

# PRACTICAL LOPA A BIOFUELS REVAMP STUDY

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# **AGENDA**

- 1. Who We Are
- 2. Our Partnership with Preem
- 3. Challenges We Faced
- 4. Key Learnings and Insights

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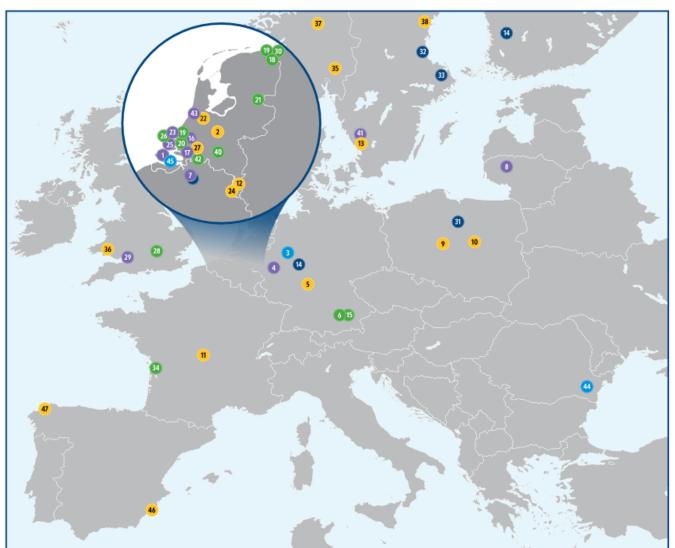
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# **ENERGY TRANSITION PROJECT EXPERIENCE**



- NSP Ghent CO<sub>2</sub> Liquefaction | Study | 2021
- BioConSepT Joint Study into bio-based Chemicals | Study | 2015
- 3 RWE Compressed Air Energy Storage | Study | 2012
- RWE CO<sub>2</sub> Recovery | Various Studies | 2007-2010
- Confidential Plastics Recycling Plant | Technical Due Diligence | 2022.
- BayernOil Wood Gasification into Hydrogen | FEL2 | 2024
- Fluxys CO₂ Liquefaction | Study | 2024
- Advario & Fluxys Footprint | Pre-FEED | Ongoing
- Umicore Metal Recycling Facility | Pre-FEED, FEED | Ongoing
- Orlen Lietuva Refinery Decarbonisation | Study | 2022
- Clariter Plastic Recycling plant | Estimate | 2024
- 10 Clariter Plastics Recycling Plant | Technical Due Diligence | 2022
- 11 Confidential PET Recycling Plant | Site Selection Study | 2021
- 12 Itero Plastics Pyrolysis Recycling Plant | Pre-FEED | 2022
- 13 Preem AB HCU+Isocracker Scoping | FEED, EPCM | Ongoing
- Materials | FEED | 2022
- Ventogene BayH<sub>2</sub> 125MW Green Hydrogen | FEED | 2023.
- Attero Carbon Capture Plant | Design | 2022
- ROAD Carbon Capture Storage | FEED | 2013
- Gasunie Zuidwending Natural gas compression and storage plant decarbonisation | Study | 2022
- Gasunie Eemshaven Hydrogen compressor station | Estimate | 2022
- 20 Port of Rotterdam Ammonia Cracker Complex | Study | 2023.
- Gasunie Hydrogen Drying | Study | 2020
- 22 Vattenfall Power-to-Fuel | Study | 2021
- Cape Omega CO<sub>2</sub> Liquefaction | Study | 2022

