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# Substitution of Electricity by Natural Gas in Textile Stamping Machine: A New Technology



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## **Textile Stamping in Santa Catarina**



#### **Santa Catarina State:**

- Population: around 6 million inhabitants;
- Natural Gas consumption of 1.9 million m³/day;
- Gas infrastructure with 950 Km of pipelines.

#### **Textile Stamping Industry in Santa Catarina:**

- The second largest production of textile stamping in Brazil;
- 500 stamping machines (2000 dryers).



Localization of Textile Stamping Industry:

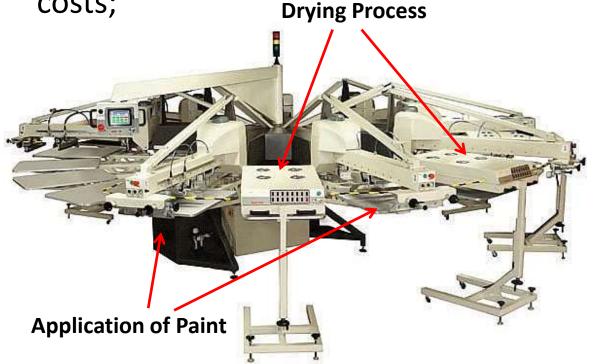
North and Vale do Itajaí Region (78% of total textile stamping Dryers)

South Region (12% of total textile stamping Dryers)

## **Research Project Aim**



Objective: Develop a technological solution for the replacement of electricity by natural gas in the drying process of textile stamping machines to reduce production costs;

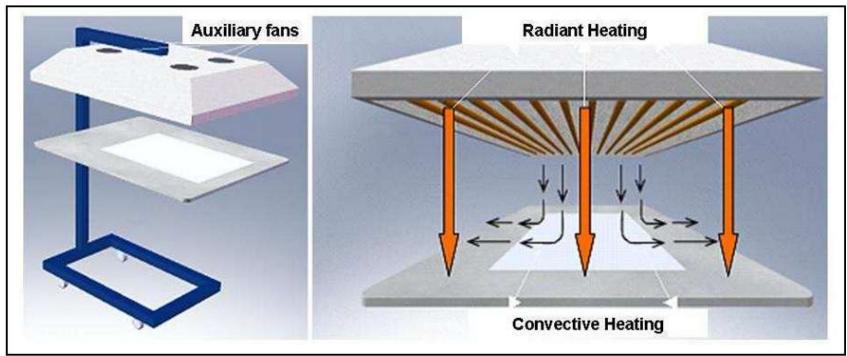




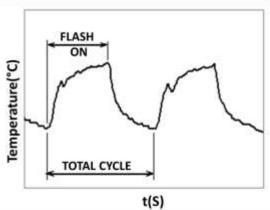
**Final Product** 

## **Textile Stamping Machine: Drying Componet**





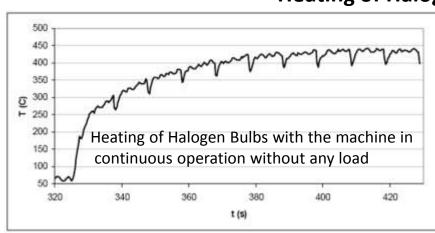
- Intensive use of electrical energy;
- Radiant and Convective Heating;
- Temperature and time control;
- Drying by Flash Cure Halogen Bulbs;

