Energy Efficiency Management for Metalworking Manufactured

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Abstract: This paper present the problematics of energy efficiency improving in metalworking manufactured based on energy management. Energy management has the goal to maximize energy efficiency. This purpose involve the systematic application of techniques and procedures developed and improved over the last years. In a first stoe, the action is to analyse the energy consumption. In the subsequent phase, in charge of energy at the perimeter analysed take the lead and directs actions seeking energy saving target.

There are introduced some aspects to obtain improving an efficiency energy by few procedures including the replacement of energy consumers by the perspective of energy management. Is important to obtain a new value of energy consume, smaller than before the study, with the same value of products and the same quality.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Increased energy efficiency in a production capacity, which are carried out a profitable activity in an organized manner, it is a requirement that lead from the need generalize, the activity maximum benefit to the person who have invested money to start them. The production capacity represents the analysed contour in energetic sense.

Energy costs, also known-energy bill-as a generic name, constitute a part of total expenditure involved to smooth away of the work performed inside contour analysis. These costs represents all the financial effort for the purchase and/or production inside the countour of all forms of energy required in manufacturing processes of the final products. Reduce their value lead to decrease the total costs, helps to increase the profits obtained.[1],[2]

It is generally considered that an activity is more energy efficient that the energy losses inventoried at inside of contours which it operates that are smaller.

Energy costs represent an important element in the structure cost of the majority products resulting from production processes. Reducing energy consumption leads finally lowering production costs and implicit the product competitiveness increase on the market.[3]

Increasing energy efficiency in an industrial application requires to apply with conviction, consistency and professionalism techniques and procedures of the energy management.[4]

Energy management in consumer follows capitalizing maximum energy efficiency entrances in various forms in an organized way in the given contour.

Proper application of procedures of energy management requires knowledge in depth and specificity activities that are monitoring, including each of the flows of energy that have entered into and emerged from contour and establishing links between them, also.[5],[6]

Analysis of energy efficiency in a given contour begins by specifying the criteria quantitative and qualitative power supply of activities in contour respectively:[7]

• Determination of the nature of energy carriers entering the contour of the balance sheet;
• Determining the order of magnitude of consumption for each category energy carrier.

The main measures the energy efficiency of industrial processes are:[8]

• continuous monitoring of energy consumption and technological parameters systems measuring and control performance;
• retrofitting of old production lines with new technologies, clean, low-input energy and high productivity;
• automation of industrial processes;
• reduce heat loss in soil, air and the environment;
• reutilisation secondary energy resources by using them primarily processes technology;
• heat production equipment performance, emissions and fuel low exhaust;
• preparing contracts for electricity supply at advantageous tariffs according to hourly load curves;
• efficient lighting installations and providing quality lighting at places work, depending on specific requirements processes;
• sizing motors in accordance with required load and using modern devices, control and adjustment of power motors;
• create local cogeneration installations for simultaneous energy production electrical and heating costs low.

The overall structure of the study takes the form of five sections, including the introductory section. Sections II, III, and IV presents the metalworking
manufactured from economical point of view first, and then consumes of different energies in the production process. Section V presents a case study on the energy management in the metalworking manufactured. Finally, the conclusion gives a brief summary of the energy management.

II. METALWORKING MANUFACTURED PRESENTATION

The company analysed in this study is a small company with based activity in metal working manufactured. The products of company are in domains like: steel buildings, industrial scales, components for cranes.

![Figure 1](Evolution of production 2013-2015 period)

![Figure 2](Evolution of turnover 2013-2015 period)

![Figure 3](Evolution of productivity in 2013-2015 period)

It is observed that the production’s evolution has an ascendent trend but, the productivity decreased because the number of employments increased since 2013. The turnover evolution has the good evolution.

III. DESCRIPTION OF ENERGY CONSUME CONTOUR

The energy consumers are represent in principal by the manufacturing equipments, heating and lighting sources. Production hall are organized in a few production workshops.

Production workshops are:
- mechanical workshop
- pressing workshop
- welding workshop
- cutting workshop
- joint workshop

The economic operator has a single block measuring electricity for the production hall and the administrative building.

The annual quantities of electricity consumption, respectiv of active, reactive inductive, reactive capacitive and fuels are shown in figure 4.

![Figure 4](Structure of energy consume)

The main share in the structure of energy consumption is the active energy with 49% of total energy consumption and reactive but notice that has a high proportion, particularly capacitive reactive energy. Also, the fuel consumption has an important value, 39% of total energy consumption.

3.1 Description of the evolution of energy consumption

The types of energy consumption are presented in figures 5, 6, 7 and 8.

3.1.1 Electrical energy

It is observed an increase in consumption of electricity every year since production growth and provision of equipment and devices used in metal production.
Monthly electricity consumption of the economic operator is not constant depending on the production level and the outside temperature.

3.1.2 Fuel consume

Fuel consume are presented in figure 9, the bigger consume are in July and June giving in consideration the level of production.

Consumers fuel vehicles are passenger and freight transport.

3.2 Energy efficiency, specific consumption

The energy efficiency of energy use depends on the metallic, primarily sorto-types and sizes of manufactured products, technical equipment and not least the involvement of management in optimizing energy consumption by applying energy recovery solutions.

The evolution of specific consumes are presented in figures 10,11,12.
IV. ENERGY MANAGEMENT

The economic operator is small, having no requirement under law, to perform energy audits did not carry out such an audit. However attaches great importance to energy efficiency taking the follows measure:

- lowering energy consumption are a priority for this;
- has a responsible with energy consumptions and so on;
- conducting periodic reviews of the machines so that they operate optimally without additional energy consumption;
- descent lighting in production halls by replacing other high performance lamps in terms of energy consumption;
- replacing old machines with new ones with higher energy efficiency.

