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FRP equipment in cement plant: focus on technical applications

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Selip Company Profile

Founded: 1961

Headquarters: 43012 Fontanellato, Parma, Italy

Subsidiary: 00040 Ariccia, Rome, Italy

Staff: 70 people

Turn Over 2008: €13.5m

Products ID: FRP Tanks, Scrubbers, Stacks, Filters,

Decanters, FGD Spray Headers, Special

Works and Military applications

ISO 9001:2000, Specialised company as § 19 ℓWHG released by TÜV SÜD **Qualifications:**



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Introduction

- ➤ In 2006, Selip S.p.A. signed a contract for the production and delivery of FRP equipment for a cement plant in Scotland
- > Selip was awarded the project after the Audit and qualification by the final customer (Lafarge)
- Design phase started in May 2006
- Selip has a wealth of expertise working on this type of project since 1986





Customer's Needs & Targets

- > High resistance to withstand the process conditions, expecially corrosion
- > High mechanical performance to withstand the site weather conditions
- > Short delivery time: design, manufacturing and installation
- > Low global costs: purchase, installation and maintenance
- > Long shelf life



FRP Chimney

Design Data:

Total height: 75m (105m from the ground)

Self-supported height: 30m

Internal diameter: 3000mm

Working Temperature: 62°C

Working Pressure: - 5mbar

Resin type: Vinyl Ester



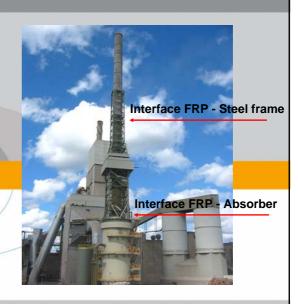


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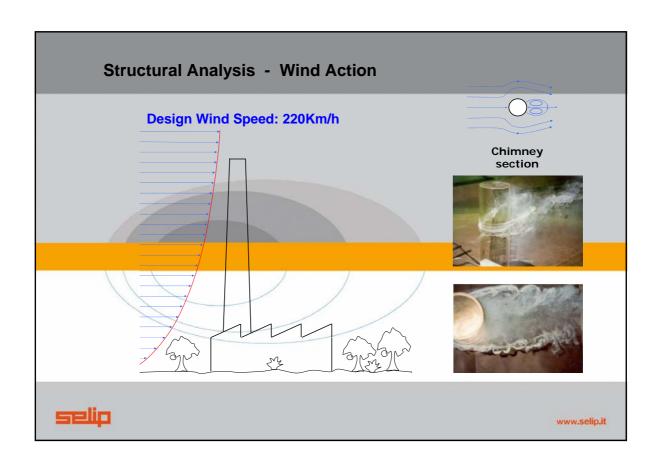
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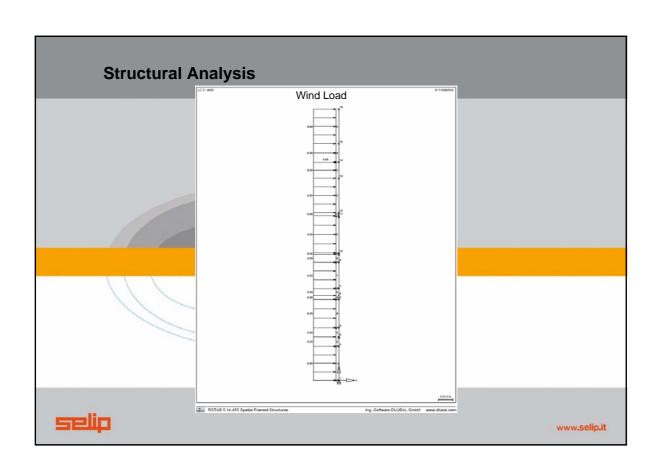
Design critical points

- Design Wind speed: 220 Km/h Basic Wind speed: 85 Km/h
- Low Working temperature under condensate temperature
 ->acid moisture
 - ->high corrosion environmental
- Interfaces FRP-steel frame & FRP-concrete absorber









Structural Analysis

> The most critical stack point to design, was the area where the FRP stack comes out from the steel frame



