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## 15 Years Experience in the Field of Landfill Gas

Disposal, Standards, Problems,  
solutions, and Procedures

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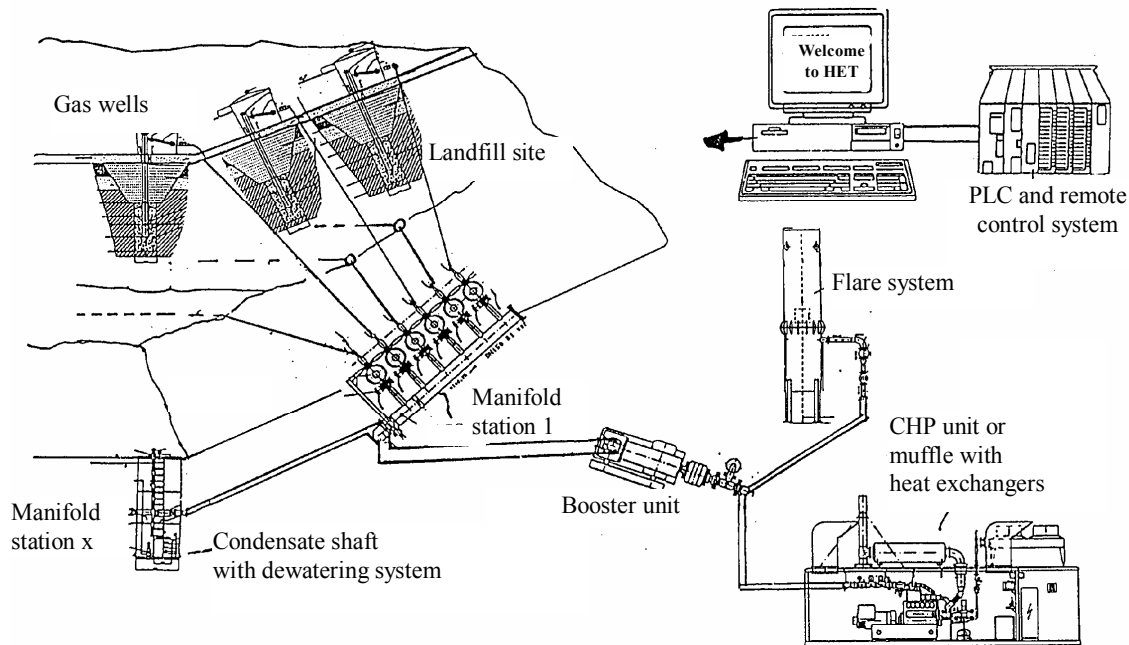
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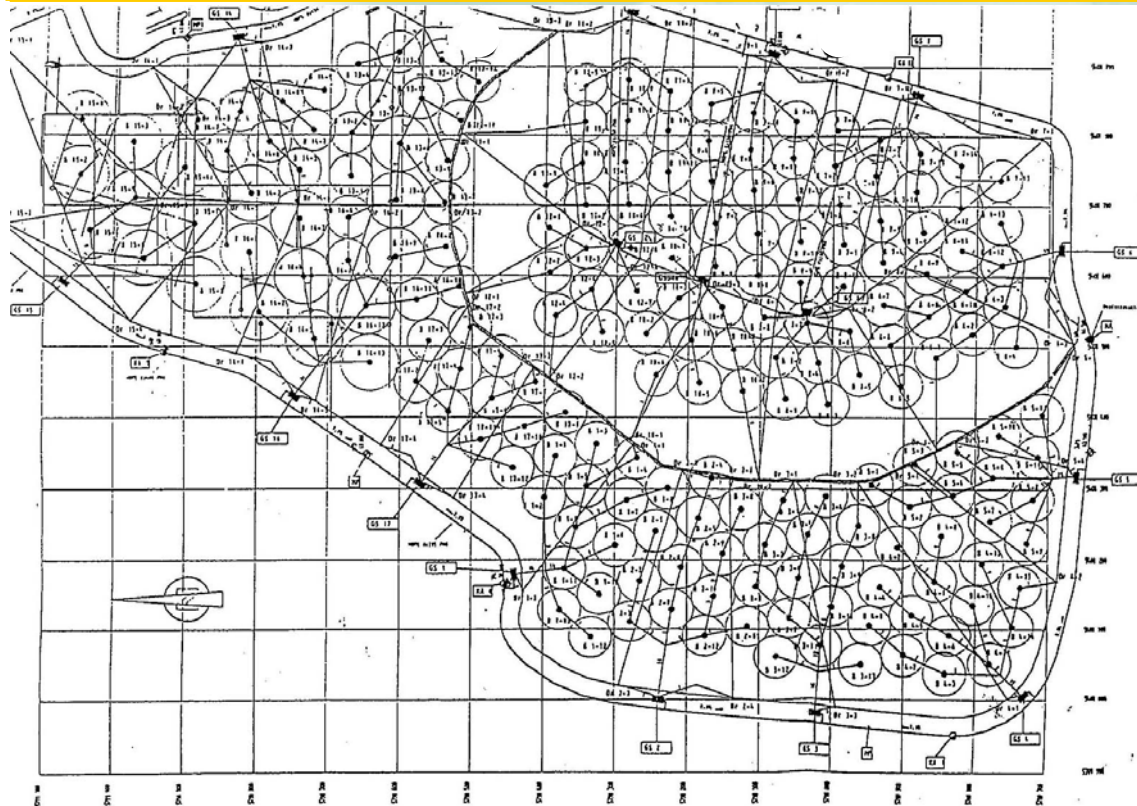
# Landfill gas extraction system



