

# **POWER PLANTS – FGD LIMESTONE SLURRY PROCESSES**

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## **NEW PROCESS TECHNOLOGY VS. TRADITIONAL**

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### **Pulverized Limestone w/ Vacucam® Ejector Mixers vs. Crushed Limestone & Wet Ball Mills**

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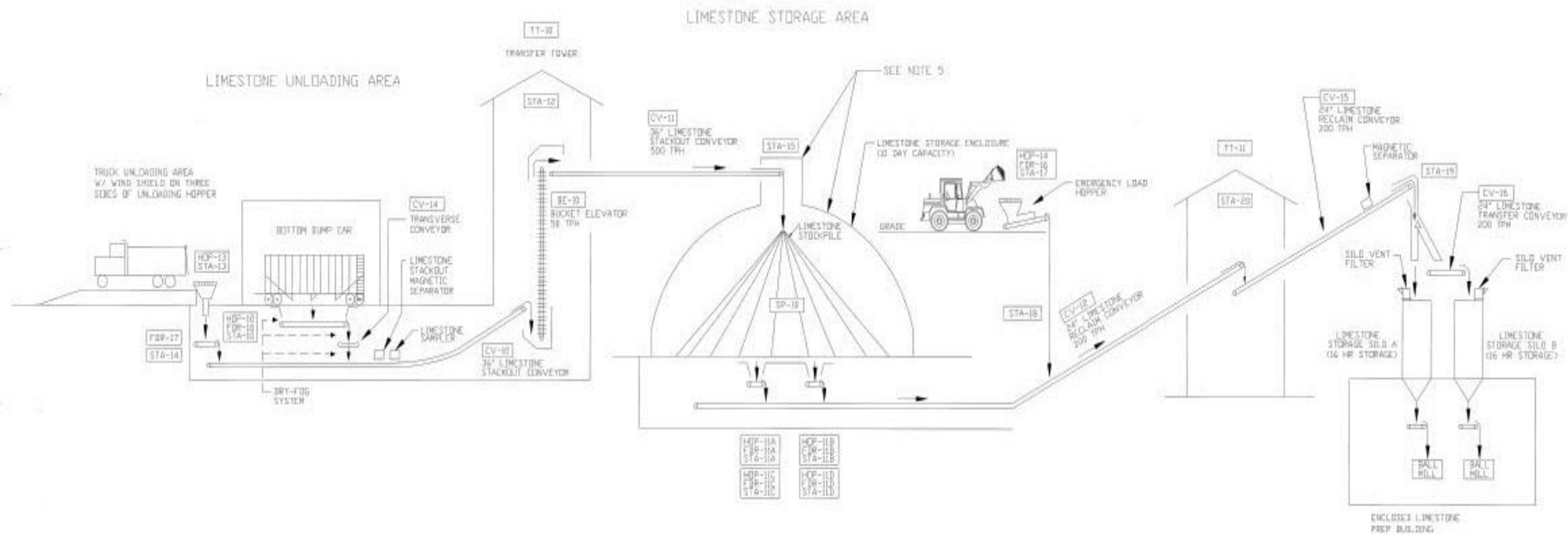
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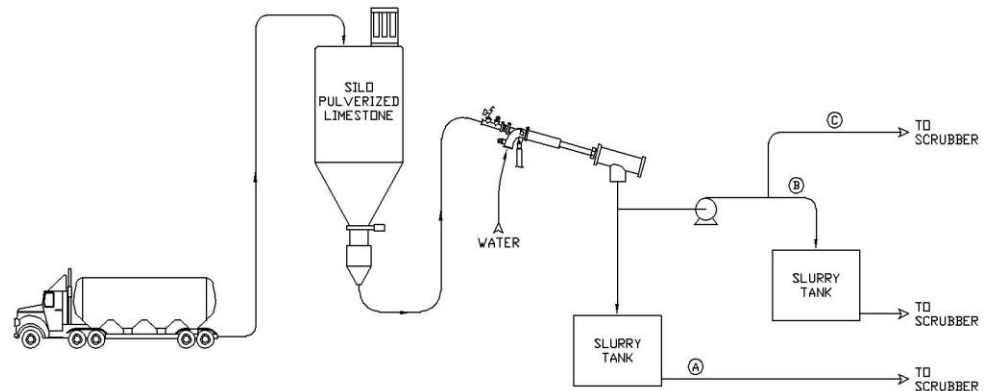
# TRADITIONAL PROCESS [Crushed Limestone] FOR LIMESTONE UNLOADING, HANDLING, STORAGE & SLURRY PREP [Ball Mills]

- Limestone Supplier delivers crushed limestone to Power Plant
- Power Plant
  - Unload & mechanical convey to storage
  - Mechanical transfer to multiple day bins feeding Ball Mills
  - Operates Ball Mill processes
  - Slurry to storage tanks
  - Feed slurry to Scrubber

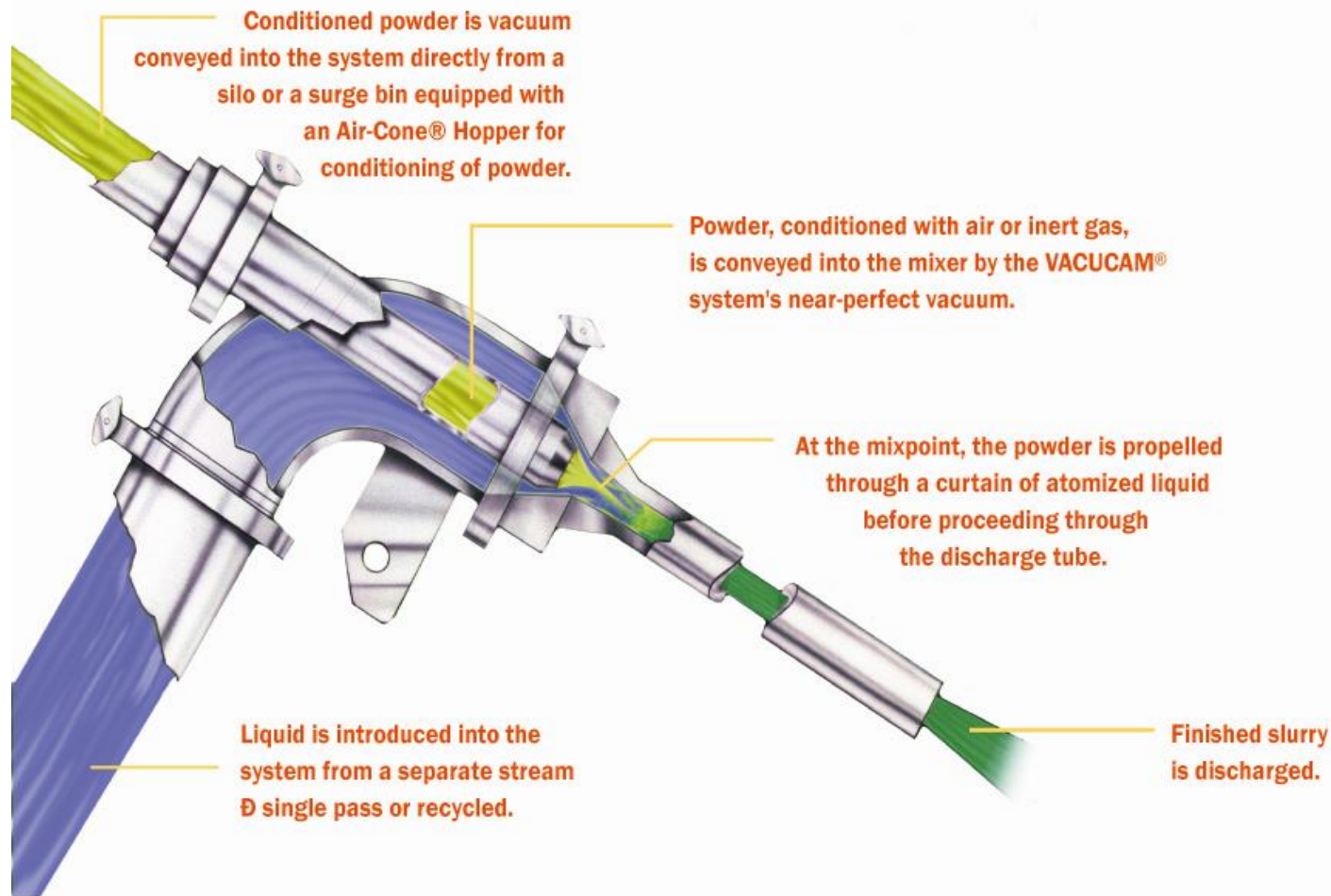


# 21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY PROCESSES [Pulverized Limestone] for LIMESTONE UNLOADING, HANDLING, STORAGE & SLURRY PREP [Vacucam® Ejector Mixer]

