

# **REMEDIAL ACTION STEP OF SUBSYNCHRONOUS VIBRATION TRIP ON STEAM TURBINE**



**A CASE STUDY OF EGAT SOUTH BANGKOK POWER PLANT**

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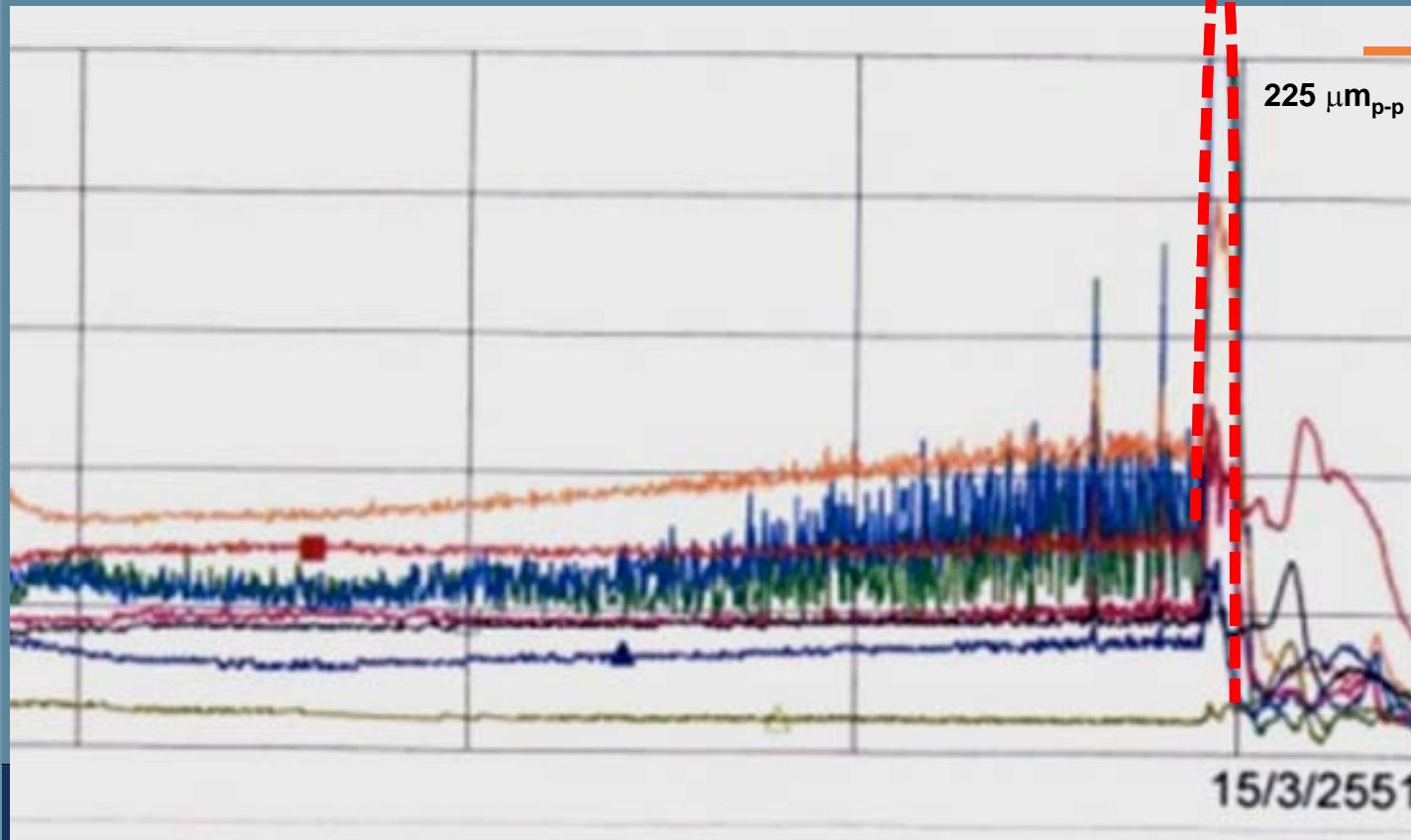
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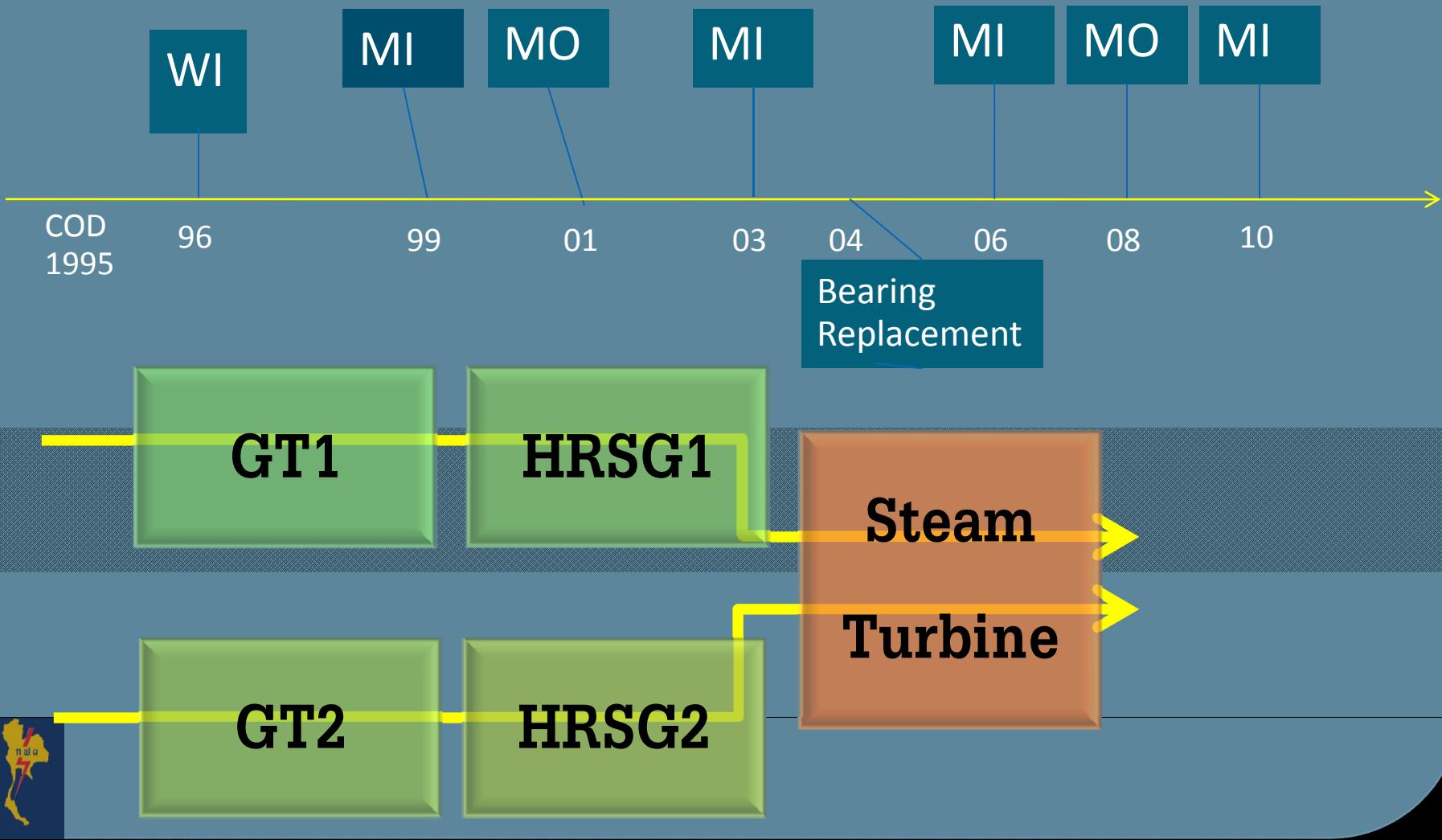
## Event Overview

