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for a sustainable
future**



IEA TCP / GEOTHERMICA ATES workshop
Visit ECW Middenmeer, 20th of April 2023

- **Introduction**
(Stacey Scholten)
- **History HT-ATES demonstration project ECW**
(Laurens Vlaar)
- **Practice versus theory and influencing factors**
(Wouter Jonker)
- **Future use and potential of HT-ATES**
(Harald Droog)



- Private network operator, energy producer and trader
- Leader in geothermal production in The Netherlands
- ECW Energy produces since 2014 about 1/3 van de NL geothermal energy
- About 30 professionals mainly from the region
- Energy transition areas Agriport and Andijk
- Energy supply system step by step more futureproof for its customers
- Matching opportunities with regional energy demand

- District heating company
- Supplies heat to more than 85.000 households and 1200 enterprises in The Netherlands.
- District heating networks in 40 different municipalities in The Netherlands
- Mission: Accelerate to local and sustainable energy for everybody in The Netherlands
- >180 dedicated professionals working on a daily basis to move the energy transition

Local knowledge in combination with nationwide strenght

1. Introduction- Networks

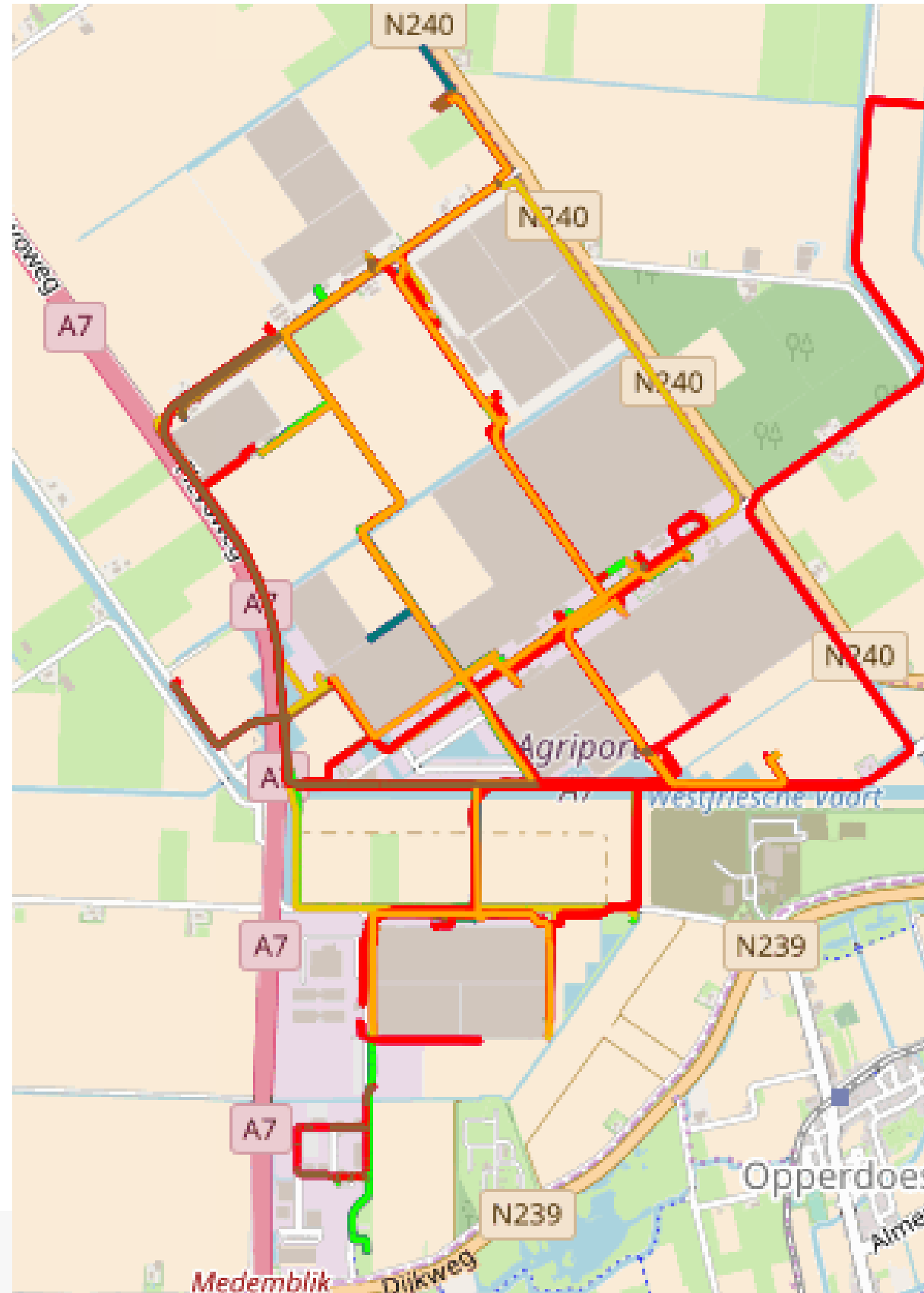
Heat



Gas



Water



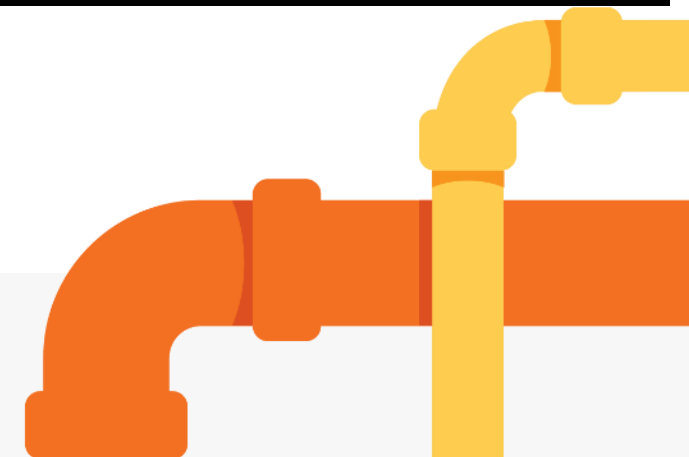
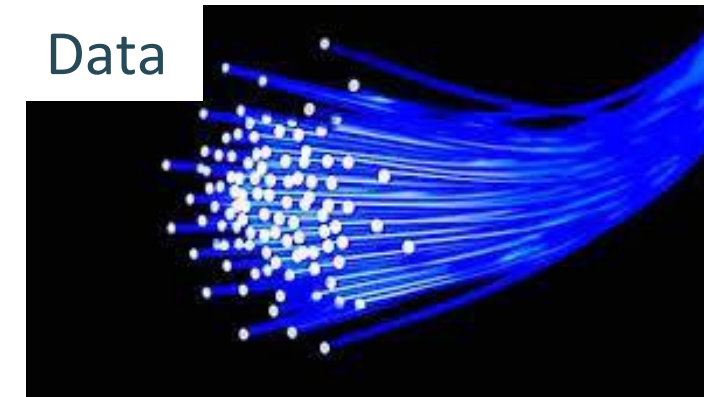
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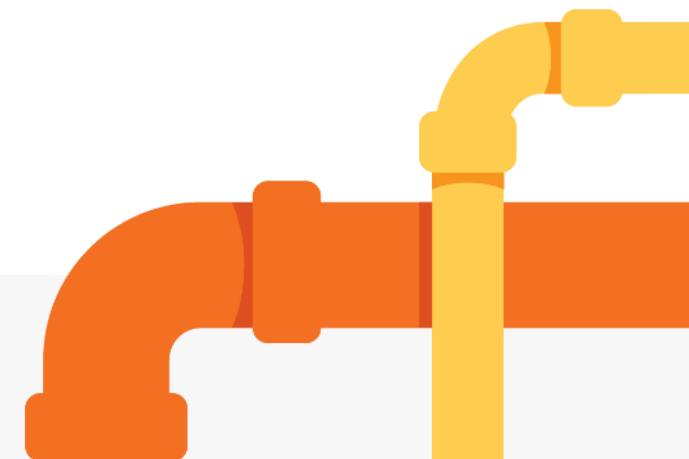
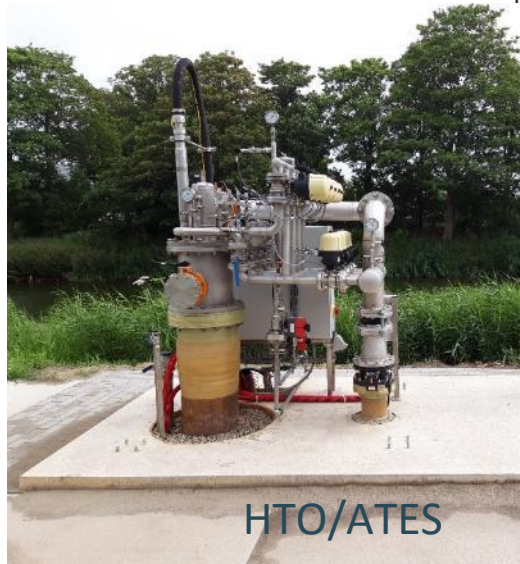
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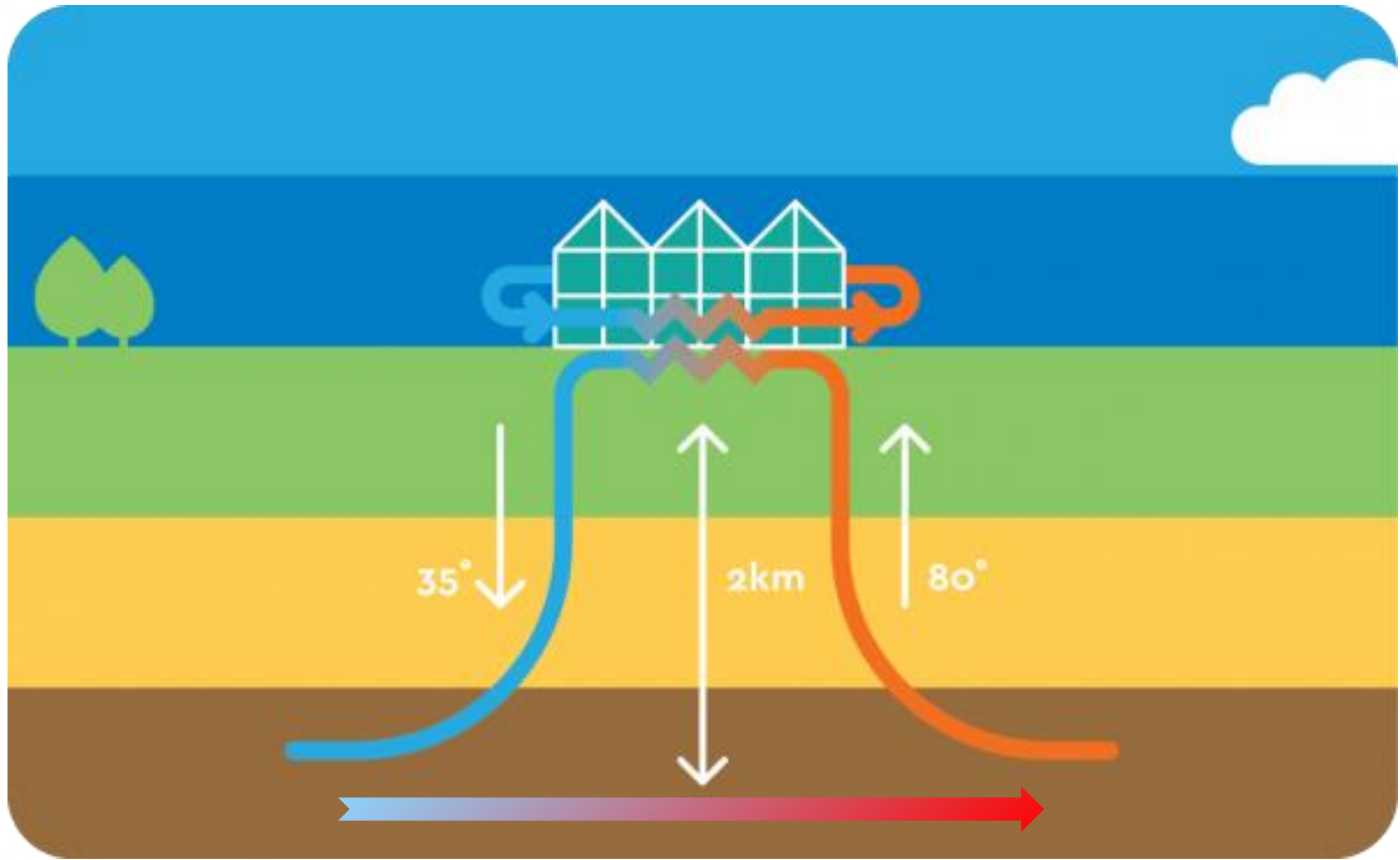