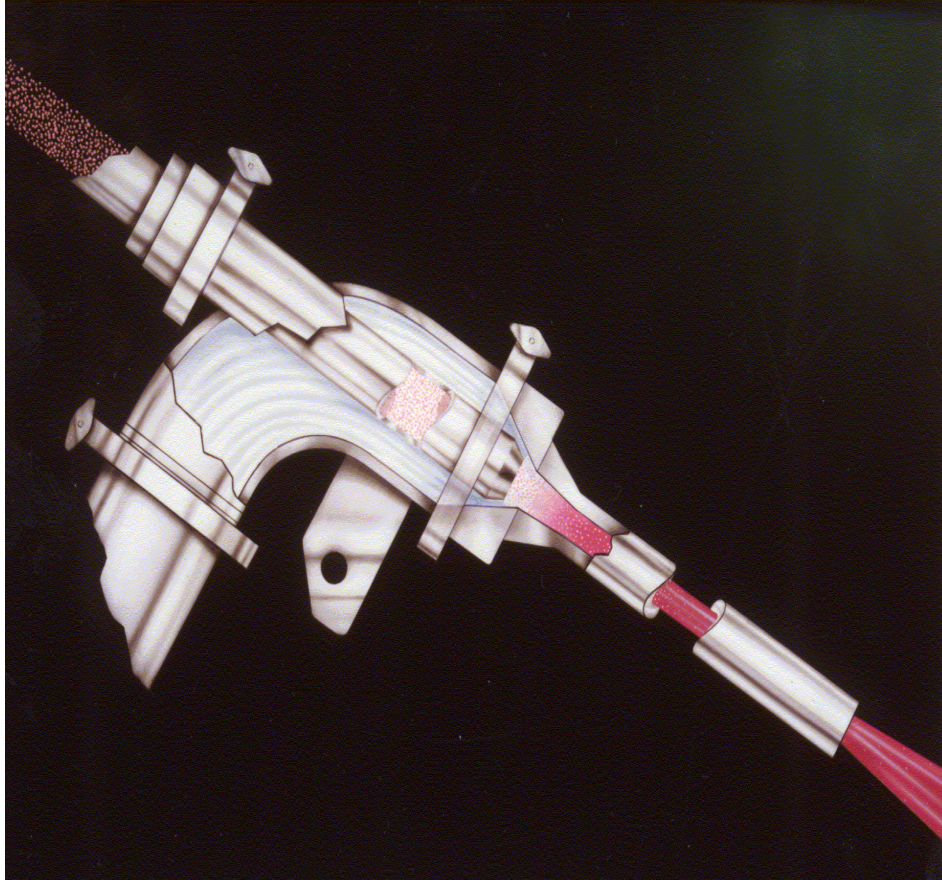
- Limestone Supplier:
  - Produces pulverized limestone w/ roller mills.
  - Provide logistics for supplier storage and regional distribution
  - Deliver and unload pulverized limestone to Power Plant silo.
- Power Plant
  - Supervision monitors automated slurry making process



# VACUCAM® EJECTOR MIXER



# VACUCAM® Ejector Mixer



- High Performance
- High Wetting/Dispersion Efficiency
- Operates under high vacuum for exposing maximum surface area of liquid to dry product
- No moving parts
- No maintenance



# VACUCAM® Ejector Mixer



- Four main components:
  - powder tube
  - housing
  - orifice
  - discharge tube
- No moving parts
- No dynamic adjustment required

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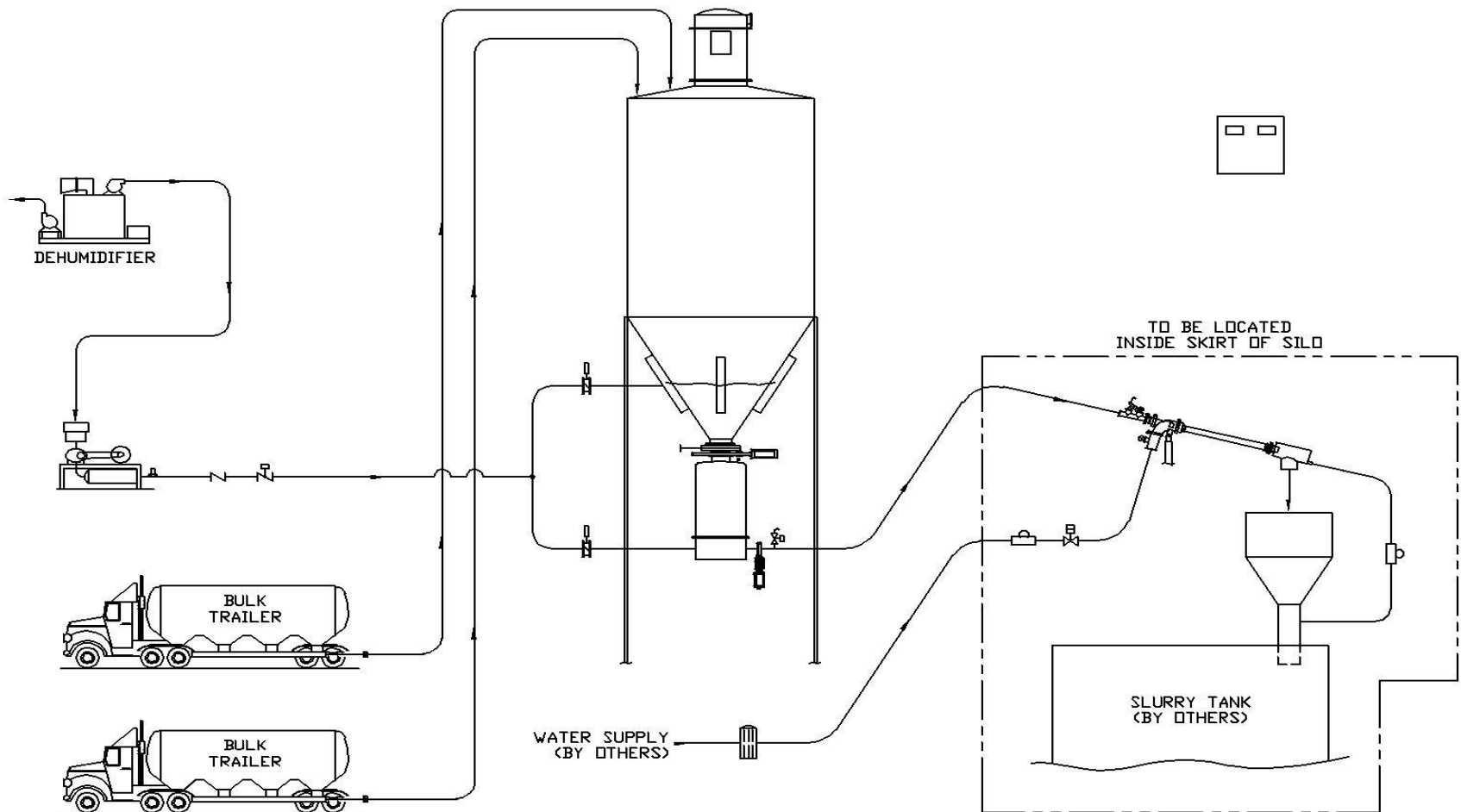
# **POWER PLANT**

