



# Sustainable Engineering Solutions

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- We strive to improve efficiency, reliability & provide Savings
- Vision – **To Add Value to our Customer Partnerships**
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*Regards, Dave Mac Sweeney, Boston Scientific*







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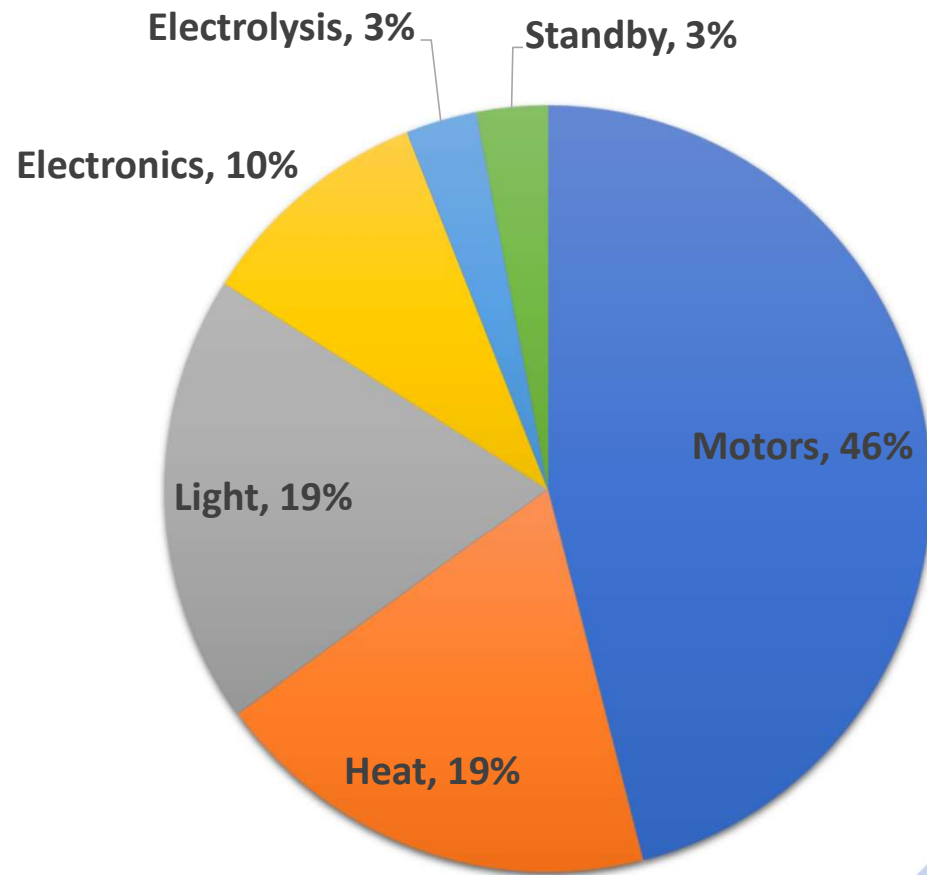
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# Global Electricity Consumption



