

## **FERCHER\*** **Wastewater Heat Recovery** **in a Sewage Treatment Plant**

### **Heat Recovery from Wastewater** **in connection with a heat pump**

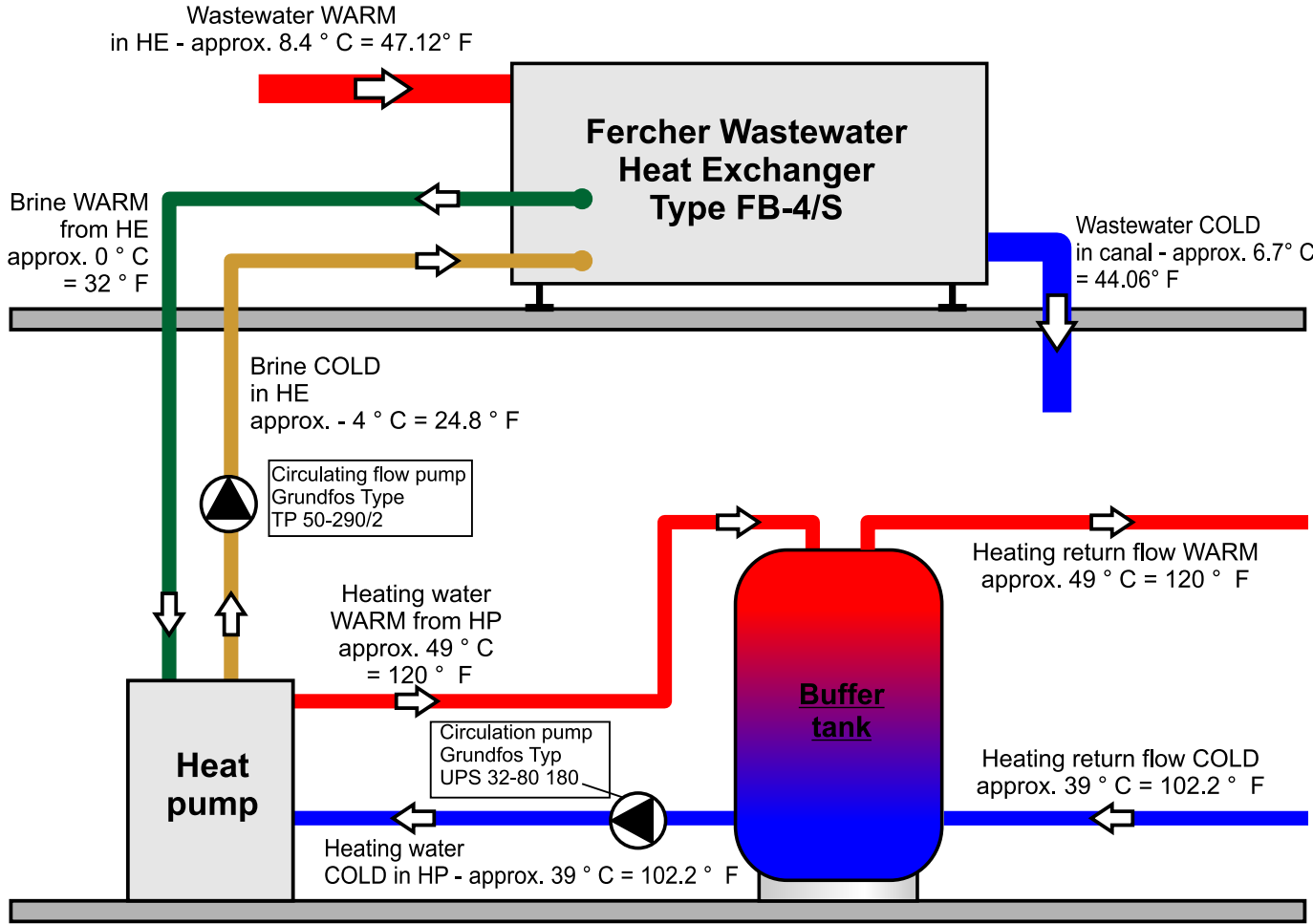


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# Sewage treatment plant - Fercher Wastewater Heat Recovery Technical schematic