## **Process Options**

1. Single Pass Process Direct Into Slurry Storage Tank
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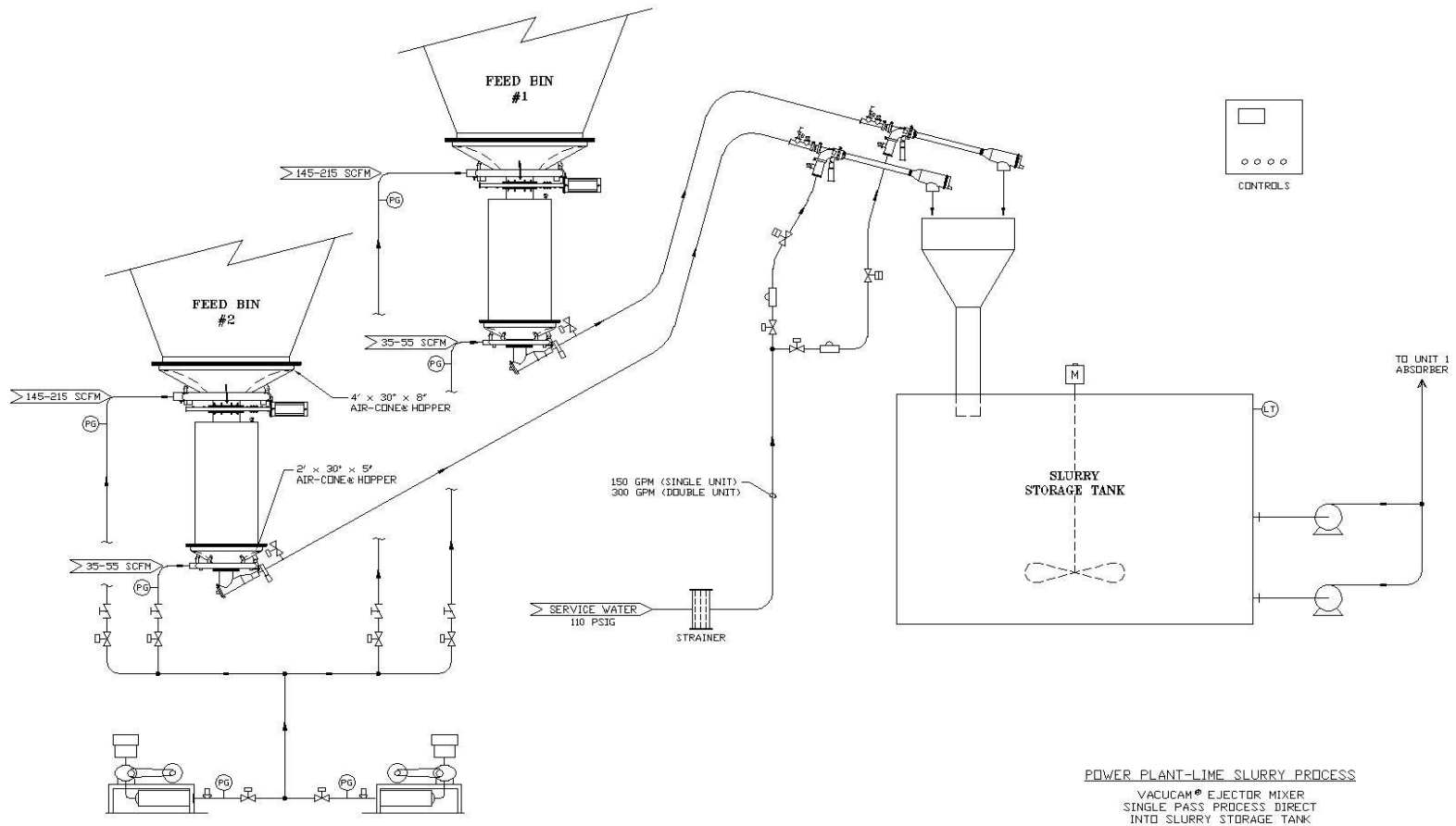




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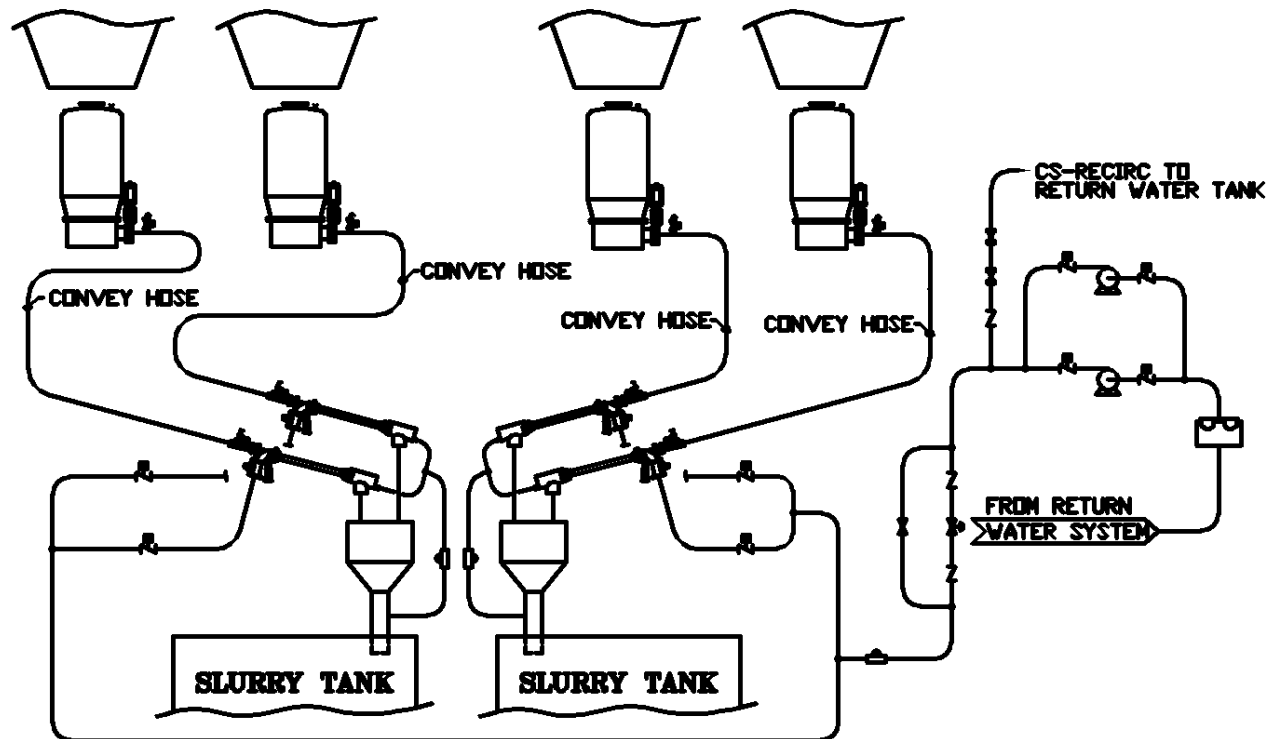
### Dual Silo Feed to Dual Mixer System