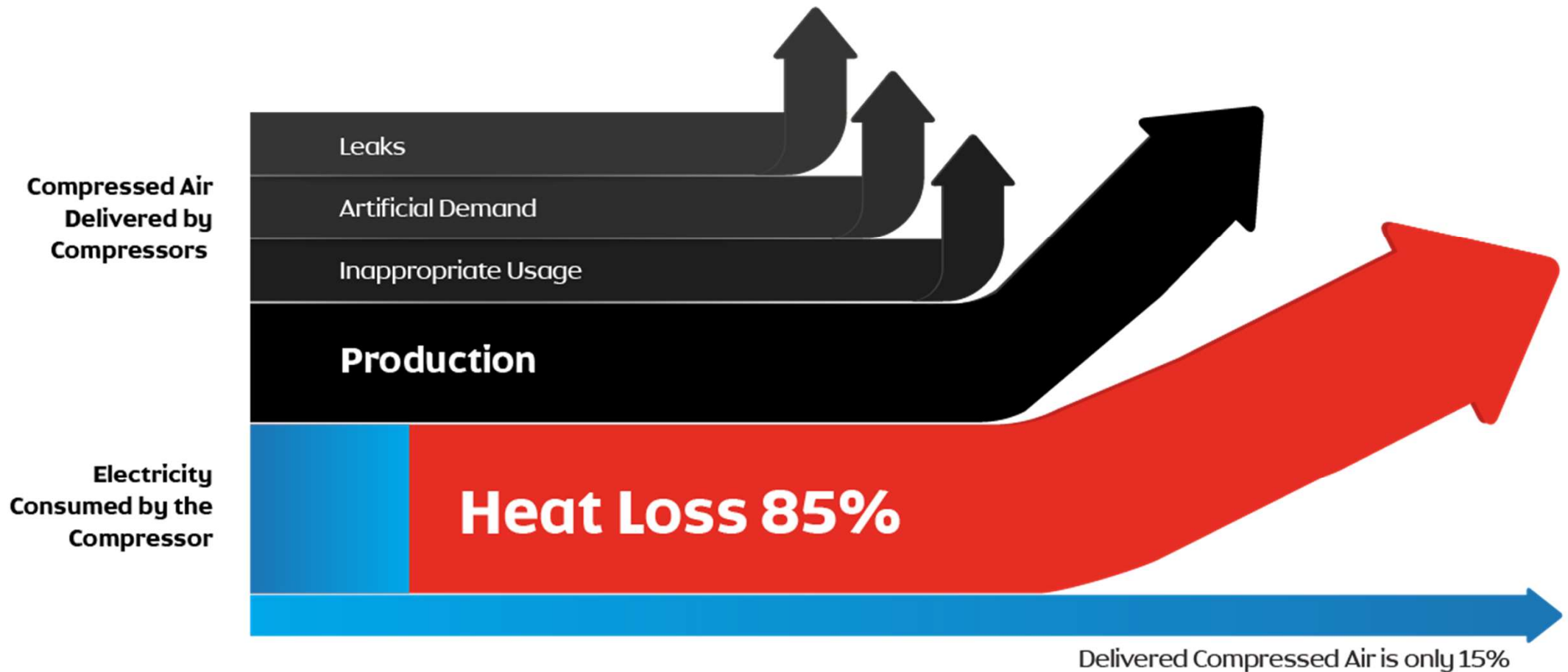




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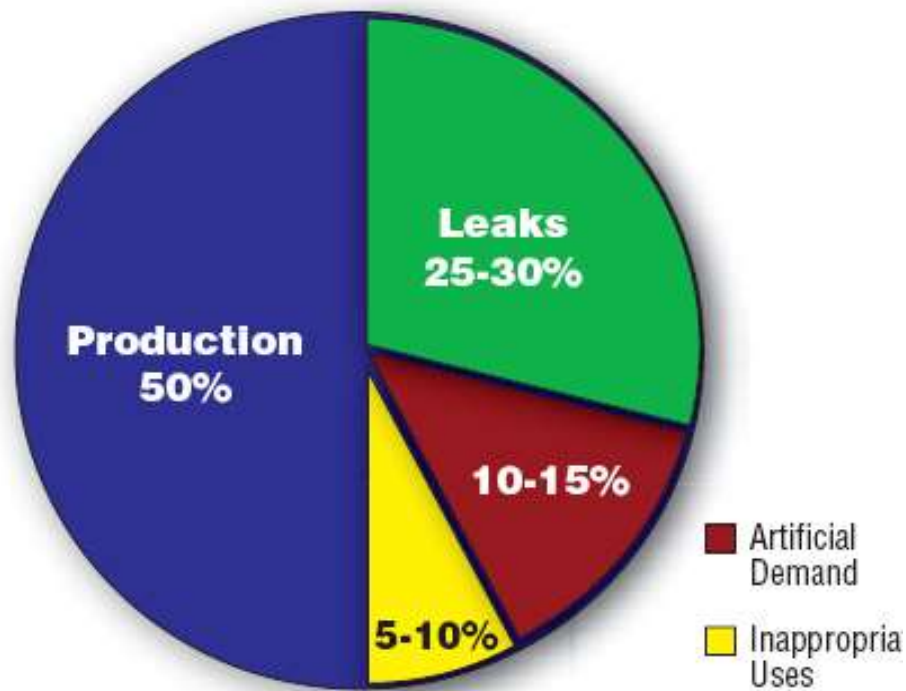


Are you aware that pneumatic systems waste up to 85% of energy and are only 10% -15% efficient?