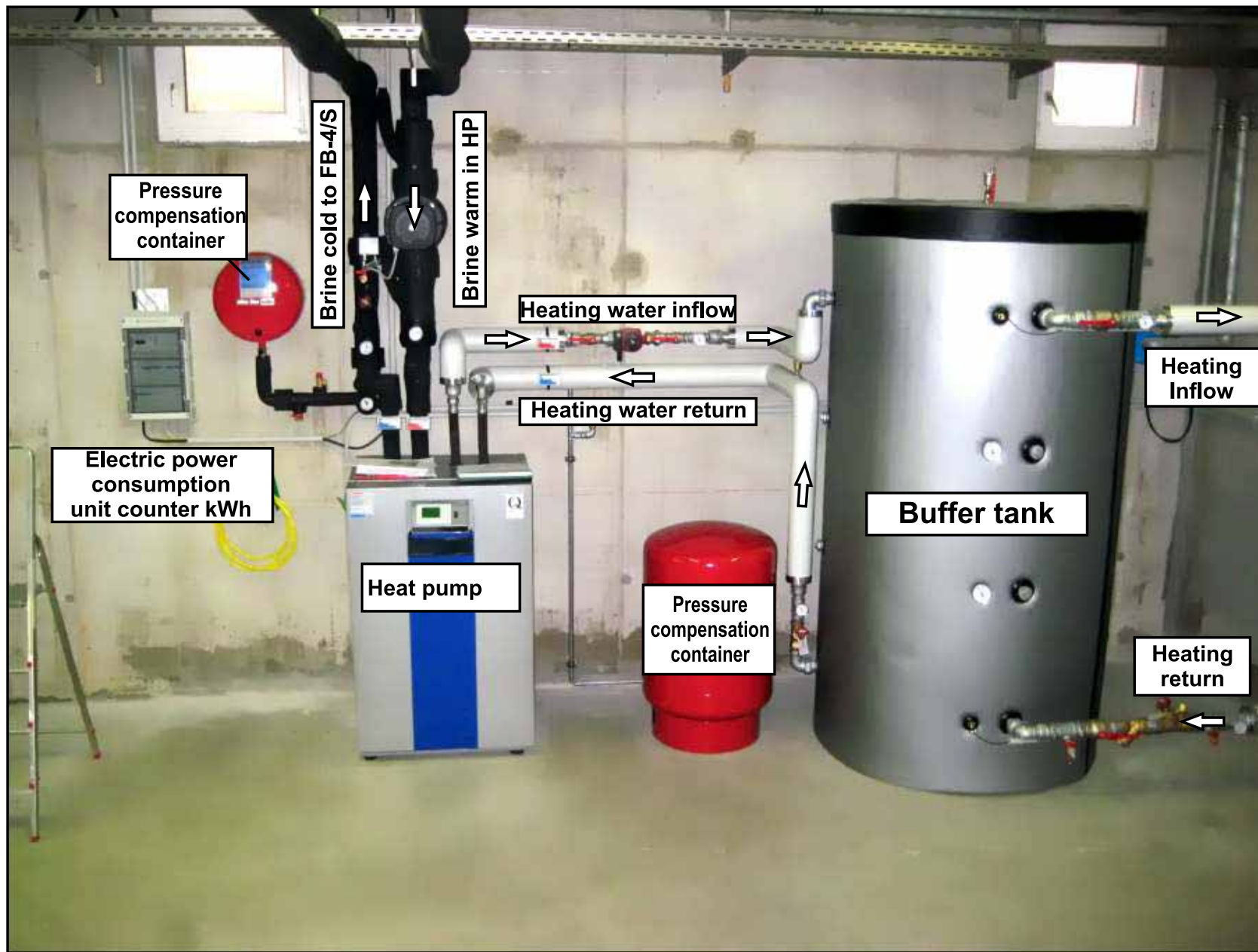
### Description

Wastewater flows through the Fercher FB-4/S and warms up the brine flowing in the flat pressed pipes located within the heat exchanger. The Fercher Heat Exchanger works with a high degree of efficiency and virtually maintenance free.

The brine of the heat pump is being circulated through the Fercher Wastewater Heat Exchanger Type FB-4/S and the temperature is increased from -4°C = 24.8 ° F to 0°C = 32 °F.

The secondary circuit of the heat pump increases the temperature of the heating water in the buffer tank from approx. 39 ° C = 102.2 ° F to approx. 49 ° C = 120 ° F.

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**FERCHER FB-4/S** shown with removed covers. In the photo you can see the wastewater distribution basin (top right), the POLO-KAL wastewater distribution pipes (blue) and the slanted Fercher Absorber Plates.



The wastewater distribution basin in the heat exchanger evenly distributes the accumulating wastewater into the 4 POLO-KAL pipes, which distribute the wastewater to the respective absorber plates.