# POWER PLANT-LIMESTONE SLURRY PROCESS

## SINGLE PASS PROCESS

**Two Silos w/ Dual Outlets Direct to  
Two Dual Mixer Processes**



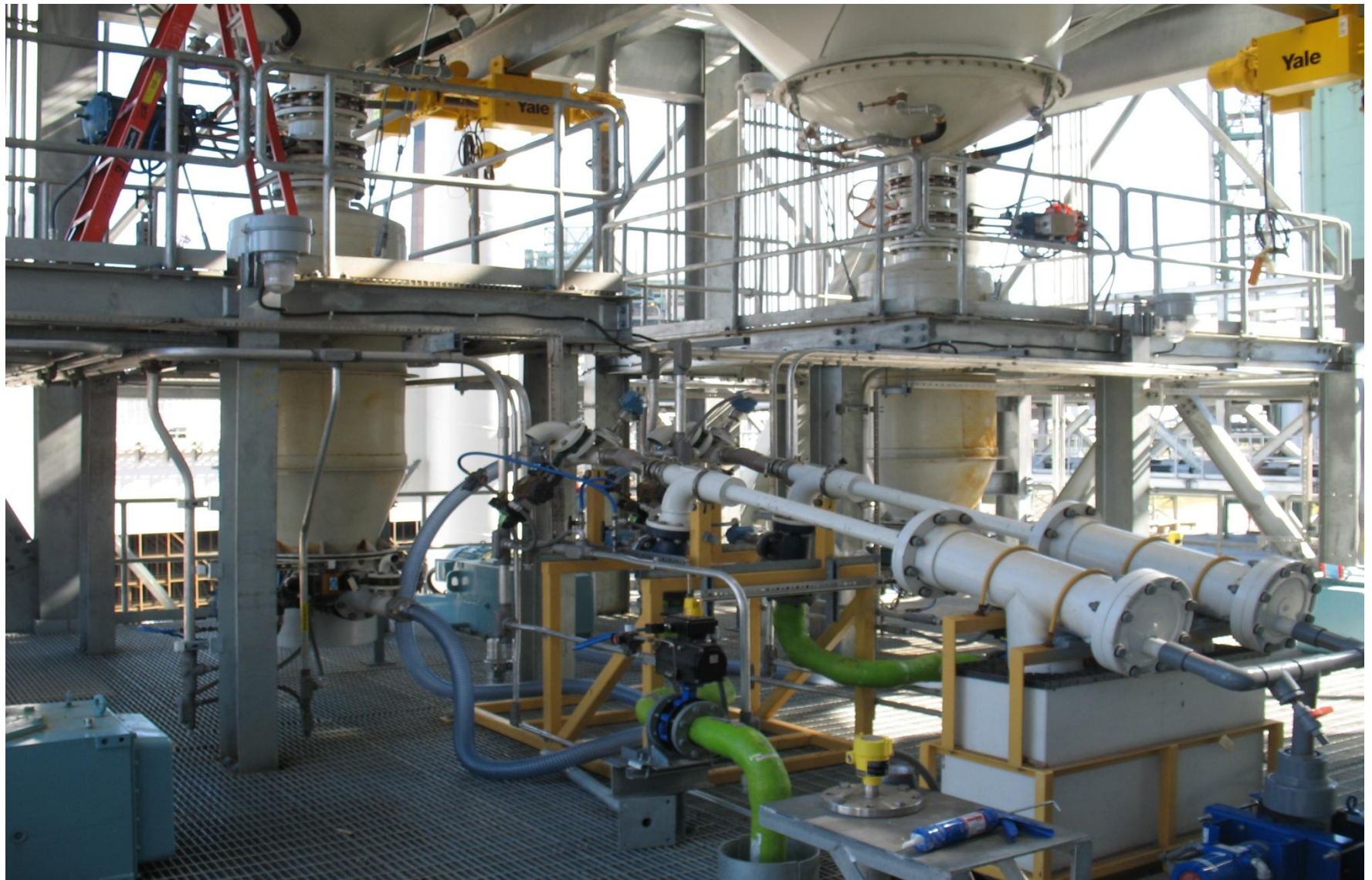
## **Pulverized Limestone Storage Two silos w/ Dual Cone Outlets**



**VACUCAM® LIMESTONE SLURRY PROCESS**  
**DUAL EJECTOR MIXER SINGLE PASS IN-LINE SLURRY**  
**DIRECT TO SLURRY STORAGE**













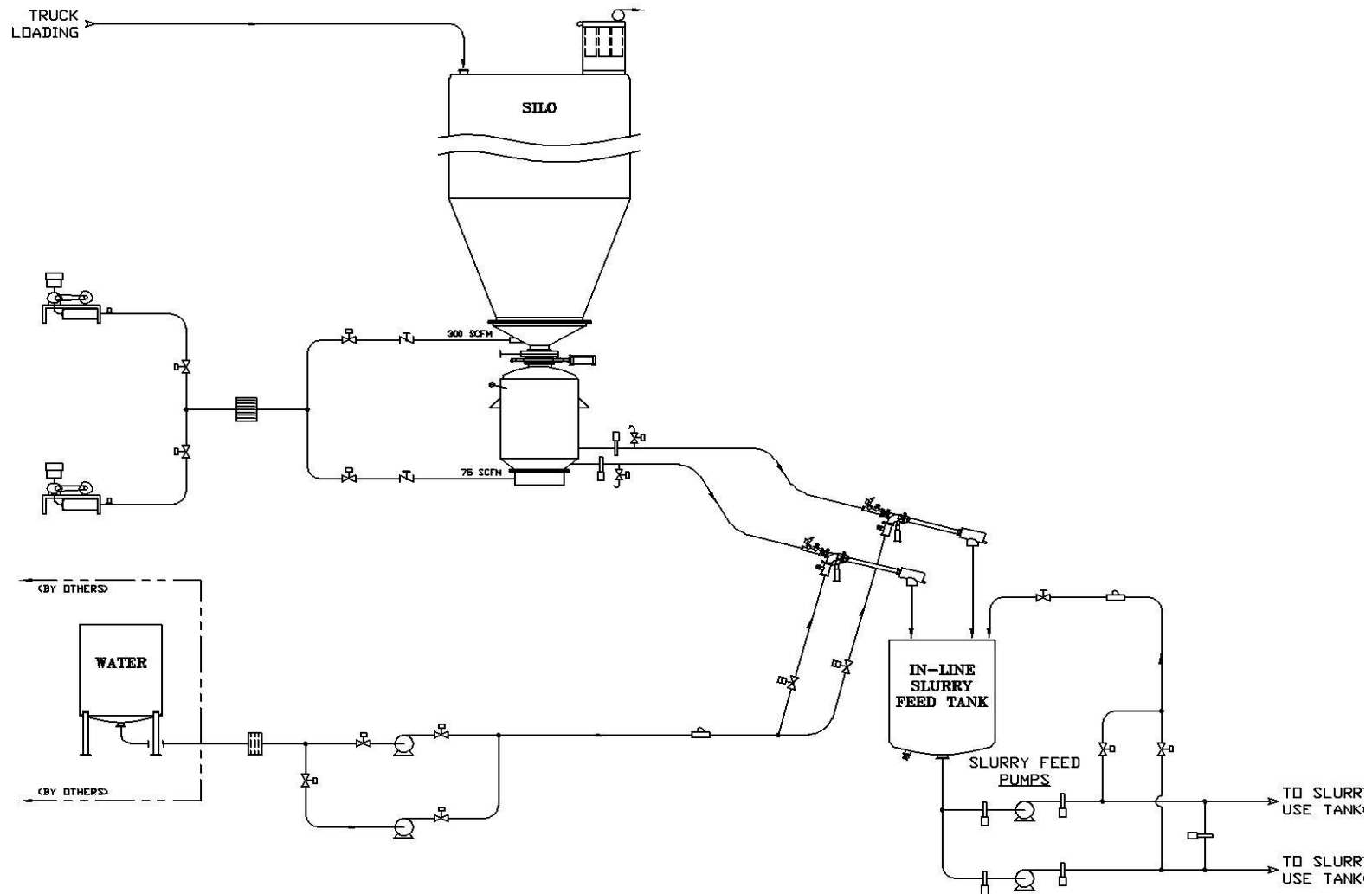
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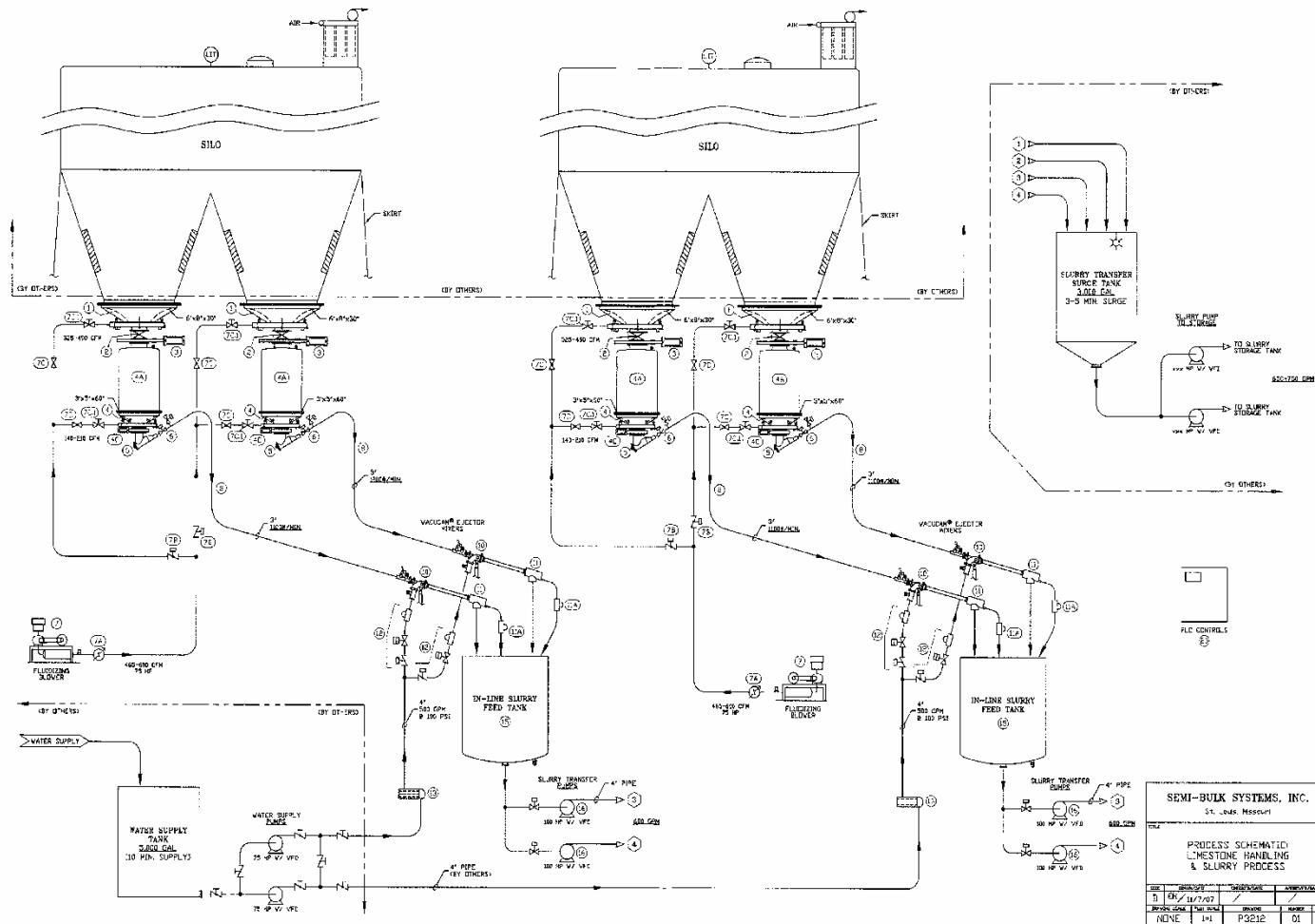
## **Process Options**

