REUNION Island SWAC project : key energy infrastructure for the long term

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## **ADEME: 3 main Playing Fields**

- Energy: Renewables, Energy Effciency
- Environmental Protection Agency (French EPA)
- R&D, innovation in key sectors (low carbon economy)
- **17 Regional Offices nationwide** (4 overseas Teams in Tropical areas)

ADEME: partner of communities, private investors..... expertise, financing, EU energy community networking



## **REUNION ISLAND in THE INDIAN OCEAN**



## **REUNION ISLAND**

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## SWAC project presentation: Northern Part of REUNION Island





Marine Cooling District System Saint Denis and Sainte Marie REUNION ISLAND



### Sea Water Air Conditioning (SWAC)





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## Energy performance of the SWAC project in the Reunion island context

From 90% to 75% energy efficiency according to the load ratio of the distribution system (number of clients).

40 GWh : Power consumption avoided annually (30 GWh in the first stage). Electricity generation from fossil fuels at 65% (by 2014) in Reunion island (50% by 2020).

SWAC project will avoid the emission of 600 kt CO2 in the life time of the SWAC installation

 $\rightarrow$  this represents the emissions of 16 000 vehicles during 24 years.

### Other SWAC systems to be implented at the world level

- Honolulu (Hawaii) : Urban distribution system coupled to a hybrid SWAC + Cooling generation unit. Depth : 500m – Temperature : 10° C – Cooling Capacity : 70 MWth Basic engineering studies realised – Implementation ?

- Bahamas : Resorts of 2250 rooms connected to a SWAC. Depth : 950 m – Temperature : 5° C – Cooling Capacity : 40 MWth with sucking pipe of 4.15 km and pipe diameter of 1400 mm – Implementation ?

- Curaçao (Dutch Antillas) : Airport cooling delivery by a SWAC system coupled with a Deep Ocean Water Applications (DOWA). Bathymetric survey ahieved in April 2012 (Makai)

- Tetiaroa (French Polynesia) – second luxury resort with a SWAC system (first project was made in Bora Bora - 2006 - Intercontinental) – Capacity : 4MWth – commissioned in 2013

 Hospital center at St Pierre (Reunion island) – Projet initiated by EDF with the support of ADEME (feasibility studies realised). Call for tenders launched by hospital in September 2015.
 Financing by ADEME / AFD / CDC to be confirmed

Other potential projects : Hospital in Tahiti, Mauritius, Mayotte, Malte, Canary islands, resorts in the Caribbean islands , Latin America,...

### District cooling network within the communities of Saint Denis and Sainte Marie



#### **Implementation schedule** (2 x 23 km of distribution pipes)

• 2016 / 2017	- Offshore works, Pumping station, Network : Chaudron, Technopole, Champ Fleuri,
<ul> <li>2017 / 2018</li> <li>2018 / 2019</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Network : Sainte-Clotilde area, airport</li> <li>Network Duparc area, La Mare, Large Mall « Espace Ocean »</li> </ul>



## **PUMPING STATION**



# CLIM ABYSS PUMPING STATION









### **SWAC POSITIVE IMPACTS AT REGIONAL LEVEL**

- Electricity consumption from the grid : **75%** off versus conventional cooling supply(stand-alone chillers)
- Avoid electricity generation by coal-fired power plant or oil-fired power plant in compliance with the EU 2030 objectives
- Avoid the emission of polluting gases (with a high greenhouse factor) and sanitary impacts with conventional cooling systems (hospital, airport, university, shopping centers,...)
- High potential to develop new deep sea water applications (resources 1000 m)
- First large scale deployment of a green technology in the island environment
- Long term Energy infrastructure (expected life > 50 years) with very low environmental impacts

### **Economics**

- Connection fees : No extra costs for the clients with existing cooling facilities
- Operation : No more concerns for the Maintenance and the refurbishing of cooling facilities
- End of noise and vibration impacts generated by stand-alone chillers
- **Compliance** with EU environmental regulations
- Secure cooling supply by additional production (ie SWAC system + stand-by Chillers for hospital energy needs)
- Green image for large companies having high environmental commitments
- 80% of the Tariff depending on long term bank debt

## **TARIFF STRUCTURE**

• Tariff depending on the number of hours at full power capacity (Energy/Power Capacity) and peak demands in power

#### . Tariff structure with two components:

- Fixed tariff : cooling power contracted,
- Variable part : Thermal energy consumed and flow of water crossing the heat exchanger (incentives for energy efficiency)

#### □ Upto 2022 :

Tariff SWAC aligned with stand-alone production costs

#### **From 2022**:

Smart evolution of the tariff no more correlated with the market electricity prices (bonus for the clients on the long term)

## **Global Energy Efficiency Initiative**

**Task Force agreed** between Clim Abyss, ADEME, University, Regional Council, Energy Cluster, SYREF (professional organisation dedicated to cooling business) to focus on

- the **dynamic behavior of buildings** : modeling buildings to specify their energy profile and identify potential energy savings,
- the energy management of the buildings connected to the SWAC
- the SWAC system linked to a **smart grid approach**: analysis at smaller scale (block of buildings) to limit electricity peak load (regional grid)

#### Major outcomes expected :

- Cooling power limitation : Clim Abyss could connect more clients owing to a better management of energy supplied.