- 24 Ioniqa Plastics Recycling Plant | Engineering | 2022
- Porthos CO<sub>2</sub> Compression Station | FEED | 2021
- OCI Terminal Europoort B.V. Ammonia Bunkering Project | S/FEED/EPCM | 2022
- 27 Shell Chemicals Electrification of process air compressor | EPCM | 2019
- 27 Shell Chemicals Pyrolysis Oil Upgrader | FEED/EPCM | 2024
- 27 Shell RedliGreen | Execution Preparation Phase | Ongoing
- Confidential Hydrogen-fired furnace | FEED/EPCM | 2023
- Viridor Carbon Capture | Study | 2021
- BO HyCC H₂eron 40 MW Green Hydrogen | PMC/FEED | 2023
- Umicore Cathode Active Materials | FEED | Ongoing
- Confidential Li-ion Battery Facility | FEED, EPCM | 2023
- Altris Na-ion Battery CAM Pilot Plant | Pre-FEED, FEED | 2024
- TEPSA Green Flamingo Ammonia Storage | Pre-FEED | 2023
- 35 LanzaTech Ethanol from Gas Fermentation | Pre-FEED, FEED | Ongoing
- 36 LanzaTech Offgas to Ethanol | FEED | Ongoing
- CRI e-Methanol Project | Pre-FEED | 2024
- Orsted e-Methanol Project FlagshipOne | FEED | 2024
- By H<sub>2</sub> Green Steel 2.5 Mtpa grassroot Steel production plant,
- powered by 800 MW Green Hydrogen production | FEED, EPCM | Ongoing
- Mitsubishi Corp./Repsol Hydrogen supply chain using LOHC | Study | 2024
- Preem AB Carbon Capture using EFG+ technology and CO₂ Liquefaction | Study | 2024
- Confidential 300 MW Electrolyser Capacity | Feasibility Study | Ongoing
- Tata Steel HeraCless (Decarbonisation) | FEED Verification | Ongoing
- EnergoNuclear S.A. Cernavoda Unit 3 and 4 | FEED | Ongoing
- Confidential New Nuclear Power Plant | Feasibility Study | 2024
- 46 47 Masol Iberia Biofuel, S.L.U. Biodiesel Project | S, BE, DE, FEED | Ongoing









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# PREEM ICR REVAMP PROJECT

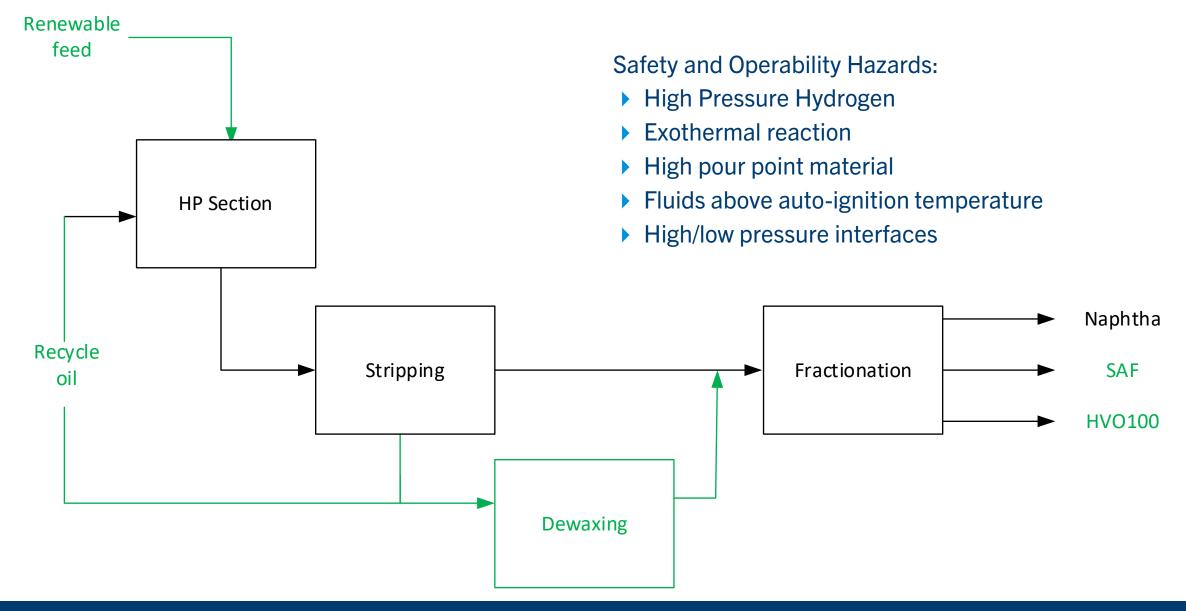


- ▶ Refinery: Lysekil, Sweden
- ▶ Plant: ICR (IsoCracker)
- ▶ Investment: ~400 MM eur
- Renewable production capacity:
  - SAF: 600 000 m3
  - HV0100: 600,000 m3
- Less emissions
  - (Scope 1-3): -2-3 million tons CO2e
  - Scope 1: -200,000 tons CO2e