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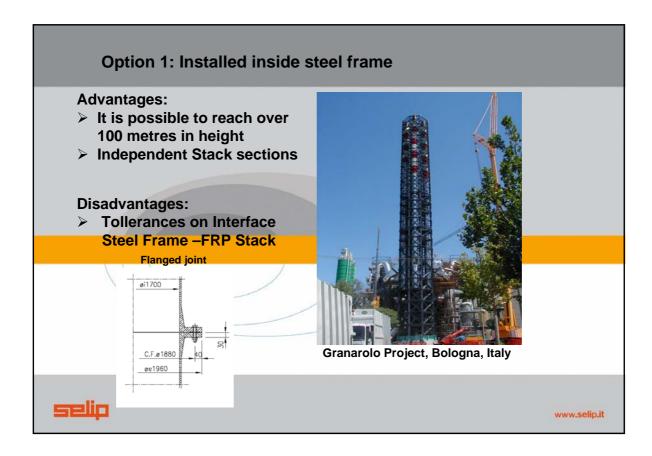
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Question:

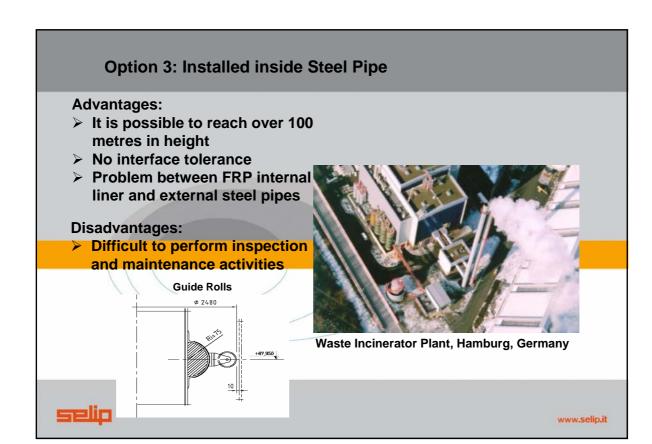
➤ Which is the most suitable technical system to connect together over 75 metres of stack, to withstand the high critical design conditions, to make the installation easier and save time?

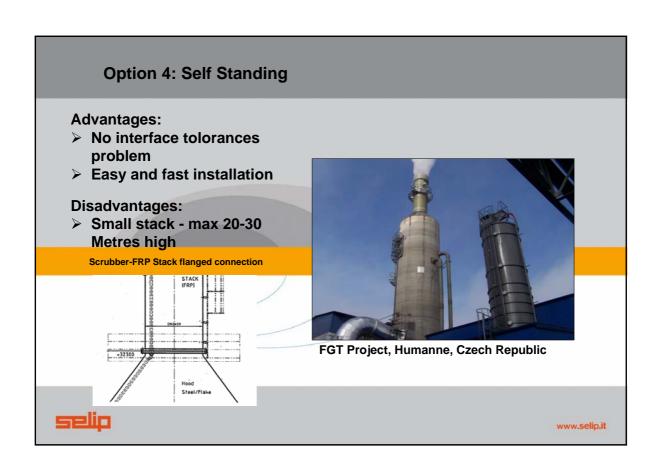
➤ We started our evaluation based on our previous experience evaluating the following 4 options:











Chosen System: Mixed Solution

Why a mixed connection solution on this project?

- > The adopted technical solution has all the positive aspects of each type of connection
- > 105 metres in Height
- ➤ Minimize points of interface steel-FRP (three guided points)
- Easy and quick installation
- Minimum steel structure (up to 70 meters high)
- Utilize 100% of the mechanical performance of both, FRP and steel



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Joint types

> The stack is composed of seven stack sections connected by three different types of joint:



Scrubber insertion



Socket joint



Laminated joint



Manufacturing Technology

> Liner: Hand lay-up





- ➤ To withstand bending action, displacement, the adopted manufacturing technology is filament winding alternate to unidirectional fibre to increase the strength in the axial direction
- Structure: FilamentWinding + Unidirectional







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Pre-assembling in Selip factory

