

#### Overview of Cogeneration Facility



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- Founded in 1878
- 50 acre campus
- Approx. 4 million total building square footage



### **Energy Center History**

- Duquesne signed an agreement with NORESCO, after facing several challenges:
  - Aging equipment
  - Environmental issues
  - Energy costs
- The partnership with NORESCO addressed these by developing the Energy Center and using the most advanced technology.



### **Energy Center History - Cont.**

- Duquesne University and NORESCO entered into a 15 year contract Feb. 1996
- Start of construction was Feb. 1997
- Facility in Operation November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1997
- Project cost was approximately \$9.6 million with NORESCO financing \$4.5 million over the life of the contract
- Off balance sheet financing

#### Relationship With Local Utilities

- At the time, Duquesne Light Co. had no independent customer energy generation. This concept was fairly new to them.
- Much effort went into the process from start to finish.
- The University had to adhere to interconnection regulations.
- Led to creation of Rider 16 which is back up power supply to non-utility generators.
- Relationship over time has improved and led to adjustment of Rider 16.

### **Energy Center Equipment**

- 5MW Solar Tarus 60 natural gas fired turbine
- 25,000 lb./hr. waste heat boiler (125 psi)
- Natural gas compressor 15 to 235 psi
- Condensate receiver and boiler feed water system for new and existing boilers
- Utility electric interconnect breaker/relay system
- Existing electric system upgrade
- Electronic control package for co-gen and existing boilers

#### **Energy Center Equipment - cont.**

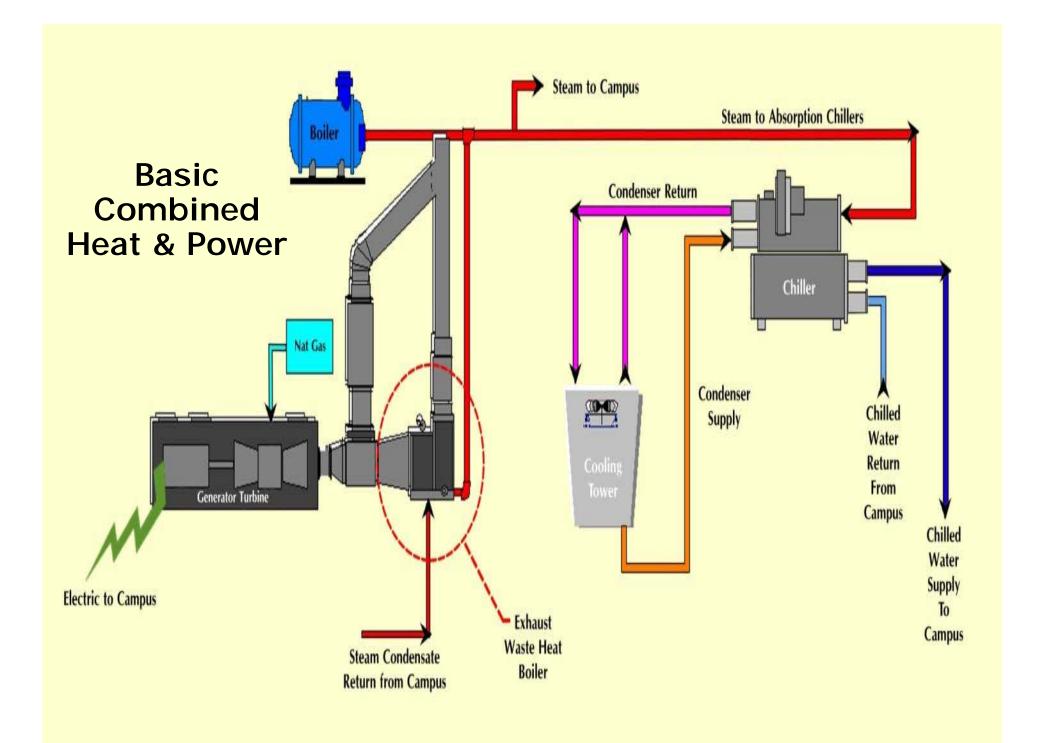
- Two (2) 750 ton 2 stage absorption chiller
- One (1) 1000 ton 2 stage absorption chiller
- Approx. 4,000 feet of 18 inch to 6 inch chilled water campus supply and return distribution piping and controls
- Two (2) 150 HP chilled water pumps
- Two (2) 250 HP condenser water pumps
- Four (4) cooling tower cells to handle 2,500 tons
- Internal plant chilled water and condenser water piping and controls
- Complete electric and control system