Source: <a href="https://www.preem.com/en/about-us/our-facilities/">https://www.preem.com/en/about-us/our-facilities/</a>



# ICR UNIT — EXISTING / FUTURE SITUATION

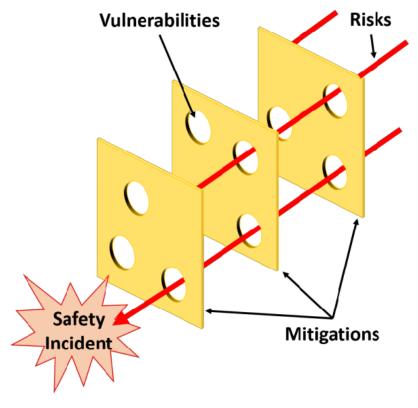


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# PROCESS SAFETY APPROACH

- ► HAZOP / LOPA for entire plant
  - Systematic review
  - Modifications and existing design
- Challenges:
  - 1. PSV redundancy calculation
  - 2. Excessive protection
  - 3. Balancing operability and safety
  - 4. Impacts of a revamp on design

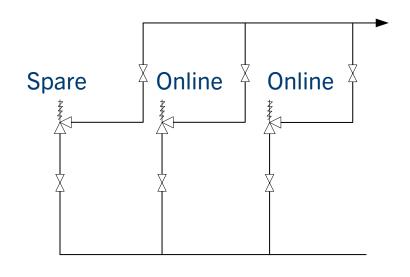


Reason's Swiss Cheese Model (Source: Reason (1997)).



# **First Challenge:**

#### RELIABILITY CALCULATION FOR MULTIPLE PSVS



2x50% (2oo2)

System failure

OR

RV<sub>C</sub>

RV<sub>1</sub>

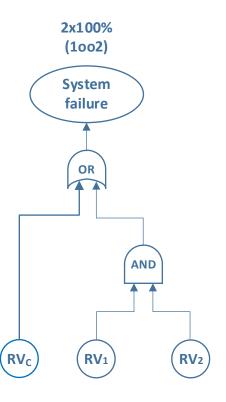
RV<sub>2</sub>

Single PRV: PFDavg = 0.01

Common cause:  $\beta = 10\%$ 

Multiple PRVs 2002:  $0.01x0.1+0.01+0.01 \approx 0.02$ 

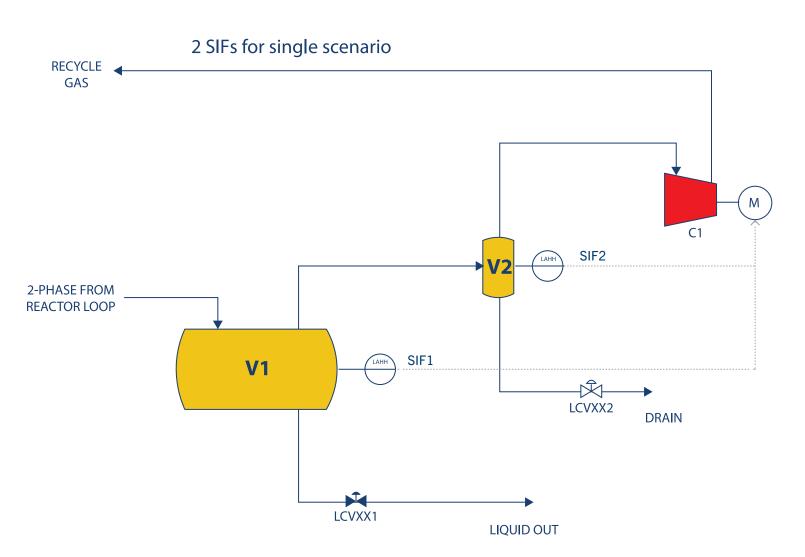
Multiple PRVs 1002:  $0.01x0.1 + 0.01x0.01 \approx 0.001$ 





# **Second Challenge:**

# **EXCESSIVE PROTECTION**



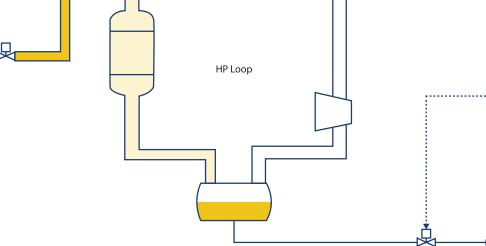
Can the SIFs be considered together?