# Air Leaks: A Hidden Cost – Up to 50% Energy Wasted



- The U.S. DOE estimates that air compressors use as much as 10% of all electricity generated in the United States.
- DOE calculates that as much as 50% of this energy is wasted.
- Compressed air leaks alone account for 25-30% of compressed air use.
- A non-audible leak costs approx. €530 per annum





## Identify Air Leaks: – A Hidden Cost!



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OPTIDRIVE™

## Eco Building Services Product Overview

0.75kW – 250kW / 1HP – 350HP  
200 – 600V Single & 3 Phase Input

IP20

IP66

IP55



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## Reduced Harmonic Distortion (THDI)

- Meets EN 61000-3-12 without external equipment

## Higher Input Power Factor

PW1

Ratio of Working Power  
( KW ) to Apparent  
Power ( Kilovolt  
Amperes - kVA )

## Improved Efficiency

## IE2, IE3, IE4 & IE5 Motor Control

## Improved Performance

## Dedicated Pump Control Features

## Added Flexibility



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**PW1**      Ratio of Working Power ( KW ) to Apparent Power ( Kilovolt Amperes - kVA )  
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# optibelt **RED POWER 3**

## WHY CHOOSE RED POWER?

- **MAINTENANCE-FREE:** Low-stretch cords and transverse fiber blended core eliminate the need for tensioning maintenance.
- **MORE POWER:** Transfers up to 50% more power than conventional belts.
- **MATCHED-SETS:** S=C Plus length tolerances that are much closer than industry accepted matched-set tolerances, regardless of the date manufactured.
- **SHOCK RESISTANT:** The power of aramid cord belts with the capacity to absorb shock loads.
- **INCREASED LIFE:** Dual wrapped to increase durability.
- **GREATER EFFICIENCY:** Up to 97% efficient at transferring power.
- **TEMPERATURE RANGE:** Increased ranges from -40 to 212°F
- **ANTI-STATIC:** Meets ISO 1813 requirements for being anti-static.
- **BACK-BEND:** Flex range accommodates difficult idler stress.



