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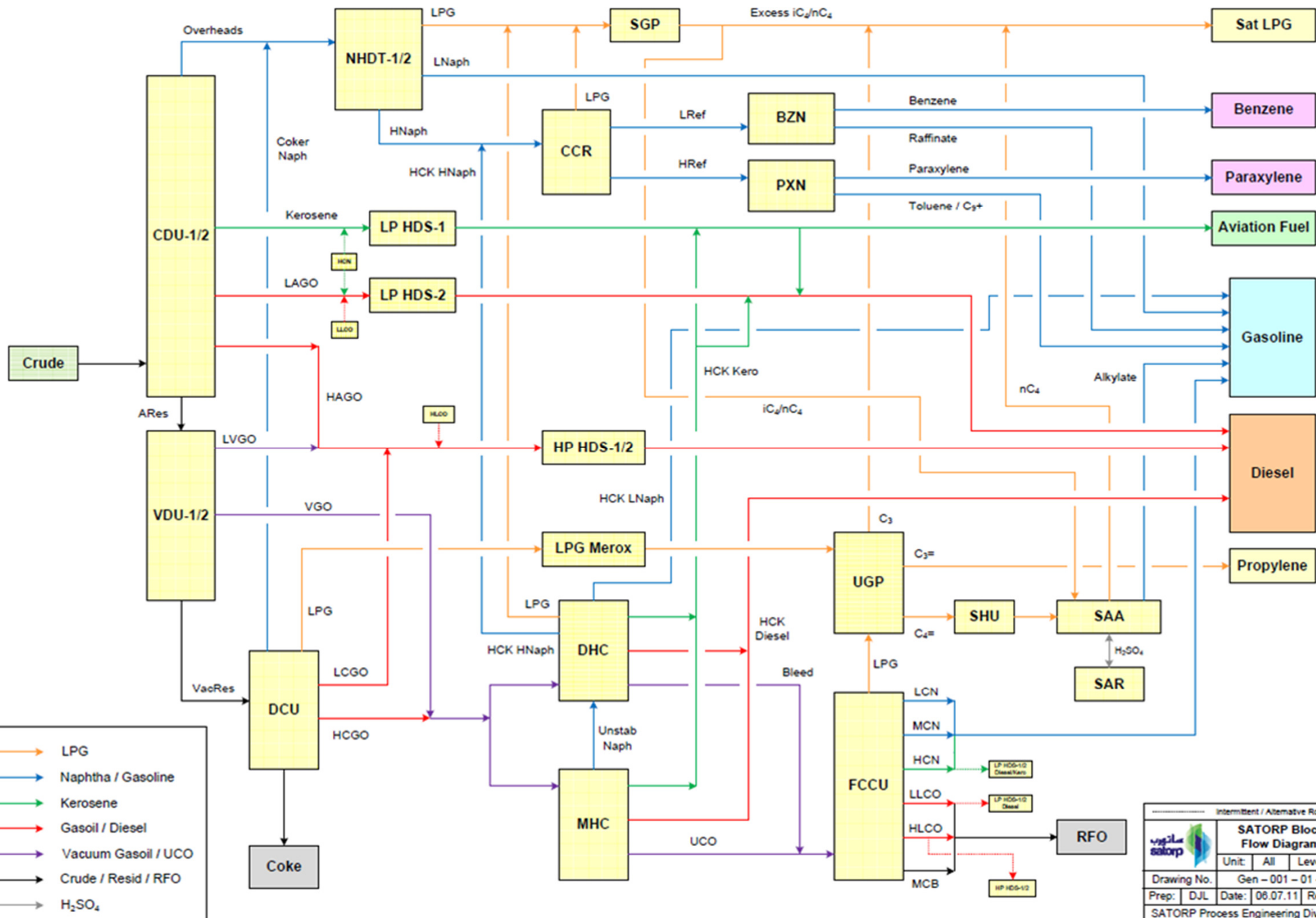
Recovery of Delayed Coker Propylene At Turndown