March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Trip Setting 225  $\mu\text{m}_{\text{p-p}}$

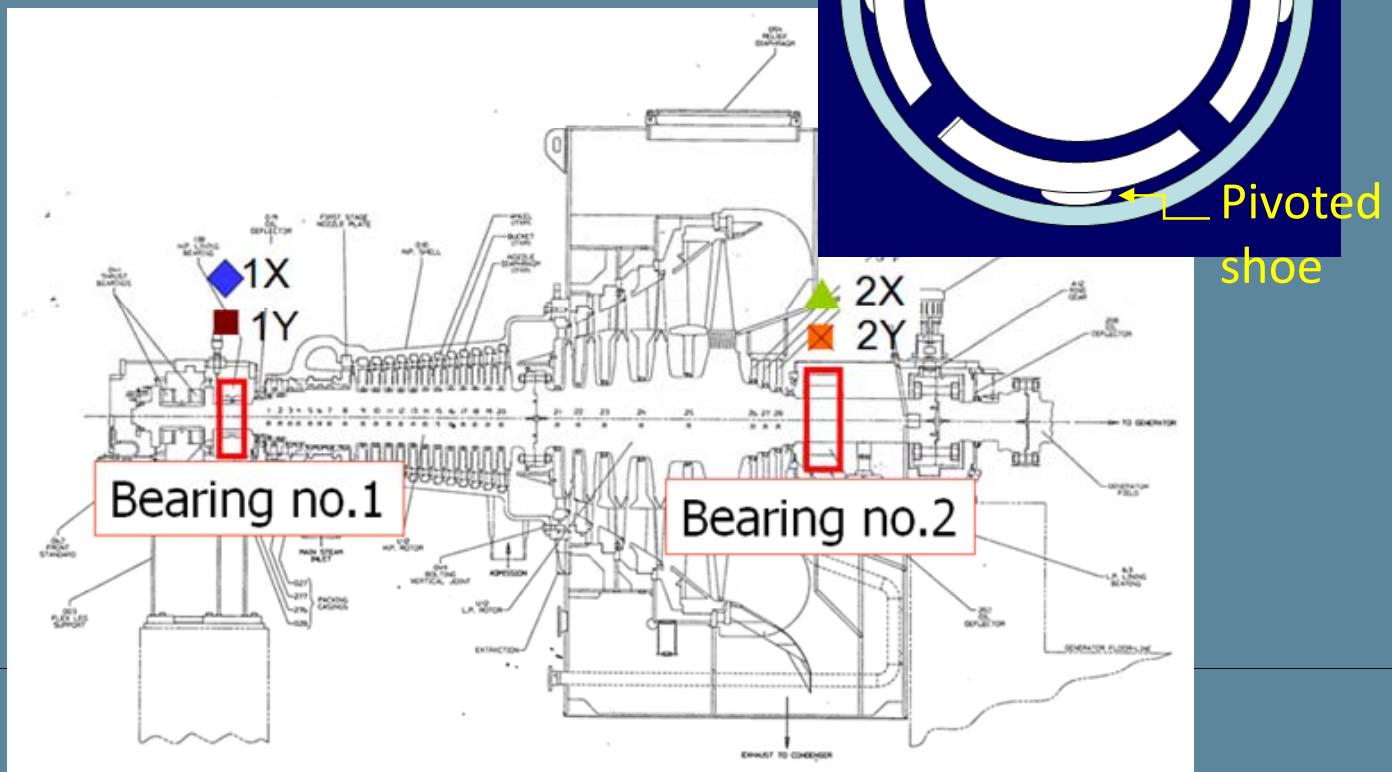


# Introduction



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## Tilt Pad Bearing from Kingsbury Inc.