**RED POWER 3:**

THE FIRST AND ONLY MAINTENANCE-FREE V-BELT





# Optibelt Drive Efficiency Technologies



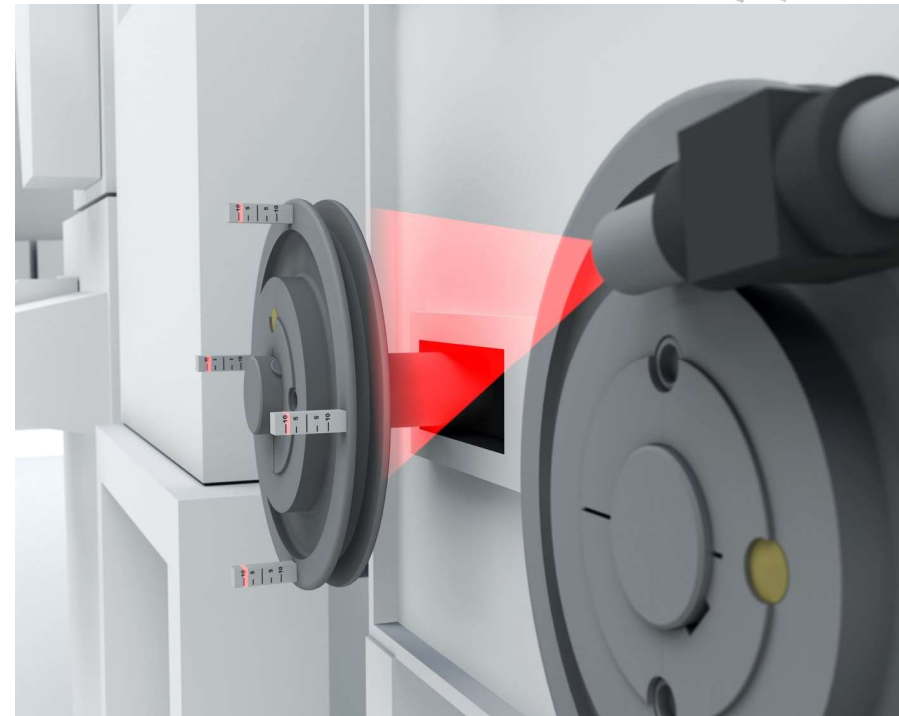


# Optibelt Laser Pointer II



## Benefits of the optibelt laser pointer II

- Long range
- Accurate projection  $< 0.5$  mrad parallelism to magnet face
- Ability to measure parallel and angular misalignment
- Easy to use alone