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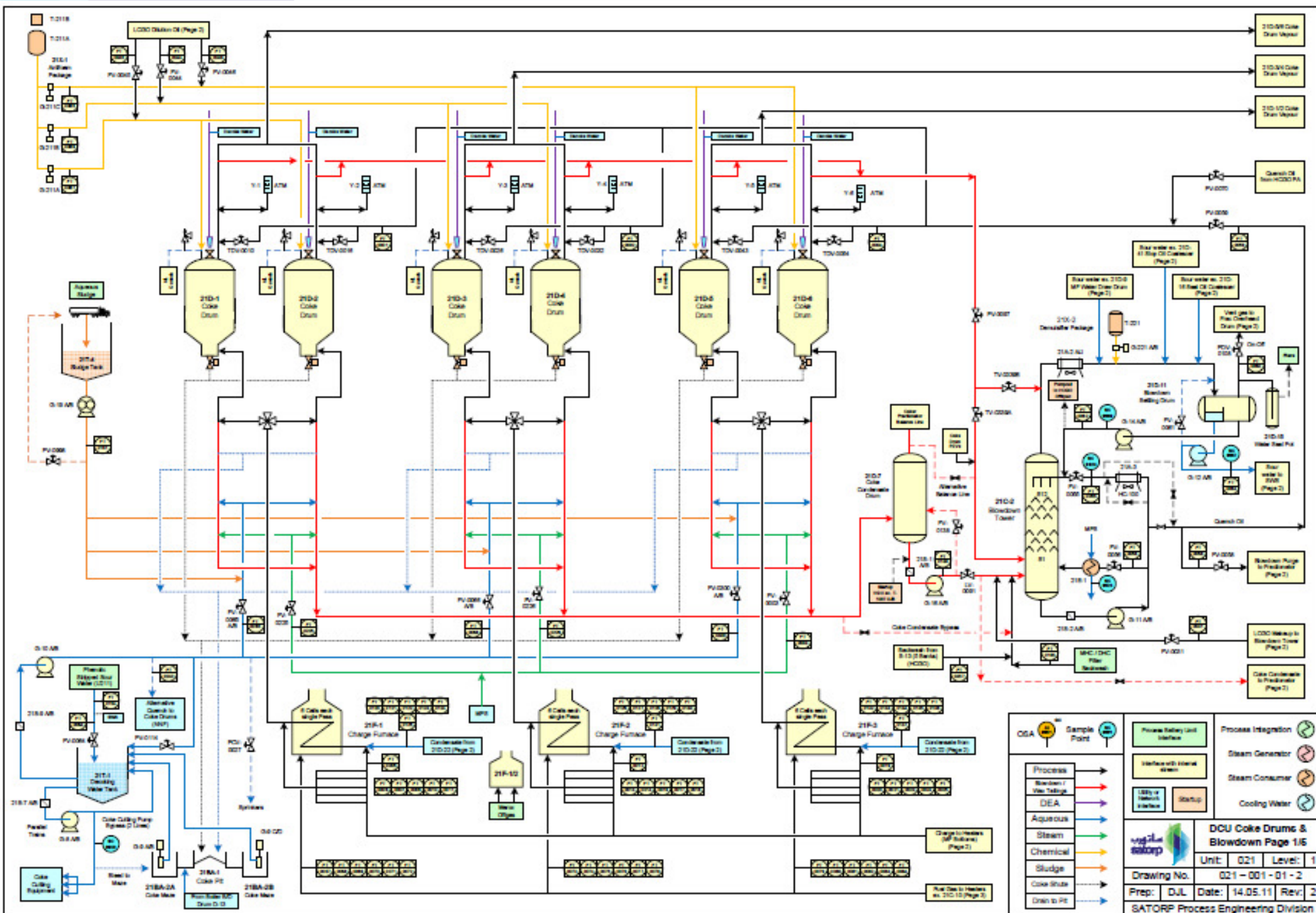
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Outline:

- Satorp
- Delayed Coker Configuration & Basis of Design
- Re-Processing of Off-Spec LPG
- Observed Propylene Loss
- Analysis and Troubleshooting
- Recommendations
- Actions and Results
- Q & A