> Seven stack sections were pre-assembled and marked in the Selip factory to guarantee the perfect axial allignment on site







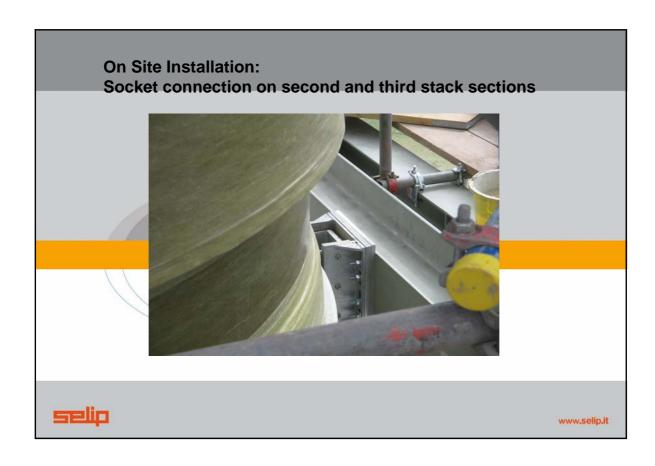
















FRP Storage Tanks (no. 5)

Design Data:

Capacity: 314m³

Height: 20m

Internal diameter: 4500mm

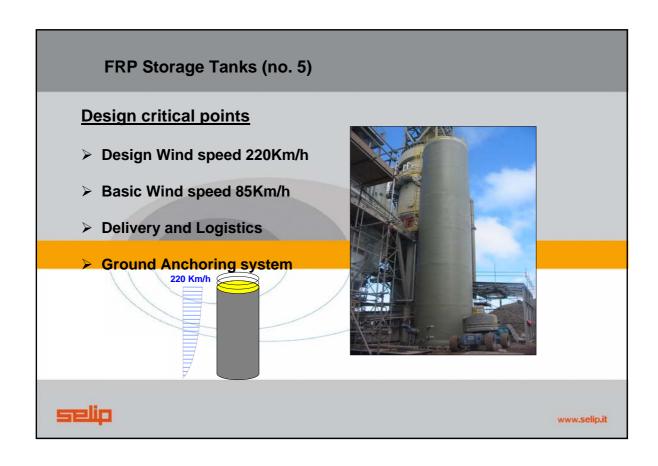
Working Temperature: ambient

Working Pressure: atmospheric

Resin type: Vinyl Ester+Antiabrasion filler













FRP Recycle Piping

Design Data:

Internal diameter: 600mm

Design Temperature: 80°C

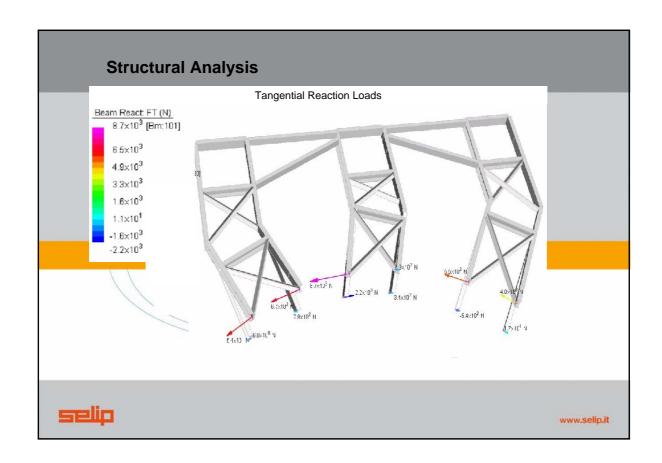
Design Pressure: 10bar

Resin type: Vinyl Ester+Antiabrasion filler

Design critical points

- > Slurry internal corrosion and erosion
- > Design Wind speed 220Km/h
- > Basic Wind speed 85Km/h
- > Engineering and design of support points









Conclusions

- > The project ended in June 2007
- > The complete plant has been operating successfully since November 2007
- > This project incorporates the latest state of the art advances in terms of design, raw materials and manufacturing technology
- ➤ This is one of the most cutting edge applications recently constructed using composite materials



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