# Optibelt Laser Pointer II



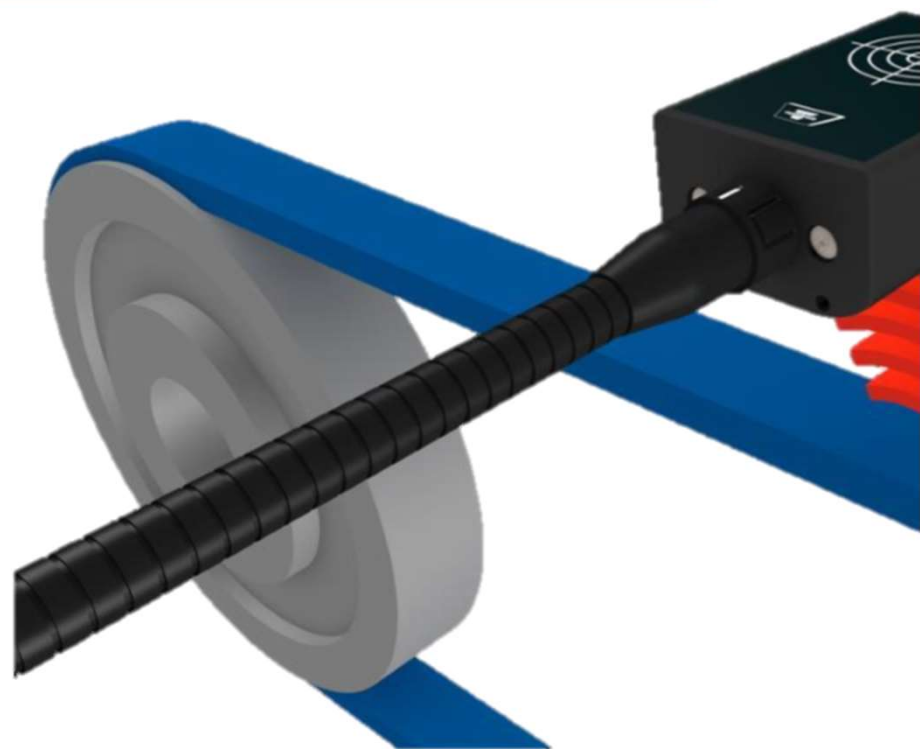
EMW FREQUENCY  
MEASURING METHOD  
UTILISES THE  
DOPPLER EFFECT



NOT EFFECTED BY  
LIGHT



NOT EFFECTED BY  
SOUND







# V BELTS – IMPORTANCE OF CORRECT INSTALLATION



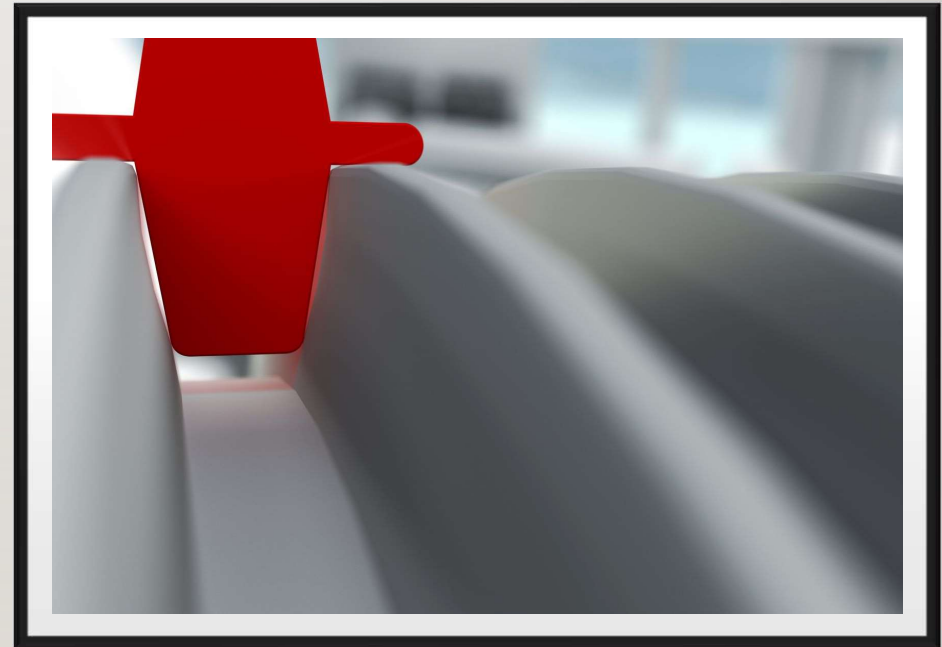
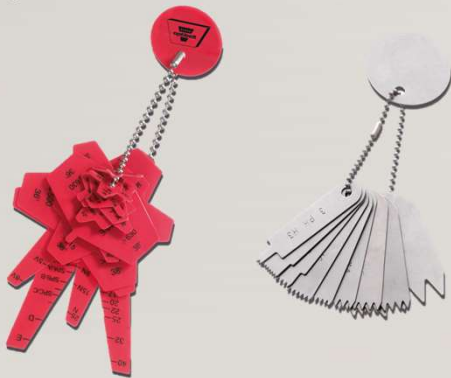
- Design Life of a good quality V-belt is 25,000 hrs (= 3 years 24/7)
- But Typically: 30% of drives only achieve 20% of potential life.
- 70% of drives achieve less than 50% of potential.
- Therefore, significant improvements are possible.
- Optibelt Red-Power V-belts can be 97% efficient
- But Typically, most V-belt drives run at 92% or as low as 82%
- How many Kw/hrs are transmitted by V-belts across your site?
- What does a minimum of 5% of this add up to in energy costs?

**Change Perception – Belts are an ASSET not a consumable**



## V PULLEYS – CHECK PULLEYS

- PULLEY WEAR IS A COMMON CAUSE OF PREMATURE BELT FAILURES AND SLIPPAGE
- EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup> BELT CHANGE EQUALS PULLEY CHANGE





# 22KW APPLICATION

Project Name

Currency

€ - Euro ▼

## Operating Factors

Motor Power (kW)

kWh Cost (€)

## Investment

New Optidrive Cost (€)

Installation Cost (€)

## Operating Profile

Hours per day



Days per week



Weeks per year





## Direct Online



### Annual Consumption

Consumption totals, using an Optidrive™ variable frequency drive (VFD) in comparison to Direct-on-line (DOL) motor control with flow regulation based on throttle valves or dampers.

	OPTIDRIVE™	DOL
Energy (kWh)	161568	158400
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	69	68
Electricity Cost	40392	39600

### Annual Savings

Energy (kWh)	- kWh
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	- (Tonnes)
Electricity Cost	- ( / month)

€6486

saved with Optidrive™



Payback period:

**6 Months**

Inverter Only

### Annual Consumption

Consumption totals, using an Optidrive™ variable frequency drive (VFD) in comparison to Direct-on-line (DOL) motor control with flow regulation based on throttle valves or dampers.

	OPTIDRIVE™	DOL
Energy (kWh)	130870	156816
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	56	67
Electricity Cost	€32718	€39204

### Annual Savings

Energy (kWh)	25946 kWh
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	11 (Tonnes)
Electricity Cost	€6486 (€541 / month)

€12419

saved with Optidrive™



Payback period:

**3 Months**

Inverter & RedPower

### Annual Consumption

Consumption totals, using an Optidrive™ variable frequency drive (VFD) in comparison to Direct-on-line (DOL) motor control with flow regulation based on throttle valves or dampers.