## ■ Components:

- Gas wells
- Gas pipes
- Condensate shafts
- Gas manifold stations
- Booster stations
- Flares
- CHP units
- Telecontrol system

# Overview: Landfill site



■ Gas extraction system

# Gas prognosis: Data

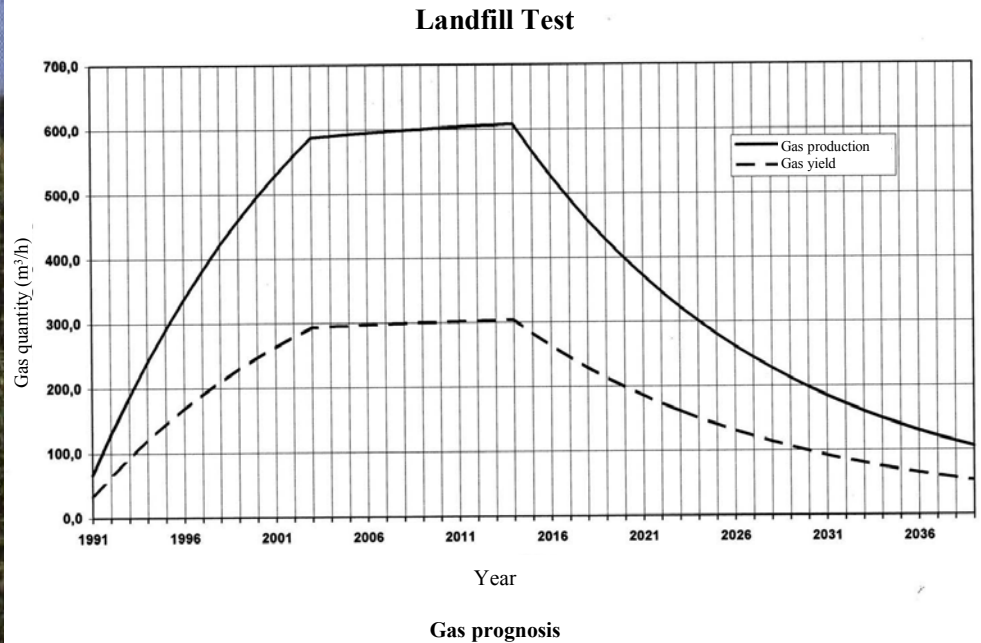


Mobile booster unit with flare

Kostenlose Prognose zum Testen – Free Test Prognosis	
<b>Deponieangaben zur Erstellung einer Gasprognose:</b> <b>Specification of landfill conditions for predicting landfill gas generation:</b>	
<b>Standort der Deponie (Name, Adresse, Land etc.):</b> <b>Location of the landfill site (name, address, country ....):</b>	
Einbaubeginn (Verfüllung): Start of landfill operation:	
Einbauende: End of landfill operation:	
Einbaumenge pro Jahr: Landfill waste p. a. (tonnes/a) [m <sup>3</sup> /a]:	
<b>Zusammensetzung des eingelagerten Mülls (Müllsorten in % oder t):</b> <b>Composition of landfilled waste (type of residues in % or t):</b>	
Hausmüll: MSW (municipal solid waste):	
Sperrmüll: Bulky refuse:	
Bauschutt: Rubble, demolition waste:	
Organischer Müll: Organic waste:	
Hausmüllähnlicher Gewerbeabfall: Ordinary industrial residues (similar to MSW):	
Produktspezifischer Gewerbeabfall: Industrial residues from production processes:	
Klärschlamm & Straßenekehricht: Sewage sludge & road sweepings:	
Sonstiges Abfälle: Other waste:	
Basisabdichtung: ? Ja ? Nein: Landfill bottom liner: ? Yes ? No:	
Oberflächenabdichtung: ? Ja ? Nein: Surface sealing/Landfill cap: ? Yes ? No:	
Dünnschichtimbau (ab wann): Thin layer compaction (since ...):	

