

The size of the prize for UV LED

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UV solutions for demanding
printing applications



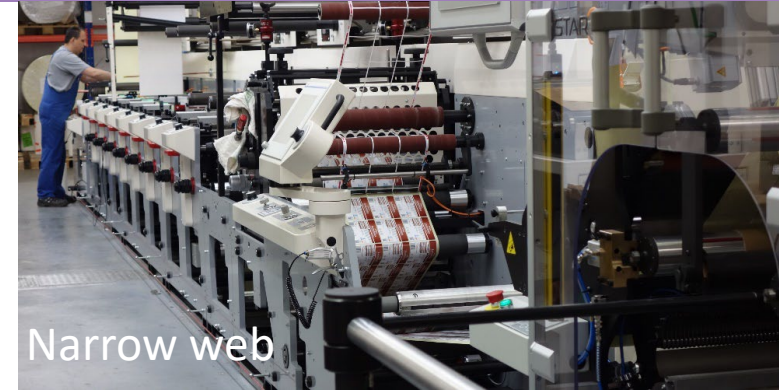
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GEW ... engineering UV



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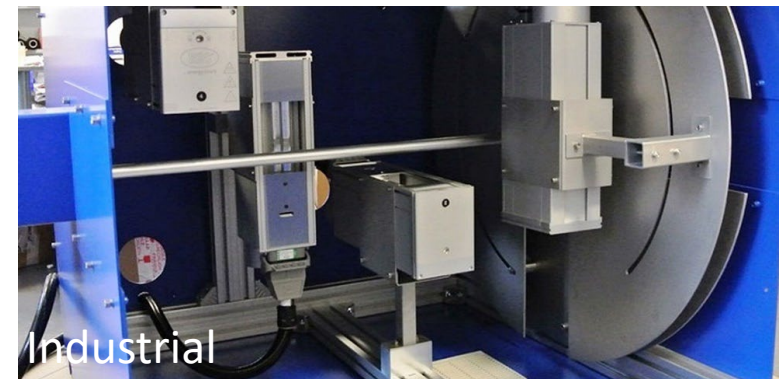
Narrow web



Wide web

Founded 1991
 >£60m turnover
 3 factories:
 >18,000m²

Graphic Arts Only
 Offices: UK, DE, USA
 100% family owned
 >6000 UV units per year