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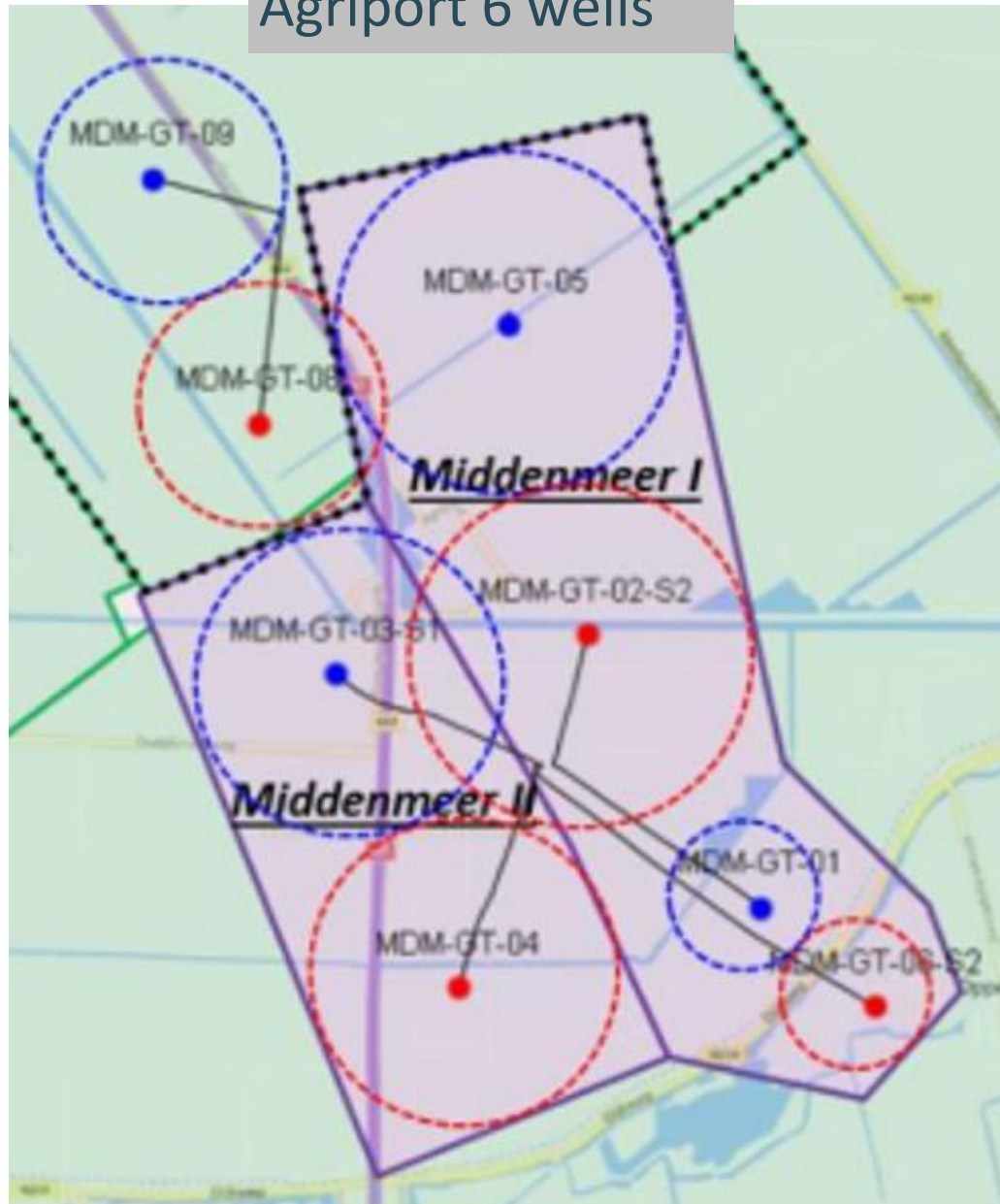
1. Introduction- Energy production





Geothermal energy locations

Agriport 6 wells



Total 40-50 MW
25% coverage annual local
heat demand

Annual savings 50 million nm³ natural gas

Andijk 4 wells



Total 30-40 MW
50% coverage annual local
heat demand



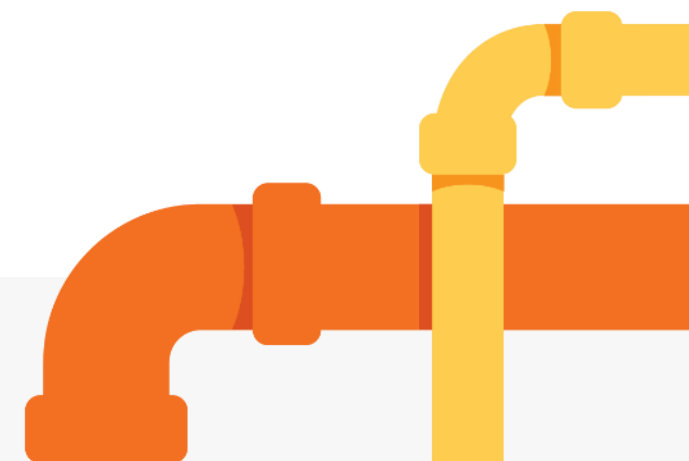
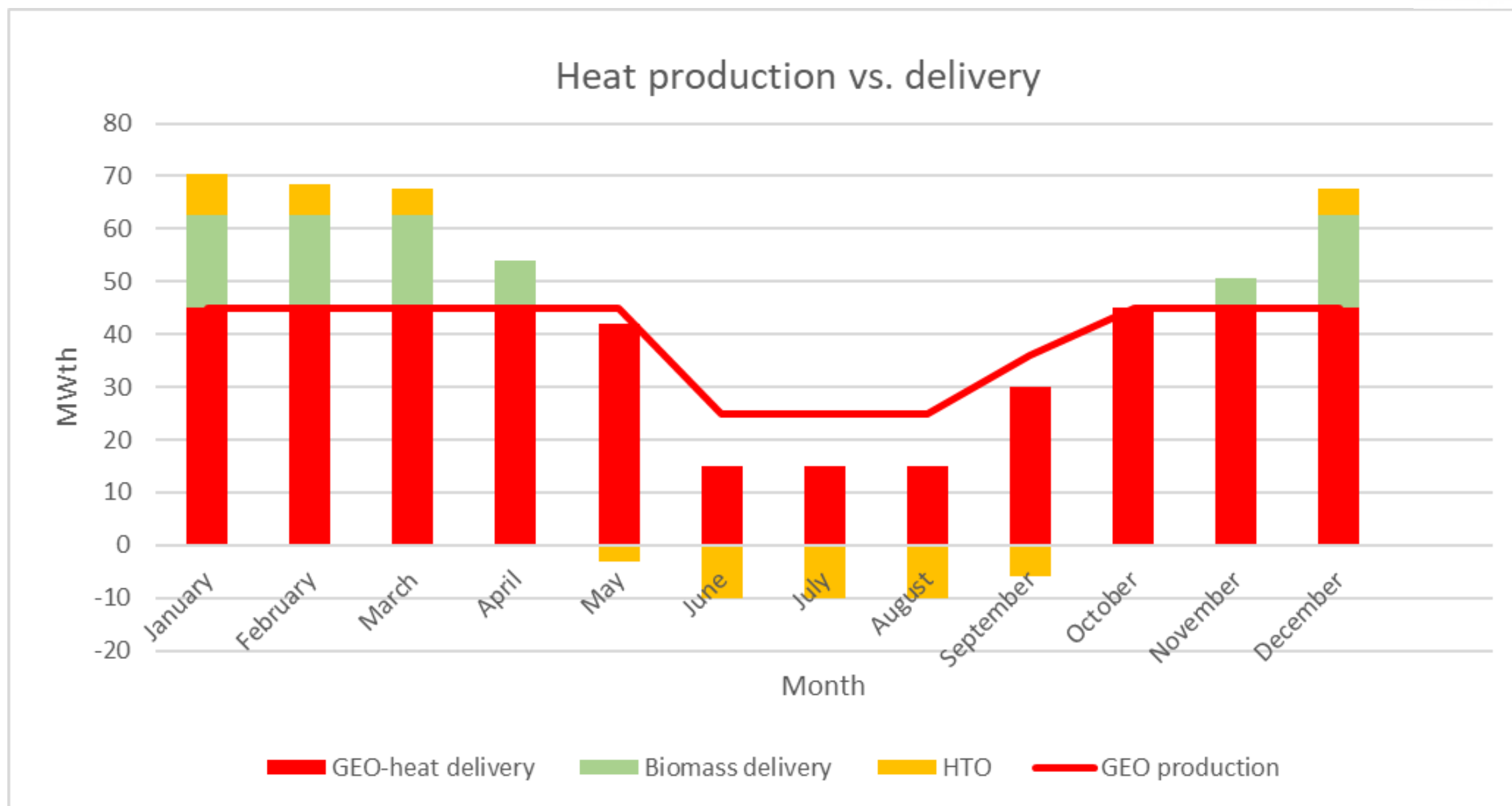
Royal geothermal location Andijk