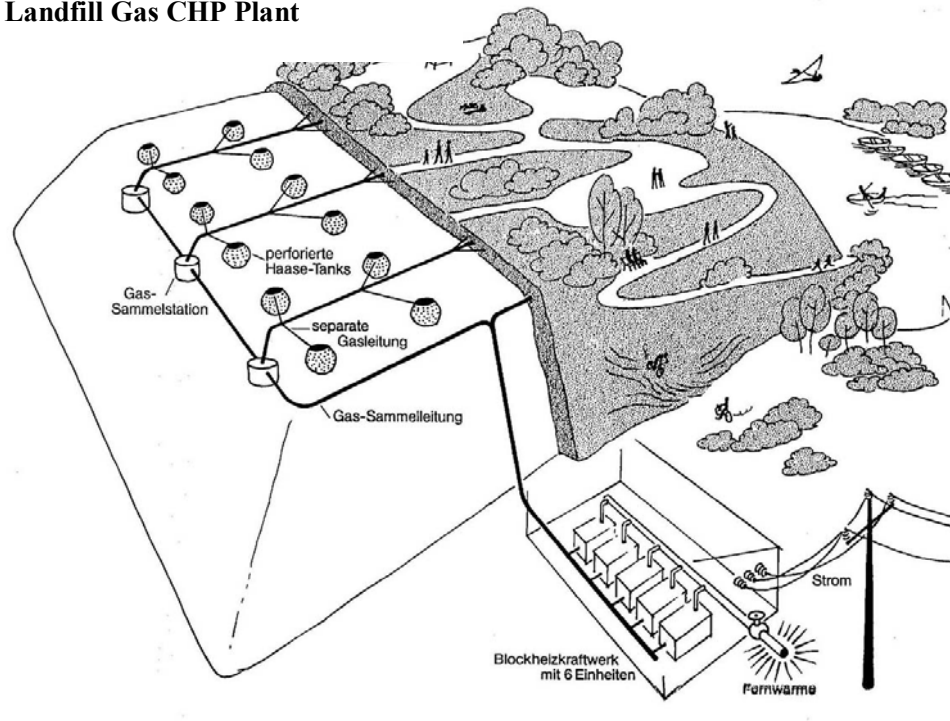
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Introduction