Industrial

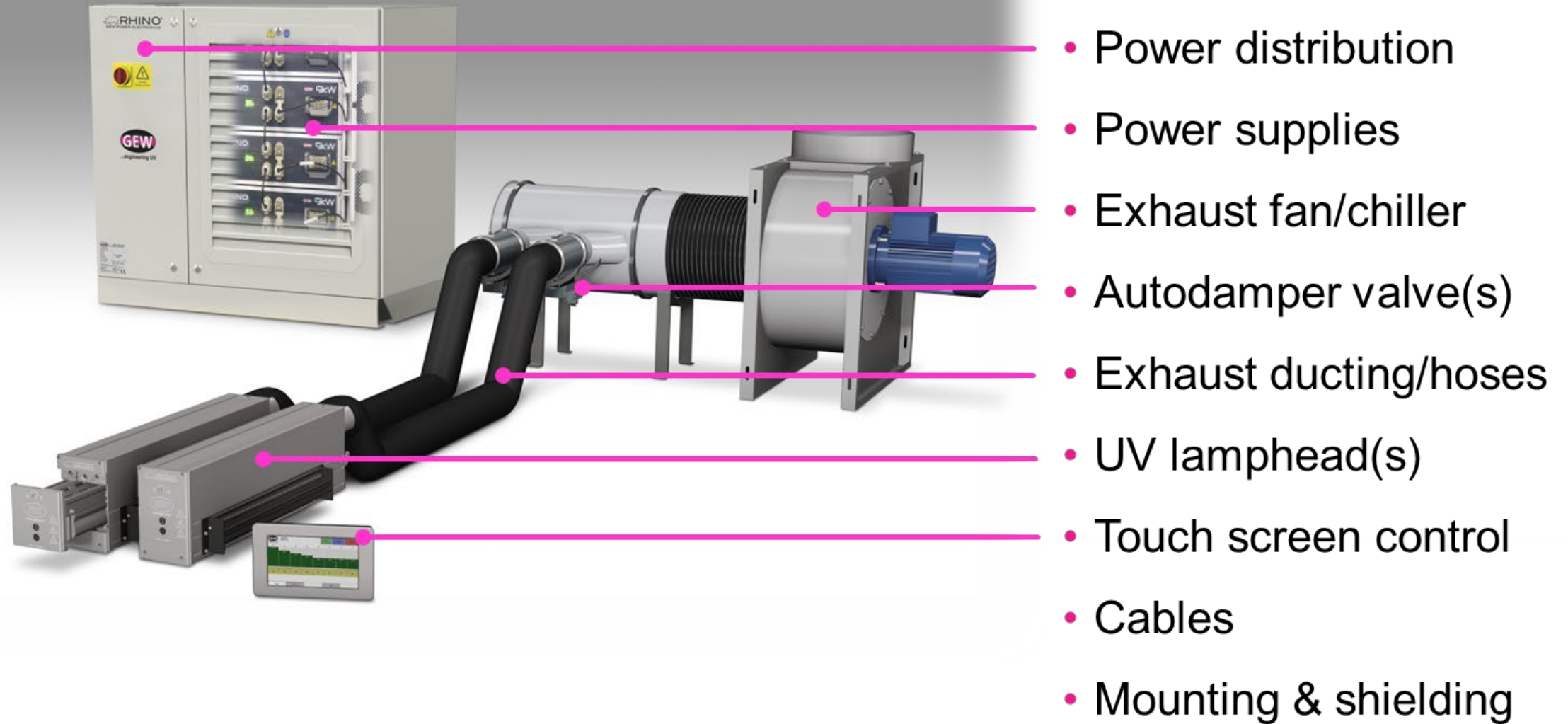


Special applications



Digital

Typical UV system





UV & UV LED Products

water-cooled



lamphead style



cassette style



air-cooled



cassette style

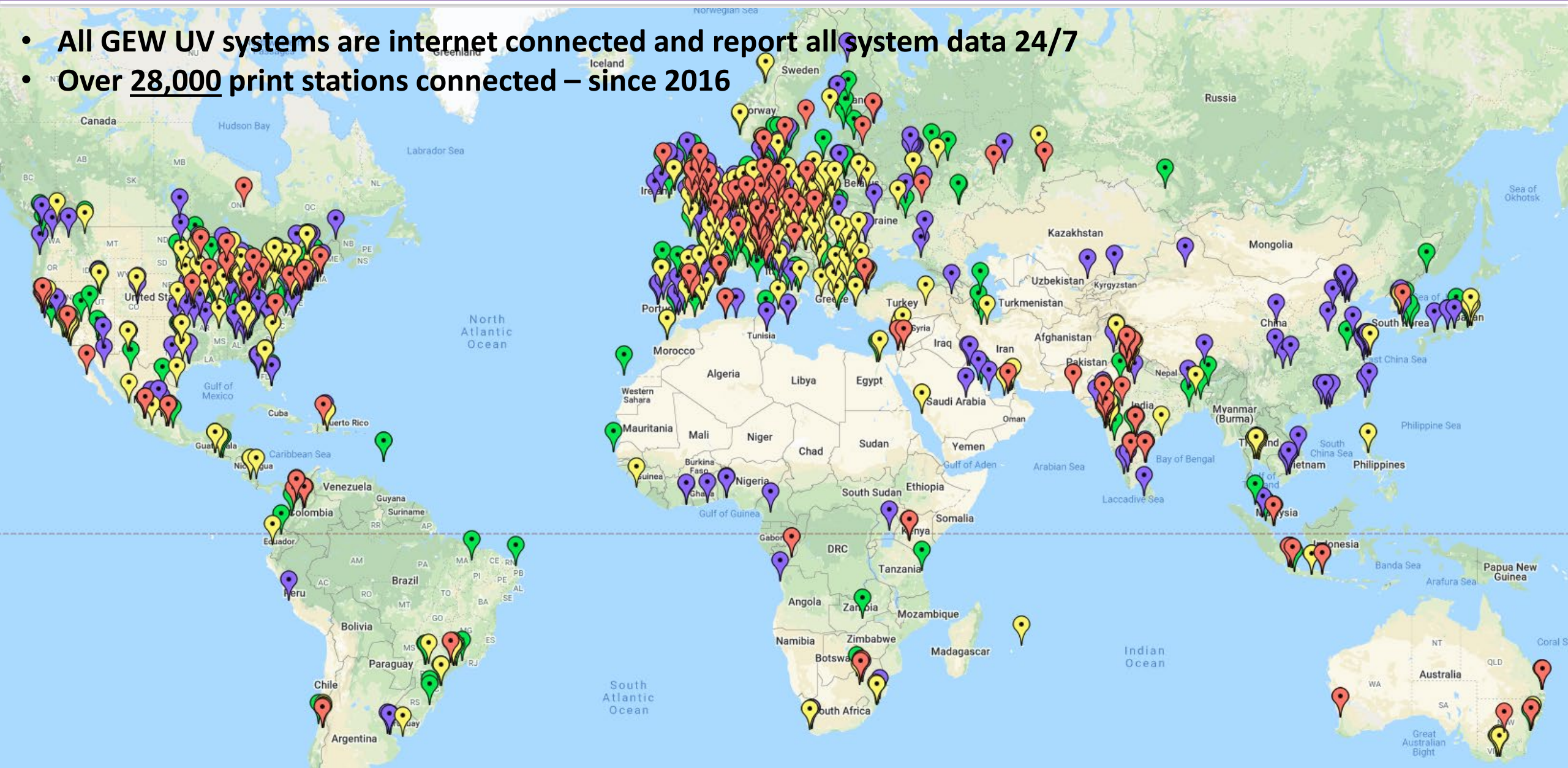


UV Curing Technologies...