- Matching the cooling demand for residential sector with the energy profile of business sector (supply during nights and week-ends)

# Contractual matters and Financial aspects

### **STEP BY STEP...PROCESS**

First resource evaluation (SWAC)

Feasibility studies launched by the two communities

SIDEO (two communities: Saint Denis and Sainte Marie)

SIDO represents the communities involved

SIDEO: a legal obligation for energy distribution systems

■ Launch of the European Call for tenders by SIDEO

Deadline for submitting proposals

Negociation and signature of contract (concession mode)

Phase 1 of the contract (permiting, commercial agreements, financing

August 2008 December 2009

March 2010

July 2010 December 2010

April 2011

To date

#### **CONTRACTUAL ASPECTS**

Concession contract between SIDEO and CLIMABYSS : ENGIE and CLIMESPACE (87,5%), LA CAISSE DES DEPOTS ET CONSIGNATIONS (12,5%). PROPARCO (AFD) intends to join shortly

Exclusive concession to supply cooling energy by district cooling network for Saint Denis and Sainte Marie municipalities

The contracting company is in charge of design, building, operation and financing

The contracting company will operate at its own risks for a 24 year period

#### FINANCING

#### (Public subsidies : 58% of investment costs)

<u>ADEME</u>: Promotion of projects dedicated to heating and cooling distribution networks if renewable energy contribution is over 50% (for this project : 20 M€)

TAX SCHEME: Specific tax scheme for projects located in islands (French overseas)

FEDER : European support for large infrastructures in Member States (PO 2015-2020) with a specific focus on renewables and energy efficiency

**<u>REGIONAL COUNCIL</u>**: additional financing resources coupled with FEDER

**OTHER TAX INCENTIVES FOR ISLANDS**: VAT, importation tax exemptions

♦ The electricity tariff in la Reunion is the same than in the continental French territory a compensation mechanism is paid to EDF, the local electricity supply Utilities (prices paid by consumers: 8 to 11 c€/ kWh)

A new incentive scheme will be applied in 2015 to promote energy efficiency for large projects in non interconnected islands (overseas) to reduce the financial burden (compensation funds) for the State

Climabyss will receive a part of this compensation for the electricity saved by the SWAC system. The French Energy Regulatory Commission will analyse the project to adjust the level of compensation to be paid.

### SWAC Project CLIMABYSS: 150 M€

Total Amount (VAT & Interest excluded)	150 M€
Insurance, Communication, SIDEO fees	5 M€
Technical Assistance	9 M€
Connections (clients)	19 M€
Cooling urban network	50 M€
Pumping station	22 M€
Offshore works	45 M€

## **PROJECT SCHEDULE**

#### SCHEDULE DETAILED AND UPDATED

Conditions met to launch operations Manufacturing of offshore pipes Commissioning of Offshore pipes Commissioning of Pumping Station Delivery of cooled water to first clients Achievement of the whole distribution network End of the concession contract (24 years) December 2015 December 2016 December 2017 January 2018 March 2018 End 2019 2042

# **Technical aspects**









































Figure 4. Abrupt cliff at 515m depth. Pipeline will leave the bottom and be suspended in a tensioned catenary arrangement that touches down at 605m depth.



# DEEP SEA WATER APPLICATIONS

#### **DEEP SEA WATER : A HIGH POTENTIAL FOR NEW MARKETS**



#### HAWAII EXPERIENCE

Hawaii has a very similar morphology compared to Reunion island

The Nelha laboratory in Hawaii was the first one to develop non energy applications of sea water (depth resources)

From the 80's, a cluster of SME has emerged on the American market or at international level to promote products of high quality from these research activities

The turnover of these activities are estimated at 800 M\$ from the begining with a support of authorities amounting to 120 M\$

An example to follow for La Reunion island...

#### **SPIN-OFF APPLICATIONS**

#### Food industry

- Aquaculture: Promotes the development of plants for the aquaculture (food) industry
- Fish farming
- Highly pure drinking water, quality table salt
- Energy
  - Production of biofuels from micro-algae
  - Extraction of lithium for use in batteries
- Pharmaceuticals
  - Antioxidant properties of deep-sea water
- Aquarium, leisure centre
- Therapeutics
  - Remineralising properties of deep-sea water
  - Purity of water used for thalassotherapy treatments











## Thank you for your attention