# Gas prognosis: Results



# Pioneer project: Neumuenster landfill site, 1984

Landfill Gas CHP Plant

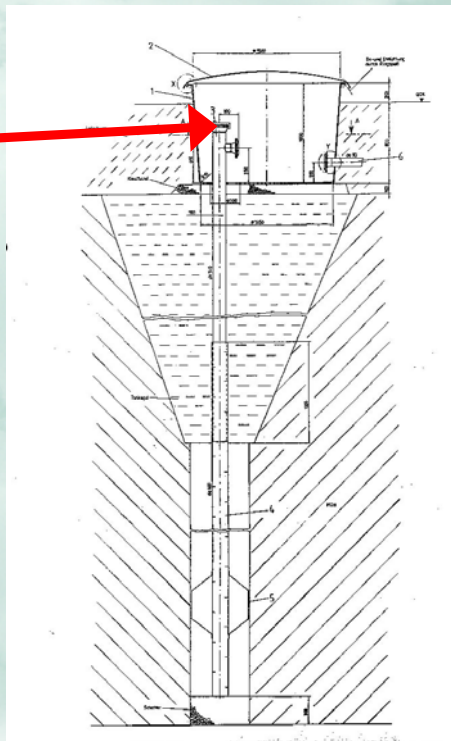


## Historic gas wells



- Gas wells:  
Learning by  
experience

## Today's gas wells



■ Gas wells:  
State-of-the-art



## Gas wells: Good and bad examples



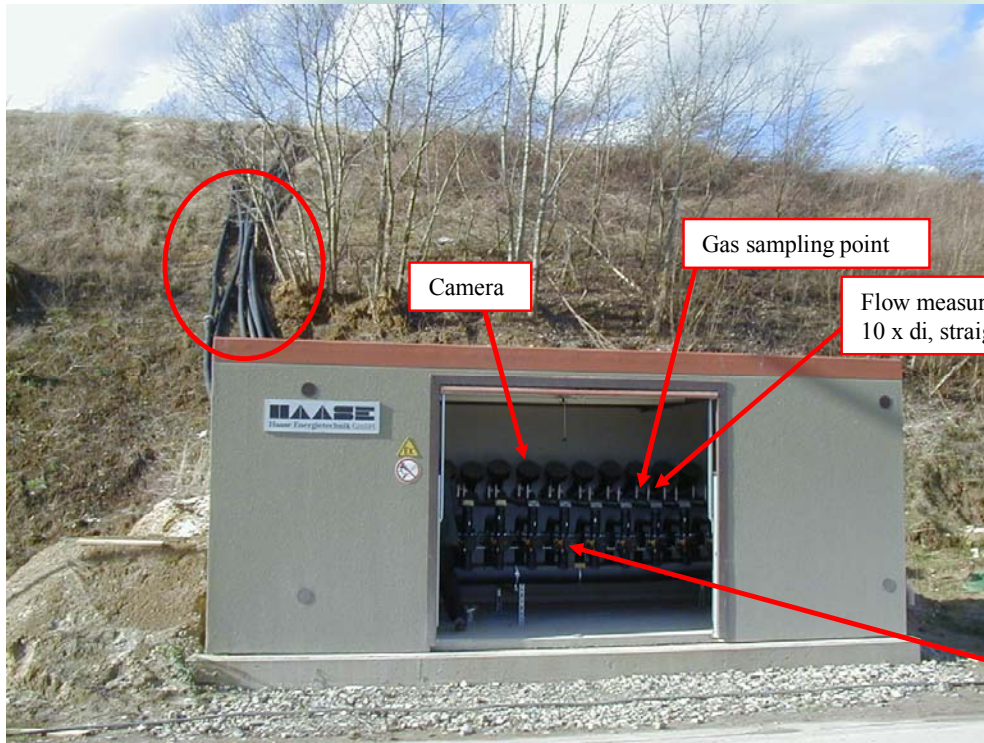
- Gas wells: extract gas and transfer it to the manifold station

## Pipelines below ground level



- Pipe connections from the individual gas wells to the manifold station:
- Pipes below ground level = no movements

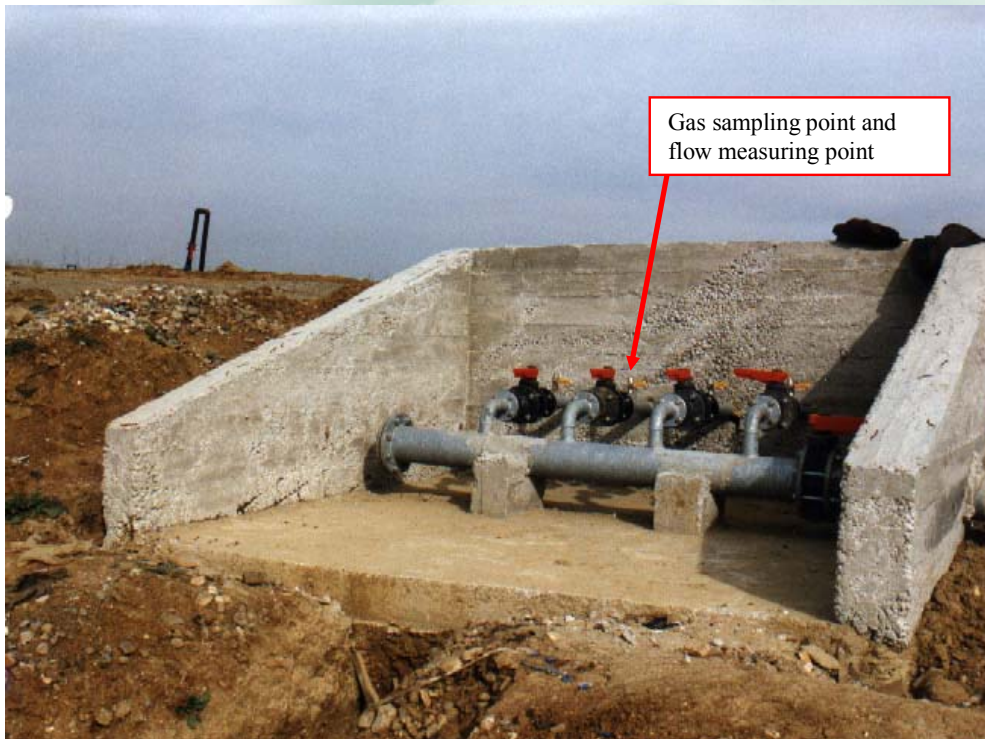
## Pipelines above ground level



- Pipes above ground level:
  - cheap
  - movements, problems caused by condensate