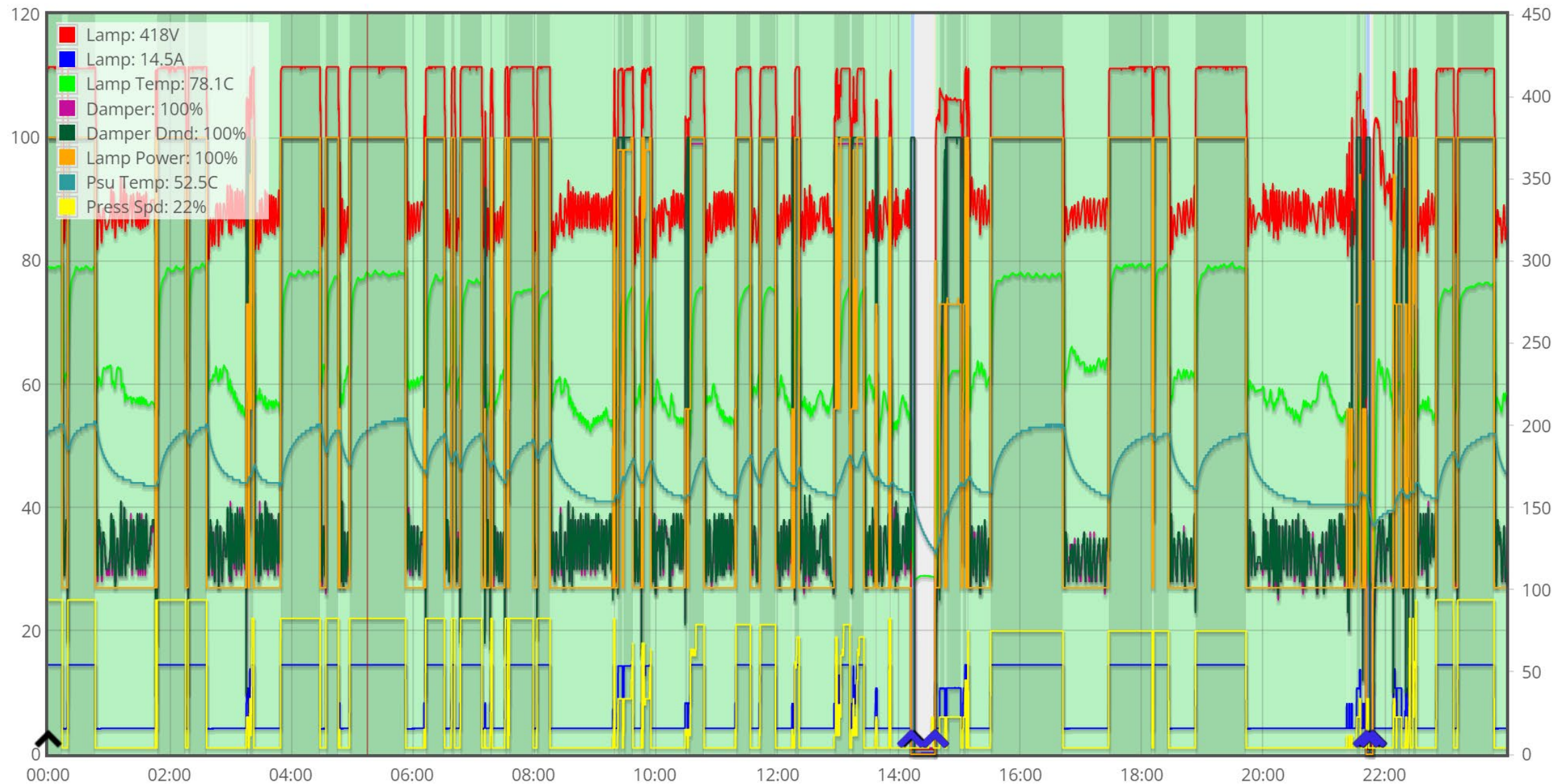
GEW Remote Monitoring System

- All GEW UV systems are internet connected and report all system data 24/7
- Over 28,000 print stations connected – since 2016





GEW Remote Monitoring System





Sustainability Benefits of LED

- No Mercury
- No Ozone
- Higher press efficiency - no warm-up / cool down
- Large installed power savings
- Large operational energy savings

No Mercury

ROHS II Regulation



- Scope excludes *Large-scale stationary industrial tools (LSSITs) & Large-scale fixed installations (LSFIs)*
 - In GEW opinion most NW presses are out of scope (not legal opinion)
- For small % remaining Exemption 4f is extended until minimum July 2024
- UV industry uses very small amounts of Mercury:
 - All GEW UV lamps sold in Europe = <5 kg Mercury
 - 2018 EU member states used ~40 tonnes of Mercury in dental fillings alone!