## Standard of Condition Monitoring

Overall Shaft Vibration

Bearing Metal Temperature

Lube Oil Inlet Temperature

Generator Cooling Temperature

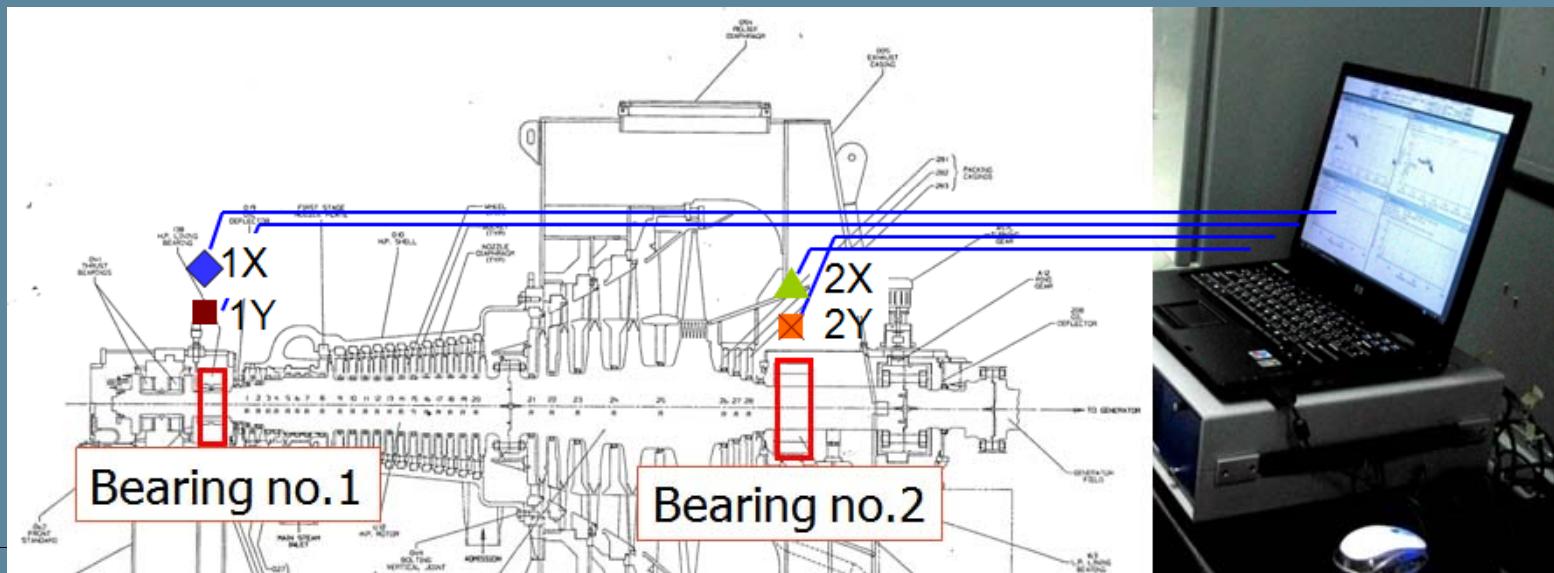


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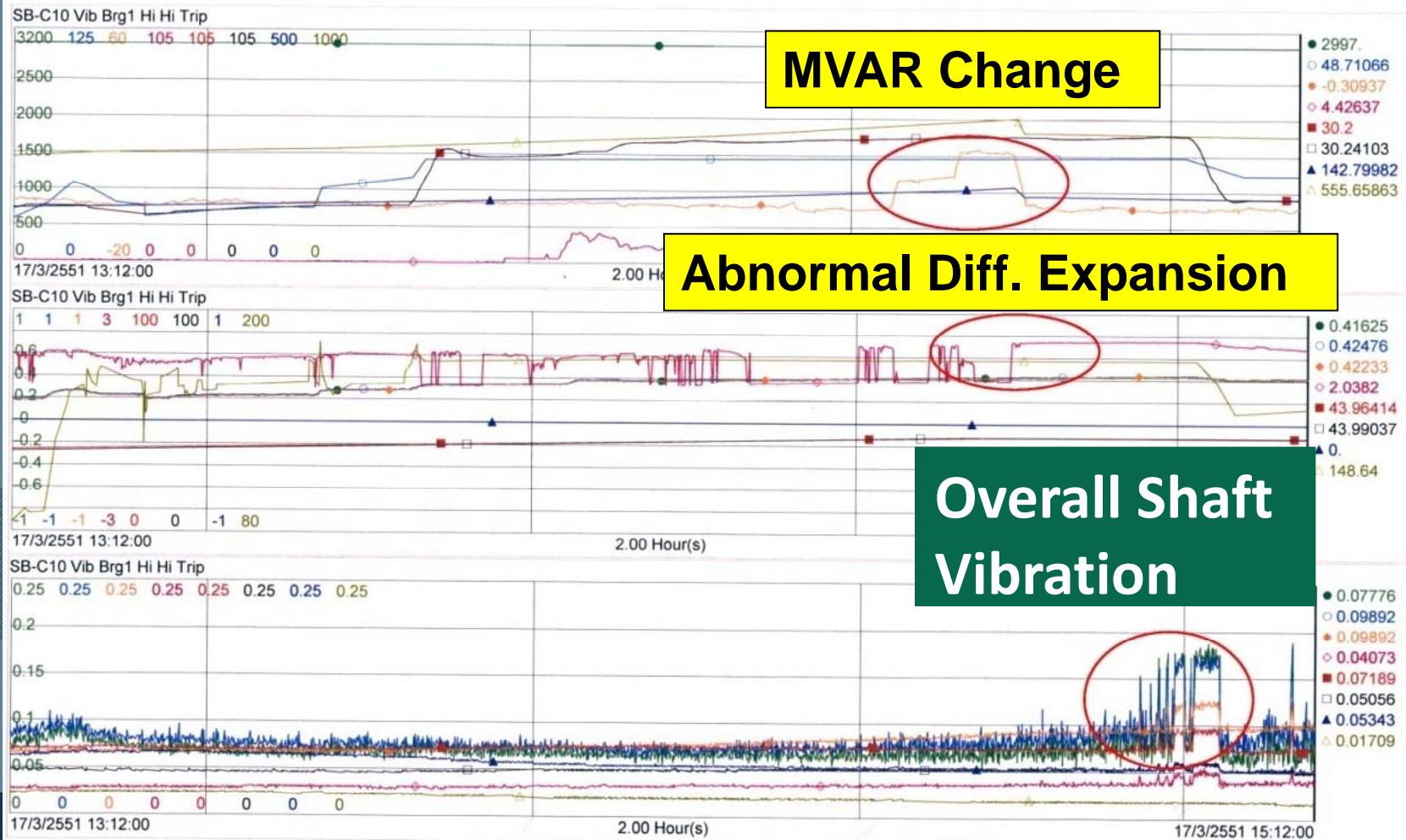
Vibration