1. Single Pass Process Direct Into Slurry Storage Tank
  2. Single Pass In-Line Process to Remote Slurry Storage Tanks
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# Single Pass In-Line Process to Remote Slurry Storage Tanks



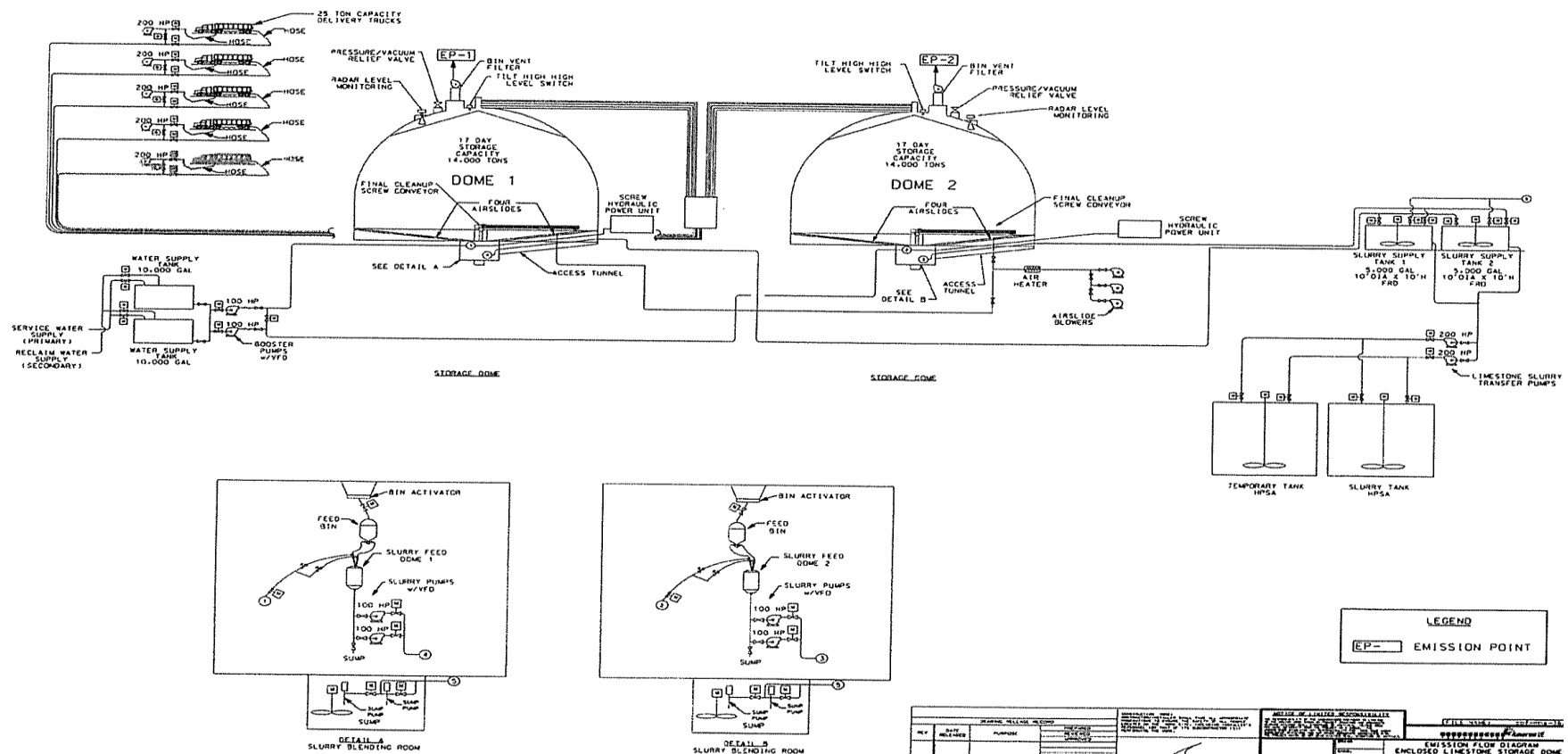
# Limestone Slurry Process Dual Silos & Slurry Processes