	OPTIDRIVE™	DOL
Energy (kWh)	102390	152064
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	44	65
Electricity Cost	€25597	€38016

### Annual Savings

Energy (kWh)	49674 kWh
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	21 (Tonnes)
Electricity Cost	€12419 (€1035 / month)





# 75KW APPLICATION



Project Name

Currency

## Operating Factors

Motor Power (kW)

kWh Cost (€)

## Investment

New Optidrive Cost (€)

Installation Cost (€)

## Operating Profile

Hours per day

Days per week

Weeks per year

€n/a

saved with Optidrive™

Payback period:

n/a

Inverter


### Annual Consumption

Consumption totals, using an Optidrive™ variable frequency drive (VFD) in comparison to Direct-on-line (DOL) motor control with flow regulation based on throttle valves or dampers.

	OPTIDRIVE™	DOL
Energy (kWh)	550800	540000
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	237	232
Electricity Cost	€137700	€135000

### Annual Savings

Energy (kWh)	0 kWh
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	n/a (Tonnes)
Electricity Cost	€n/a (€n/a / month)

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saved with Optidrive™

Payback period:

6 Months

Inverter



### Annual Consumption

Consumption totals, using an Optidrive™ variable frequency drive (VFD) in comparison to Direct-on-line (DOL) motor control with flow regulation based on throttle valves or dampers.

	OPTIDRIVE™	DOL
Energy (kWh)	446148	534600
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	192	230
Electricity Cost	€111537	€133650

### Annual Savings

Energy (kWh)	88452 kWh
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	38 (Tonnes)
Electricity Cost	€22113 (€1843 / month)

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€42336

saved with Optidrive™

Payback period:

3 Months

Inverter & RedPower



### Annual Consumption

Consumption totals, using an Optidrive™ variable frequency drive (VFD) in comparison to Direct-on-line (DOL) motor control with flow regulation based on throttle valves or dampers.

	OPTIDRIVE™	DOL
Energy (kWh)	349056	518400
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	150	223
Electricity Cost	€87264	€129600

### Annual Savings

Energy (kWh)	169344 kWh
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	73 (Tonnes)
Electricity Cost	€42336 (€3528 / month)

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Project Name: example

Currency: < EU Electricity cost per kWh: < 0.25 Motor rated power: 22 kW

#### Operating conditions

Hours per day: 24 Hours Days per week: 6 Days Weeks per year: 50 Weeks

Operating hours per year: 7200 Hours

#### Flow profile - operating time (%) at % rated flow:

Time at 30% flow: 0%	Time at 70% flow: 0%
Time at 40% flow: 0%	Time at 80% flow: 100%
Time at 50% flow: 0%	Time at 90% flow: 0%
Time at 60% flow: 0%	Time at 100% flow: 0%

Cost of new Optidrive: <2000

Cost of installation: <1000

Total cost of investment: <3000

#### Annual costs

	Original (DOL)	Original (new solution)	Annual savings	Monthly savings
Energy (kWh)	152064	102390	49674	4139
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	65	44	21	1
Electricity cost	<38016	<25597	<12419	<1035

Total cost of investment: <3000

Monthly savings: <1035

Payback period: 3 Months

**Note:** The calculations assume the use of throttle valves or mechanical dampers to achieve the flow profile entered for the DOL values, which provides a small reduction in the energy consumed. This attempts to put a realistic conservative value for the energy saved when using the Optidrive to achieve the same flow profile. If no flow regulation exists in the original application and a flow profile is entered in this calculation, noticeably higher savings than those indicated are very likely to be achieved which will shorten the payback period.

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Project Name: example

Currency: < EU Electricity cost per kWh: < 0.25 Motor rated power: 75 kW

#### Operating conditions

Hours per day: 24 Hours Days per week: 6 Days Weeks per year: 50 Weeks

Operating hours per year: 7200 Hours

#### Flow profile - operating time (%) at % rated flow:

Time at 30% flow: 0%	Time at 70% flow: 0%
Time at 40% flow: 0%	Time at 80% flow: 100%
Time at 50% flow: 0%	Time at 90% flow: 0%
Time at 60% flow: 0%	Time at 100% flow: 0%