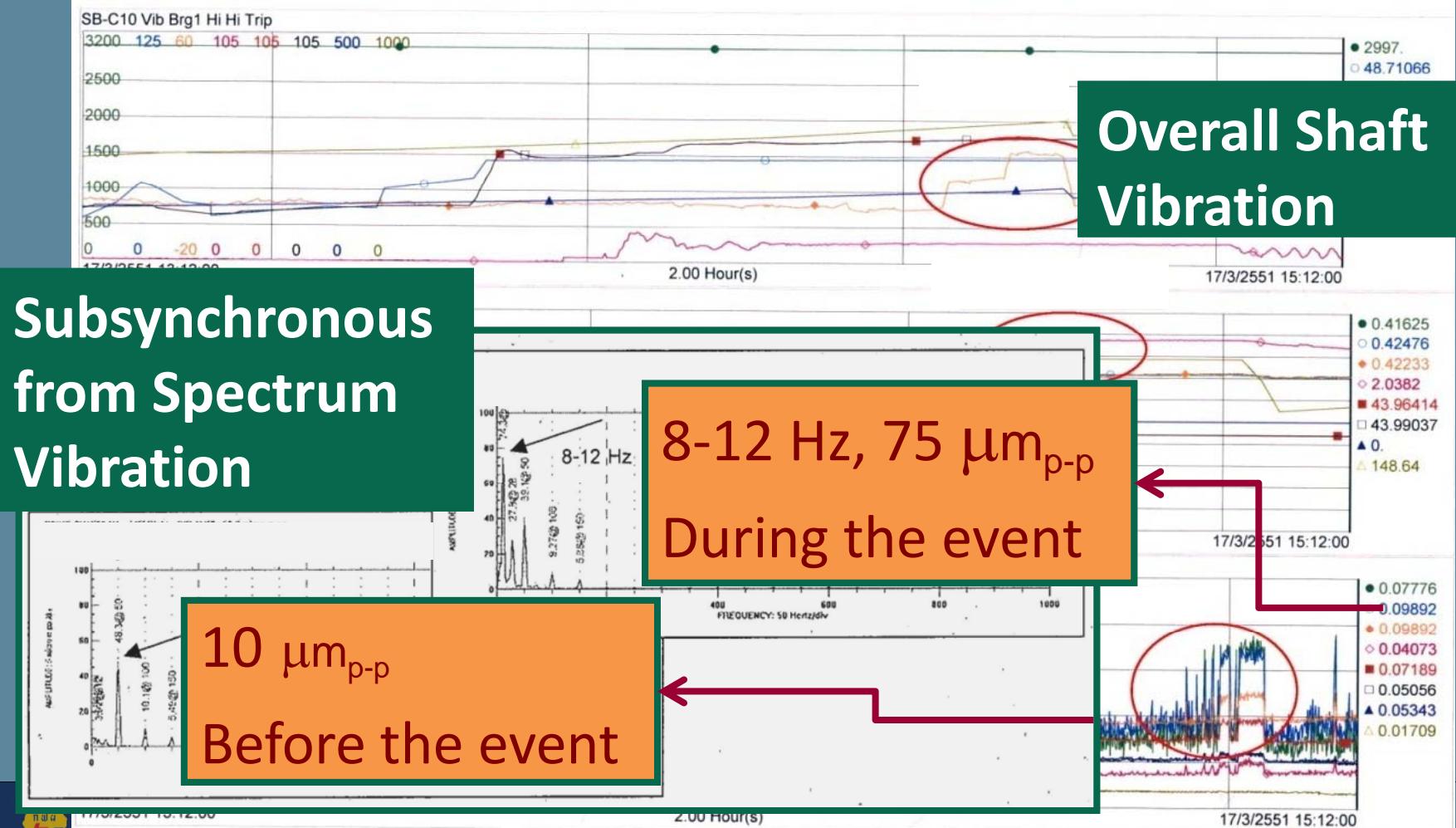
Subsynchronous



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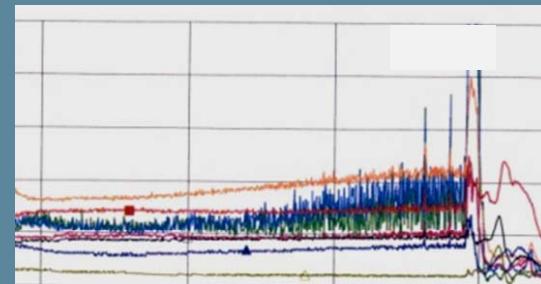
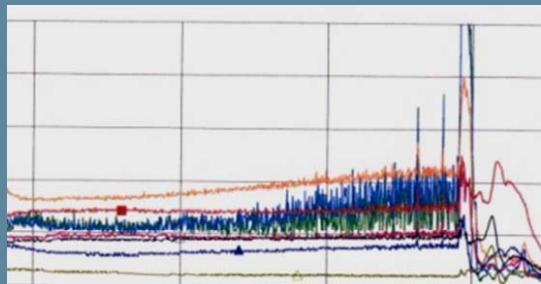
**3 options to correct  
“Fluid Induced Instability”  
without Internal Inspection**

- 6-day Compromised Balancing
- 8-day Bearing Inspection
- Lube Oil Temperature Adjusting



# **3 options to correct “Fluid Induced Instability” without Internal Inspection**

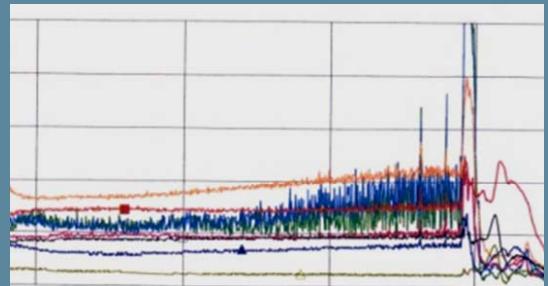
**March - April 2008**



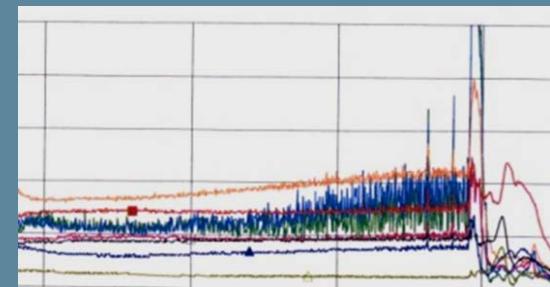
**Compromised  
Balancing**

**Lube Oil Temp.  
Adjusting  
(Fine Tuning)**