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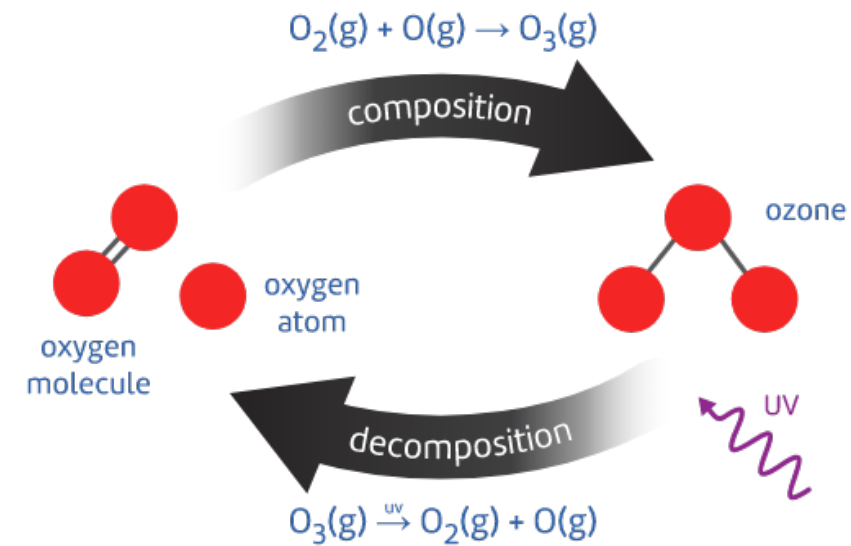
No Ozone

Ozone Generation

- Average 45cm 8 lamp UV system → ~3kg of ozone per year
- ½ Life ~1day → 8g residual ozone per year per system → negligible

Extraction Requirements

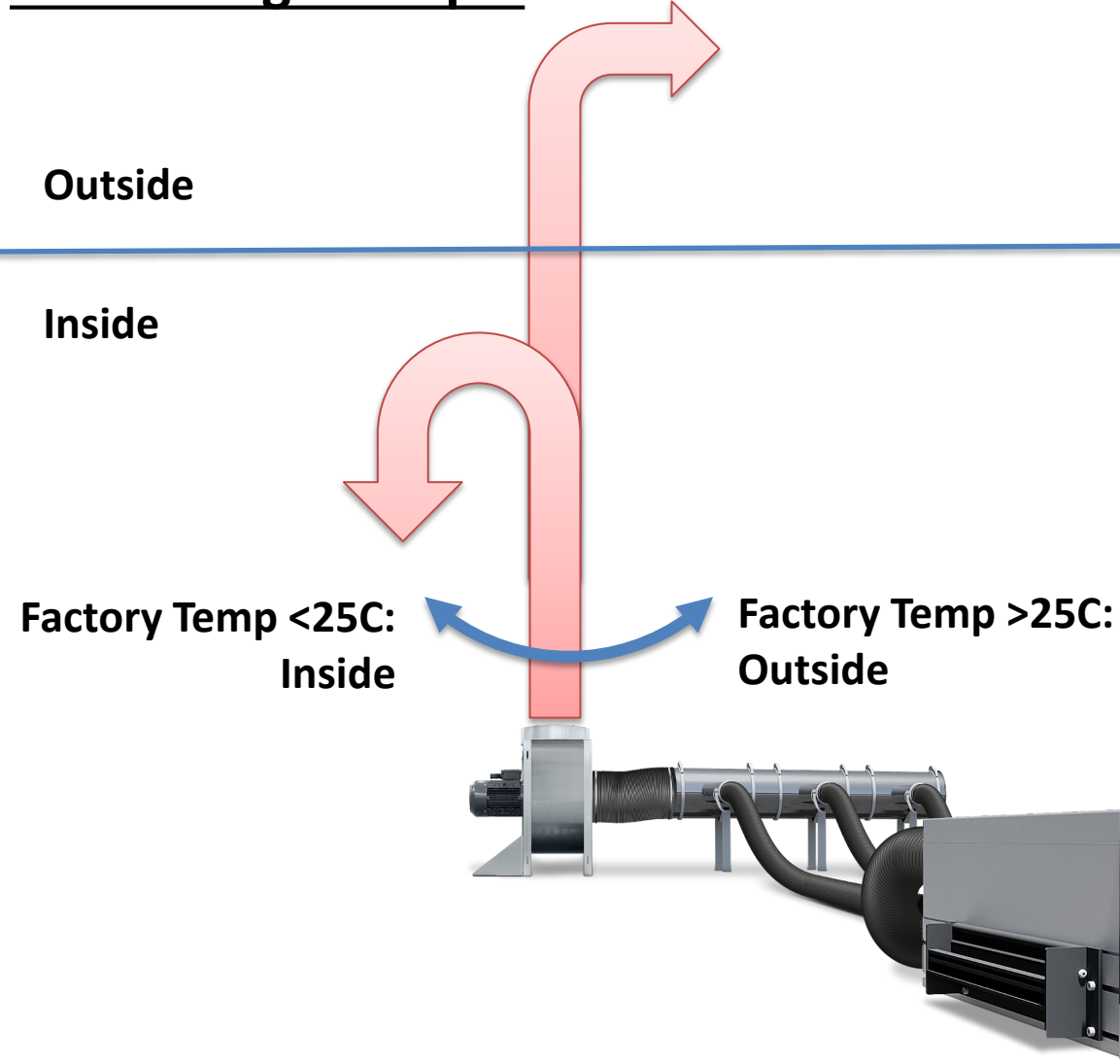
- Main benefit - LED systems do not require ducting out of building
- LED diodes ~ 50% efficiency
- Typical 8 lamp 45cm LED → 12.6kW heat into press room
- Two shift operation → 60-70kWh per day
 - Enough to heat 2 average UK homes @ 33kWh per day
- Managing waste heat is a big opportunity with LED!





