,740 | 40.9% |
| Denmark | Svendborg | 54,000 | 23,500 | 43.5% |
| Denmark | Thisted | 51,821 | 28,479 | 55.0% |
| Denmark | Aalborg | 134,774 | 60,749 | 45.1% |
| Denmark | Århus | 183,047 | 90,274 | 49.3% |
| France | Arrabloy | 53,707 | 8,933 | 16.6% |
| France | Aurillac | 6,840 | 140 | 2.0% |
| France | Cergy Pontoise | 152,300 | 8,800 | 5.8% |
| France | Confort Meilars | 18,809 | 477 | 2.5% |
| France | Coueron | 98,954 | 35,882 | 36.3% |

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|---------------|-------------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|
| France | Douchy les Mines | 39,295 | 2,157 | 5.5% |
| France | Dunkerque | 83,353 | 3,221 | 3.9% |
| France | Grand Quevilly | 293,215 | 2,755 | 0.9% |
| France | Henin-Beaumont | 54,443 | 5,964 | 11.0% |
| France | Issy-Les-Moulineaux | 537,094 | 3,683 | 0.7% |
| France | Le Mans | 103,840 | 6,128 | 5.9% |
| France | Ludres | 101,200 | 5,160 | 5.1% |
| France | Maubeuge | 87,379 | 16,065 | 18.4% |
| France | Nice | 325,900 | 3,900 | 1.2% |
| France | Paris | 690,123 | 5,279 | 0.8% |
| France | Pontivy | 27,877 | 288 | 1.0% |
| France | Pontmain | 62,946 | 1,706 | 2.7% |
| France | Pontx-les-Forges | 39,866 | 1,391 | 3.5% |
| France | Saint Ouen | 622,653 | 3,427 | 0.6% |
| France | Saint Pourcain sur Sioule | 51,300 | 11,800 | 23.0% |
| France | Saint Saulve | 128,679 | 2,524 | 2.0% |
| France | Sainte Gemmes sur Loire - ANGERS | 83,489 | 2,156 | 2.6% |
| France | Saran | 99,380 | 1,480 | 1.5% |
| France | Sète | 39,200 | 1,200 | 3.1% |
| France | St Thibault des Vignes | 147,953 | 20,784 | 14.0% |
| France | Strasbourg | 282,329 | 27,288 | 9.7% |
| France | Taden | 103,200 | 8,245 | 8.0% |
| France | Thiverval-Grignon | 191,000 | 57,000 | 29.8% |
| France | Toulouse Mirail | 209,600 | 4,600 | 2.2% |
| France | Vaux-le-Penil | 128,000 | 2,000 | 1.6% |
| France | Villefranche sur Saône | 78,301 | 397 | 0.5% |
| France | Villejust | 81,500 | 21,900 | 26.9% |
| Germany | Burgkirchen | 212,372 | 95,000 | 44.7% |
| Germany | Düsseldorf | 413,000 | 89,043 | 21.6% |
| Germany | Ingolstadt | 211,000 | 57,970 | 27.5% |
| Germany | Kempten | 76,661 | 27,922 | 36.4% |
| Germany | Krefeld | 346,231 | 24,542 | 7.1% |
| Germany | Mannheim | 317,102 | 80,987 | 25.5% |
| Germany | Neustadt | 59,449 | 16,169 | 27.2% |
| Germany | Tornesch | 76,000 | 22,500 | 29.6% |
| Germany | Ulm | 111,625 | 44,679 | 40.0% |
| Germany | Völklingen | 210,488 | 19,134 | 9.1% |
| Great Britain | Shetland Islands | 21,511 | 3,793 | 17.6% |
| Italy | Brescia | 721,000 | 43,000 | 6.0% |
| Italy | Busto Arsizio (VA) | 94,898 | 8,811 | 9.3% |
| Italy | Cremona | 64,996 | 10,630 | 16.4% |