# 3 options to correct “Fluid Induced Instability” without Internal Inspection



Bearing  
Inspection



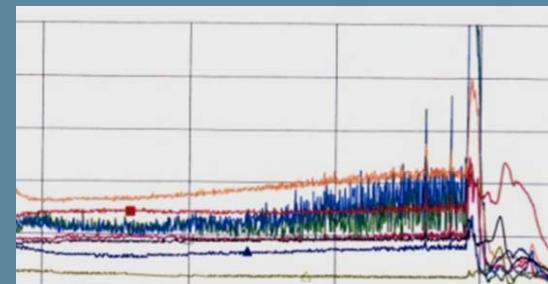
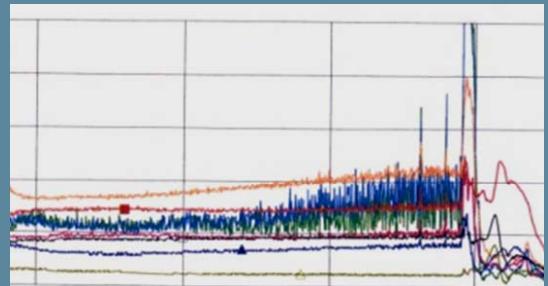
Bearing  
Replacing



“Higher Load  
Supply  
Run Longer”



# **3 options to correct “Fluid Induced Instability” without Internal Inspection**



**Although “Higher Load Supply  
Run Longer”, it could not be reduced Vibration  
without Internal Part Correction anymore!!!**



# Correcting Activities in Overhaul

May – June  
2008



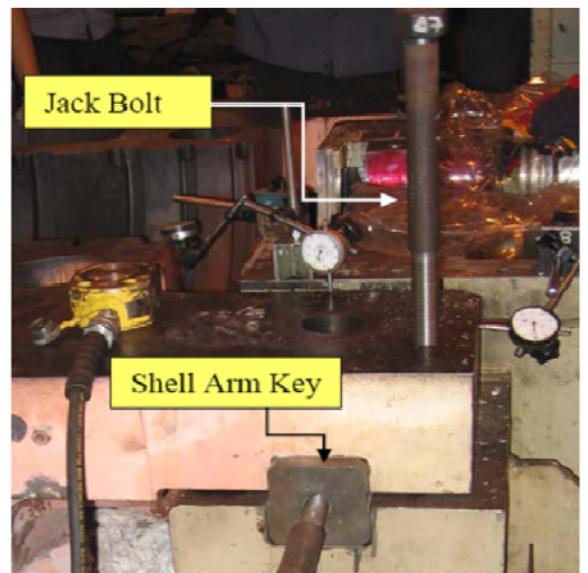
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Front Casing Weight Balancing

