

Introduction from a heat source to a heat



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INTRODUCTION In present scenario everybody in world concerned about global warming, ozone layer depletion, greenhouse gases, deforestation and many more things happens after the industrialization and revolution. Many new ways were came in existence for reducing the pollution. Renewable energy attracts attention of people and scientists.

Geothermal energy is one of best gift of earth. This energy can be used without any disturbance to environment. The adjective geothermal originates from the Greek roots *ge* (ge), meaning earth, and *thermos* (thermos), meaning hot. Heat is a form of energy and geothermal energy is, literally, the heat contained within the Earth that generates geological phenomena on a planetary scale (Dickson and Fanelli, 2004).

(Geothermal energy is not only available in the form of volcanoes, hot water streams, but whole earth surface is a source of energy throughout the year.) Temperature of earth below 2 – 3 meter remains in the particular range throughout the year. At 3 m depth it is between 24°C and 29.8°C. The strata between 2-3 m appear well suited for sitting of earth tube heat exchanger (Sharan and Jadhav. 2002).

Geothermal heating and cooling involves the use of constant heat (geothermal energy) that exists two to three metres below ground for heating and cooling purposes (Stein, 2013). It can be described schematically as 'convecting water in the upper crust of the Earth, which, in a confined space, transfers heat from a heat source to a heat sink, usually the free surface'.

(Hochstein et al., 1990) UTILIZATION OF GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES The Lindal diagram emphasises two important aspects of the utilization of geothermal

resources(a) with cascading and combined uses it is possible to enhance the feasibility of geothermal projects and (b) the resource temperature may limit the possible uses (Gudmundsson, 1988).

1. Electricity generation mainly takes place in conventional steam turbines and binary plants, depending on the characteristics of the geothermal resource. 2. Direct heat use is one of the oldest, most versatile and also the most common form of utilization of geothermal energy. Bathing, space heating and district heating, agricultural applications, aquaculture and some industrial uses are the best known forms of utilization, but heat pumps are the most widespread.

There are many other types of utilization, on a much smaller scale, some of which are unusual. 3. Space cooling is a feasible option where absorption machines can be adapted to geothermal use. The technology of these machines is well known, and they are readily available in the market. The absorption cycle is a process that utilises heat instead of electricity as the energy source (Sanner, et al. 2003). 4.

Ground-coupled and ground-water heat pump systems have now been installed in great numbers in at least 30 countries, for a total thermal capacity of more than 9500 MWt (in 2003) (Lund et al. 2003). 5.

Agricultural applications of geothermal fluids consist of open-field agriculture and greenhouse heating. Thermal water can be used in open-field agriculture to irrigate and/or heat the soil (Barbier and Fanelli, 1977).

6. Farm animals and aquatic species, as well as vegetables and plants, can benefit in quality and quantity from optimum conditioning of their

environmental temperature. In many cases geothermal waters could be used profitably in a combination of animal husbandry and geothermal greenhouses (Barbier and Fanelli, 1977). **GEOTHERMAL HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEM** Geothermal Heating and Cooling Systems provide space conditioning heating, cooling, and humidity control. They may also provide water heating either to supplement or replace conventional water heaters.

Geothermal Heating and Cooling Systems work by moving of heat, rather than by converting chemical energy to heat like in a furnace. Every Geothermal Heating and Cooling System has three major subsystems or parts: a geothermal heat pump to move heat between the building and the fluid in the earth connection, an earth connection for transferring heat between its fluid and the earth, and a distribution subsystem for delivering heating or cooling to the building. Geothermal system

components a.) Ground loop A closed ground loop system consists of a series of high density polyethylene pipes buried in a yard. A heat transfer fluid, comprised of antifreeze and water, is inside the ground loop pipes. This heat transfer fluid removes heat from (heating mode) or delivers heat to (cooling mode) the earth surrounding the ground loop.

The ground loop pipes carry the heated fluid to the heat pump furnace unit in the home (MH, 2017). b.) Geothermal Heat Pump The heat pump's system improves the consistency of the heat, which is then circulated throughout the animal house by way of the distribution system. The heat pump furnace unit provides both heating and cooling. The geothermal heat pump is packaged in a single cabinet, and includes the compressor, loop-to-refrigerant heat exchanger, and controls (MH, 2017).

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c.) Distribution Subsystem In a forced air system, a fan in the heat pump furnace unit blows air over a fan coil and the heated or cooled air is distributed through the ductwork (MH, 2017).