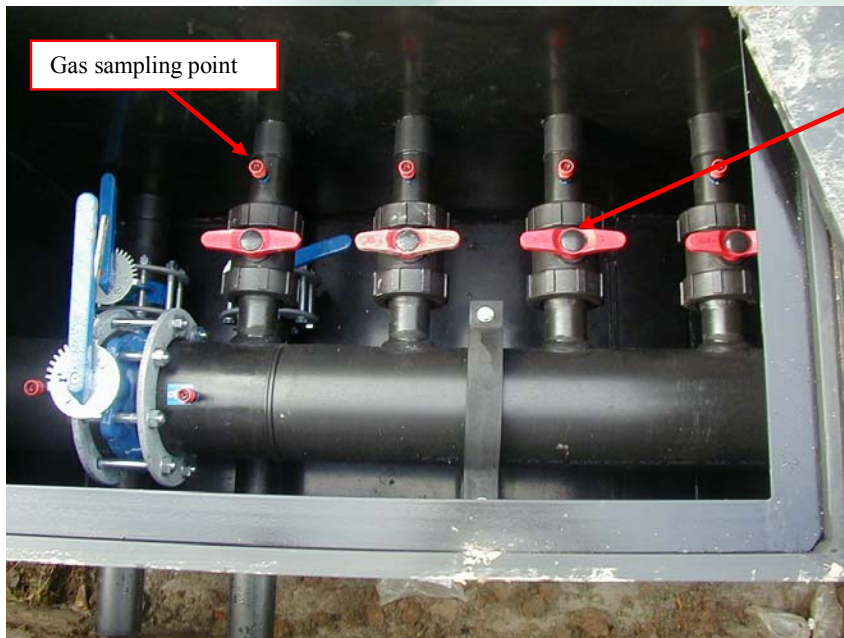
Valves in vertical position:  
corrosion!

## Gas manifold station (open)



- cheap
- no weather protection: frost, rain ...

## Gas manifold station (underground)

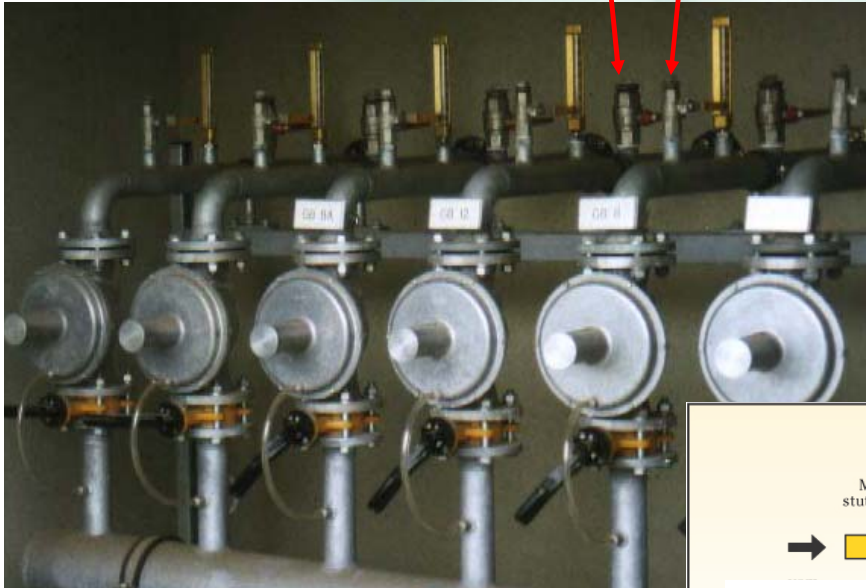


- Manual butterfly valves:
  - axes are not vertical = corrosion and other problems caused by condensate and frost
- No flow measuring points
- No bellows
- **Monitoring and optimizing of the gas flow is impossible**