May – June  
2008

69%

10%



# Correcting Activities in Overhaul

## Rubbing Decreasing



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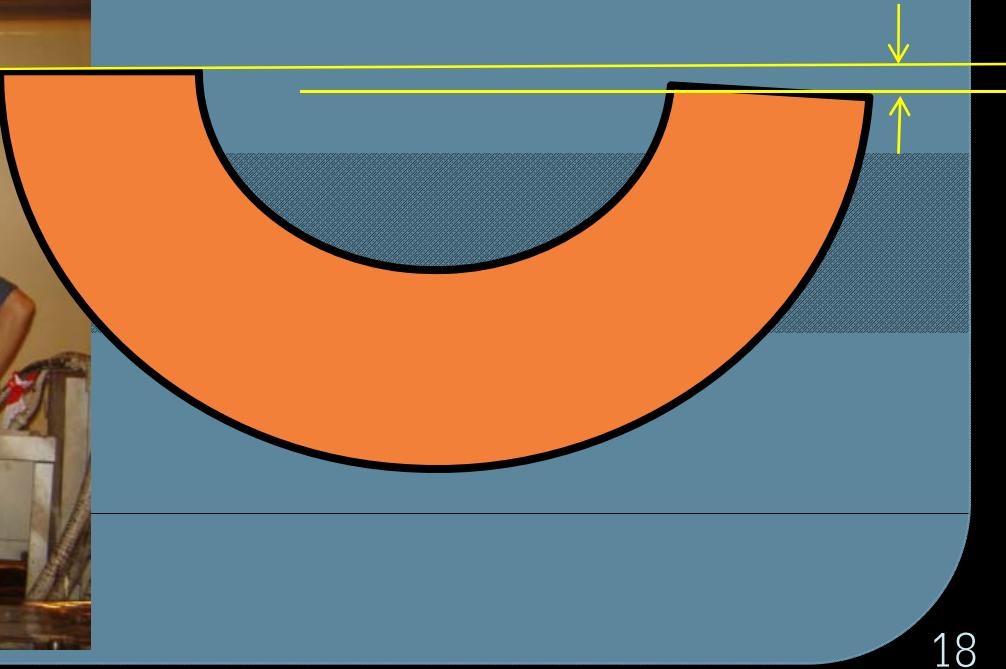
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# Condition Monitoring after Overhaul

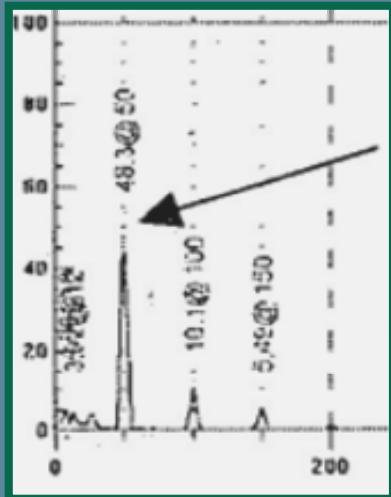
## Foundation Level

Right Side of LP Casing Level  
Lower than Left Side 2.7 mils



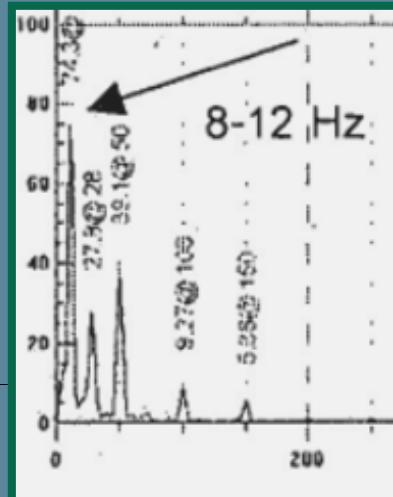
# Results

July  
2008



## Before

Subsynchronous of  $10 \mu\text{m}_{\text{p-p}}$   
Trip at  $1X=230 \mu\text{m}_{\text{p-p}}$   
@60 MW (52% Load)



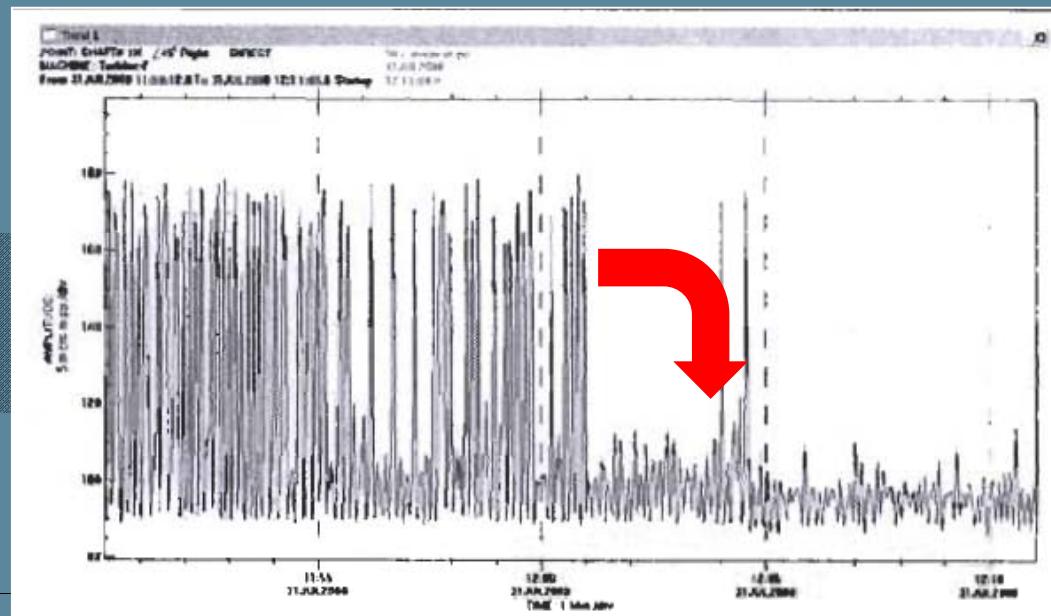
## After

Subsynchronous of  $80 \mu\text{m}_{\text{p-p}}$   
@100 MW (87% Load)