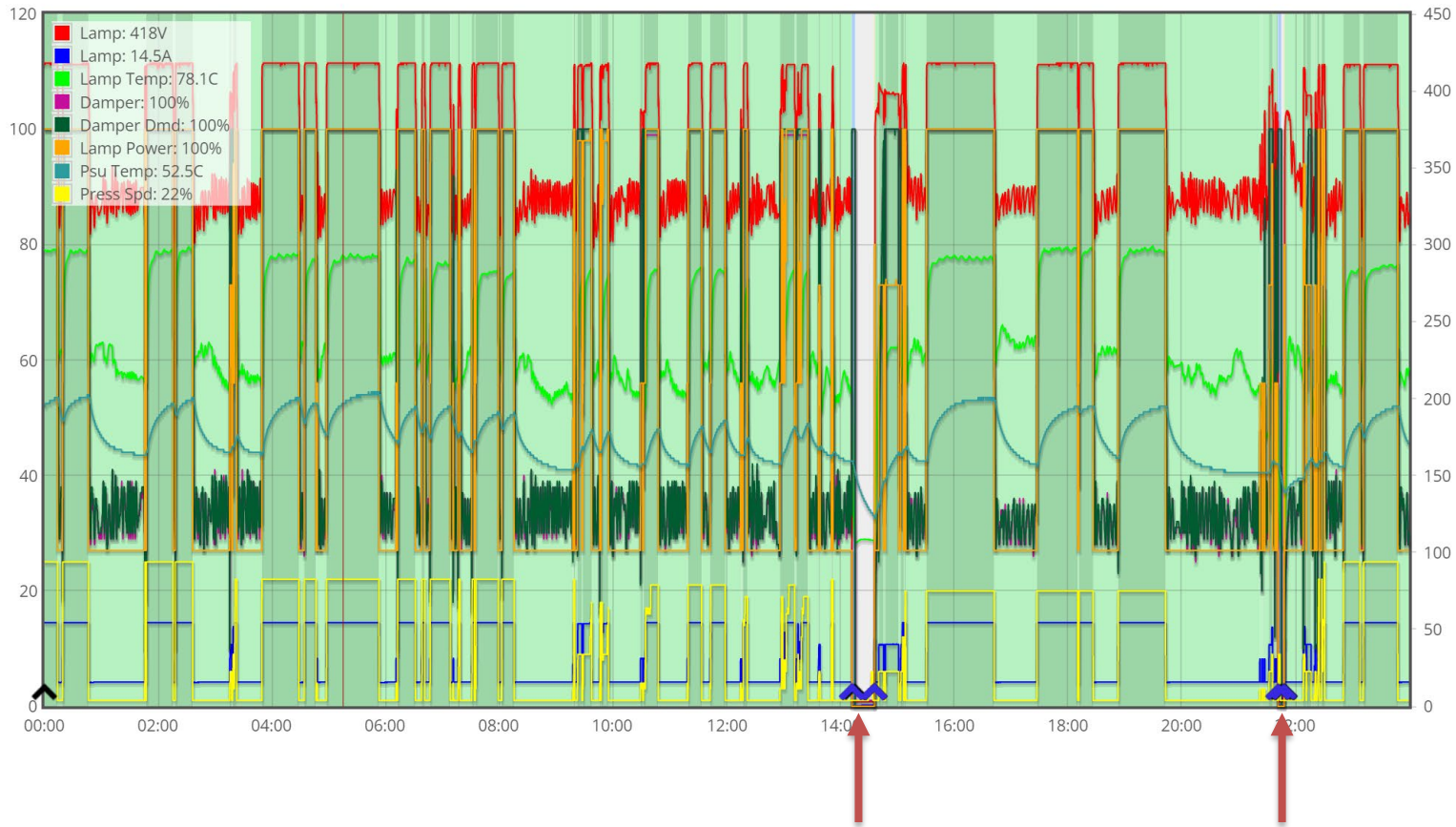
Waste Heat Management

Air Cooling Example



Water cooled systems:
Waste heat is collected in water. Heat exchangers can redistribute this heat within factories; solutions already exist

Lamp warm up / cool down lost time



UV stops – not “UV fault” related

Conservative Example:

- Efficient 3 shift label operation
- 2 UV stops per day is common
- 5 minute cool down
- 1 minute warm up
- 312 days per year = >60 hours per year

- €200/hr = €12,000 per year

Consider:

- UV fault stops:
 - Shutter faults
 - Failed lamp striking
 - Overheating



THE BIG ONE: Energy Savings

1. Installed Power
2. Energy Consumption

Free up mains capacity



Electrical Requirement[†]

GEW E2C	65 kVA
AeroLED	26 kVA



Cut your energy costs



Energy Consumption[†]

GEW E2C
206,200 kWh

AeroLED
69,800 kWh



...engineering UV



LED reduces installed power

Mercury Arc System *air-cooled*

E2C

E2C-45-8 @ 140 wpc



Power

- RHINO cabinet: 62kVA

UV LED System *air-cooled*

AeroLED[®]

AERO-45-8 @ 53 wpc



Power

- RHINO cabinet: 27kVA

AeroLED reduces power 66% (35kVA)