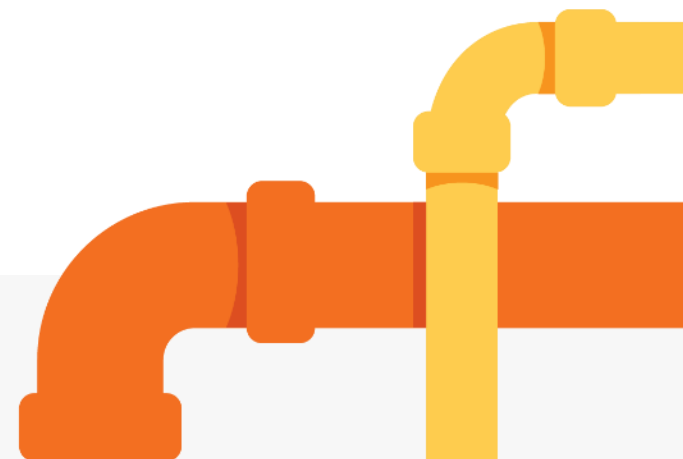
New geothermal location



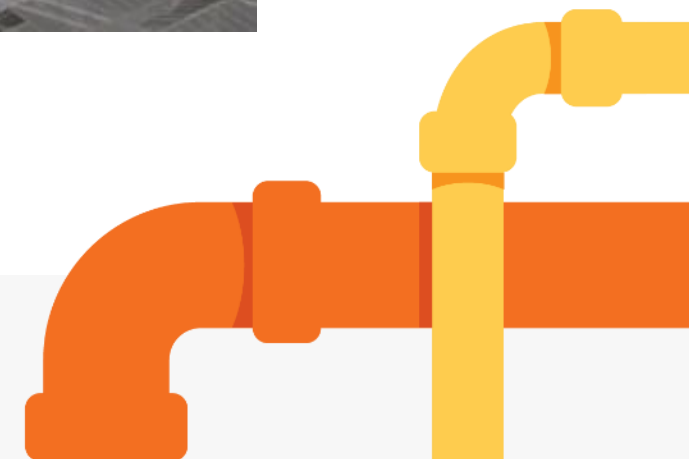
Production capacity sustainable heat Agriport

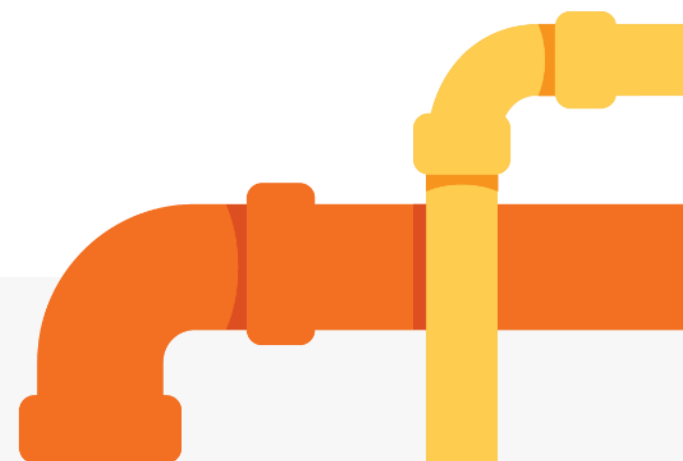
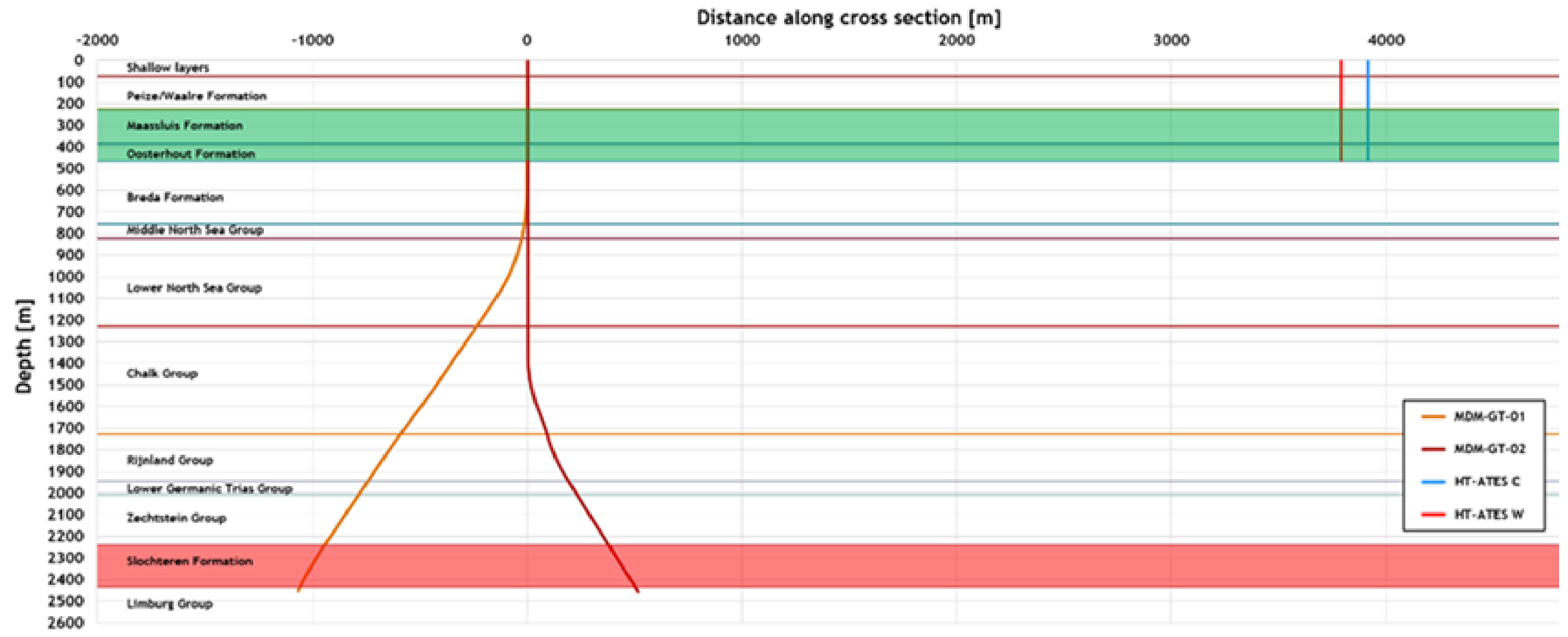


- 2016-2017: first idea of realisation of HT-ATES, preparation of effect studies as part of water permit application
- 2017-11: Submission of MER judgement report
- 2018-1: Applied for water permit at Province of North Holland
- 2018-7: water permit granted
- 2019-3-6: drilling first test well
- 2019: 6-9: testing and sampling
- 2020-5 applied for updated water permit, based on new well locations and increased volume water and effects
- 2020-6: modified water permit granted
- 2020-5-8-: preparing, drilling, developing and testing HT ATES doublet
- 2021-5/6: start loading/ commissioning
- 2021: participation GEOTHERMICA HEATSTORE Project
- 2022-....: participation HTO-PEN (TKI Urban Energy)

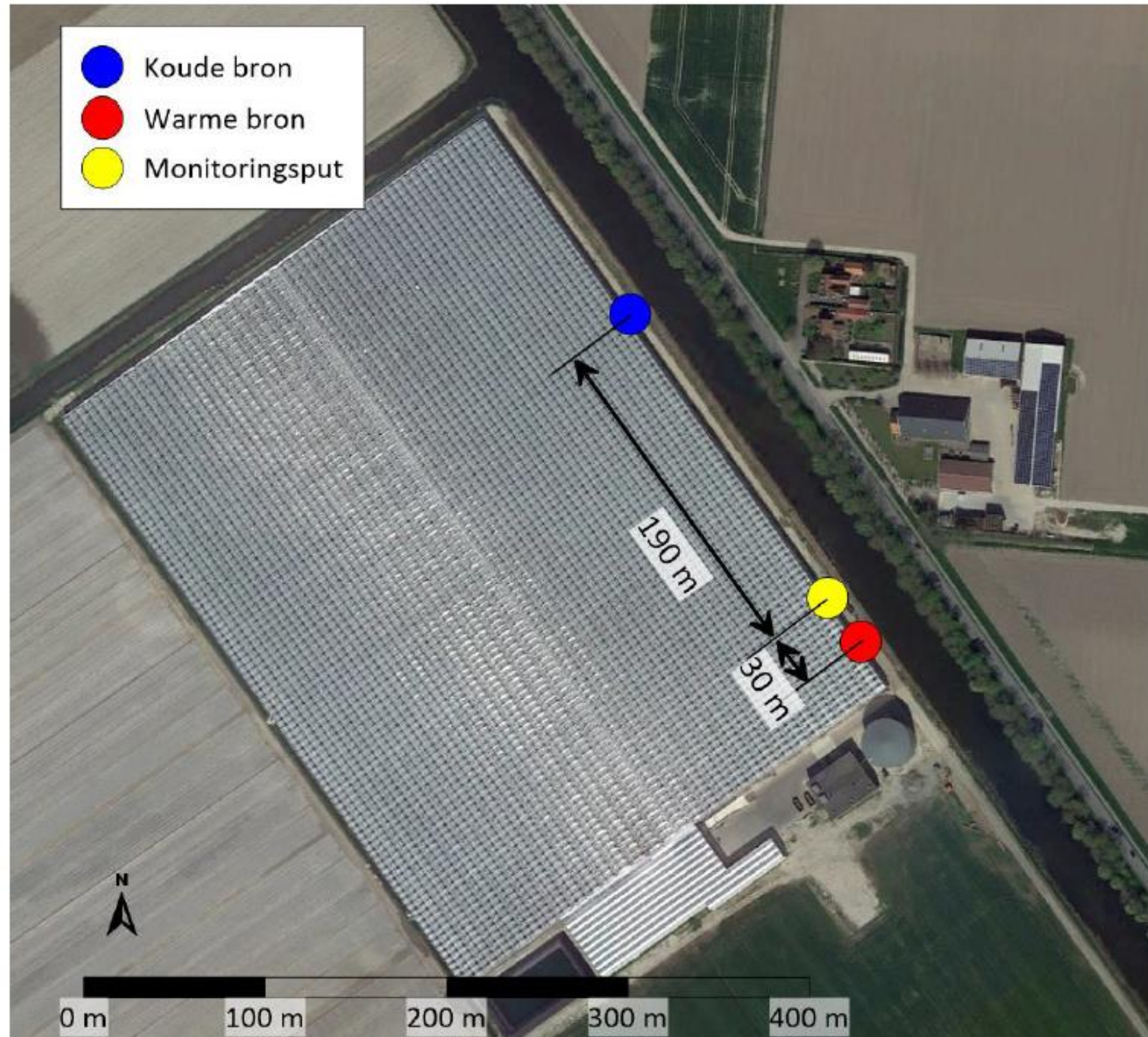


How to store heat?