- Is time sufficient for SIF2?
  - Yes
- Are scenarios the same?
  - Not always

Required reliability is a combination

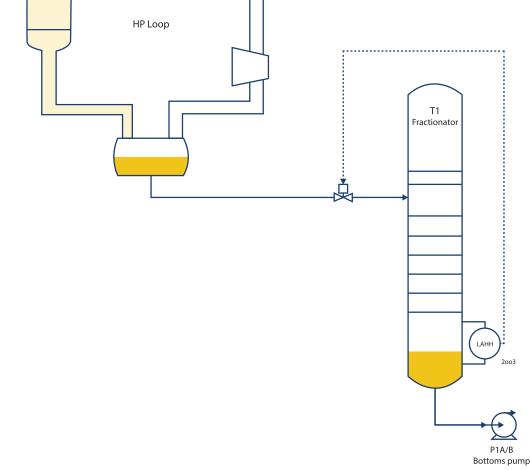


**OPERABILITY VS. SAFETY** 



Original design alarm only Additional protection for overfill

- PSV
  - Consider foundations and supports
- ▶ *Or* overfill protection





# **OPERABILITY VS. SAFETY**

HP Loop

T1

Fractionator

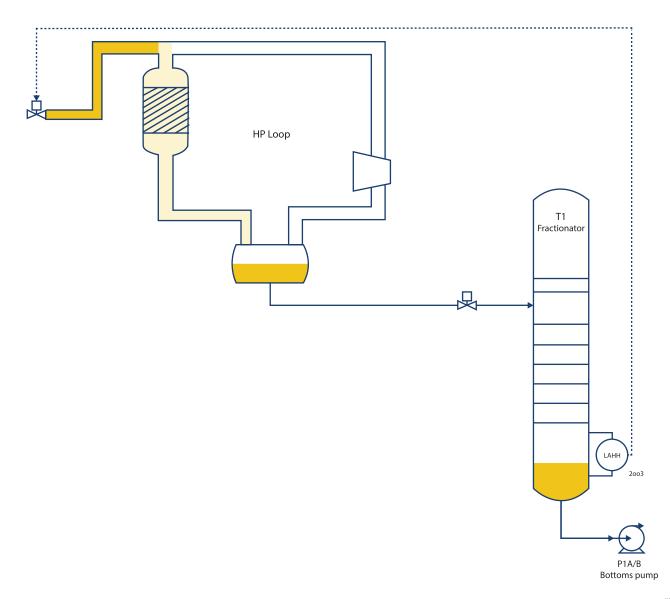
Close feed — safe?

- ► LAHH protects the fractionator
- Level increases slightly
- Issues upstream
  - Additional demand on trip
  - Recycle compressor will stop

P1A/B Bottoms pump



# **ALTERNATE SETUP**



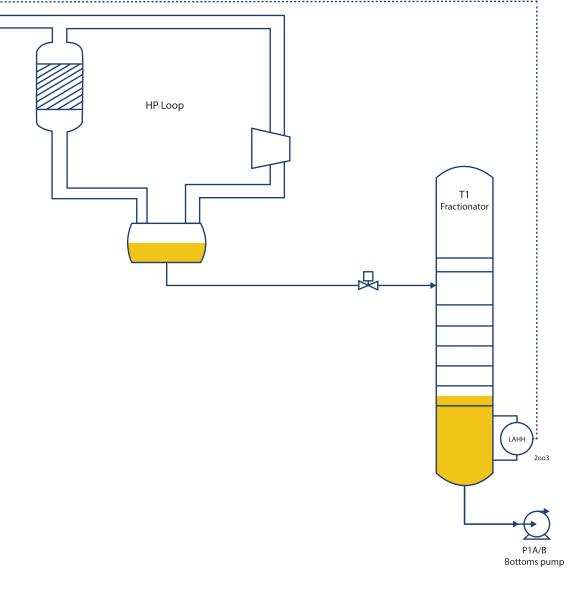
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**ENHANCED OPERABILITY** 