The wastewater is then evenly distributed to the respective Fercher Absorber Plate and drains off as a thin film on the absorber plate.

# Output data

## Wastewater:

Wastewater WARM IN: **8.4 ° C = 47.12° F**  
 Wastewater COLD OUT: **6.7 ° C = 44.06° F**  
 Difference: **1.7 K**  
 Estimated flow through: **3.22 L / s ≈ 11,6 m³/h** (calculated via energy conservation from brine circuit)

## Proportion through energy conservation:

$$1.7 * M_{\text{Wastewater}} = 4 * M_{\text{Brine}} \quad \text{--->} \quad M_{\text{Wastewater}} / M_{\text{Brine}} = 2.35$$

## Brine circuit

Brine COLD IN: **- 4 ° C = 24.8 ° F**  
 Brine WARM OUT: **0 ° C = 32 ° F**  
 Difference: **4 K**  
 Estimated flow through: **1.37 L / s ≈ 4.93 m³/h** (calculated via diagram heat pump)  
 Output heat pump: **33 kW** (= heating output heat pump, see diagram heat pump)

DIAGRAM  
 VIESMANN HEAT PUMP  
 TYPE NATURA WWH 134.1

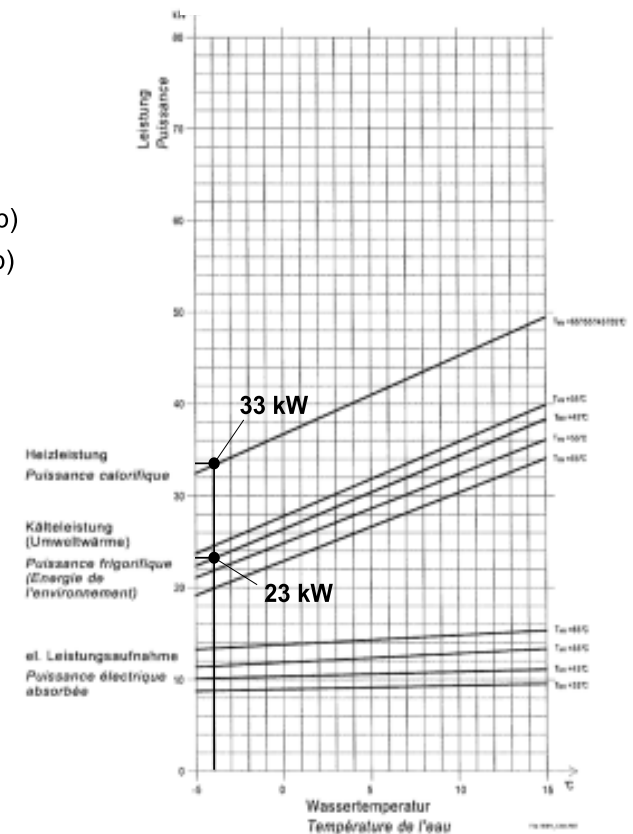
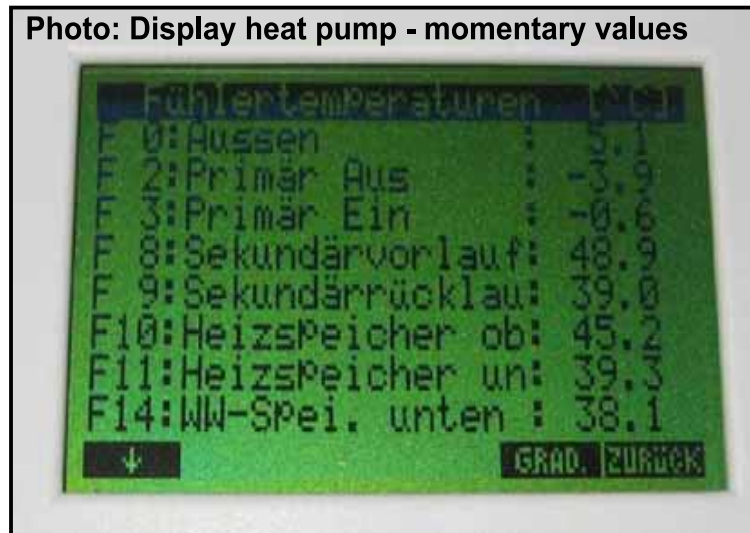


Photo: Display heat pump - momentary values



All values are approx. and partially estimates.

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 Temperature data log - Feb. 17, 2010 - 14:35 to 15:05