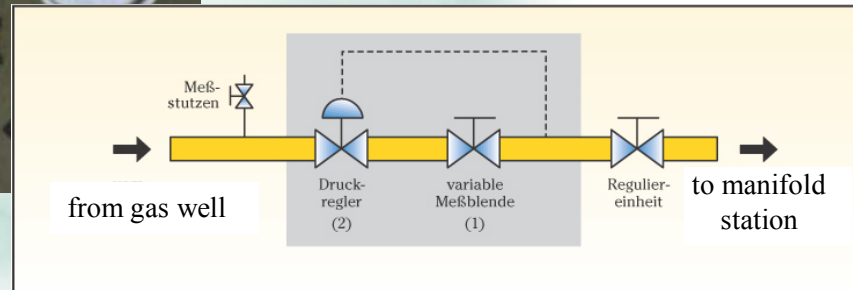
# Dewatering of gas pipelines (Haase patent)

Flow measuring point

Gas sampling point



- Pressure-controlled dewatering system in between manifold station and gas well



## Monitoring of gas pipelines

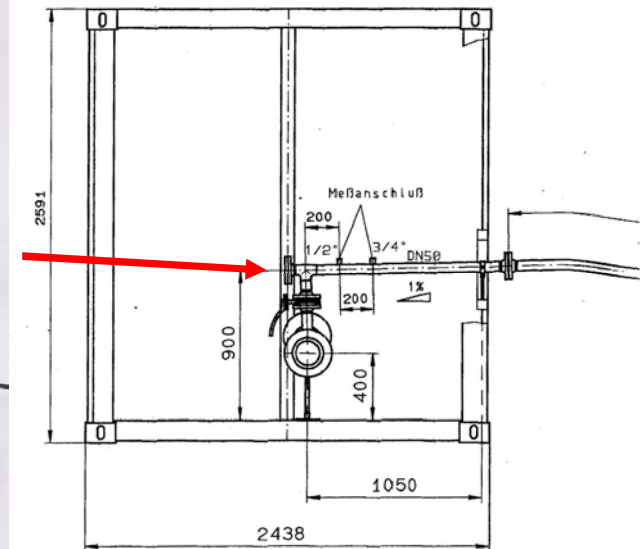


- Manifold station:  
Automatic device  
for pressure-controlled  
dewatering of gas pipelines

## Video inspection of gas pipelines

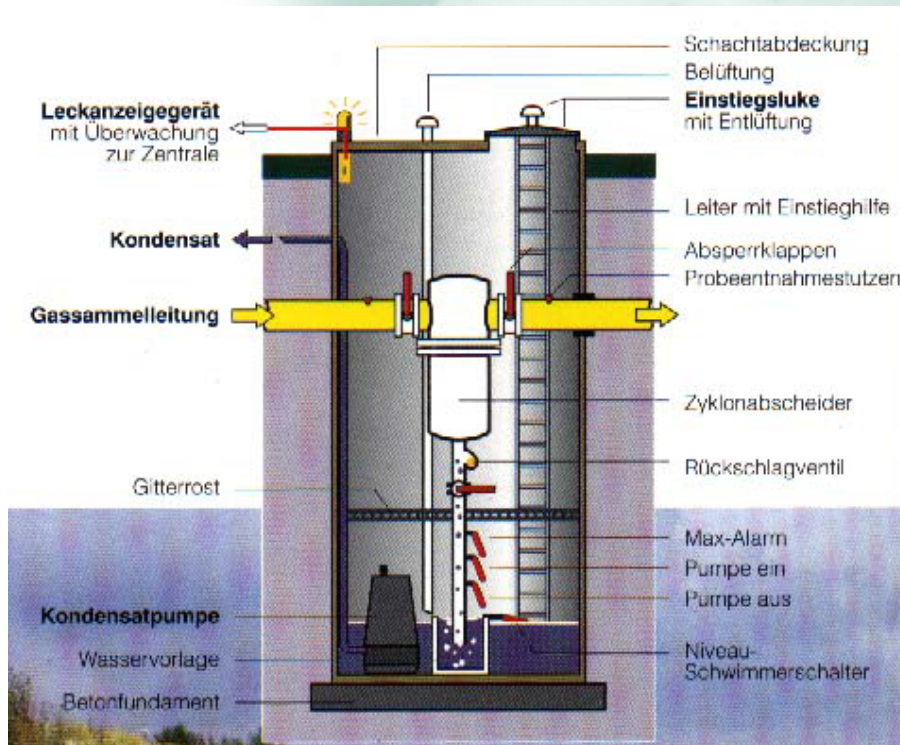


- Camera system for remote controlled video inspection of gas pipelines





# Condensate shaft



- Condensate shaft with cyclone

## Open booster units (England)



- Cheap, easy to handle
- Centrifugal booster
- Skid-mounted booster system
- Roots booster
- Higher efficiency on power request