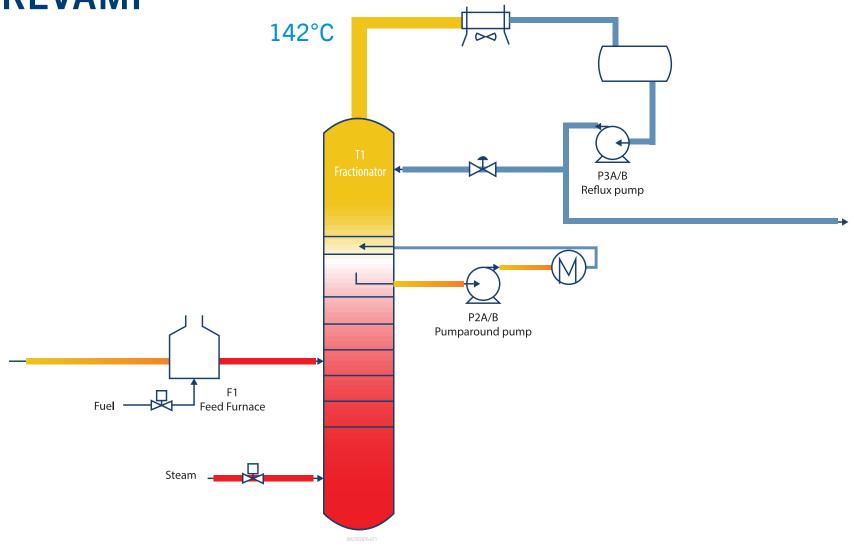
- ▶ HP loop stabilises
- Compressor continues
- Increased level in fractionator