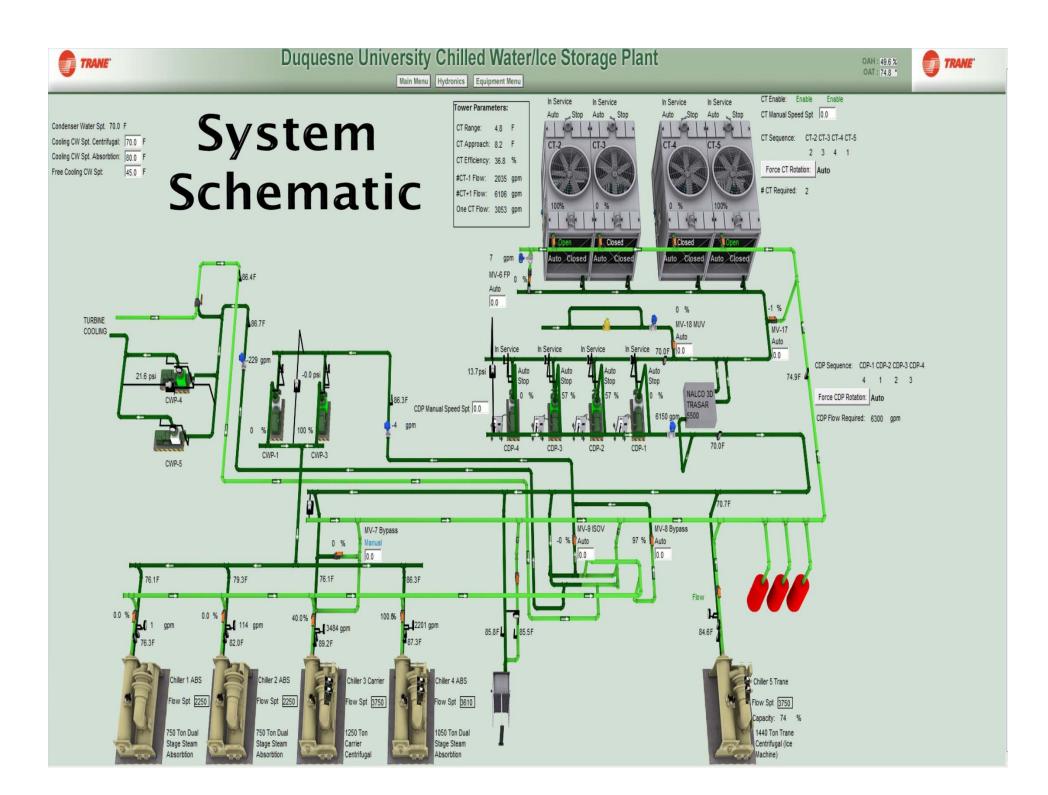
### **Design Scheme**

- Generator to run in parallel with Duquesne Light.
- Not intended to furnish all electric.
- Design to utilize all waste heat all the time.