Within the company are recorded all costs including energy consumption. All staff have access to specialized information on energy efficiency.

There are communication inside the company between technologists and specialists in charge of energy so that energy resources are used efficiently.

Company management has tried to reduce consumption per tonne of product by a coherent investment and in accordance with the new EU rules so you get quality products at low cost and more competitive.

In the economic operator, through its management, are constantly looking for new ways to save electricity.

Machine operators are trained and monitored so that machinery to be operated in optimal conditions and with cost saving, reduce their operating times in regime-load operation.[9]

Monthly reports are prepared for all expenses incurred spare parts, labor and other expenses of maintenance of machinery. The company has an integrated management system and ERP technology.

Periodically do awareness campaigns for employees to save various forms of energy.

If investments are selected equipment, especially depending on the efficiency and the ability to recover the investment in a short time.

V. CASE STUDY

5.1. Objectives

After conducting analysis of electricity bills and the process technology, solutions identified have resulted in a plan of action some of them are:

- replacement heating plant with heat pump;
- capacitive reactive energy compensation;
- optimal power factor compensation;
- the operation of variable speed motors;

The study aims specifically:

- Reducing electricity consumption by replacing heating plant used for industriale spaces heating and offices with a heat pump.
- Reducing power losses by using reactive capacitive reactance coils.

5.2. Technical data

To determine electricity recovered is necesar to use the data from bills electricity from one year.

- Electric energy is inductive reactive: 6458 kVArh / year

Figure 10 Evolution energy efficiency of electricity-active energy

Figure 11 Evolution of specific consume of reactive energy-inductive

Figure 12 Evolution of specific consume of fuel

[Image: Diagrams showing evolution of energy consumption over years]
Electricity is capacitive reactive: 20034 kVArh /
year

The amount of energy recovered is dependent on
the achieved production direct proportional and is
modifying with operating conditions of machines.

5.3. The installation of reactive power compensation

Given the loss of power capacitive reactive energy
data there are two options:

- The first is to reconfigure cables switching power
supply machinery;
- Second is to compensate energy entering the
electrical circuit reactance.

Reconfiguring coupling power supply cables can
lead to significant reduction of capacitive reactive
energy bill payment and amortization immediate
investment. It is a simple solution that does not require
an investment important but which may contribute
siginicantly improve economic efficiency.

If the first option does not have the expected
results the second consists of using coils reactors
calculated from the amount of capacitive reactive
power to be compensated.

5.4. The current situation of power supply hall

Due to increased capacitive reactive energy losses
represent losses due to cable length cables on the one
hand, and on the other hand due cabling works on the
hall walls or metal- columns of the hall.

Another factor which led to increased capacitive
reactive power is the great length of cables by
installing them from the general electrical panel to
ceiling and lowering them to the machines.

It appeared on an increase capacitive reactive
power supplied by the capacitor mounted to
compensate power factor as is required by the operator
of electricity distribution.

Inductive reactive power compensation is achieved
with a battery of capacitors totaling 130 kVAr. The
first level of compensation is 2.5 kVAr.

A cable presents a complex system of capacities,
referred to as partial capacities, among the various
metal conductors and between each conductor and the
element taken as reference potential, which can be the
metal sheath and/or the external environment. For this
reason, the apparent capacity of a cable depends on
the type of construction of the cable, the presence of the
screens, the material from which the reinforcement is
made and the result of combining the partial capacity.

Capacitive reactive power is presented in equation 1.

\[ Q_c = B_0 U^2 \text{[VAr]} \]  

(1)

Where,
- \( B_0 \) is susceptance of cable;
- \( U \) is rated voltage.

Capacitive reactive energy consumption is due to
the wiring cables. This consumption does not depend
on the load but depends on the square of voltage and
has two big disadvantages:

- increases the value of electrical energy bill;
- increases the value of voltage in cable.

The equipment of power factor compensation will
operate in an automate mode so, always follow
capacitive reactive energy consumption.

When designing equipment will take into account
the reactive energy consumption last year and some
technical considerations such as:

- limit the growing tension on bars connection of the
reactors, less than 3%;
- technical characteristics and inductance of the coils;
- breaking power of contactors;
- transient maximum current to the battery connection
(which should be supported and breakers of the
existing cells);
- setting protections.

Capacitive reactive power to be compensated is
between limits:

- \( Q_{cmin} = 4 \text{kVAr} \)
- \( Q_{cmax} = 20 \text{kVAr} \)

As a consequence, there would be an offset in
stoes starting by using a total of five coils 4 kVA.
Power factor is: \( \cos= 0.92 \) \( \phi \) considered neutral.

5.5 Energy recovered

Energy recovery is estimated about:

- 2.15 toe/year by replacement heating plant with
heat pump;
- 1.6 toe/year capacitive reactive, given the
adjustment in compensation of the installation stoes

![Figure 13 Economy resulting from the proposed measures](image-url)
After the energy efficiency management program was applied the metalworking manufactured has a 3.75 toe/year energy recovered.

CONCLUSION

The economic operator results in an energy saving are 25% of the total electricity used.

National Ageny of Energy has a requirement in legislation regarding target to reduce the energy consume with 20% until 2020. The metalworking manufactured, with a small consume has a role in targeting this country objective.

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