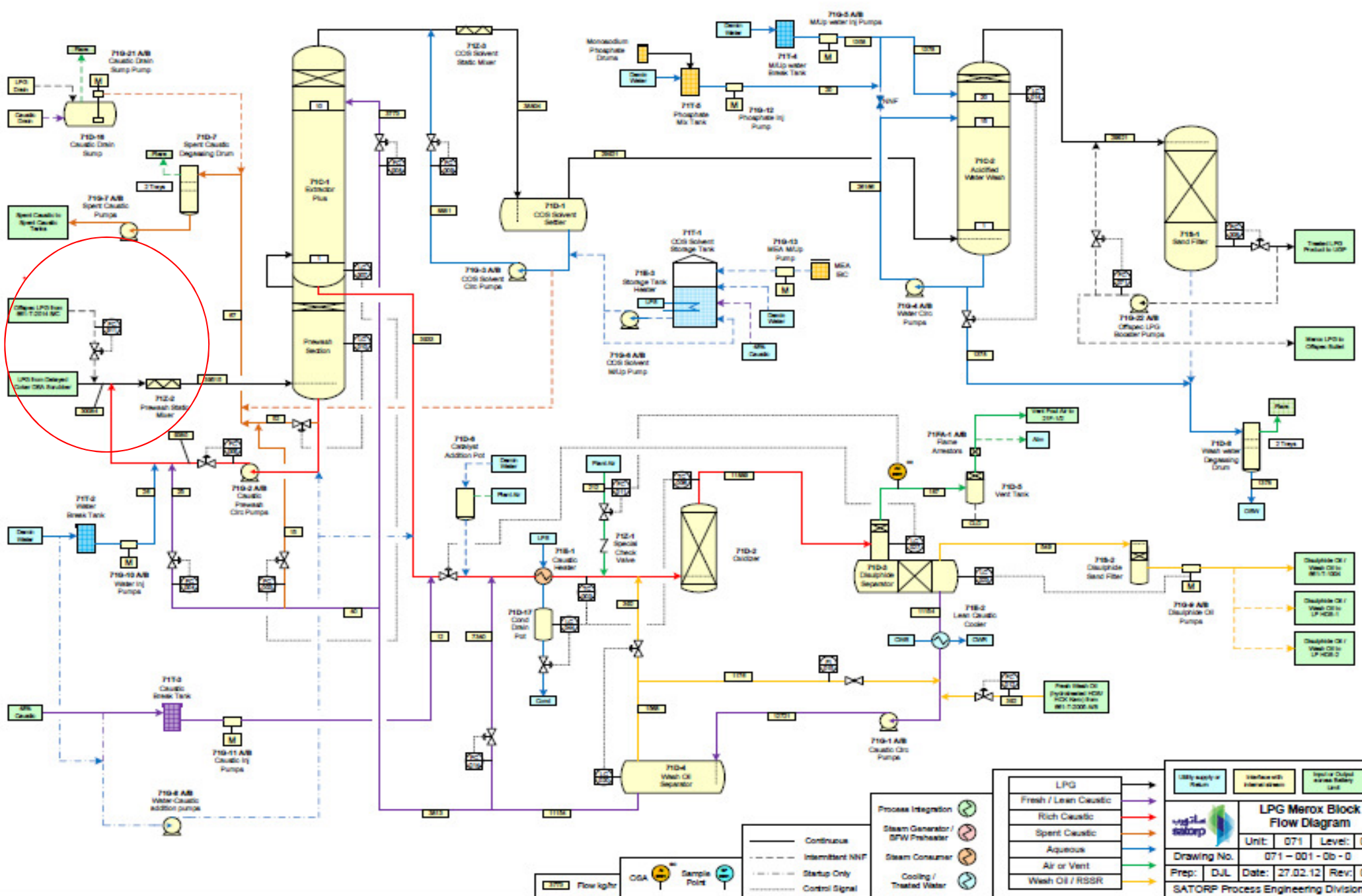
Intermittent / Alternative Routing		
SATORP Block Flow Diagram		
Unit:	All	Level: 1
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Re-Processing of Refinery Off-Spec LPG