LED reduces installed power

Retrofit 2 machines with AeroLED → save enough power for another press

E2C
E2C-47-8



RHINO cabinet: 93A
Press: 63A*
Total: 156A

x2 = 312A

AeroLED®
AERO-47-8

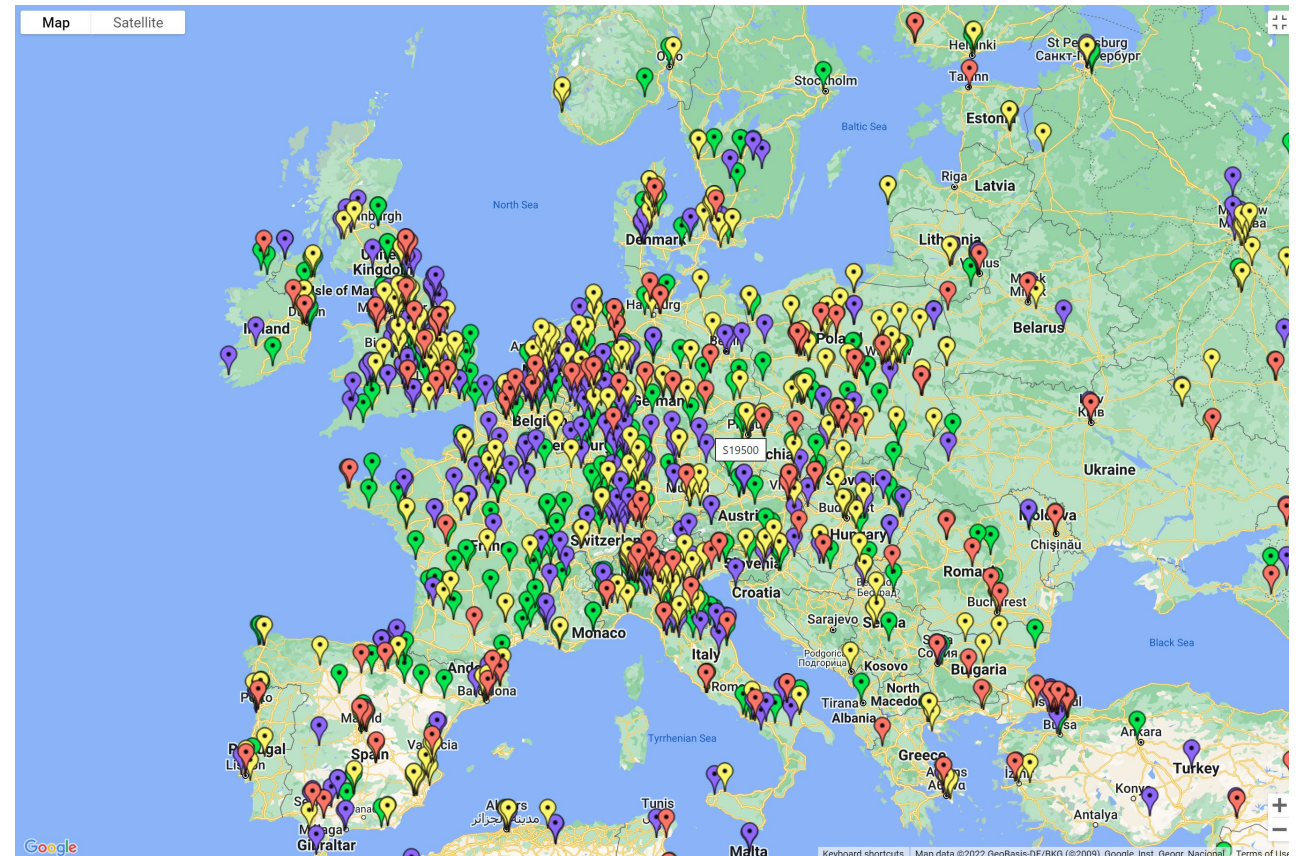


RHINO cabinet: 45A
Press: 63A*
Total: 108A

x3 = 324A

Operating Cost Comparison – worked example

- **GEW analysed subset of UV systems:**
 - Continental Europe (excluding Russia)
 - Arc lamp systems
 - Narrow web – $30\text{cm} \leq \text{Arc length} \leq 70\text{cm}$
 - Printing machinery ≥ 5 lamps per system (i.e. not converting machines)
 - Minimum of 12 months connection
- **We found:**
- **46% duty cycle average**





Operating Cost Comparison - worked example

AeroLED (air cooled LED) vs E2C (air cooled arc lamp)

Assumptions	
Mains Voltage (V)	400V
Mains Frequency (Hz)	50Hz
Duty cycle	46%
Days per year	312
Shifts per day	1
Hours per shift	6
Energy cost	0.2 EUR

UV system specifications	E2C	AeroLED	Notes
Length	47cm	47cm	Length of lamp / LED array
Power	140W/cm	53W/cm	Input power of lamphead
Number of UV lamps	8	8	Number of UV lampheads on the press

Energy cost	E2C	AeroLED	Notes
System Annual Power	71,340kWh	20,066kWh	Estimated annual power of the system
GEW Chiller Annual Power	0,000kWh	0,000kWh	Estimated annual power of the chiller
UV System Energy cost	14,268 EUR	4,013 EUR	Estimated annual energy cost of system
GEW Chiller Energy cost	0 EUR	0 EUR	Estimated annual energy cost of chiller
Total energy cost	14,268 EUR	4,013 EUR	

Maintenance cost	E2C	AeroLED	Notes
Cost of lamps	3,248 EUR	0 EUR	Estimate of consumable lamps
Cost of hazardous waste	160 EUR	0 EUR	Estimate of lamp waste disposal
Other maintenance costs	5,200 EUR	1,400 EUR	Estimate of other costs of maintenance
Total Maintenance cost	8,608 EUR	1,400 EUR	Total cost of Maintenance

Please note assumptions are based on GEW's long experience manufacturing UV systems.