Feasibility dependent on volumes



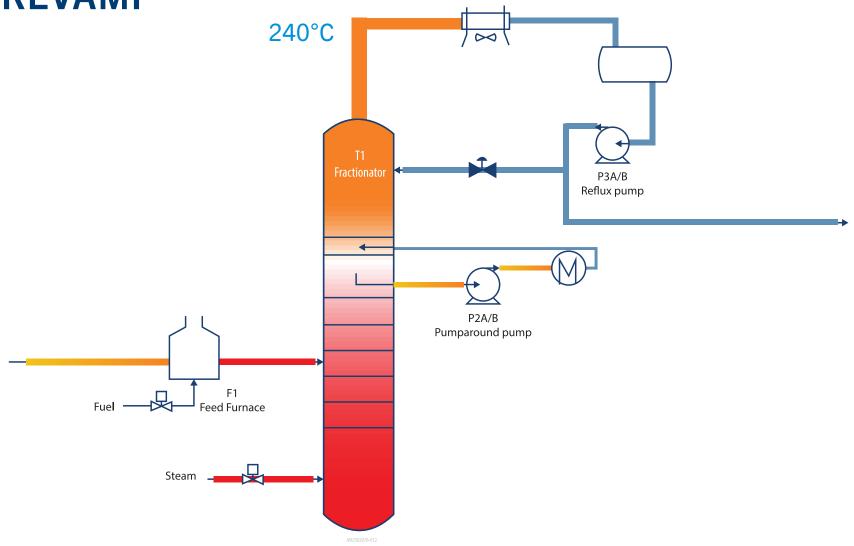


# THE IMPACT OF REVAMP



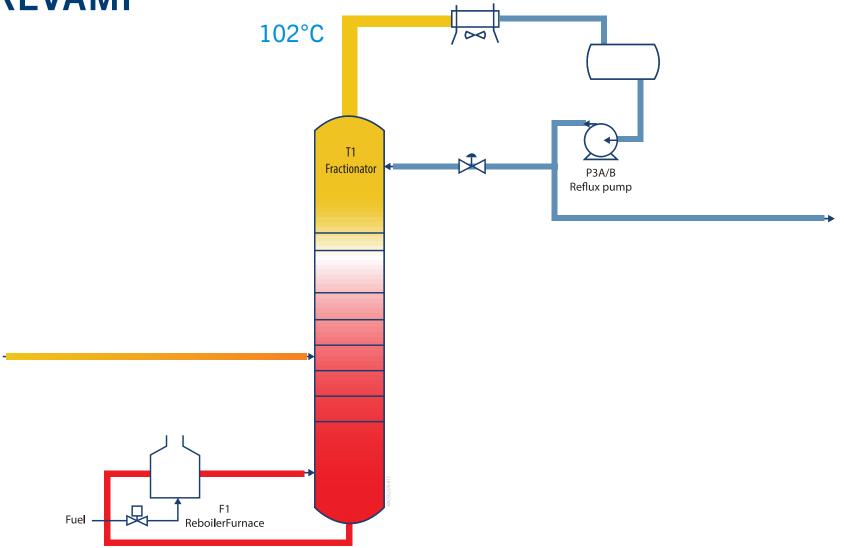


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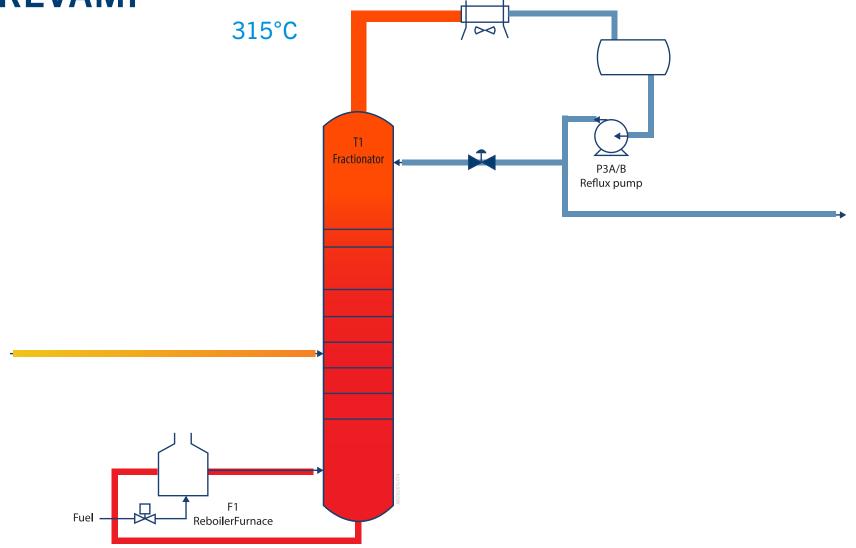




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# **Fourth Challenge:**

# THE IMPACT OF REVAMP



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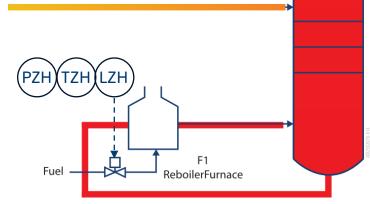
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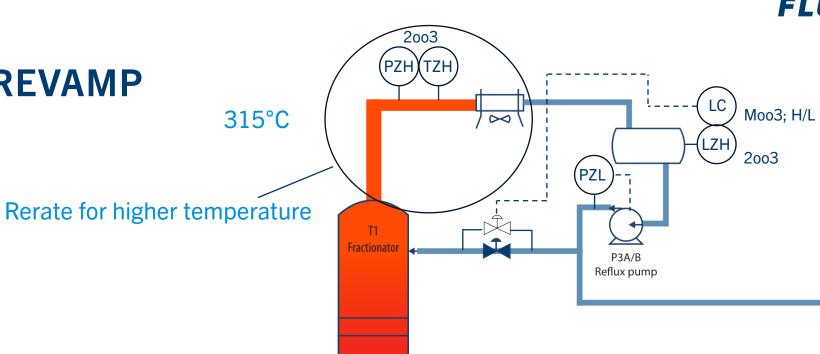
Furnace trip

Hot refractory

Consider lag time (30 mins)!

- Rerate of overhead system
- ▶ Enhance reflux reliability
  - Pump autostart
  - Redundant control valves
  - Additional level instruments





#### **KEY TAKEAWAYS**

# Early Establishment of LOPA Principles

Align early to prevent debate during the review

**Balance Safety and Operability**  Design SIFs to protect without compromising reliability or operational efficiency

Think System-Wide Adopt a holistic approach to identify subsystem interactions and hidden risks in revamp projects

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