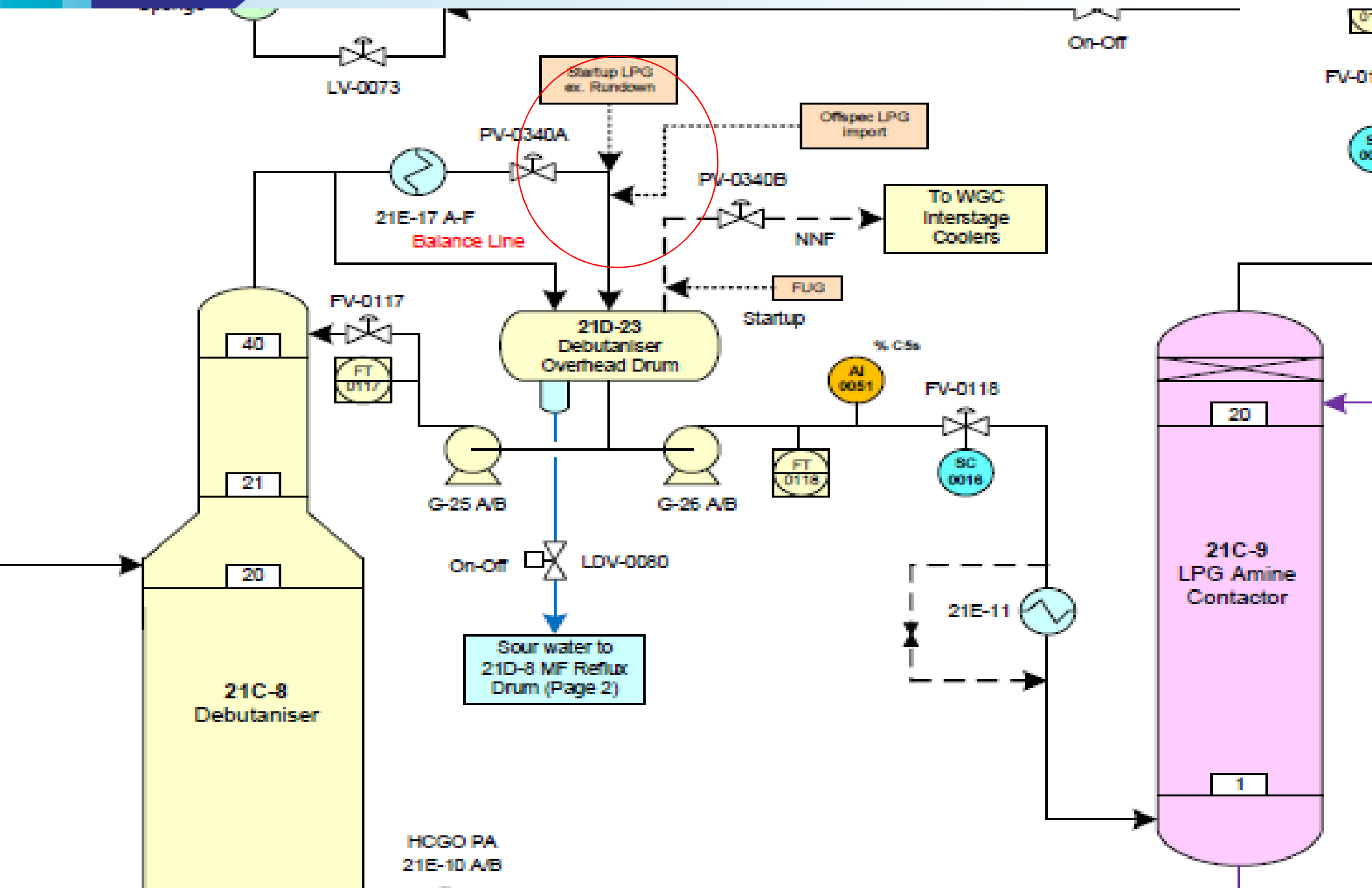
- Through Merox Unit
- Through DCU (through HP receiver and Debut.