Cost of new Optidrive: <10000

Cost of installation: <1000

Total cost of investment: <11000

#### Annual costs

	Original (DOL)	Original (new solution)	Annual savings	Monthly savings
Energy (kWh)	518400	349056	169344	14112
CO <sub>2</sub> (Tonnes)	223	150	73	6
Electricity cost	<129600	<87264	<42336	<3528

Total cost of investment: <11000

Monthly savings: <3528

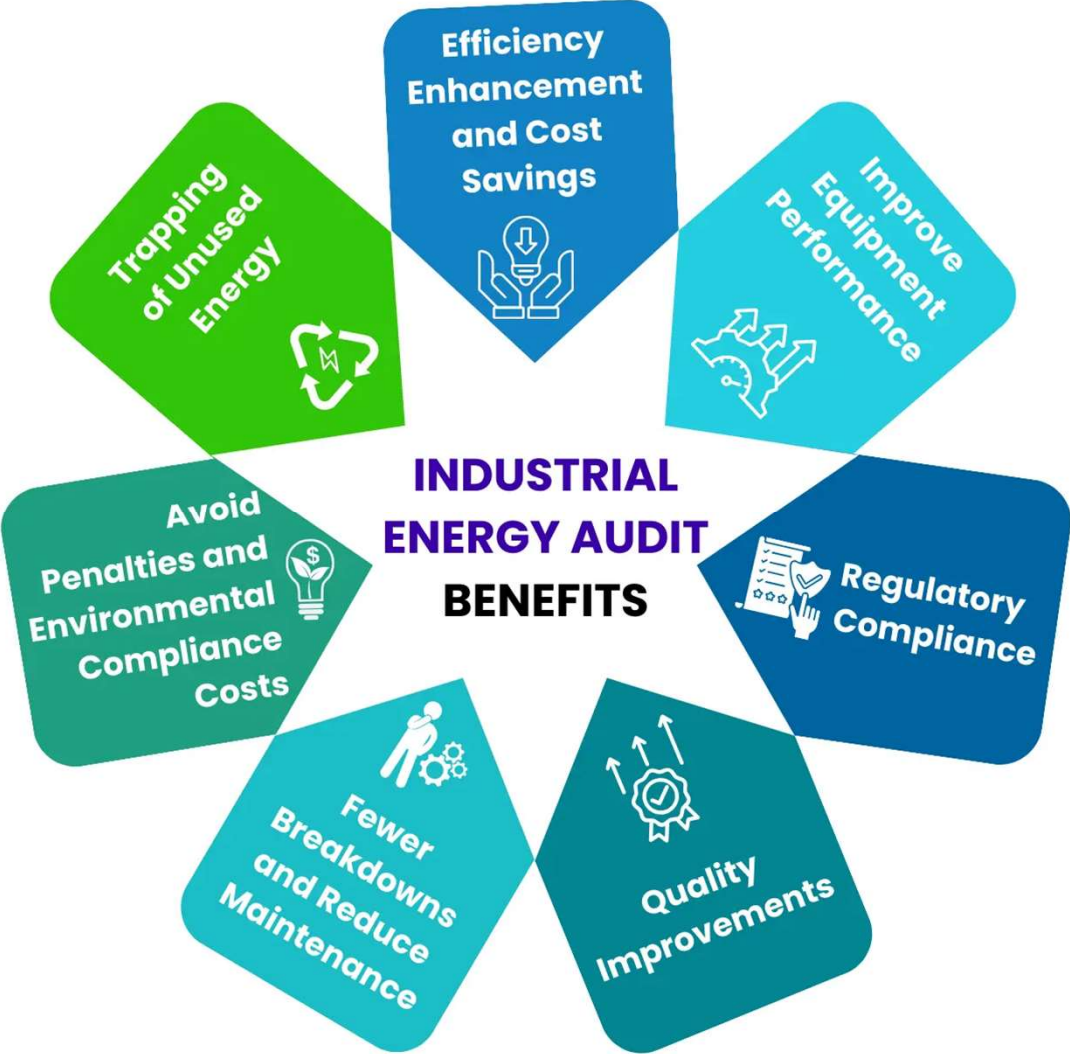
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# Free Energy Audit On Your Applications







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