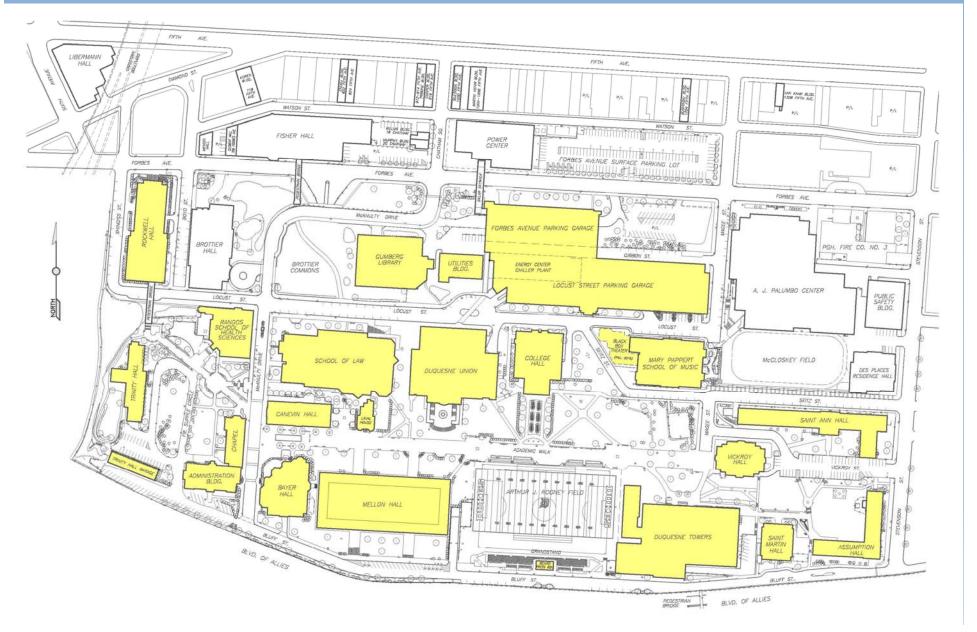
**Management** 

- Waste heat to drive absorption chillers in summer and heat campus in winter.
- Can run isolated if load is reduced.
- Automatic load shedding.





# **Electric Distribution System**



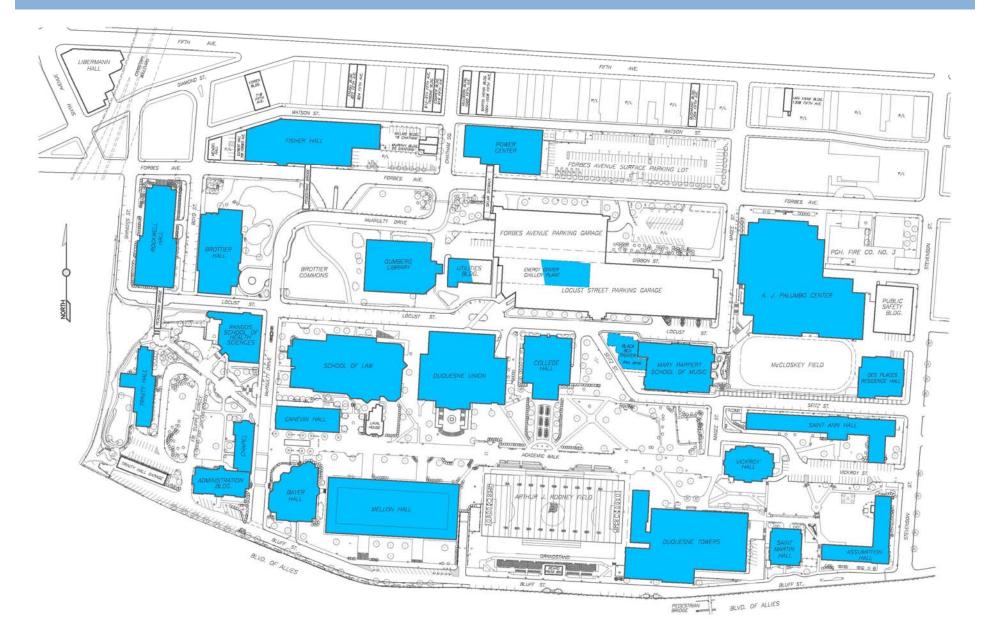
## **Duquesne Light**



# Steam Distribution System



# Campus Chilled Water System



#### **Average Annual Performance**

- Generator produced 32,382,044 Kwh (86%)
- Imported from DLCO 5,149,038 Kwh (14%)
- Turbine availability– 8,533 hours (97.5%)
- Waste heat boiler produced 157,344 MLB (74%)
- Gas boilers produced 56,617 MLB (26%)
- Gas turbine used 406,766 MCF of natural gas
- Boilers used 68,481 MCF of natural gas
- Energy center used 14,430,034 Gal. of water



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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

### **How do Others Compare?**

Comparison To Atlantic 10 Schools				
School	Year Completed	Total Carbon Footprint	Carbon Footprint/Student	Location
Duquesne University	2010	42,044.4	4.05	Pittsburgh, PA
Temple University	2009	233,138	8.33	Philadelphia, PA
Xavier University	2007	37,000	5.6	Cincinnati, OH
University of Massachusetts-Amherst	2007	142,237	5.4	Amherst, MA
George Washington University	2008	128,301	6.3	Washington D.C.

Source: Center for Environmental Research & Education - 2010

### How we've grown

- Added additional 1,250 ton centrifugal chiller 2000
- Added 6,000 ton ice storage in 2007
- Added capacity and relocated cooling towers in 2014
- Added capacity is in accordance with the University's 10 year master plan on file with the City of Pittsburgh

### Why we selected Ice Storage

- Added 6000 ton/hr. capacity without adding cooling towers
- Utilizes off peak electric rates
- No change in condenser loop piping
- More efficient utilization of existing equipment





28 Storage Tanks - 6000 ton hrs



# Questions?