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|-------------|-------------------------|---------|---------|-------|
| Italy | Dalmine BG) | 137,500 | 24,200 | 17.6% |
| Italy | Desio (MI) | 49,019 | 10 | 0.0% |
| Italy | Forli | 41,400 | 6,400 | 15.5% |
| Italy | Macchiareddu (CA) | 212,600 | 13,600 | 6.4% |
| Italy | Macomer (NU) | 79,000 | 1,300 | 1.6% |
| Italy | Modena | 122,042 | 2,000 | 1.6% |
| Italy | Montale/Agliana (PT) | 33,300 | 3,090 | 9.3% |
| Italy | Ospedaletto (PI) | 57,944 | 2,126 | 3.7% |
| Italy | Padova | 60,376 | 2,385 | 4.0% |
| Italy | Parona PV) | 186,800 | 49,500 | 26.5% |
| Italy | Poggibonsi (SI) | 20,436 | 748 | 3.7% |
| Italy | Ravenna | 169,954 | 7,633 | 4.5% |
| Italy | Rufina/Pontassieve (FI) | 9,878 | 88 | 0.9% |
| Italy | Terni | 27,000 | 400 | 1.5% |
| Italy | Trieste | 138,200 | 17,400 | 12.6% |
| Italy | Venezia | 52,448 | 2,086 | 4.0% |
| Italy | Verona | 131,300 | 300 | 0.2% |
| Netherlands | Amsterdam | 877,351 | 283,552 | 32.3% |
| Netherlands | Dordrecht | 206,991 | 83,891 | 40.5% |
| Netherlands | Duiven | 335,738 | 127,923 | 38.1% |
| Netherlands | Hengelo | 307,029 | 91,000 | 29.6% |
| Netherlands | Moerdijk | 655,791 | 177,238 | 27.0% |
| Norway | Bergen | 105,000 | 18,700 | 17.8% |
| Norway | Frederikstad | 80,381 | 76,957 | 95.7% |
| Norway | Lenvik | 5,050 | 2,803 | 55.5% |
| Norway | Oslo (Brobekk) | 110,268 | 10,961 | 9.9% |
| Norway | Oslo (Klemetsrud) | 148,161 | 23,537 | 15.9% |
| Norway | Sandnes | 38,596 | 7,859 | 20.4% |
| Norway | Spjelkavik | 34,658 | 4,328 | 12.5% |
| Norway | Trondheim | 97,012 | 39,503 | 40.7% |
| Norway | Ål | 18,600 | 6,200 | 33.3% |
| Sweden | Avesta | 46,800 | 21,300 | 45.5% |
| Sweden | Boden | 58,000 | 10,000 | 17.2% |
| Sweden | Bollnäs | 37,099 | 11,136 | 30.0% |
| Sweden | Borlänge | 34,951 | 21,598 | 61.8% |
| Sweden | Halmstad | 146,804 | 68,714 | 46.8% |
| Sweden | Hässleholm | 34,137 | 12,093 | 35.4% |
| Sweden | Karlskoga | 42,600 | 10,400 | 24.4% |
| Sweden | Köping | 25,653 | 12,175 | 47.5% |
| Sweden | Malmö | 385,879 | 156,160 | 40.5% |
| Sweden | Mora | 16,455 | 4,955 | 30.1% |

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|--|------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Sweden | Norrköping | 163,700 | 59,091 | 36.1% |
| Sweden | Stockholm | 520,221 | 180,915 | 34.8% |
| Sweden | Södertälje | 249,211 | 113,538 | 45.6% |
| Switzerland | Lausanne | 120,000 | 24,000 | 20.0% |
| Total (115 Plants Reporting) | | 17,302,688 | 3,710,588 | 21.4% |
| * Switzerland, Lausanne reported commercial and industrial waste co-combusted as percentage range of 0-40%. As such, an average of 20% was used to obtain a numerical value for commercial tons co-combusted annually. | | | | |
| **The above table does not include the Rosendall, Netherlands plant since a quantifiable co-combustion capacity was not reported in the ISWA Report (i.e., only "yes"). | | | | |
| ***Original ISWA data reported total tons for the Odense, Denmark plants as "26, 498." This appears to be a typo, since individually, household waste (100,790 tons/y), commercial waste (109,740 tons/y), and "other" waste (57,968 tons/y) exceeds this value. The correct annual capacity for this plant is 268, 498 tons. As such, our calculation of the total tons/yr (49,806,932) is 242,000 tons greater than what is presented in the ISWA report (49,564,932). | | | | |

Analysis of the same data showed that 10 plants reported co-combustion of RDF (Table 14). On the average, the RDF combusted by these plants amounted to 5.67% of the total feedstock.