# **DUAL DOME STORAGE PULVERIZED LIMESTONE**



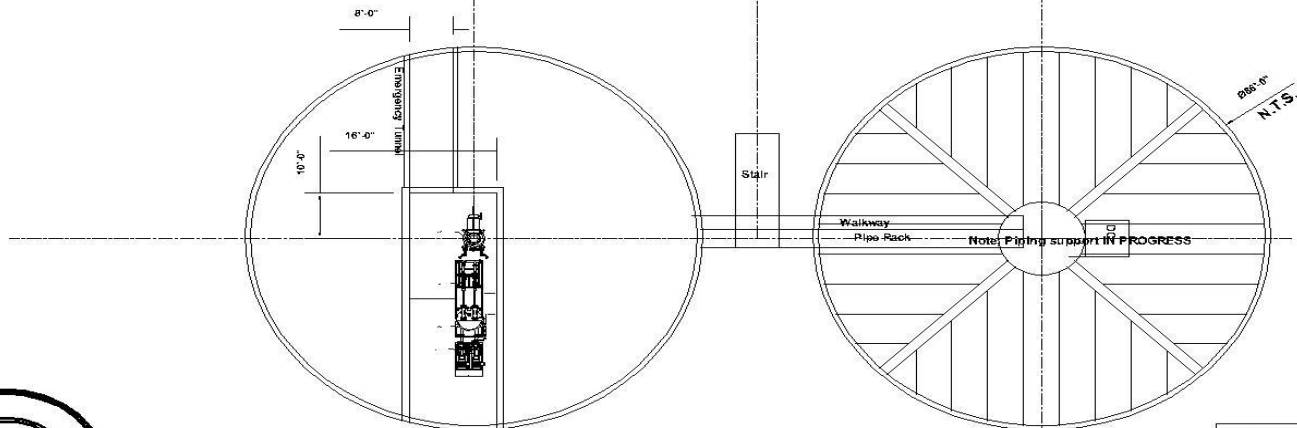
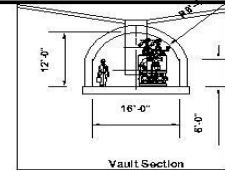
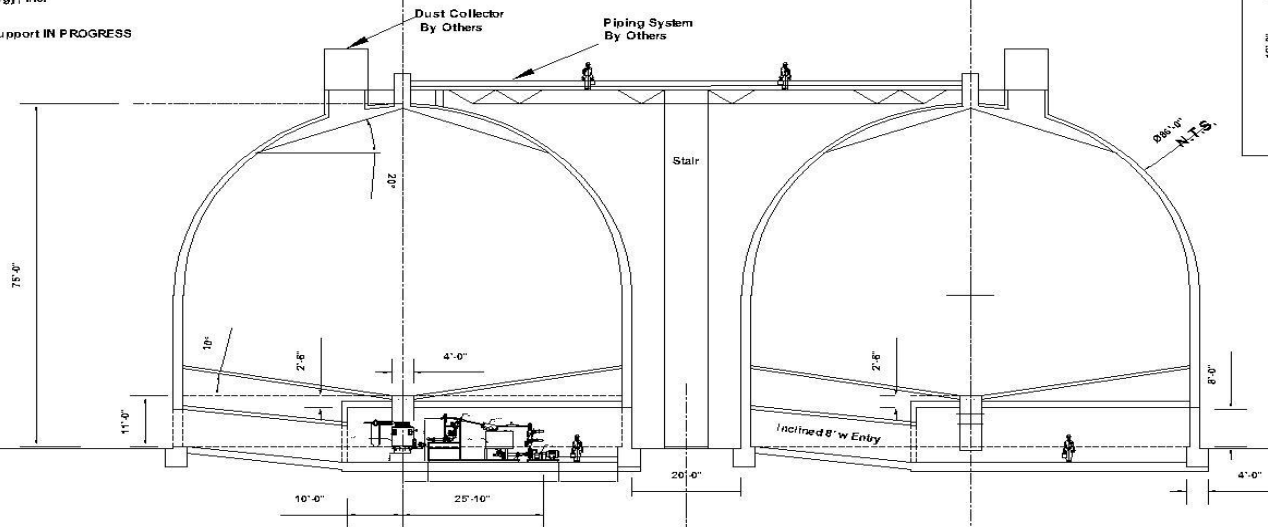
# Dual Domes & Slurry Processes



# Limestone Slurry System w/ Dome Storage Supply

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Note: Piping support IN PROGRESS