Different Types of geothermal ventilation Systems Geothermal systems use the earth as a heat source and heat sink. A series of pipes, commonly called a “loop,” carry a fluid used to connect the geothermal system’s heat pump to the earth. There are two basic types of loops: closed and open, where as other variants are also present. Open loop systems Open loop systems are the simplest.

Used successfully for decades, ground water is drawn from an aquifer through one well, passes through the heat pump’s heat exchanger, and is discharged to the same aquifer through a second well at a distance from the first. Open-loop systems have a very high thermal efficiency and installation can be up to 50% less expensive than vertical closed loop systems. Open loop systems have challenges like some local ground water chemical conditions can lead to fouling the heat pump’s heat exchanger. Increasing environmental concerns mean that local officials must be consulted to assure compliance with regulations concerning water use and acceptable water discharge methods (Wale and Attar, 2013). Closed loop system Closed loop systems are becoming the most common.

When properly installed, they are economical, efficient, and reliable. Water (or a water and antifreeze solution) is circulated through a continuous buried pipe keeping. The closed loop system is environment friendly because water in the loop prevents contamination to the external environment. The length

of loop piping varies depending on ground temperature, thermal conductivity of the ground, soil moisture, and system design (Wale and Attar, 2013).

Horizontal Loops Horizontal closed loop installations are generally most cost-effective for small installations, particularly for new construction where sufficient land area is available. These installations involve burying pipe in trenches dug with back-hoes or chain trenchers.

Up to six pipes, usually in parallel connections, are buried in each trench, with minimum separations of a foot between pipes and ten to fifteen feet between trenches (Wale and Attar, 2013). **Vertical Loops** Vertical closed loops are preferred in many situations like small farm size or no more land is available for further enhancement. Vertical loops also minimize the disturbance to existing landscaping. For vertical closed loop systems, a U-tube (more rarely, two U-tubes) is installed in a well drilled 100 to 400 feet deep. Because conditions in the ground may vary greatly, loop lengths can range from 130 to 300 feet per ton of heat exchange. Multiple drill holes are required for most installations, where the pipes are generally joined in parallel or series-parallel configurations (Wale and Attar, 2013).

Slinky loops: Increasingly, “slinky” coils overlapping coils of polyethylene pipe are used to increase the heat exchange per foot of trench, but require more pipe per ton of capacity. Two pipe systems may require 200 to 300 feet of trench per ton of nominal heat exchange capacity. The trench length decreases as the number of pipes in the trench increases or as Slinky coil overlaps increase.

This same slinky coil design-system can be used in a lake or pond application (Wale and Attar, 2013). Pond loops Pond closed loops are a special kind of closed loop system. Where there is a pond or stream that is deep enough and with enough flow, closed loop coils can be placed on the pond bottom. Fluid is pumped just as for a conventional closed loop ground system where conditions are suitable, the economics are very attractive, and no aquatic system impacts have been shown (Wale and Attar, 2013).

Anatomy of a Geothermal Heat Pump (GHP) Instead of producing heat like a conventional furnace, a geothermal system moves heat from one place to another. ∅ The cool, liquid refrigerant enters the indoor coil during cooling. As it enters the coil, the temperature of the refrigerant is between 40° and 50° F. ∅ As warm, moist room air passes over the cool coil, the refrigerant inside absorbs the heat. ∅ The new cooler, drier air is circulated back into the room with a blower fan. ∅ The refrigerant moves into the compressor, which is a pump that raises the pressure so it will move through the system.

The increased pressure from the compressor causes the refrigerant to heat thoroughly 120° to 140° F. ∅ The hot vapor now moves into the condenser (the underground loops), where the refrigerant gives up its heat to the cooler ground and condenses back into a liquid. ∅ During the winter, the reversing valve switches the indoor coil to function as the condenser, and the underground piping to act as the evaporator. ∅ As the refrigerant leaves the compressor, it's still under high pressure. It reaches the expansion valve, where the pressure is reduced.

Ø The cycle is complete as the cool, liquid refrigerant re-enters the evaporator to pick up room heat. Ø During the winter, the reversing valve switches the indoor coil to function as the condenser, and the underground piping to act as the evaporator. Ø In short, the indoor coil and underground piping cause the refrigerant to change state, absorbing and releasing heat through boiling and condensing.