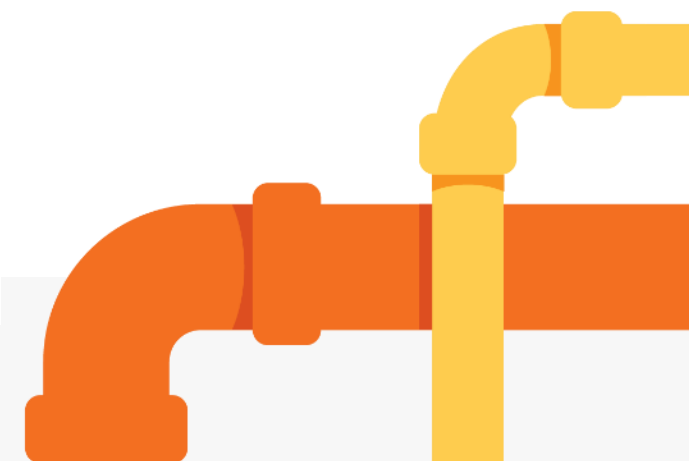




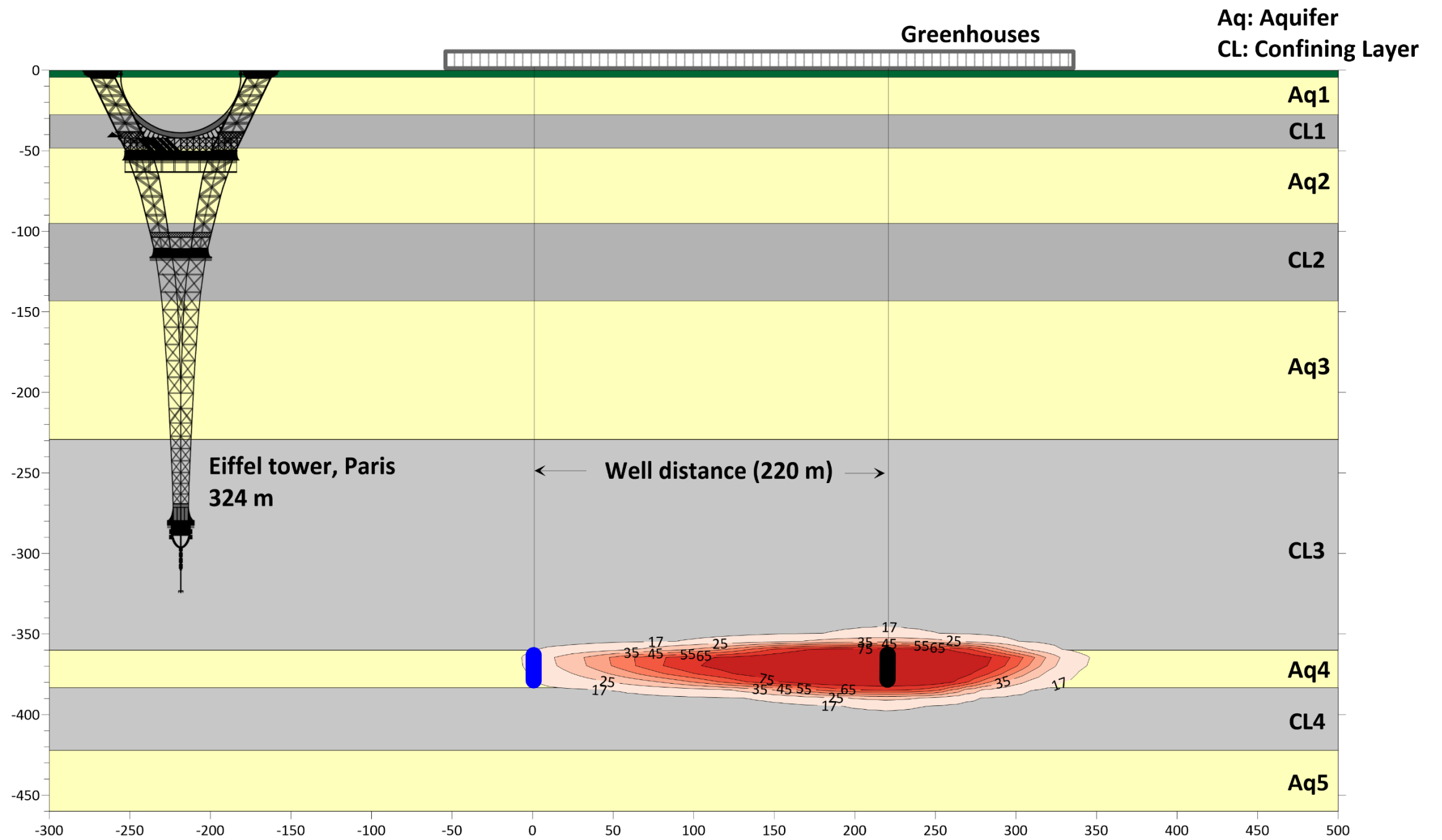
Lay-out and location HT-ATES



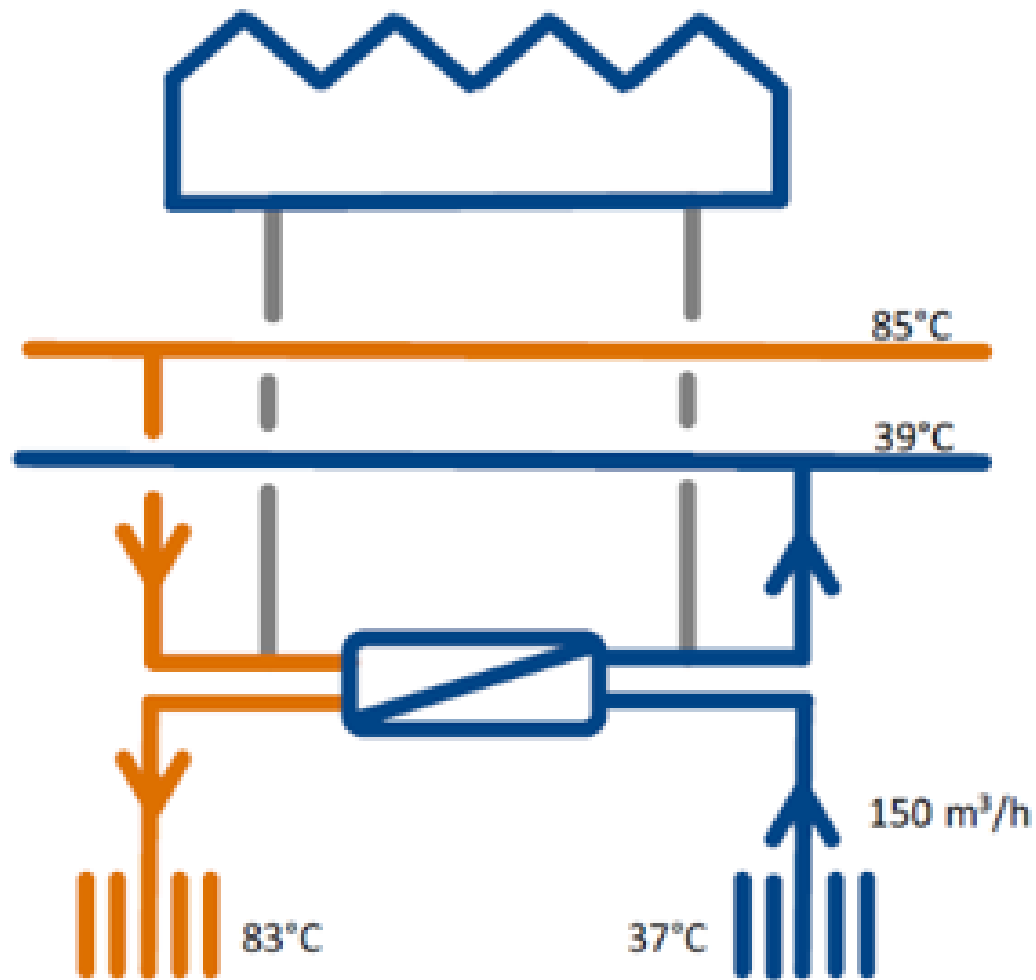
Figuur 2.1 | Overzichtskaat met daarop aangegeven de locaties van de bronnen en de monitoringsput, geplaatst op de strook land tussen de kas en de Medemblickervaart.



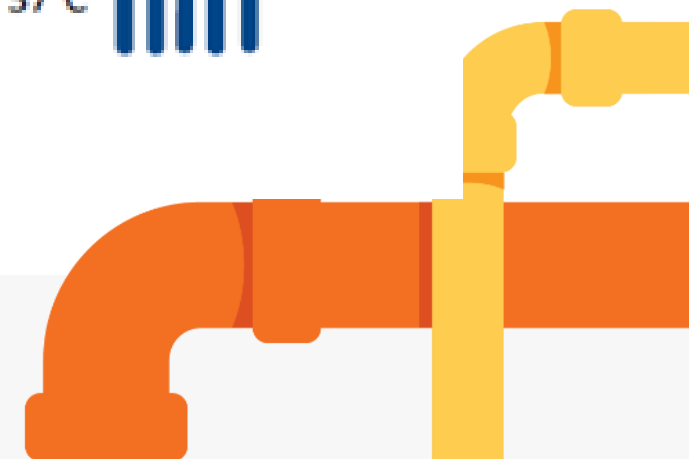
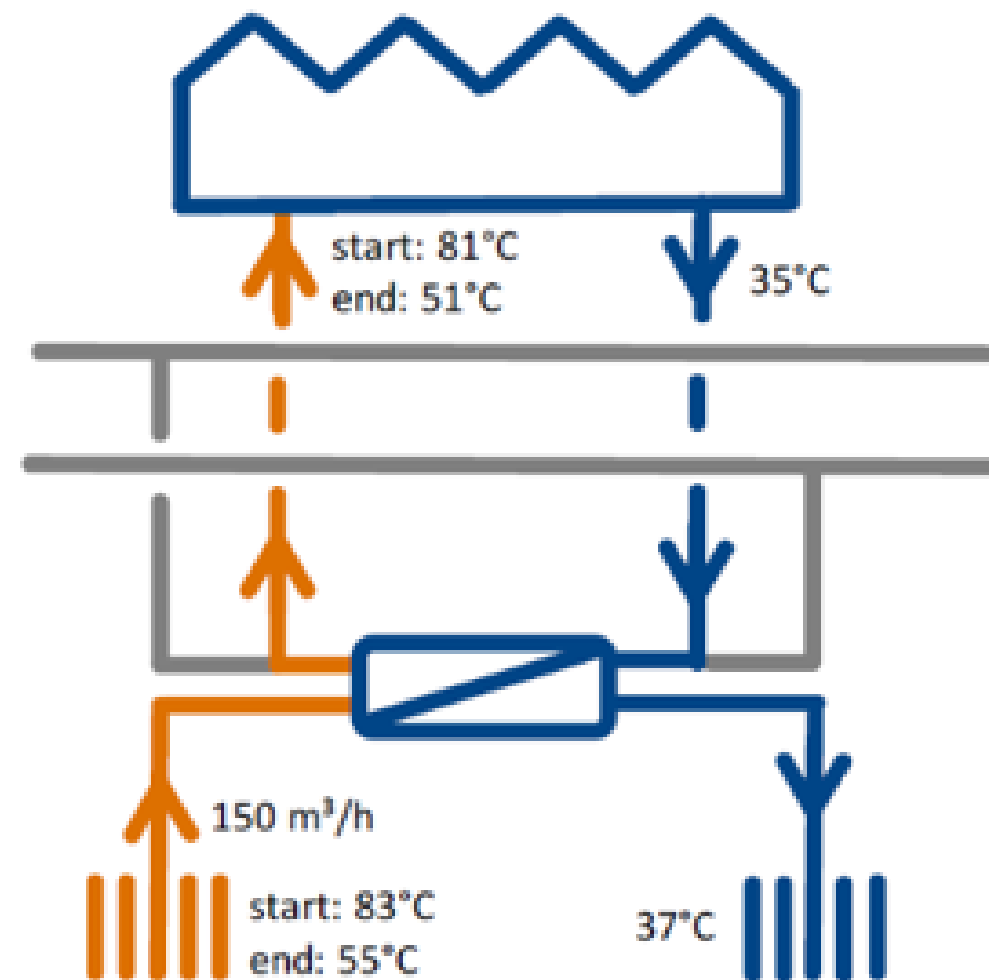
High Temperature Aquifer Thermal Energy Storage (HT-ATES) (Worst-case) Thermal effects after 1 year