Plan View at Base Level

Plan View At Apex  
w/ Floor Overlay

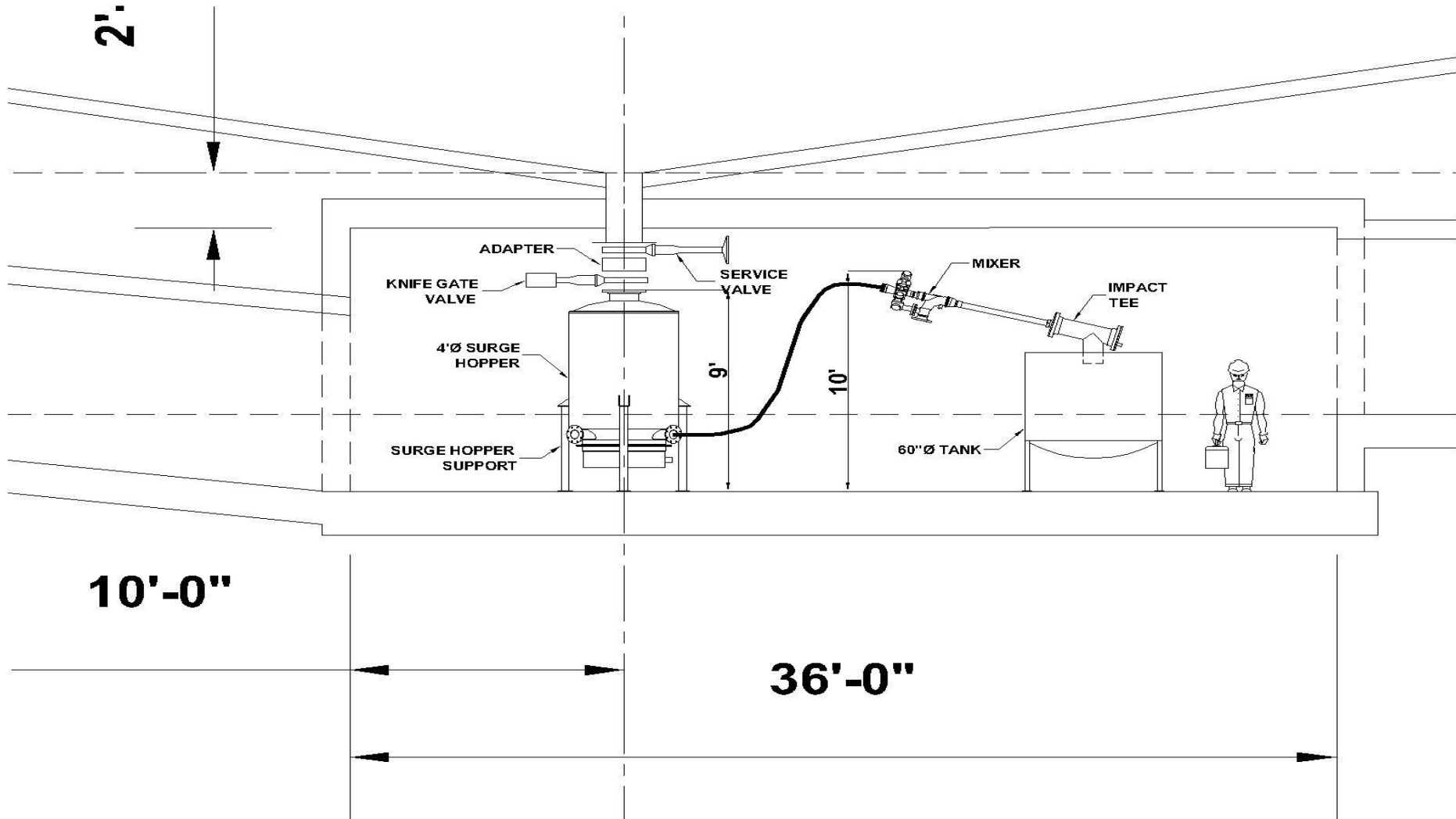
Conical Floor w/ elevated Vault  
~22,800 sTons @90 pcf (Combined)  
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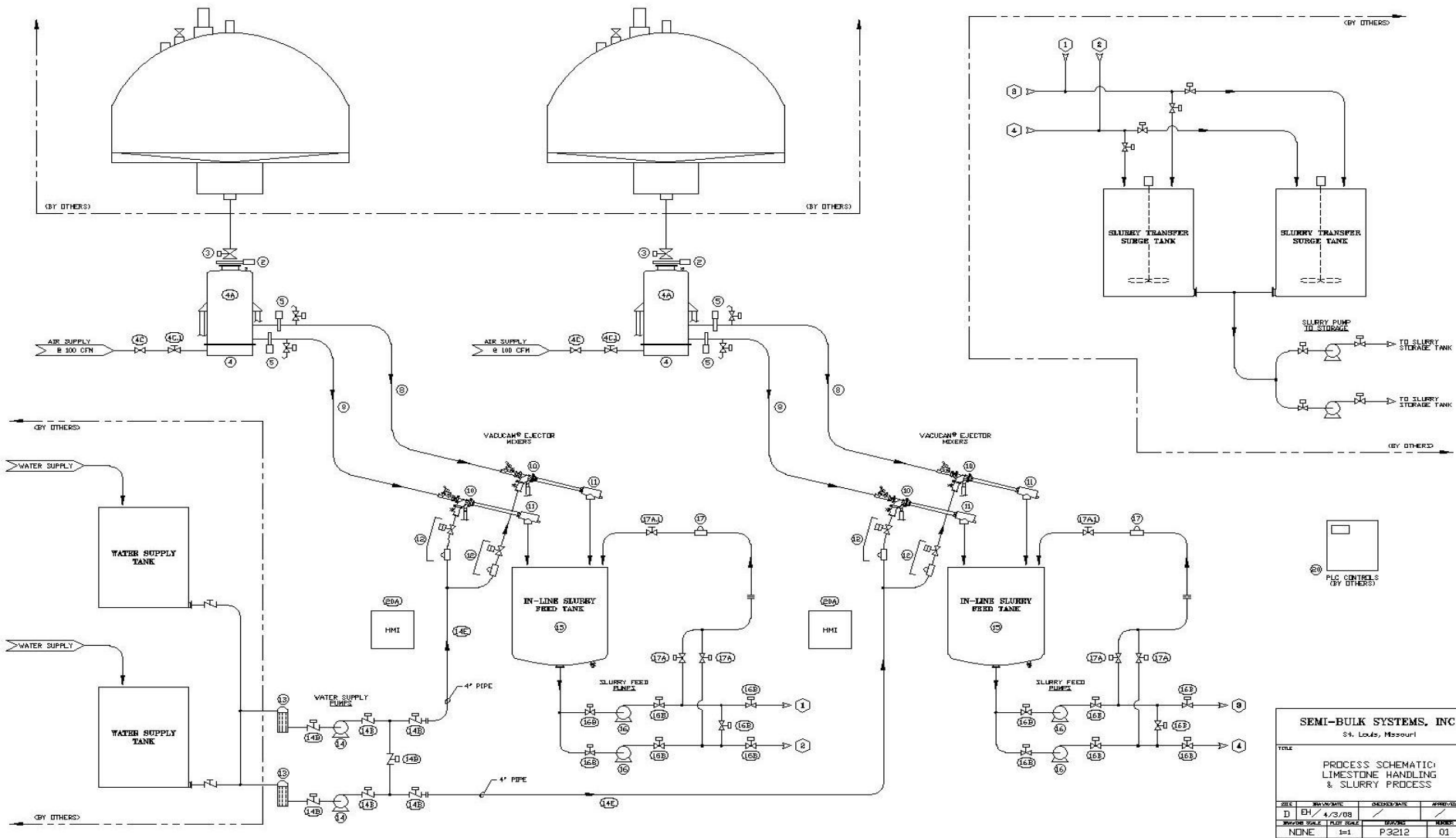


# Limestone Slurry Process in Dome Vault



# **Limestone Slurry Process**

## **Dual Domes & Slurry Processes**



# **VACUCAM® DUAL EJECTOR MIXER PROCESS W/ LIMESTONE SUPPLY HOPPER W/ SLURRY TRANSFER PUMP**



# WATER SUPPLY PUMP SKID





# LIMESTONE SLURRY PROCESS IN VAULT OF DOME





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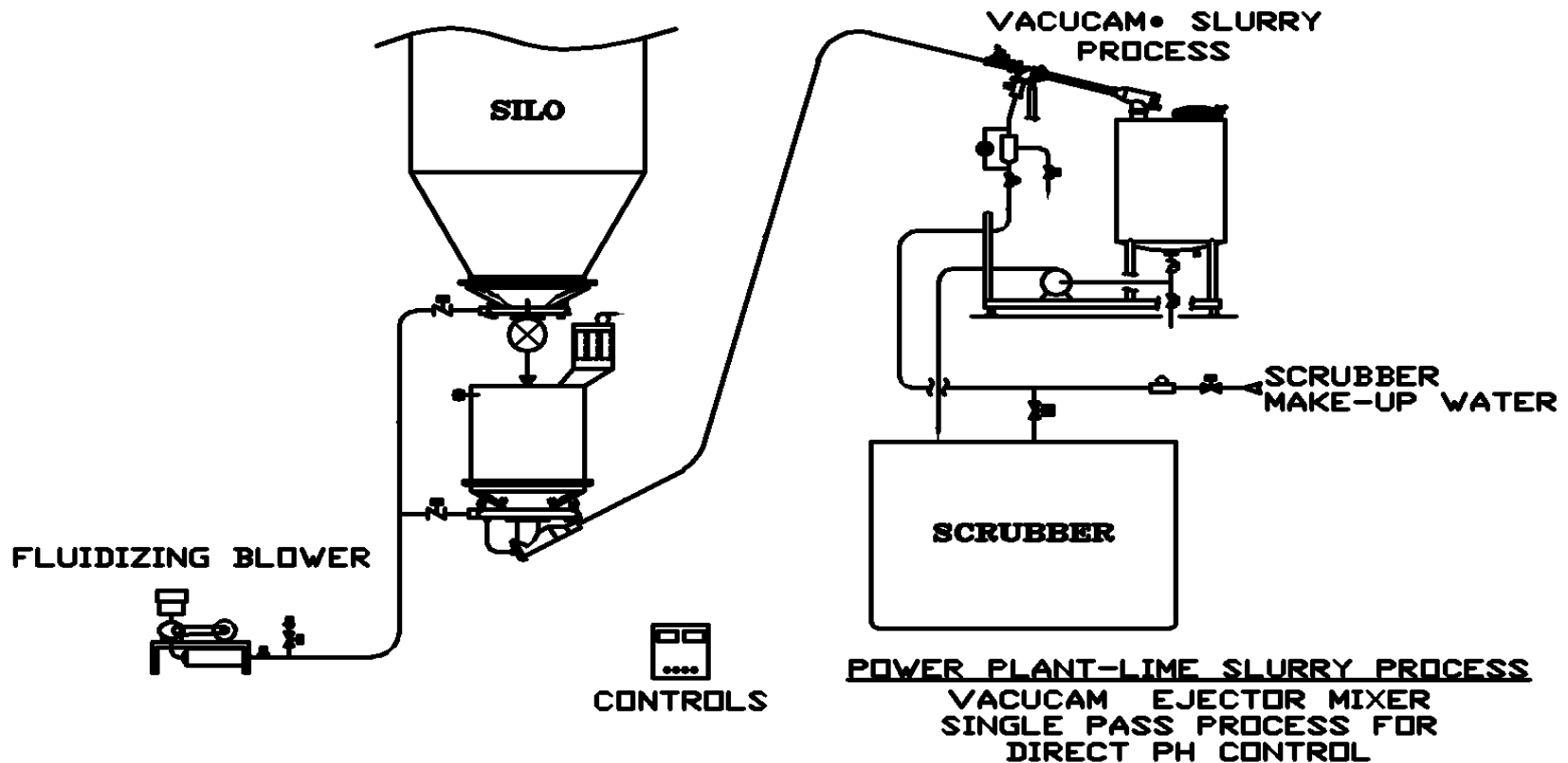
## **Process Options**