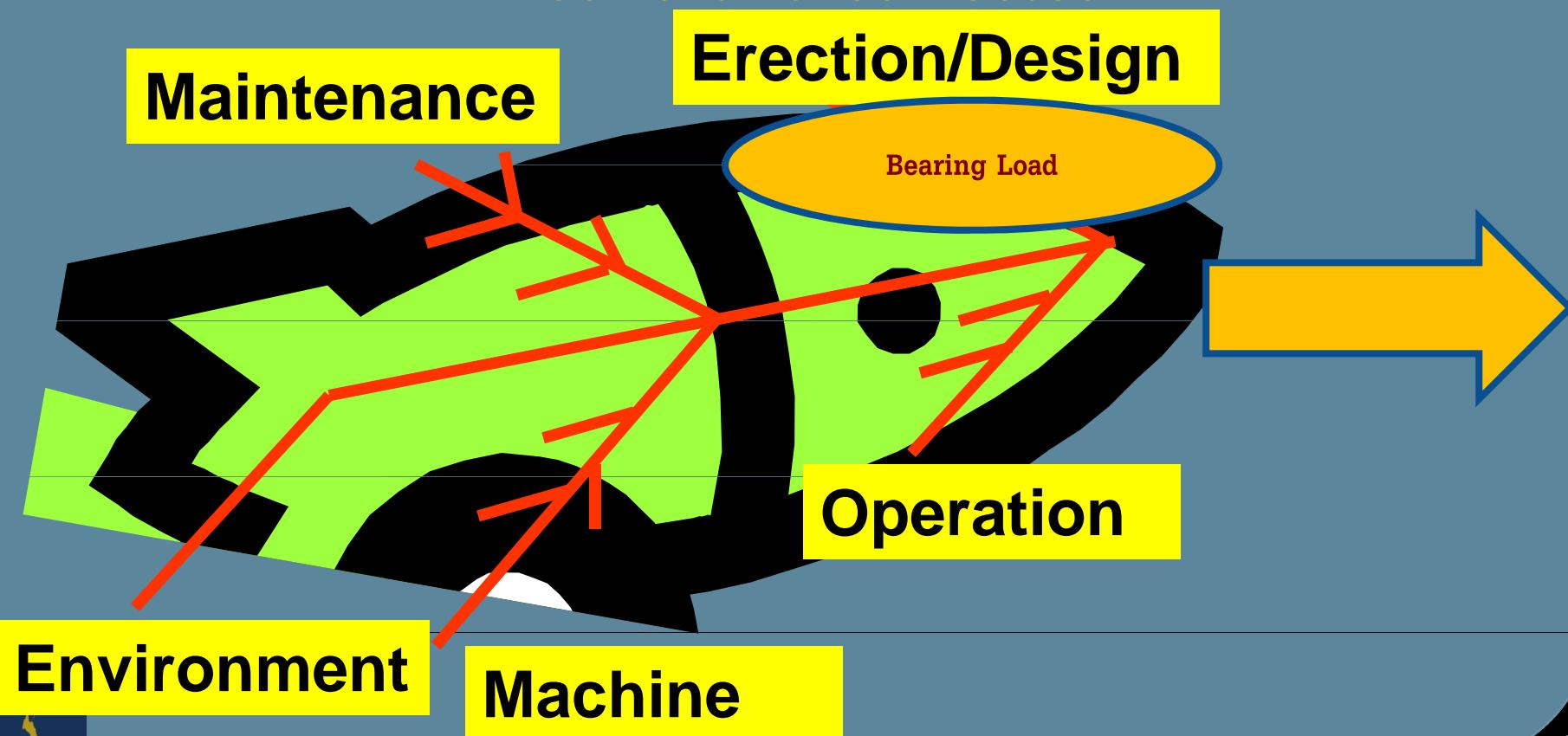
## Results

More Stable ; however, Need more Fine Tuning  
By Lube Oil Temp. Decreasing from 49°C to 45 °C

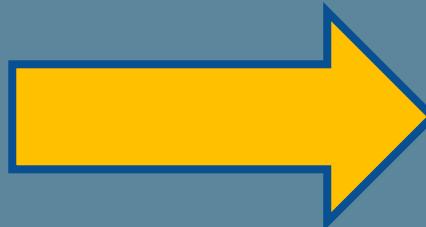
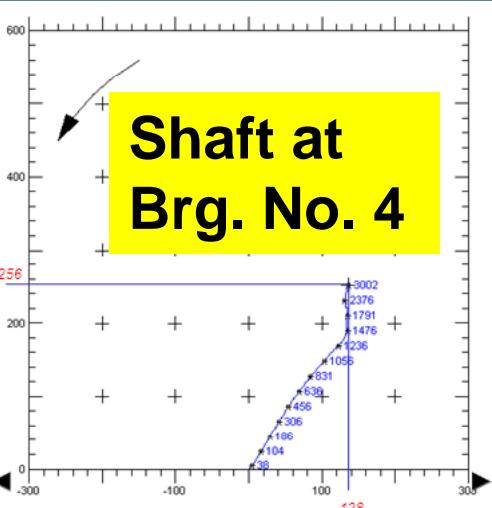
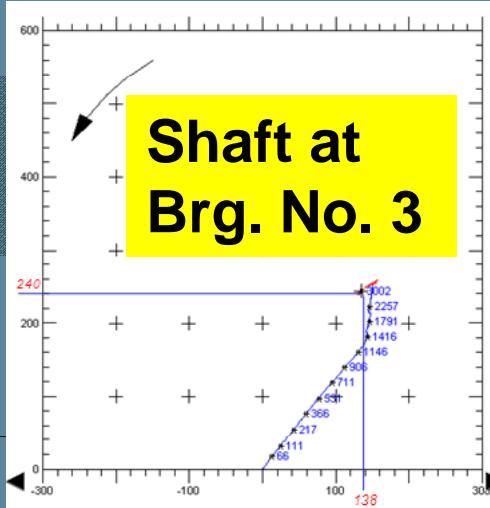
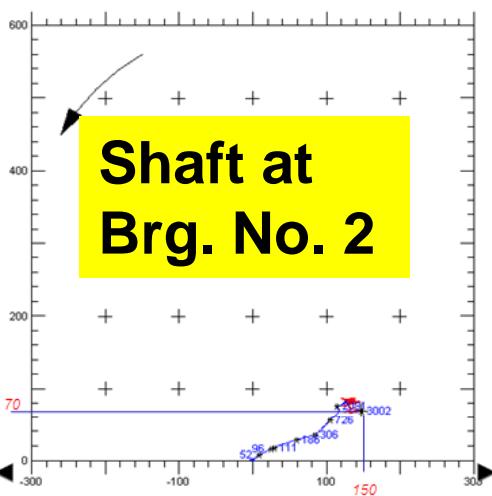
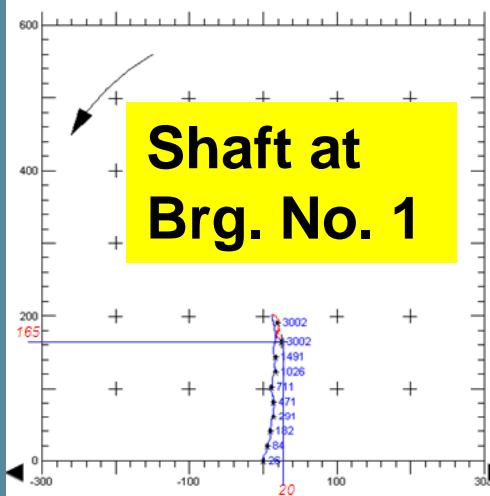