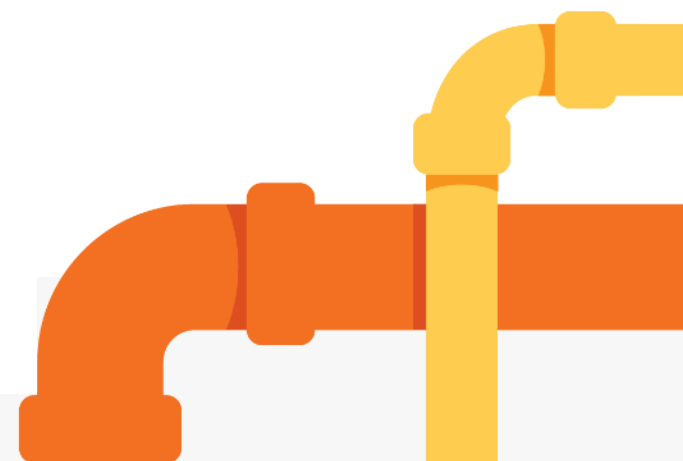
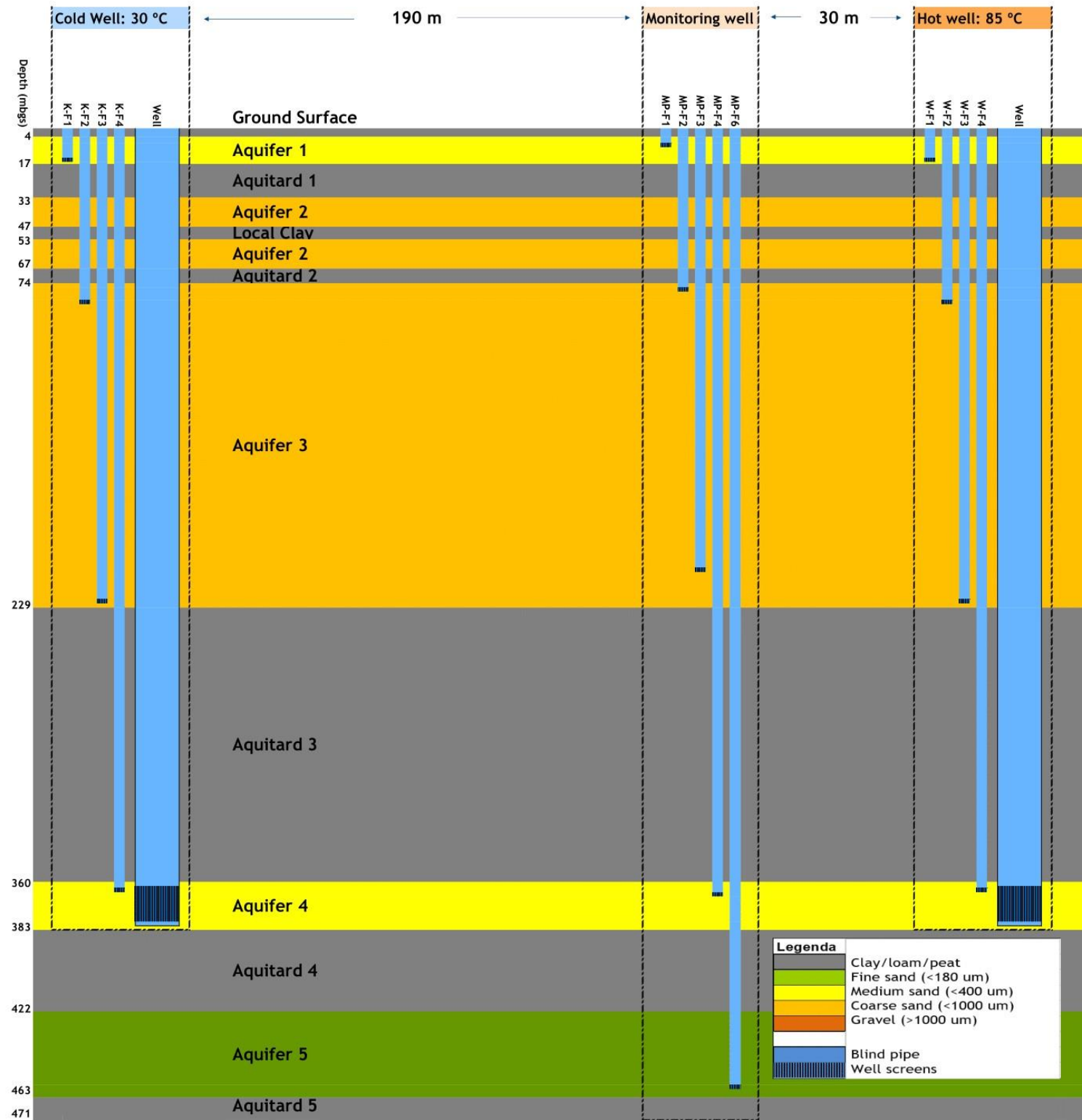


SUMMER



WINTER





Starting points	Winter	Summer
<i>Max pumped volume groundwater per season (m3)</i>	700.000	600.000
<i>Average pumped volume groundwater per season (m3)</i>	500.000	440.000
<i>Max flow (m3/hour)</i>	200	200
<i>Average infiltration temperature (°C)</i>	30	90
<i>Average transferred amount of energy per season (MWh)</i>	22.000	28.000

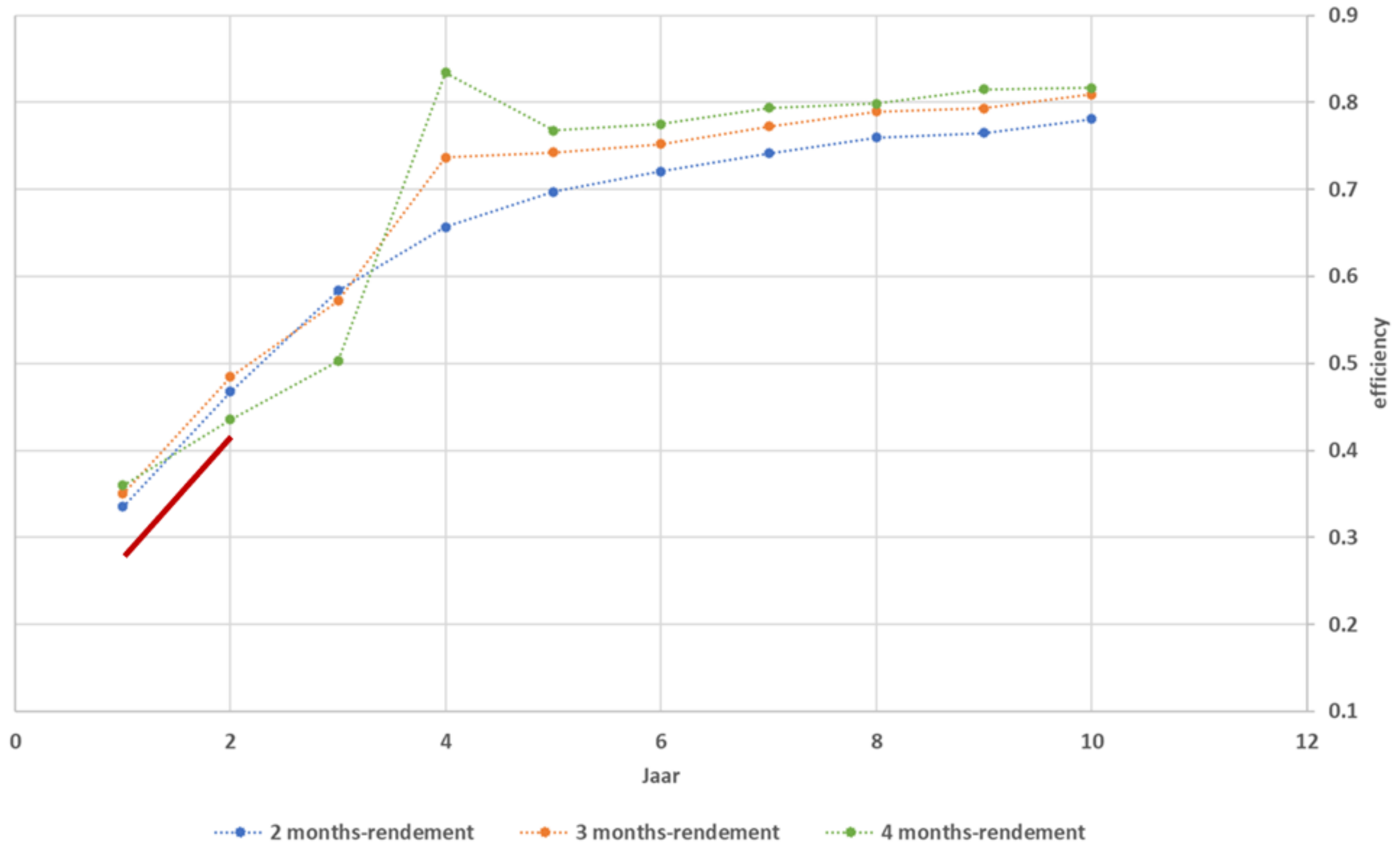
First cycle loading/discharging	(loading) Summer-21	(discharging) Winter-21/22
Pumped volume (m3)	119.230	82.568
Amount of energy (MWh)	9.236	2.469
Average flow (m3/hour)	100	69
Average MW	7,75	2,06

27% storage efficiency

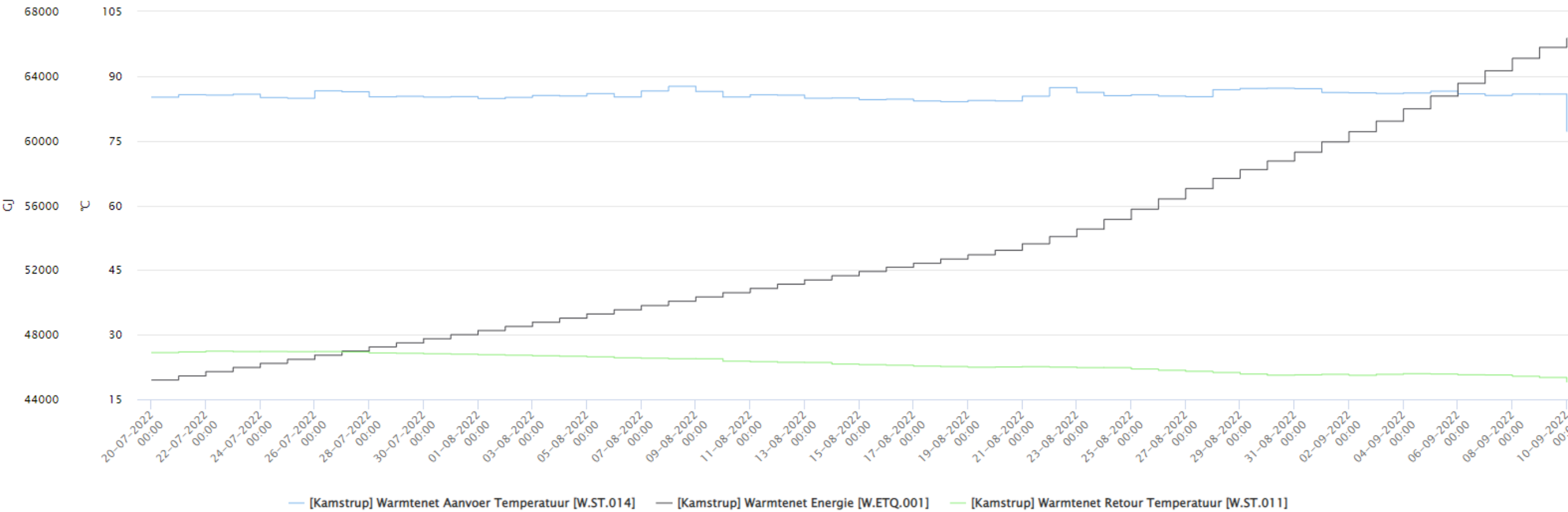
Second cycle loading/discharging	(loading) Summer-22	(discharging) Winter-22/23
Pumped volume (m3)	145.322	105.172
Amount of energy (MWh)	10.384	4.206
Average flow (m3/hour)	100	48
Average MW	7,15	1,94