MEROX Unit

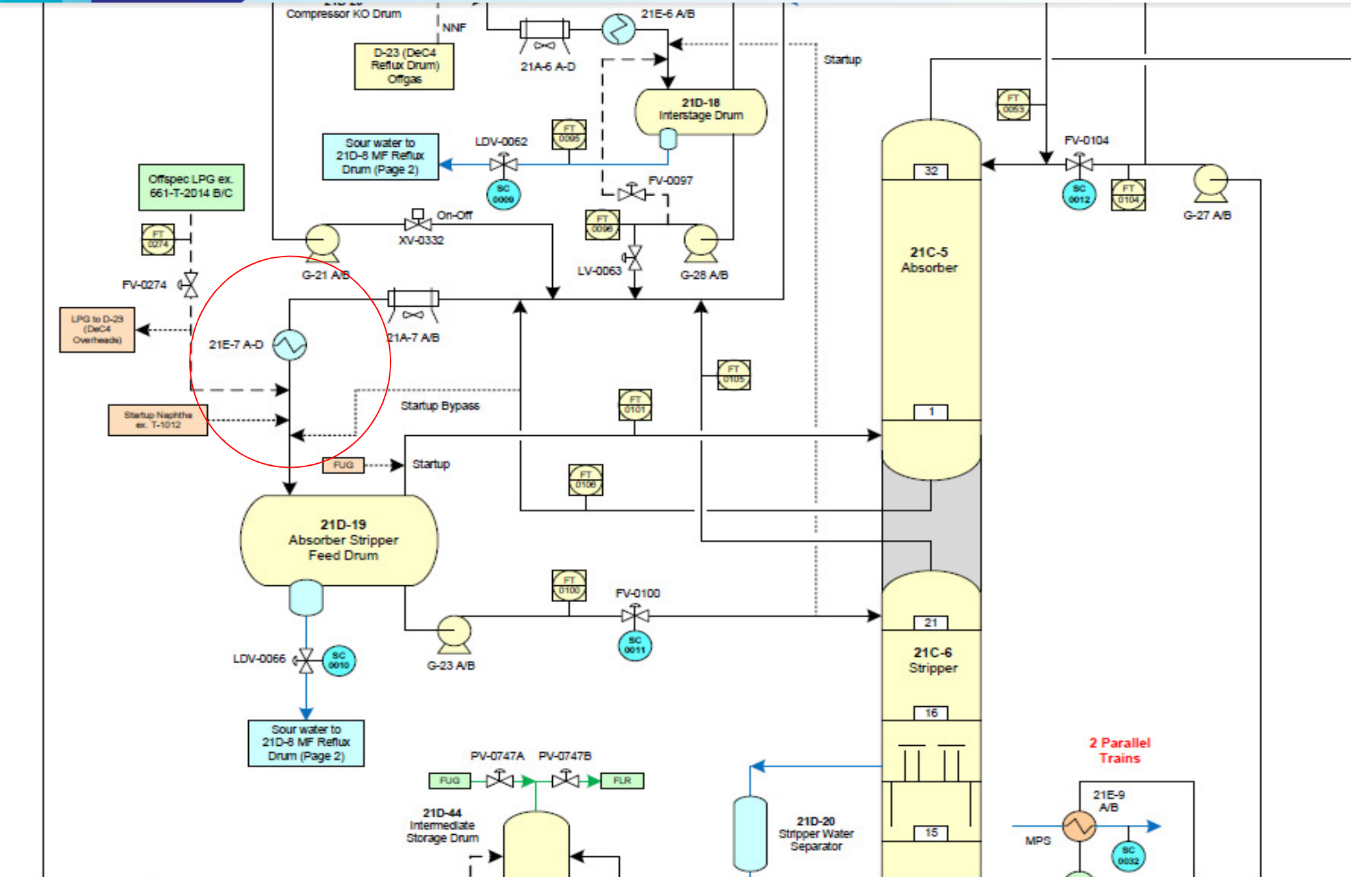


The diagram illustrates the process flow for DCU - Debut. Key components and streams include:

- Inputs:**
 - Startup LPG ex. Run-down (circled in red)
 - Offspec LPG Import
 - 21E-17 A-F Balance Line
 - FUG (Startup)
- Central Vessel:**
 - 21D-23 Debutaniser Overhead Drum
- Outputs from 21D-23:**
 - To WGC Interstage Coolers (via NNF and PV-0340B)
 - Through pumps G-25 A/B and G-26 A/B
 - Through LDV-0080 to Sour water to 21D-8 MF Reflux Drum (Page 2)
 - Through FV-0118 and SC 0018 to 21E-11
- Other Equipment:**
 - 21C-8 Debutaniser (with levels 40, 21, 20)
 - 21C-9 LPG Amine Contactor (with levels 20, 1)
 - 21E-10 A/B (HOGO PA)
- Control and Monitoring:**
 - FT 0117, FT 0118, AI 0051, SC 0018
 - Valves: FV-0117, FV-0118, LDV-0080
 - On-Off switches