The compressor and expansion valve move the refrigerant through the system by changing the pressure (Wale and Attar, 2013). Calculation of geothermal ventilation and energy requirement: The ventilation required for the bird/animal is found using this equation: $V = \text{no. of birds/animals} \times \text{average body weight} \times \text{flow rate per kg}$ Geothermal energy supplies To calculate this amount of heat that can be supplied to the house we use the following equation: $Q_{\text{Geo}} = m_{\text{Geo}} \times C_p \times (T_{\text{Geo}} - T_i)$ Where, Q_{Geo} = Water temperature (°C)m.

m_{Geo} = Ground water mass flow rate (kg/s) C_p = Air specific heat (kJ/kg. K) T_{Geo} = Groundwater temperature (°C) (Busouland Elayyan, 2014) ADVANTAGES OF GEOTHERMAL SYSTEMS Efficiency: energy efficiency ratio of geothermal ventilation system compare to electrical heating at different temperature (°C) like 32. 2, 37. 7, 43. 3 is 17 and 10. 5, 9, 8, respectively (Choudhury, 2013). Reliability and safety: Geothermal heating and cooling systems have few moving parts, so they are highly reliable.

There is no risk of vandalism. Geothermal heating systems can last far longer than most heating systems up to 25-50 years. It will also eliminate the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning associated with natural gas heating and hot water. The risk of fires is also much lower than in an animal house equipped with a gas furnace and/or gas water heater. Flexibility and convenience: Geothermal heat pumps can be set up to supply hot water as well as space heating and cooling. In some cases, the hot water comes at no additional energy cost. Geothermal heating and cooling systems create no noise outside the home, and almost no noise inside either (Choudhury, 2013). Renewable energy: Geothermal is a renewable source of energy for heating, cooling, and air conditioning.

There is no pollution caused and no any adverse effects on flora or fauna. Geothermal heating and cooling systems do not contribute to global warming (Choudhury, 2013). Financial: Although geothermal systems can cost several times what a conventional system costs, payback can be within 2-10 years according to some estimates. This system is more economical as compared to heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system (Choudhury, 2013). DISADVANTAGES OF GEOTHERMAL SYSTEMS 1. Expensive: These systems are very expensive to install. 2. Installation disturbance: During the time of installation trenching is required for loop establishment it will disturb the land structure.

In case of horizontal loop system disruption of landscape is seen. 3.

Environmental disadvantages of geothermal systems using direct exchange (DX): Use of copper pipes to circulate the refrigerant, and copper pipes buried under ground can easily corrode over time, leading to leaks that are hard to

locate and almost impossible to fix (GEEH, 2016).

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS The environmental effects of geothermal development and power changes in land use associated with exploration and plant construction, noise and sight pollution, the discharge of water and gases, the production of foul odor, and soil subsidence. Most of those effects, however, can be mitigated with current technology so that geothermal uses have no more than a minimal impact on the environment. For example, Klamath Falls, Oregon, has approximately 600 geothermal wells for residential space heating. In addition, GHPs have a very minimal effect on the environment, because they make use of shallow geothermal resources within 100 meters (about 330 feet) of the surface. GHPs cause only small temperature changes to the groundwater or rocks and soil in the ground (EB, 2017).

Geothermal HVAC Myths Busted There are many myths about the geothermal ventilation system like geothermal energy is just experimental and can't be used widely. Geothermal resources are nonrenewable. Extraction and injection of geothermal brines will contaminate the drinking water. Geothermal ventilation development will disturb the land features.

Geothermal ventilation is applicable only in temperate region of earth. Geothermal ventilation system can't cool the home it will only heat the room (Egg, 2013). Morrison and Ahmed, (2010) reported myth about GHPs that the technology is too expensive.

The technology doesn't work in India. Geothermal HVAC requires geothermal energy to operate. Geothermal system in different animal house Shah, et

al.,(2017) found that earth-to-water heat exchanger(EWHE) pens were slightly warmer than the Control pens cooled with stir fans and sprinklers in very hot days, pig performance in the EWHE pens was unaffected. The EWHE reduced the electricity use by > 50 per cent and eliminated the sprinkling water use.

EWHE is sustainable and cost effective for high value pig and greenhouse in any part of the world. Kankariya Zoo, Ahmedabad has initiated a project to develop a nocturnal animal house with the geothermal ventilation system for providing a fresh air at ideal temperature which is good for the under danger wild animal species (IE, 2017). Geothermal cooling system potentially reduces the cost of energy about 28 per cent as compared to conventional heating system.