41% storage efficiency

Thermal Storage Efficiencies (for 2/3/4 months of storage)



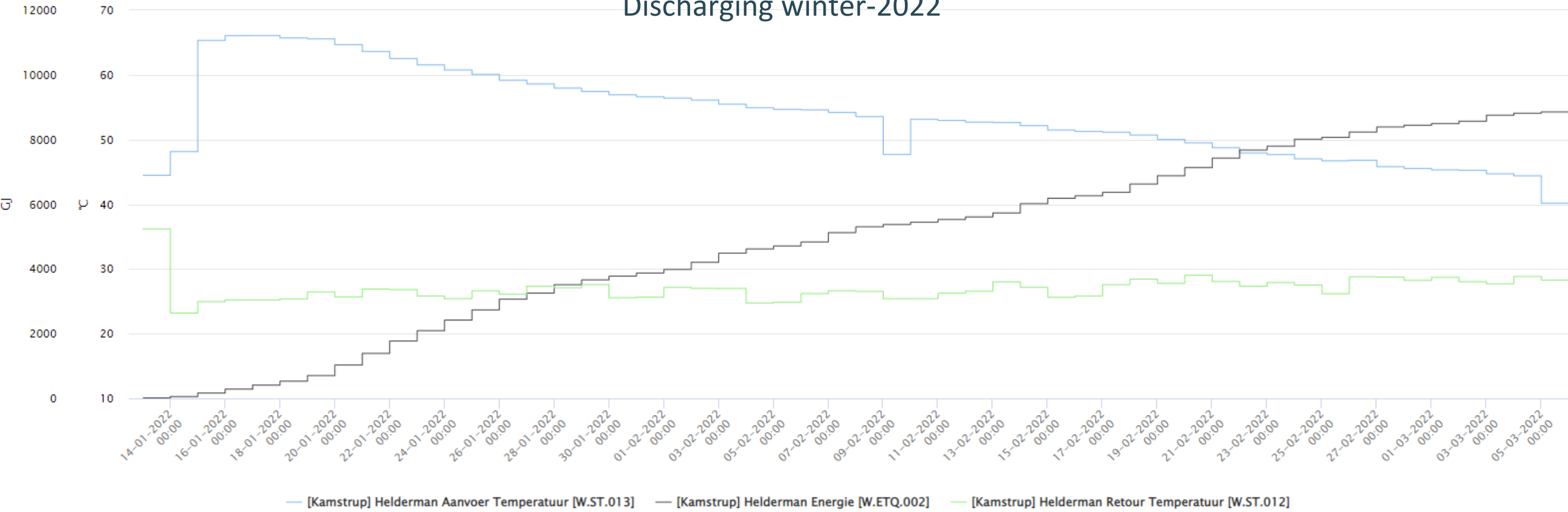
Loading summer-2022



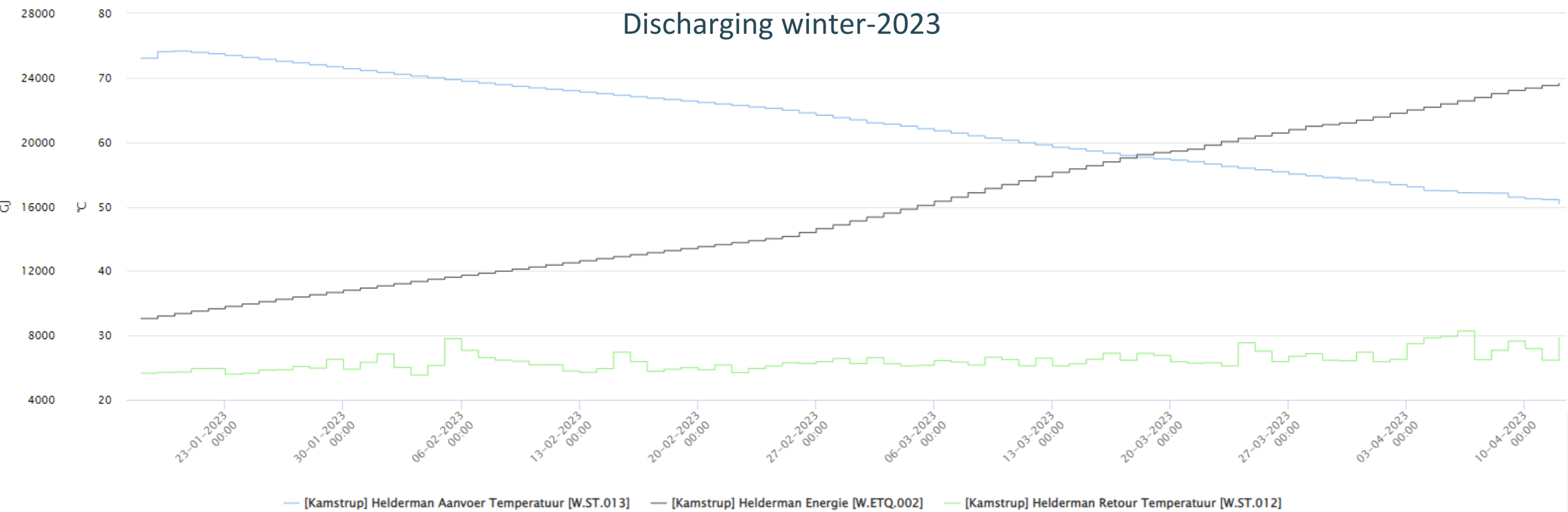
Practical performance



Discharging winter-2022



Discharging winter-2023



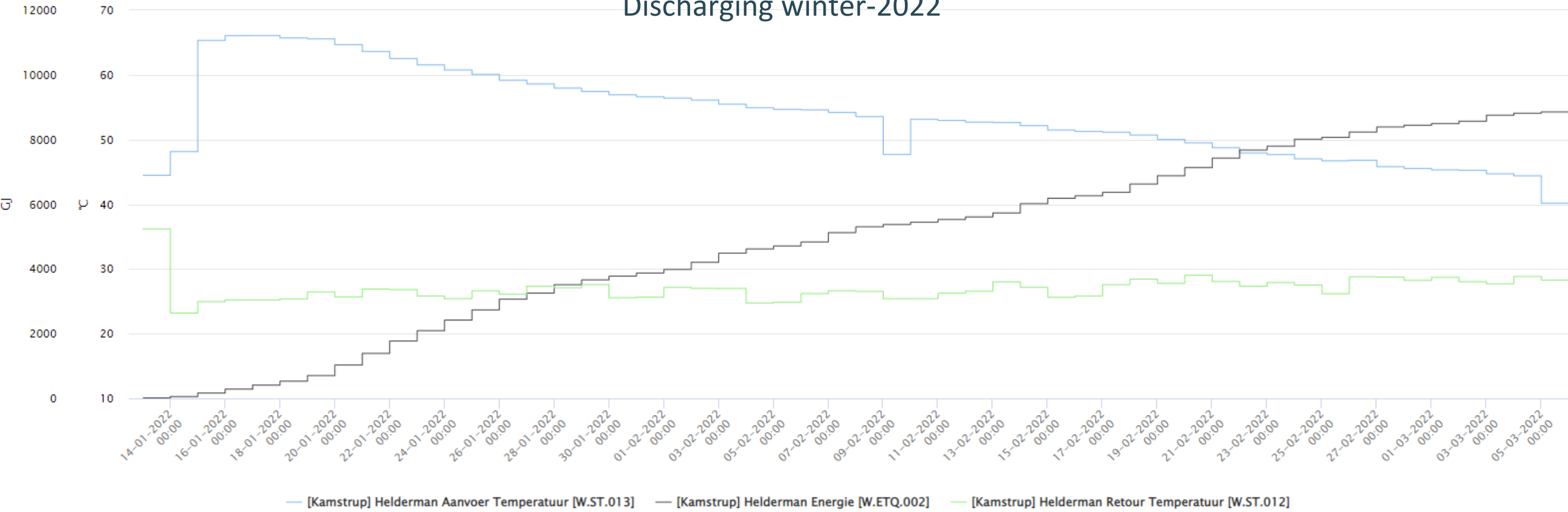
Factors of influence on practical performance:

- Technically reliable installation (on/off)
- Loading and unloading strategy depends on economic factors and availability heat surplus
- Customer's heating system is designed for lower temperature (isolation, larger heat delivery tubes)
- Customer acceptance lower temperature (Cut-off temperature)