## Updated Results on October, 2010

“Last possible cause in the fish bone diagram was found and corrected.”

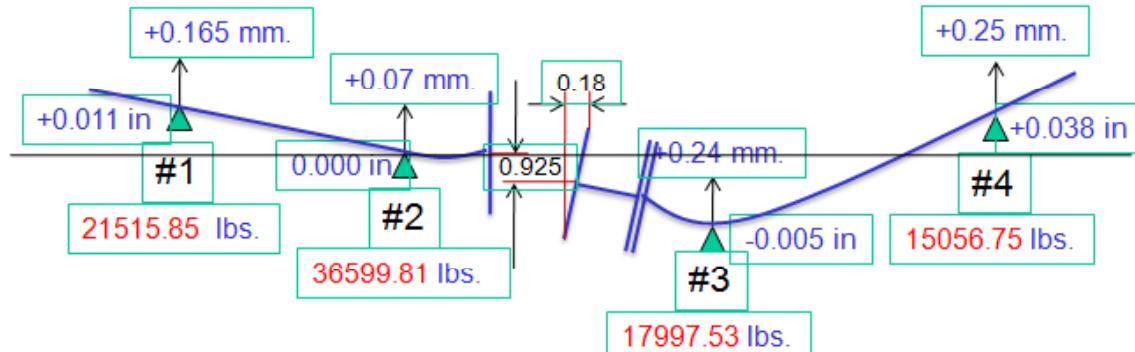


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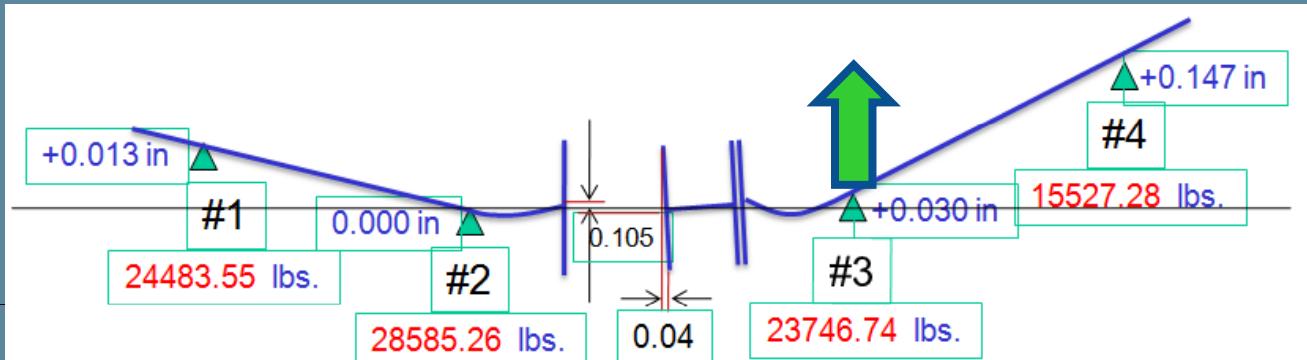


# Updated Results on October, 2010

Before



After



## Conclusion

### Remedial Action Step

Subsynchronous	Turbine Condition
Appear	Normal
80 $\mu\text{m}_{\text{p-p}}$ @87% Load	Abnormal
10 $\mu\text{m}_{\text{p-p}}$ @52% Load (Trip)	Severe



## Remedial Action Step

### Turbine Action Condition

Normal	Monitoring & Next Outage Planning
Abnormal	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Lube Oil Temp. Adjusting 1-2 days</li><li>2. Compromised Balancing 2-6 days</li><li>3. Bearing Inspection 8 days</li></ol>
Severe	Internal Part Inspection (Overhaul)



## Remedial Action Step

### Turbine Action Condition

Normal      Monitoring & I

Abnormal      1. Lube Oil T  
                  2. Comprom  
                  3. Bearing In

Severe      Internal Part In

Can be Operated

**"The condition is Abnormal,  
but it needs to be Operated.  
It is necessary to  
Control MVAR, and/or  
Decrease Load.**



Need to be Shut down



**Thank you for your kind attention**