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Booster systems

## Landfill gas plants



- Llandullas, Wales:  
Booster in ISO container and  
prefabricated concrete buildings



- Wilnecote, England:  
Booster in ISO Container  
and CHP system

## Flares: Simple solution versus state-of-the-art



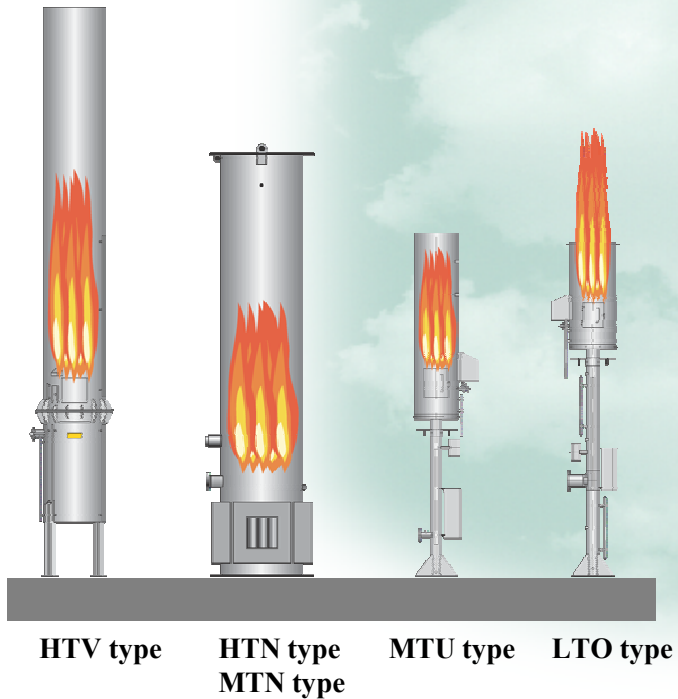
### ■ Left: Simple solution

- open combustion, low temperature, does not meet emission standards

### ■ Right: State-of-the-art

- closed combustion, high temperature, TA-Luft standard
- A: 1.000 m<sup>3</sup>/h  
B: 350 m<sup>3</sup>/h
- According to the manufacturers, both flares have the same retention time. (???)

# Flare types



- **HTV type**
  - High temperature combustion with air ventilator
- **HTN type**
  - High temperature combustion with natural ventilation
- **MTN type**
  - Medium temperature combustion with natural ventilation
- **MTU type**
  - Medium temperature combustion, uninsulated
- **LTO type**
  - Low temperature combustion with open combustion

## High temperature flares in England



- These flares meet the new stringent UK emission standards

	TA-Luft	UK Guidelines
<b>NO<sub>x</sub></b>	200 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	150 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>CO</b>	100 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	50 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Temp.</b>	1,200°C	1,000°C

(Reference 3% O<sub>2</sub> by vol. in exhaust gas)