1. Single Pass Process Direct Into Slurry Storage Tank
  2. Single Pass In-Line Process to Remote Slurry Storage Tanks
  3. Single Pass Process for Direct PH Control
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# **POWER PLANT-LIMESTONE SLURRY PROCESS**

## **SINGLE PASS PROCESS FOR DIRECT PH CONTROL TO SCRUBBER**

- DIRECT INJECTION TO SCRUBBER**
- ELIMINATE LIMESTONE SLURRY STORAGE**



# ENERGY REQUIREMENTS TYPICAL MIXING PROCESSES

TYPICAL SLURRY PROCESSES	KWH/TON CaCO <sub>3</sub>	\$/TON CaCO <sub>3</sub> @ \$0.08/KW H		
SINGLE PASS VACUCAM EJETOR MIXER FROM SILO [12HP/100GPM@100PSI]—WATER SUPPLY PUMP ONLY	.97	\$0.077		
SINGLE PASS VACUCAM® EJM IN-LINE FROM SILO TO REMOTE SLURRY STORAGE-WATER SUPPLY +SLURRY DELIVERY PUMP TO STORAGE	1.94	\$0.15		
PNEUMATIC CONVEY [150HP/25TPH] NOTE: DOES NOT INCLUDE MAKING SLURRY	4.98	\$0.40		
SLURRY STORAGE MIXERS [4@30HP EACH] [ AGITATOR MIXER IN A SLURRY TANK]	4.15	\$0.33		
BALL MILL SLAKER PROCESS [12.5HP/ TON]	10.4	\$0.83		

# TYPICAL MIX PROCESSES VS. COSTS FOR 24TPH CaCO<sub>3</sub> CAPACITY [ Example]

TYPICAL SLURRY PROCESSES	\$/TON CaCO <sub>3</sub> @ \$0.08/KWH	\$ / HR	\$ / DAY	\$ / YR
SINGLE PASS VACUCAM EJETOR MIXER FROM SILO [12HP/100GPM@100PSI]—WATER SUPPLY PUMP ONLY	\$0.077	\$1.85	\$44.40	\$16,206
SINGLE PASS VACUCAM® EJM IN-LINE FROM SILO TO REMOTE SLURRY STORAGE-WATER SUPPLY +SLURRY DELIVERY PUMP TO STORAGE	\$0.15	\$3.6	\$86.40	\$31,536
PNEUMATIC CONVEY [150HP/25TPH] NOTE: DOES NOT INCLUDE MAKING SLURRY	\$0.40	\$9.6	\$230.40	\$84,096
SLURRY STORAGE MIXERS [4@30HP EACH] [AGITATOR MIXER IN A SLURRY TANK]	\$0.33	\$7.92	\$190.08	\$69,379
BALL MILL SLAKER PROCESS [12.5HP/ TON]	\$0.83	\$19.92	\$478.08	\$174,499

# Limestone Mixer– Capacity Size Chart

## MIXER MODEL/SIZE --SINGLE UNIT

		<u>125B/C</u>	<u>150B/C</u>	<u>200C</u>	<u>250C</u>	<u>340C</u>
Limestone	[TPD]	322	386	515	644	876
	[TPH]	13	16	22	28	38
	[#/HR]	26,807	32,168	42,900	53,625	72,930
	[#/MIN]	447	536	715	894	1,216
WATER	[#/HR]	62,550	75,060	100,080	125,100	170,136
	[#/MIN]	1,042	1,250	1,668	2,085	2,836
	[GPM]	125	150	200	250	340
SLURRY [30%SOLIDS]						
	[TPD]	1,072	1,286	1,715	2,144	2,916
	[#/HR]	89,357	107,228	142,980	178,725	243,066
@9.97#/GAL	[GPM]	149	179	239	299	407

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**SIOUX PLANT - PLANT REQUIREMENTS VS. SLURRY CAPACITY OPTIONS:**

	Plant Requirements @ 30% slurry	Capacity @ 30% solids 1 X 250 Mixer	2 X 250 Dual Mixer	Capacity @ 35% solids 1 X 250 Mixe	2 X 250 Dual Mixer
<b>DRY CaCO<sub>3</sub></b>					
TPH	<b>34</b>	27	<b>54</b>	34	<b>68</b>
TPD	816	643	1286	808	1616
#/HR	68,000	53,580	107,160	67,361	134,722
#/MIN	<b>1133</b>	893	<b>1786</b>	1123	<b>2246</b>
<b>WATER</b>					
#/MIN	2644	2085	4170	2085	4170
GPM	<b>317</b>	250	<b>500</b>	250	<b>500</b>
<b>SLURRY</b>					
#/min	3777	2978	5956	3208	6416
TPH	113	89	178	96	192
TPD	2719	2144	4288	2310	4620
GPM (est. 10#/gal)	<b>378</b>	298	<b>596</b>		
gpm (est. 10.5#/gal)				306	<b>612</b>
% CAPACITY	100	78.8	<b>158</b>	100	<b>200</b>
OPERATING HOURS/DAY			<b>15.2</b>		<b>12</b>

Use Requirements vs. Mix Capacity Options:

1. Plant CaCO<sub>3</sub> requirements for a 24 hr. day would be 34TPH dry; requiring 317gpm water to produce 378 gpm of 30% slurry.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

OPTION 1: One option to produce this capacity would be to use a dual pair of Mixers @ 250gpm each for a total of 500gpm of water to produce 596gpm of 30% slurry. This process will produce 158% of required daily usage requiring 15.2 hours of operating time.

OPTION 2: A Second option to produce this capacity would be to use a dual pair of Mixers @ 250gpm each for a total of 500gpm of water to produce 612 gpm of 35% slurry. This process will produce 200% of required daily usage requiring 12 hours of operating time.



# **LIMESTONE HANDLING & MIXING**

## **INCORPORATING THE VACUCAM® EJECTOR MIXER PROCESS**

- Semi-Bulk Systems has applied its technology and experience in Powder Handling & Powder/Liquid Mixing to provide the most efficient Limestone Handling/ Slurry Processes for FGD. The Technology offers many benefits over conventional slurry processes.
  - **The VACUCAM® Mixing Systems incorporate no mechanical mixing devices and has no moving parts (other than liquid pumps).**
  - Lower Initial Capital Costs
  - Lower Installation costs
  - Less real estate required for installation.
  - Lower Operating Cost in terms of manpower, maintenance and operating costs
  - System never requires scheduled downtime for prolonged maintenance or preventative maintenance.
  - Capacities to meet any requirements
  - Energy—90%+savings per ton of slurry
  - Much greater Operation Flexibility
    - Instant start and stop of slurry process
    - Total System Automation
    - Simple wash down of slurry process
    - 100% Reliability
  - Quality- efficient dispersion of dry powder to provide maximum surface area contact for scrubbing efficiency –no dry dust collection required.
  - Lowest Cost of Ownership

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# **Questions and Answers**

Thank you .....

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