Table 14 Co-Combustion of RDF in Europe

| Country | Location | Total Tons/y | RDF Tons/y | RDF as % of Total Combusted |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Austria | Zwentendorf | 323,000 | 2,300 | 0.71% |
| Denmark | Næstved | 89,458 | 63 | 0.07% |
| France | Douchy les Mines | 39,295 | 3,530 | 8.98% |
| Italy | Poggibonsi (SI) | 20,436 | 2,728 | 13.35% |
| Italy | Ravenna | 169,954 | 44,601 | 26.24% |
| Italy | Trieste | 138,200 | 1,000 | 0.72% |
| Italy | Vercelli | 58,890 | 1,530 | 2.60% |
| Italy | Verona | 131,300 | 7,800 | 5.94% |
| Spain | Meruelo (Cantabria) | 244,639 | 90 | 0.04% |
| Switzerland | Lausanne | 120,000 | 12,000 | 10.00% |
| Total (10 Plants Reporting) | | 1,335,172 | 75,642 | 5.67% |
| * Switzerland, Lausanne reported RDF co-combusted as percentage range of 0-20%. As such, an average of 10% was used to obtain a numerical value for RDF tons co-combusted annually. | | | | |
| **The following eleven ISWA plants are combusting RDF only and therefore were not included in the above table as no co-combustion is taking place: Bergamo, Italy (7 plants), San Vittore del Lazio , Italy (1 plant), Trezzo sull, Italy (1 plant), Weurt, Netherlands (1 plant), and Madrid Spain (1 plant). | | | | |
| ***The Södertälje, Sweden plant is not co-combusting RDF with MSW/household waste, only commercial waste and therefore was not included in the above table. | | | | |
| ****The Schio, Italy plant is not co-combusting RDF with MSW/household waste, only hospital and "other" waste and therefore was not included in the above table. | | | | |

It should be noted that only some WTE plants reported to ISWA materials that were co-combusted. Therefore, there could be other co-combusting WTE plants that are not included in Tables 10-14.

Appendix B - Public Opinion of Waste to Energy

Analysis of Surveys

As part of this case study, two surveys were examined in terms of John Zaller's Receive-Accept-Sample Model¹: 1) A poll conducted in 1994 on waste management by Cambridge Reports/Research International² and 2) An environmental risk perception survey conducted in 1993 with the results discussed in a journal article titled *Risk Perception Differences in a Community with a Municipal Solid Waste Incinerator*³

Cambridge Reports Poll

The sampling population of the Cambridge Reports poll included 1,250 adults, with interviews conducted over the telephone. This poll included 54 questions (with 52 out of the 54 directly related to waste management), and the first question being: "Now thinking of the environment, what do you think is the single most important environmental problem facing the country today?" The top three answers were water pollution (15%), air pollution (15%), and "other pollution, pollution in general, car pollution" (14%). It is especially unclear as to what was meant by this last response. (It is assumed that by responding with car pollution, the public is referring to air pollution.) Given that the top three responses were quite vague, it is evident that the majority of the respondents were not well informed regarding specific issues which negatively impact the environment. Zaller's Reception Axiom (A1) states: "The greater a person's level of cognitive engagement with an issue, the more likely he or she is to be exposed to and comprehend-in a word, to receive-political messages." It is believed that here the surveyors were simply attempting to determine what information the public has "received" in terms of matters related to the environment. The second question of the Cambridge Reports poll completely avoided the topic of environmentalism and instead simply asked about political affiliation: "Would you describe yourself as more of a liberal or more of a conservative?" (The majority of the respondents were conservative.) This question can be evaluated in terms of what Zaller refers to as "priming as a type of salience effect," or the type of priming that places the individual's ideological orientation "at the top of the head." The surveyors may have wanted to see whether the sampling population would answer the remaining questions consistent with their political values, which clearly points to Zaller's Resistance Axiom (A2). A2 conveys that the public only stays true to their predispositions when they fully comprehend the messages in front of them.