Geothermal ventilation suppresses the emissions of (NH₃, H₂S, SO₂) and also the risk of microbial contaminant into the animal house environment. It has no any negative impact on the growth performance of the growing pigs. (Bostami et al. 2016). They further suggested that, geothermal system was more effective in maintenance of internal house temperature compared to ground channel; whereas, ground channel system was more effective in saving energy consumption and reducing CO₂ emissions. Thus, on a broader view, geothermal and ground channel system can contribute to the global energy crisis and global gas emissions reduction through potential saving of energy consumption and reduction of CO₂ and odorous gas emissions (Bostami et al. 2016).

Islam,(2016) found that the CSGHP system has the potential to reduce electricity use, overall cost and CO and noxious gas emissions. Therefore, the CSGHP system has the potential for use as an environmentally friendly renewable energy source for animal houses. Copenhagen Zoo had conducted a project for preliminary study of geothermal ventilation system for their zoo animals and birds. They have done project for penguin exhibition and they have save about 142 MWh energy per year (Hestmark et al.

, 2015). Use of a modular housing with GHE may be more effective for heat-intensive piglet production. The investment costs are higher than in comparable conventional livestock buildings. The modular housing with integrated GHE is assessed as positive from energy and environmental point of view for pig houses where high indoor temperatures are required on a year-round basis (Krommweh et al., 2014). Predica et al.

, (2014) conducted an experiment on swine barn and found that geothermal ventilation system is more significant than the conventional gas fired heater, GSHP room was cooler during the warm months there were no considerable difference between two rooms during cold months. Methane and Nitrous Oxide concentrations were lower in GSHP room compare to conventional ventilation system. With the geothermal ventilation system no any type of adverse effect on pig's average daily gain, feed intake and feed conversion efficiency.

Geothermal ventilation loop have multiple use for example in Oregon zoo they had develop a multilateral ground loop which provide a cool environment to bear and warm environment for elephants (OZ, 2014). A study

conducted at Chumathang, Himachal Pradesh, to know the energy cost per unit exergy for parallel combination of a phase change system with a heating system. At low flow rate and -5°C ambient temperature cost per unit exergy were 0.32 and 0.

69 (USD MJ⁻¹ hr⁻¹), respectively (Chauhan, 2013). Stein, (2013) reported that University of Missouri, has developed a geothermal energy system for a large turkey farm in that state. The project has been jointly funded by the US Department of Energy as a demonstration project in partnership with the farm's owner.

The system is being used both for brooding and grow-out. The project team estimates that they will save on energy costs between 50 and 70 per cent. It has been concluded that a GHP system could increase the production performance of broiler chicks due to increased inside air quality of the broiler house. The GHP system had lower CO₂ and NH₃ emissions with lower energy cost than the conventional heating system for broiler chickens (Choi et al., 2012). Jacobson, (2012) suggested that there are cooling alternatives to the traditional evaporative systems used in pig facilities in the Midwestern USA and other pig growing areas of the world that could result in reduced energy and emissions per pound of pork produced while still being economically viable.

A geothermal system was evaluated as one possible method to provide cooling for pig buildings that could provide an effective and economic approach to cooling pig facilities. In a comparative study between the ground source heat pump (GSHP) heating and cooling system,

coal fired heating system(CFH), wet curtain fan cooling system(WCFC), air conditioning found that initial investment of GSHP heating and cooling system was higher than that of the CFH system integrated with WCFC system, the relative operating cost of GSHP, CFH and AC was 0.94, 1.00, 0.

98, respectively(Wang et. al., 2012). In a case study of poultry farm in Syria came to a conclusion that coefficient of performance of GSHP for heating and cooling were 6.2 and 10 respectively, while corresponding values of ASHP were 4 and 4.3 only.

Also found that annual cost of GSHP is reduced up to 38 per cent, 69.2 per cent, and 79.7 per cent as compared to ASHP, coal heater combined with ASHP and diesel heater combined with ASHP, respectively (Mohamad, 2012) CONCLUSION In recent era of energy crisis geothermal ventilation system is a good alternative.

Geothermal ventilation will reduce the greenhouse effect by reducing the production of greenhouse gases like CFC and HCFC etc. Geothermal ventilation reduces the emission of harmful gasses and also risk of microbial contamination into the farm shed. Geothermal ventilation provides natural air with improved quality which is favourable to maintain animal growth and health.

It is efficient, safe, flexible source of renewable energy.

Geothermal ventilation system is best alternative to create favourable microclimatic condition in animal house during adverse climate.