Total operating cost	E2C	AeroLED	Notes
Total annual operating cost	22,876 EUR	5,413 EUR	Estimated annual operating cost

Comparison		Notes
Annual savings from AeroLED	17,463 EUR	Estimated annual savings of AeroLED system over arc system
Energy saved annually	51,274kWh	71.9% reduction in energy usage annually
Carbon footprint reduction	22.61 Tonnes of CO₂	Estimated carbon footprint reduction per annum



Size of prize for “average EU converter”

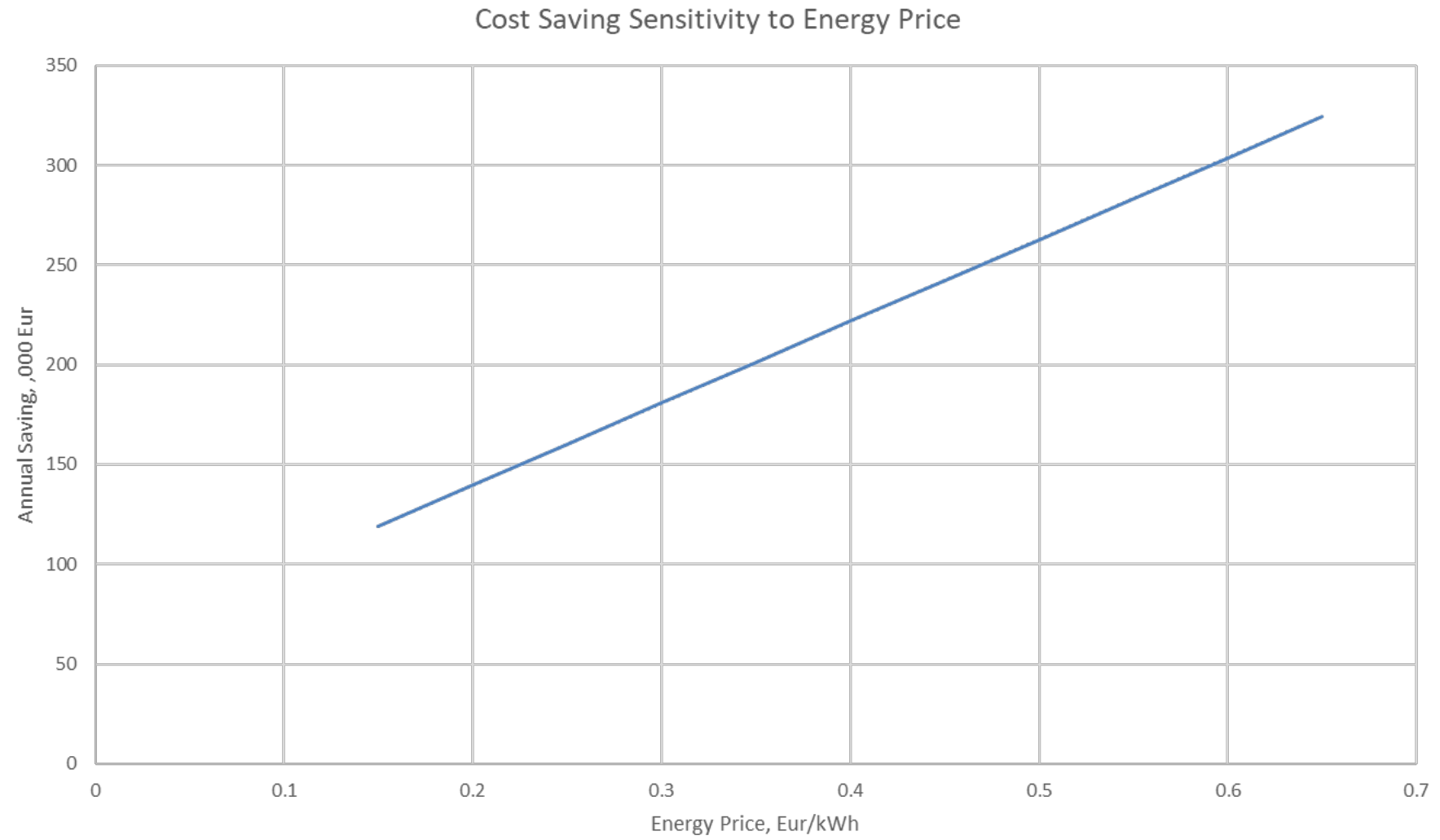
- 4x 8 colour 410mm machines
- 2 shifts per day, 6 days per week
- 6 hours run time during a shift
- 46% uptime (remote monitoring average)