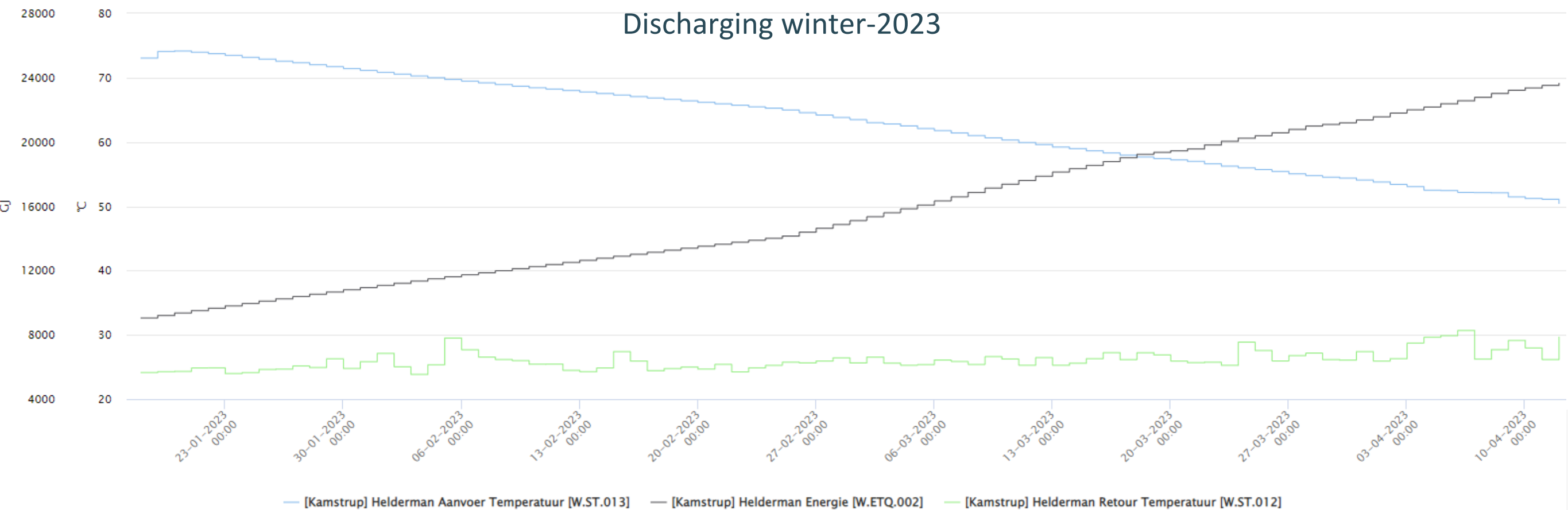
Practical performance



Discharging winter-2022



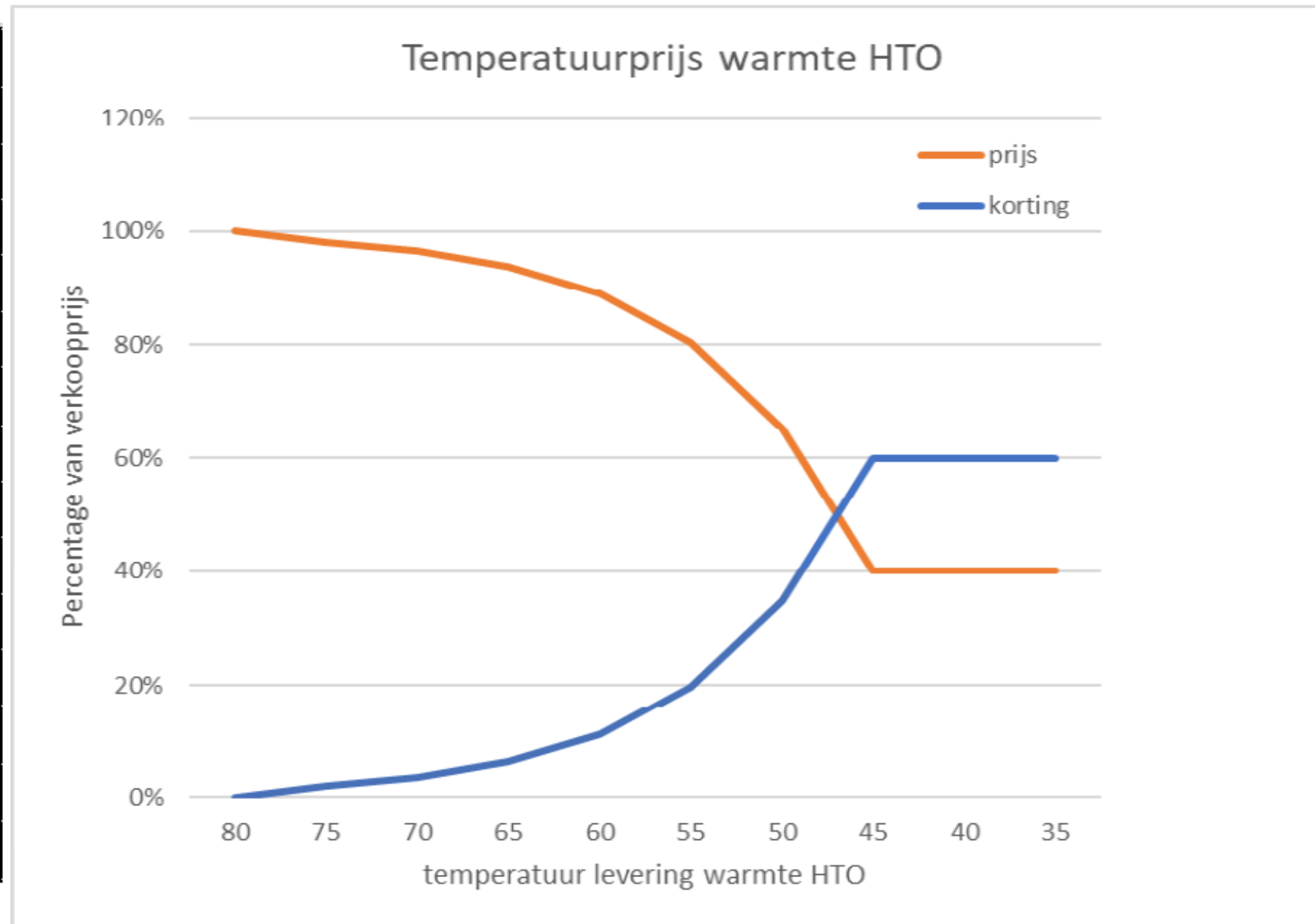
Discharging winter-2023



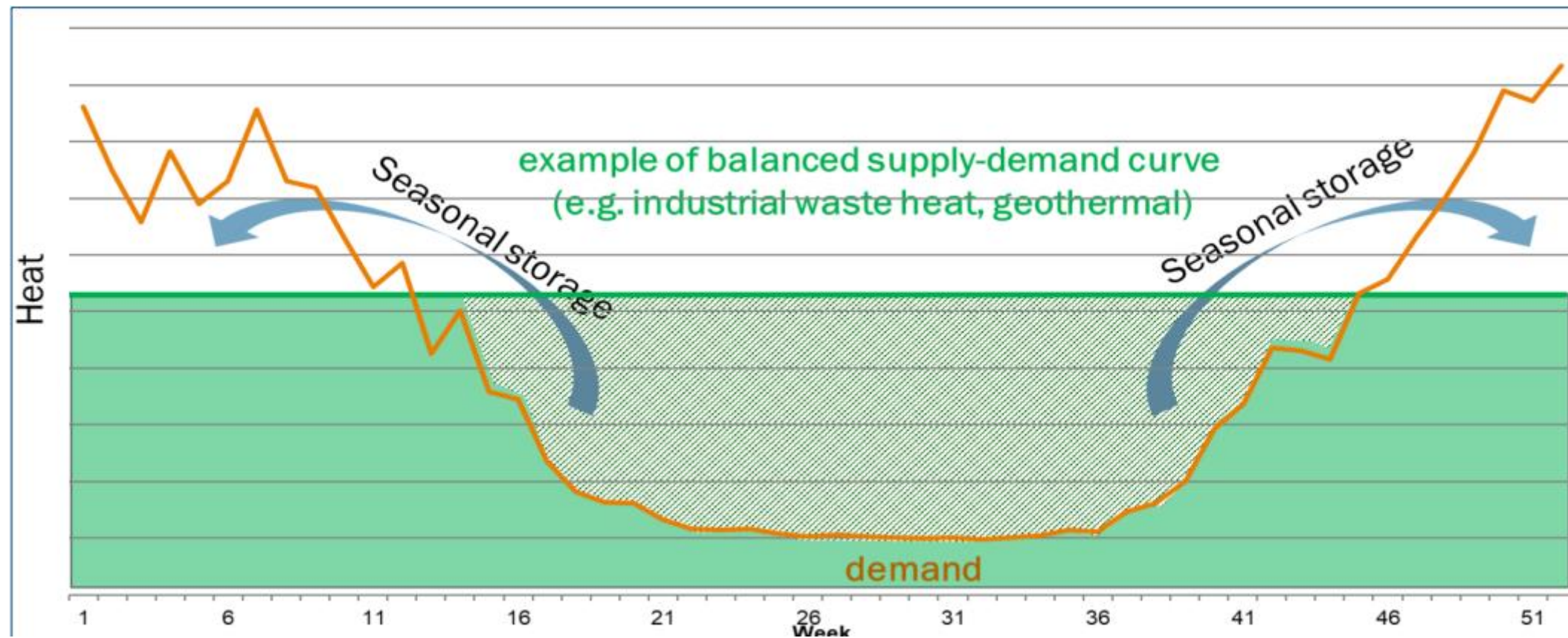
Customer acceptance lower temperature

Incentive: price discount related to supply temperature

Temp	prijs	korting
80	100%	0%
75	98%	2%
70	96%	4%
65	94%	6%
60	89%	11%
55	80%	20%
50	65%	35%
45	40%	60%
40	40%	60%
35	40%	60%
30	40%	60%
25	40%	60%
Gemiddelde prijs bij 80-55 C		93%
		7%



The challenge -> A large difference between summer and winter heat demand



Most (renewable) heat sources are base load (geothermal, residual/industrial waste)

Casus Leeuwarden => Perfect example off a base load heat source v.s. seasonal heat demand curve

Value drivers seasonal storage;

1. Less usage off gas fired peak facilities (lowering marginal cost)
2. Higher sustainability label of heat sales or more heat sales with the same sustainability
3. Less maintenance & operation cost of geothermal due to a stable production year round
4. Less capex needed for back-up facilities
5. Less capex in transport grid with local heat storages (red dots) => more full load hours transport

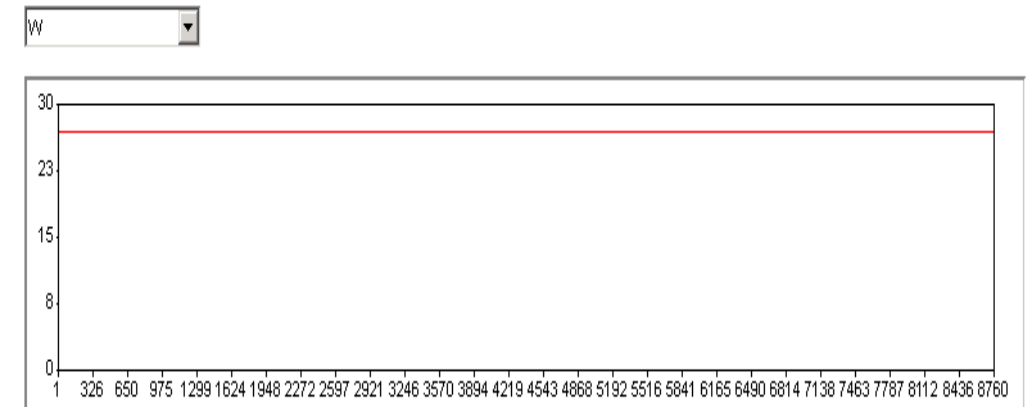
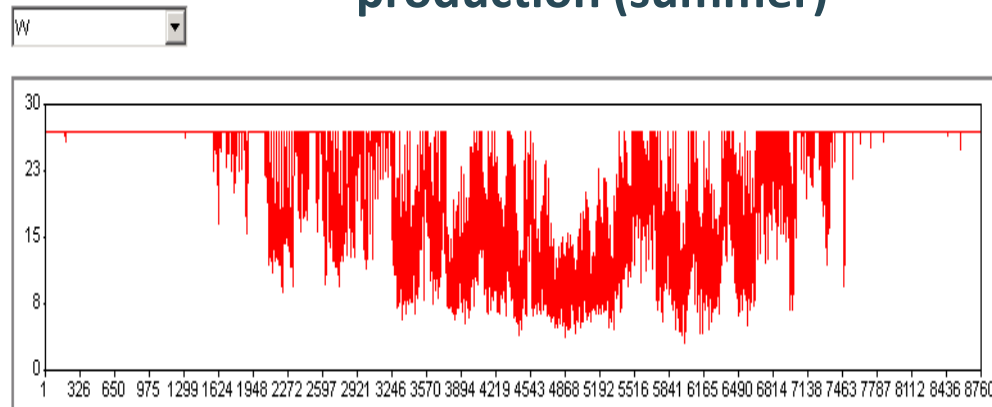