## What's wrong?



■ Left:  
Happe-Chappois,  
Belgium

■ Right:  
Italy

Heat exchanger

## Sophisticated burner system



■ Burner system



■ Special insulation



## Stationary CHP unit



- City of Luebeck, Germany:  
Gas engines with heat exchanger

## Gas utilization



- CHP unit, skid-mounted at Withnell, UK



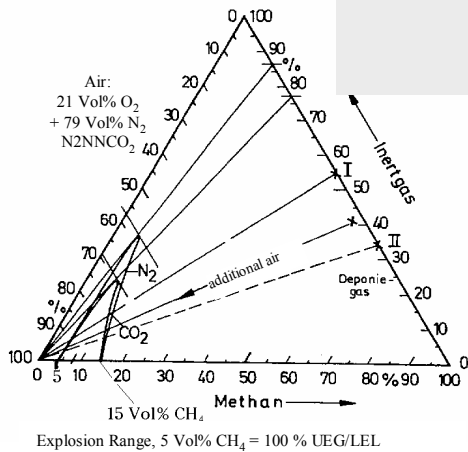
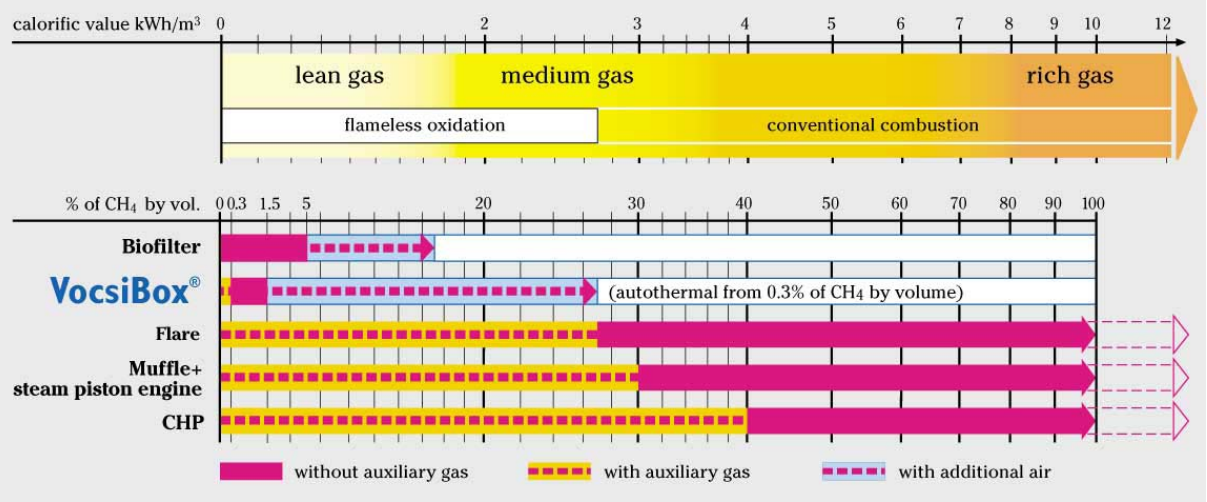
- Muffle at Alsdorf, Germany

## CHP container unit



- Brescia, Italy
- ISO container,  
width 250/300cm

# Operation range of gas utilization facilities



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Landfill gas utilization

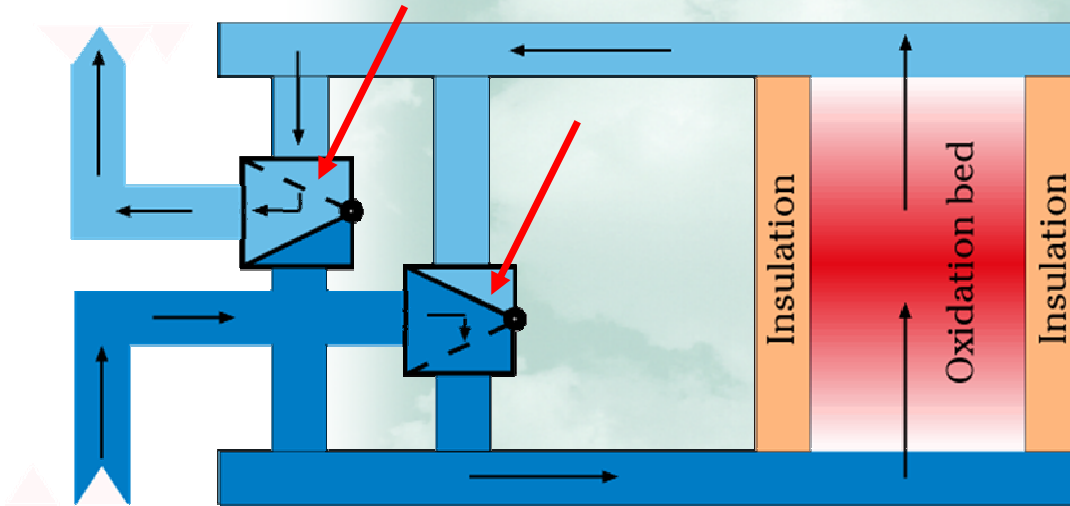
# Haase VocsiBox®



- Utilization of low calorific gas
- Left: Cruxton, UK
- Right: Hanover, Germany
- Costs per Mg (t) CO<sub>2</sub>-reduction approx. 5 – 7 Euros based on 10 years operation and CH<sub>4</sub>/CO<sub>2</sub> Global warming potential: 25 based on Bouwmann, A.F.

## Reversing the direction of the flow

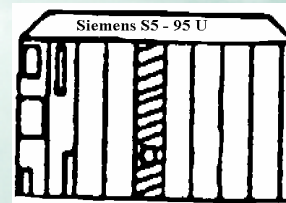
**Exhaust gas**



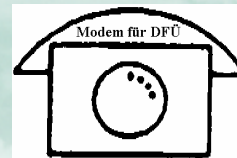
**Gas supply**

- When the direction of flow is reversed the reaction bed will act as a heat exchanger.

## Relax: Remote control makes it easy



■ Haase Telecontrol System



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