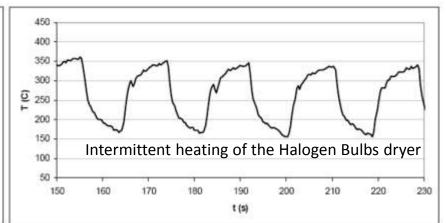


## **Experimental Thermal Evaluation**

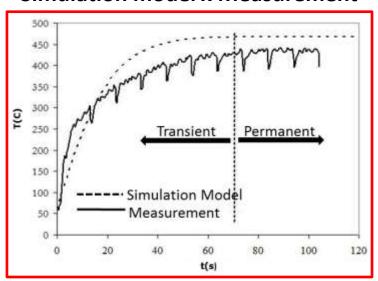


#### **Heating of Halogen Bulbs**

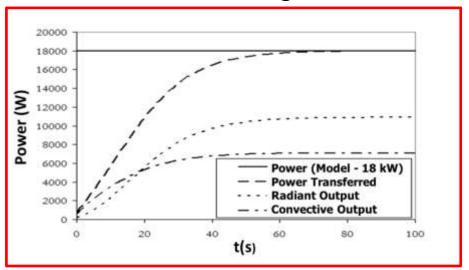




#### Simulation model x Measurement



#### **Power evaluation of Halogen Bulbs heater**



## **Technological Solution**



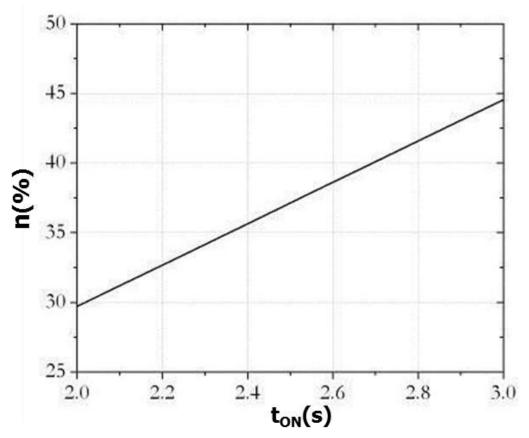
#### **Porous Radiant Ceramic Burner**



Requirement	Halogen lamps Electric	Porous Radiant burner Gas Last Prototype (2012)	
Power (kW)	18	9.5	
Operation cost per heater (US\$/h)*	1.30(50% Cycle)	0.54	
Local emission of pollutants	-	Low	
Regime of operation	Transient	Permanent	
Allows transient operation	Yes	Yes	
Contact of combustion products with the piece	-	Very Low	
Modifications on the current form of operation	-	Yes	
*Natural Gas price was 0.5553 US\$/m³; Electricity price was 0.1445 US\$/KWh.			

## Simulation Case – Textile Partner Company





#### **Characteristics of Stamping Sector:**

- 121 dryers, making up 1257 halogen bulbs;
- 11 dryers electrical resistance model;
- 1,667 KW of total electrical Power;

#### **Operating conditions:**

- Three 8-hour shifts;
- 5 days a week;
- Heater production cycle of 6s (3s of Flash On);

Percentage of electrical energy consumption in Stamping Sector

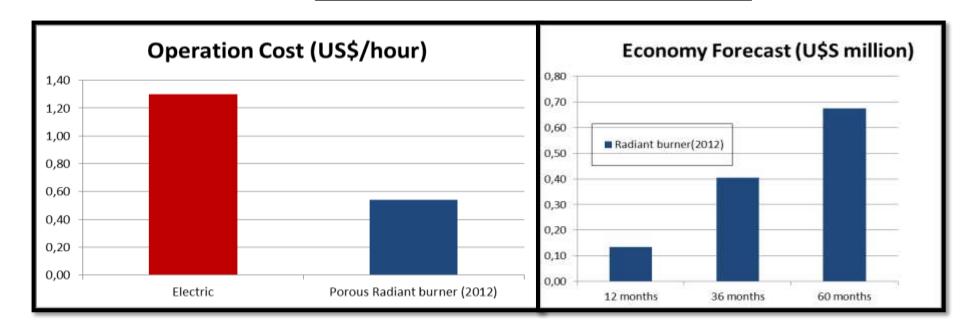
## Results and Economy Forecast



## **Expected Consumption of Natural Gas in Textile Partner Company**

Solution Model	Radiant burner Prototype (2012)	
Consumption (m³/day)	2,020	

Reduction in contracted demand: 700 KW.



## **Conclusion**



### **Textile Stamping Machine operating on Natural Gas provides:**

- New technological alternative with up to 58% reduction of energy costs;
- Good drying quality (same drying quality as the electric dryer);
- Rational use of energy with the contribution to diversify the Brazilian energy matrix (electric power: noble input).



## Thank you

**Project Partnerships:** Santa Catarina Gas Company (SCGÁS), Federal University of Santa Catarina(UFSC) and a Partner Company of Textile Stamping Industry;





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