Casus Leeuwarden - Simulation

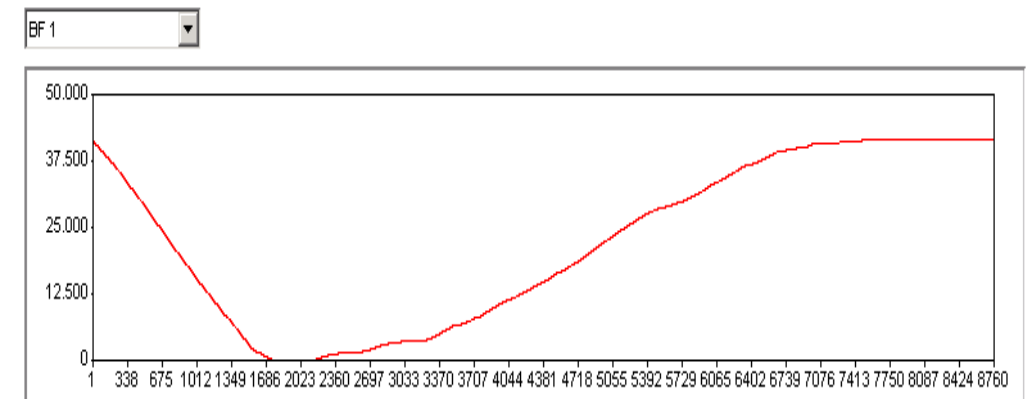
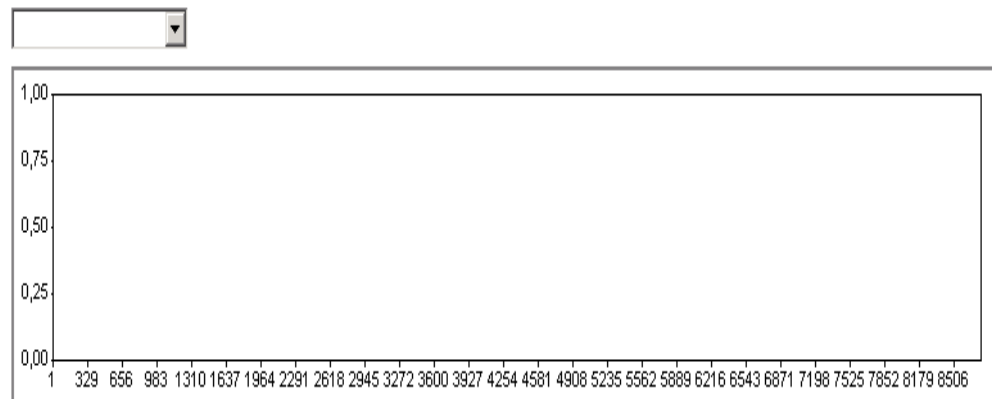
- No storage
- 43% peak boiler
- Challenging geothermal production (summer)

- Seasonal storage (incl. 20% losses)
- 30% peak boiler
- Stable & flat geothermal production

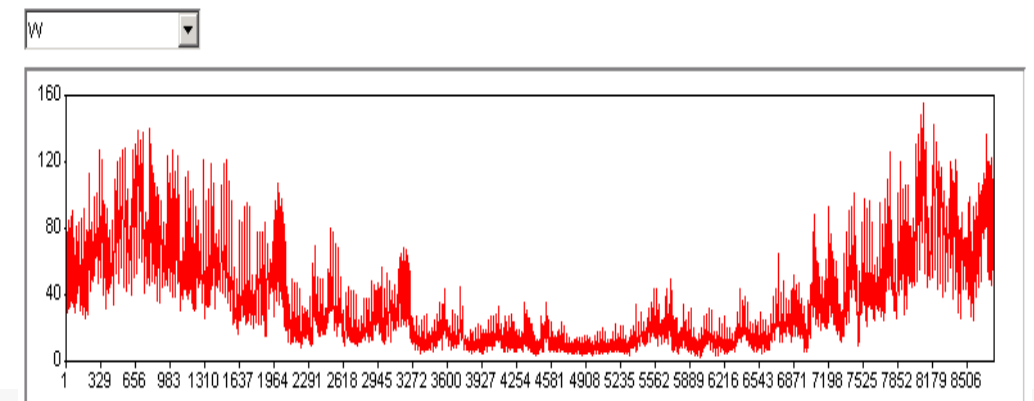
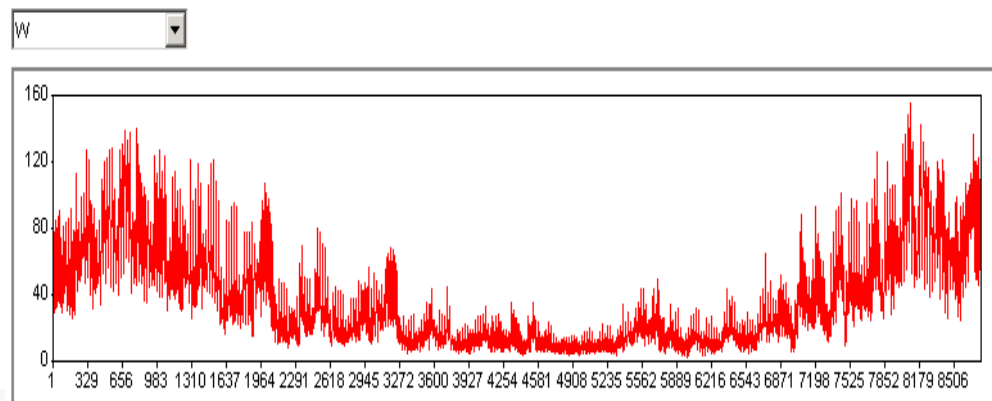
Geothermal production



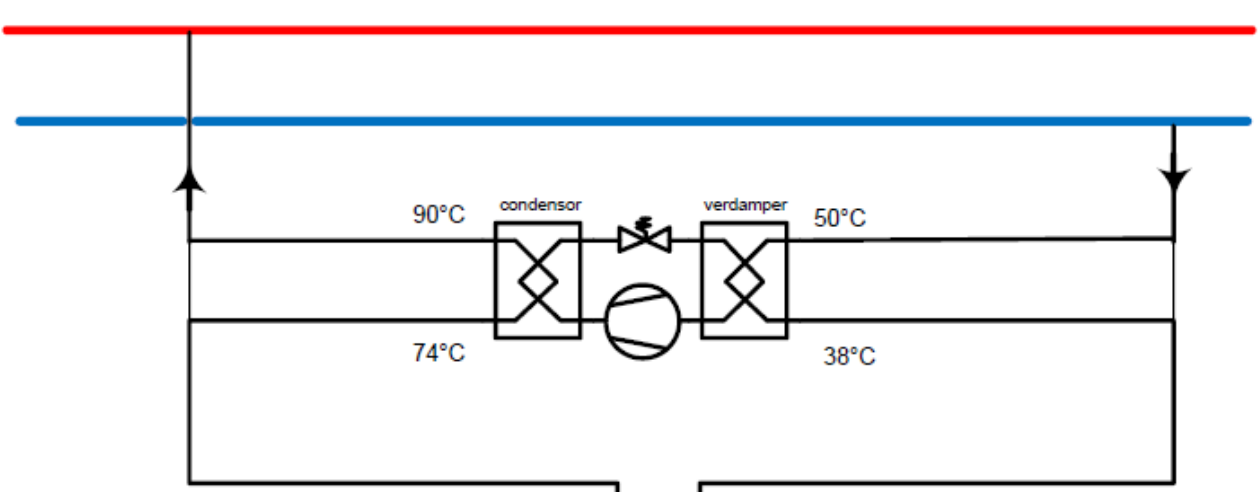
Seasonal storage



Yearly heat demand



HT-ATES temperatures in district heating system -> A heat pump is essential

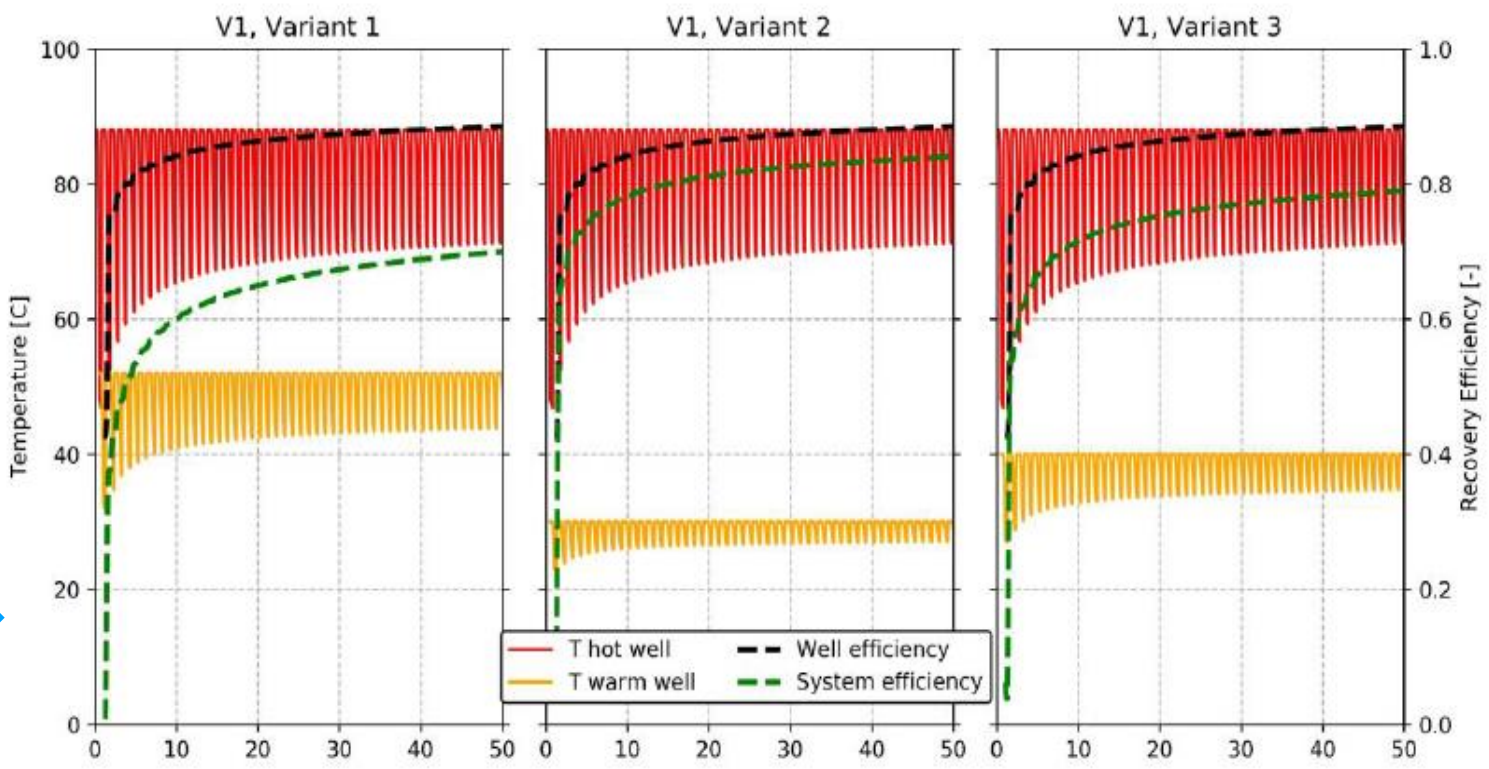


90°C → Fixed supply temperature in heat grid

50°C → Return temperature is higher than in greenhouse area



A higher temperature difference between the “hot” and “warm” well results in an higher system efficiency →





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