	1 shift 1 machine	2 shifts 1 machine	2 shifts 4 machines
Annual Savings from AeroLED	€17,463	€34,926	€139,704
Energy Saved Annually	51,274 kWh	102,548 kWh	410,192 kWh
CO ₂ Reduction	22.6 tonnes	45.2 tonnes	180.8 tonnes



Sensitivity to energy price

- **Every 5c/kWh → €20,400 per year**



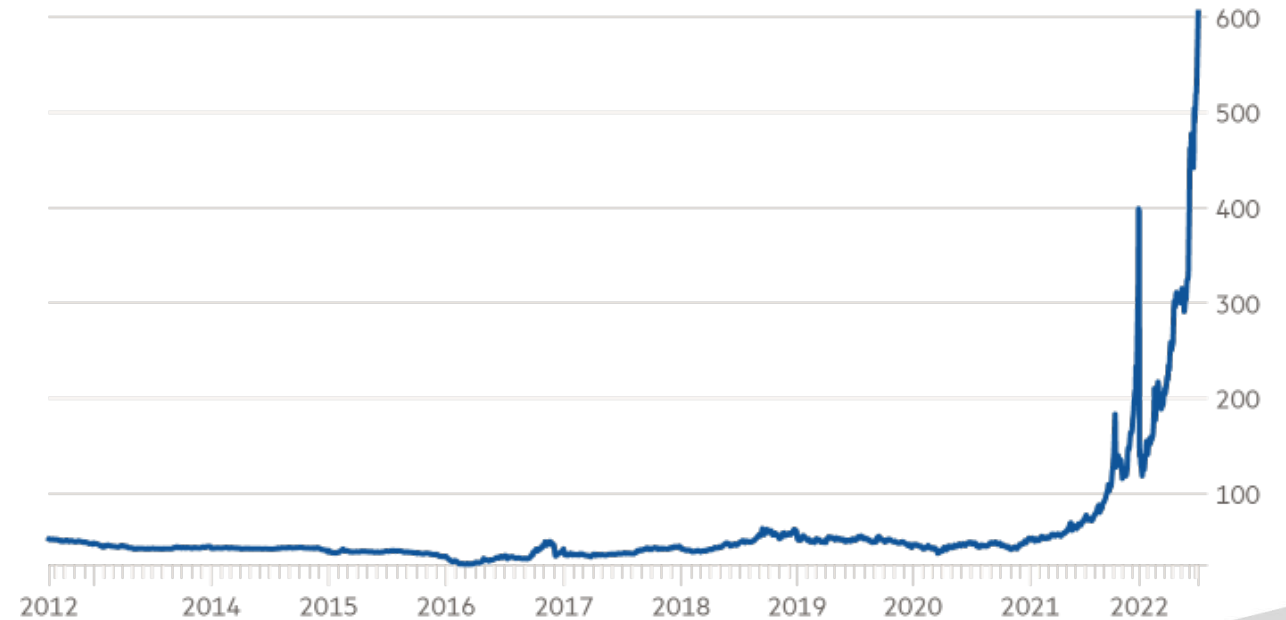


LED Adoption in Europe

War in Ukraine → Energy Crisis → Soaring Electricity Prices → Adoption of LED curing



1-year forward baseload power (€ per Mwh)



Source: Refinitiv
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Size of the Prize

- **1 lamp conversion saves >12,000kWh per year**
- Converting all GEW lamps to LED would save per year:
 - > 300,000,000 kWh
 - Enough electricity for 115,000 UK homes
 - >140,000 tonnes of CO2
 - >€100,000,000 @ 0.2€/kWh
- That is just the GEW installed base... just narrow web... just Europe...



GEW Online energy saving calculator

www.gewuv.com/roi_calculator

GEW have launched an accurate online energy saving calculator: Quick, easy calculation of estimated savings when switching to LED

Find out how much you could save

Country & currency

Country
 × ▾

Currency
USD \$

Suggested energy price for your country
0.35

REQUIRED: enter your energy price (kWh)*

System parameters

Number of lampheads*

Lamp Length*
 × ▾

Arc Power
 × ▾

LED system for comparison*
 × ▾

Operating parameters

Total days of operation in a 365 day year*

Average number of shifts per day*

Average hours per shift*

What is your duty cycle?*

Arc / AeroLED Annual Operating Cost Comparison Table

PARAMETERS	SAVINGS ON AEROLED UPGRADE	MEASUREMENT
Energy use	160,400	kWh
Operating cost	50,600	USD \$
CO2 usage	54	Tonnes

If you wish to receive your own personalised Operating Cost Comparison, then click the button at the bottom of the page to contact our team:

Get your Operating Cost Comparison



Return on investment:

RETROFIT YOUR PRESS with **UV LED** in less than one day

IF YOU HAVE
any of the
list below

You will need these
AeroLED system components:

	AeroLED Lamphead	RHINO/RLT & HMI	Fan & Ducting	Shielding
E2C & RHINO/RLT system	✓	✗	✗	✗
E2C & eBrick system	✓	✓	✗	✗
Any other system	✓	✓	✓	✓



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