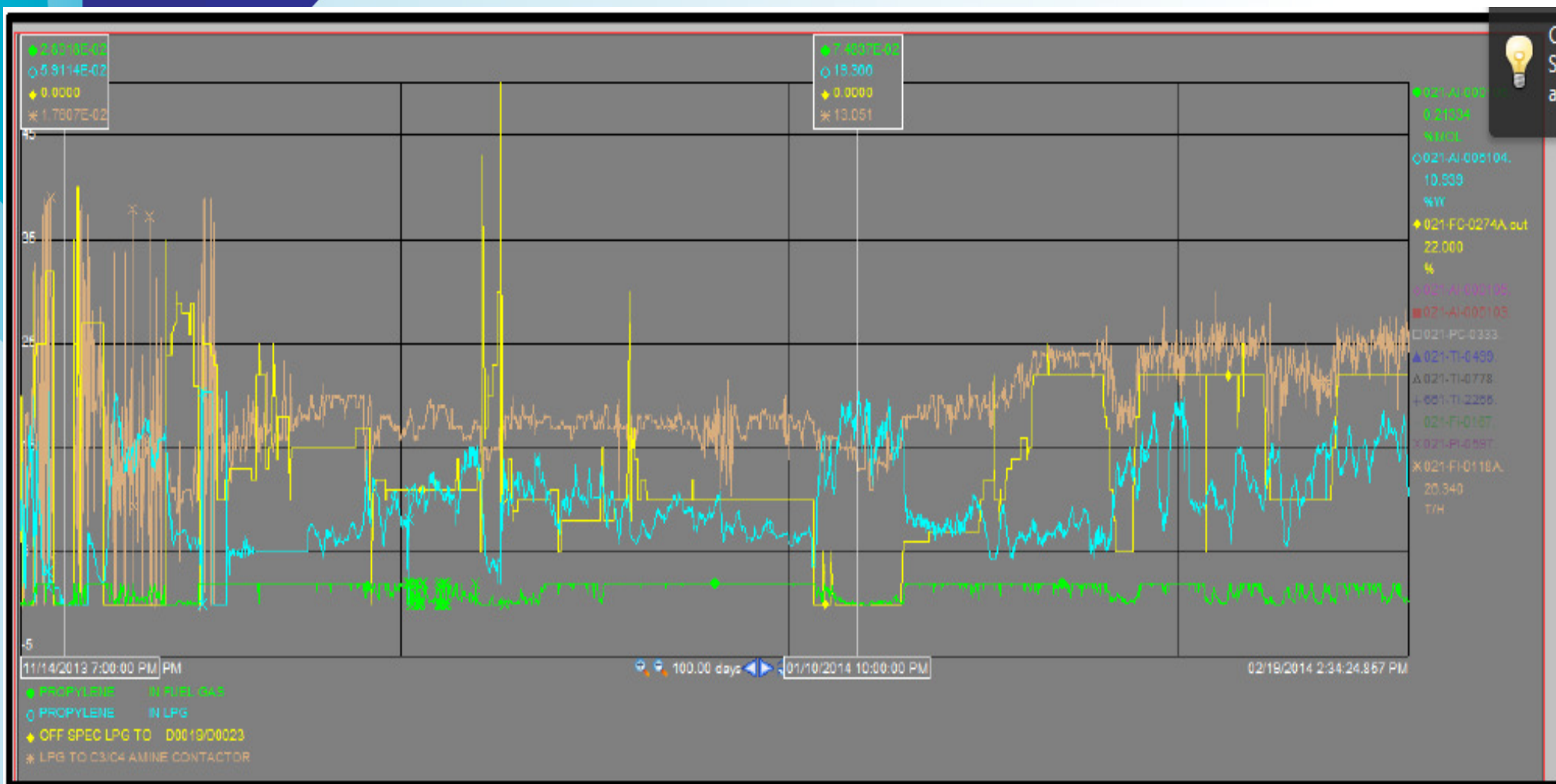


DCU – HP Receiver



Observed Propylene Lost

- 1- Occasional Loss of Propylene Recovery
- 2- Propylene lost when off –Spec LPG is re-processed
- 3- Evaluation of Main Stripper Operation