The first question specific to municipal solid waste incineration/WtE (shown directly below) was preceded by a number of questions on the raw primary materials used to manufacture plastics (i.e, fossil

fuels) and landfill groundwater contamination. Zaller emphasizes that the order in which questions are asked significantly affects the responses given.

“Another way to dispose of solid waste is to build plants that burn waste materials to produce energy. These waste-to-energy plants significantly reduce the volume of solid waste before it is disposed of, but produce an ash residue that must be placed in a landfill. Thinking about all the advantages and disadvantages of waste-to-energy incineration, do you think the benefits outweigh the risks or do the risks outweigh the benefits?”

- 53%- Benefits outweigh the risks
- 31%-Risks outweigh benefits
- 4%-Both about equal
- 12%-Don't know

It is interesting to see that the above question utilizes the term waste to energy in place of municipal solid waste incineration, therefore emphasizing that these plants not only manage waste but also produce heat and power. The question then points out that WtE plants reduce the space required for landfilling, as it is only the non-combustible ash content that requires landfilling. It is therefore not surprising that the majority of the respondents indicated that the benefits of WtE outweigh the risks.

However, the survey then states:

“...please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree...the plastics industry has made good progress toward the development of recyclable plastics, but a great deal more needs to be done before I support a new WtE incinerator.”

- 49% Strongly agree
- 39% Somewhat agree
- 6% Somewhat disagree
- 2% Strongly disagree
- Don't know

This question is clearly an example of priming, as it induced the fear that promoting WtE could potentially slow down the rate of recycling. Thus, it is not surprising that the majority of respondents strongly agreed with the statement.

Risk Perception Article/Survey

The sampling population of the Risk Perception survey included three hundred and fifty adult individuals (selected at random) who lived within five kilometers of the incineration facility. These individuals were sent an introductory letter followed by a telephone interview ten days later. The results of this survey were as follows:

- Approximately one third of the sampling population were unaware of the incinerator and these unaware individuals were less supportive of the incinerator than the aware group.
- About half of the aware group were also not supportive of the facility, with the remainder of the aware group in support of the incinerator.

The authors of this article note that the survey was conducted in order to “further understanding of community responses to technology perceived as ‘hazardous’.” In agreement with the authors, it is interesting to see that those individuals which were aware of the incinerator were more in favor of the facility than those who were unaware³. This can be partially explained by Zaller’s Reception Axiom which emphasizes that the more attentive or aware an individual is overall, the more likely that person will receive or comprehend a message. Or in other words, Zaller notes that an individual’s general, chronic awareness would influence his or her opinion prior to receiving the information. However, this result does not appear to be in line with Zaller’s Ambivalence Deduction (D1), which states that those who are not highly informed are more apt to accept messages that contradict their true preferences. Of course in this case, it is safe to assume that the preference of the entire sampling population is to live far away from something perceived as potentially hazardous. The authors of the risk perception article conclude “that informing the public about technology perceived as hazardous may not lead to alarm, but may in fact increase acceptance³.”

Conclusion

When relaying information to the public regarding municipal solid waste incineration (or WtE), it is of utmost importance to refer to it within the context of “The Expanded Hierarchy of Waste Management”⁴. This system clearly depicts the priorities for managing solid waste sustainably, as the first and second priorities are waste reduction and recycling, respectively. It is believed that if this were done in the Cambridge Reports poll, WtE would have been seen as even more desirable by the public. Also, the conclusion made in the risk perception directly article relates to Zaller’s argument on elite discourse in that elite messages serve as cues to the public in establishing a policy position.

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