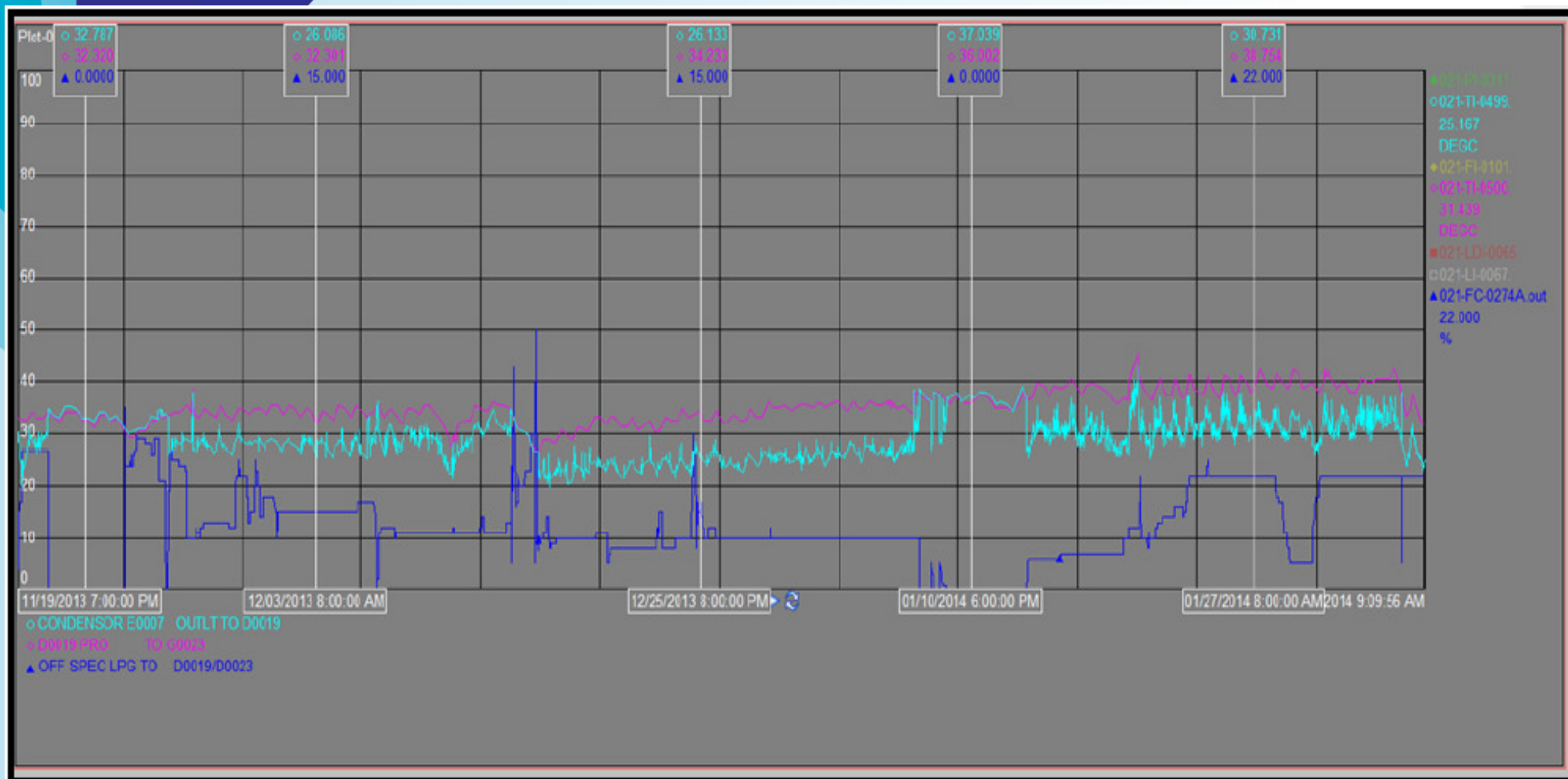


Yellow: opening of off spec LPG valve to HP drum

Blue: propylene mole fraction in LPG

Green: propylene Mole fraction in FG

Light Orange: LPG Flow to R/D

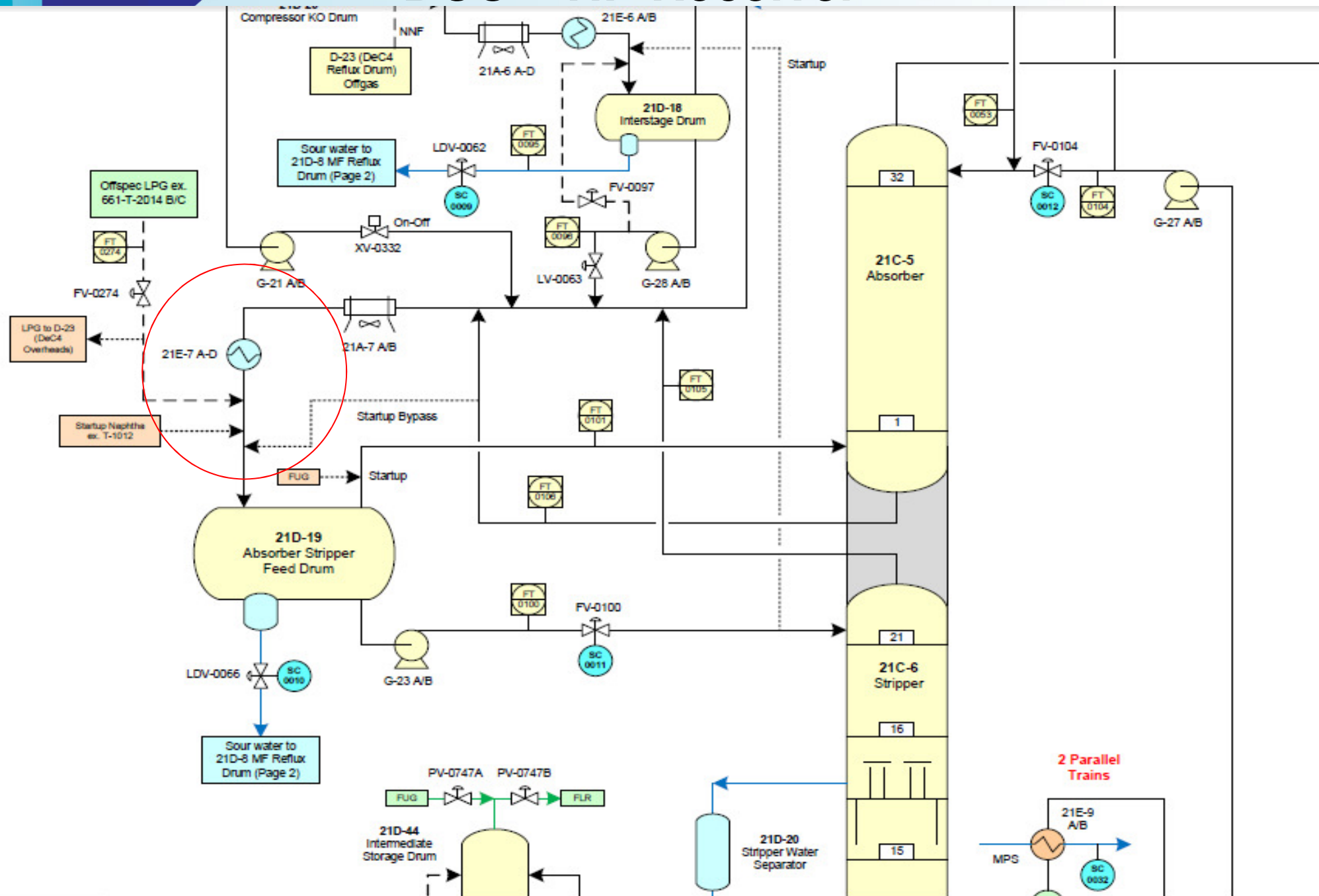


Dark Blue: opening of off spec LPG valve to HP drum

Light Blue: Temperature of HP drum vapor

Purple: Temperature of HP drum liquid

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Analysis and Troubleshooting

Simulation of the drum at:

Different quality of Off-Spec LPG:

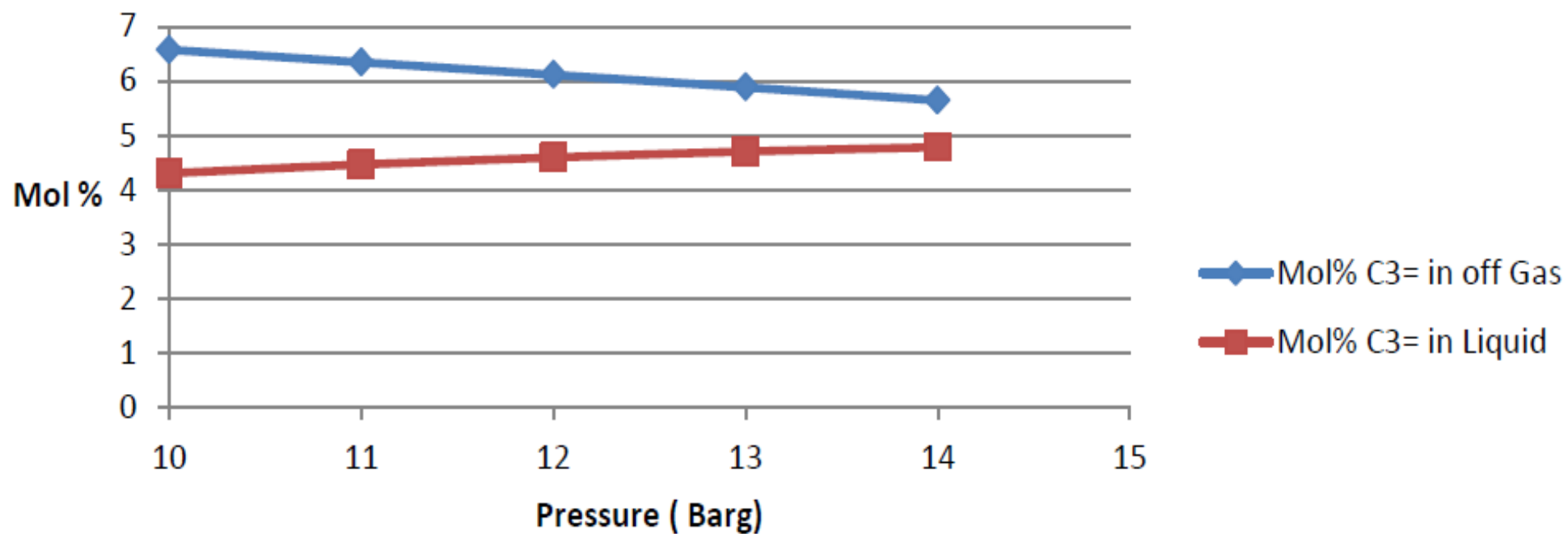
- Low Propylene content
- High propylene content
- Pure propylene

Different flows, 0 , 5 and 10 T/H

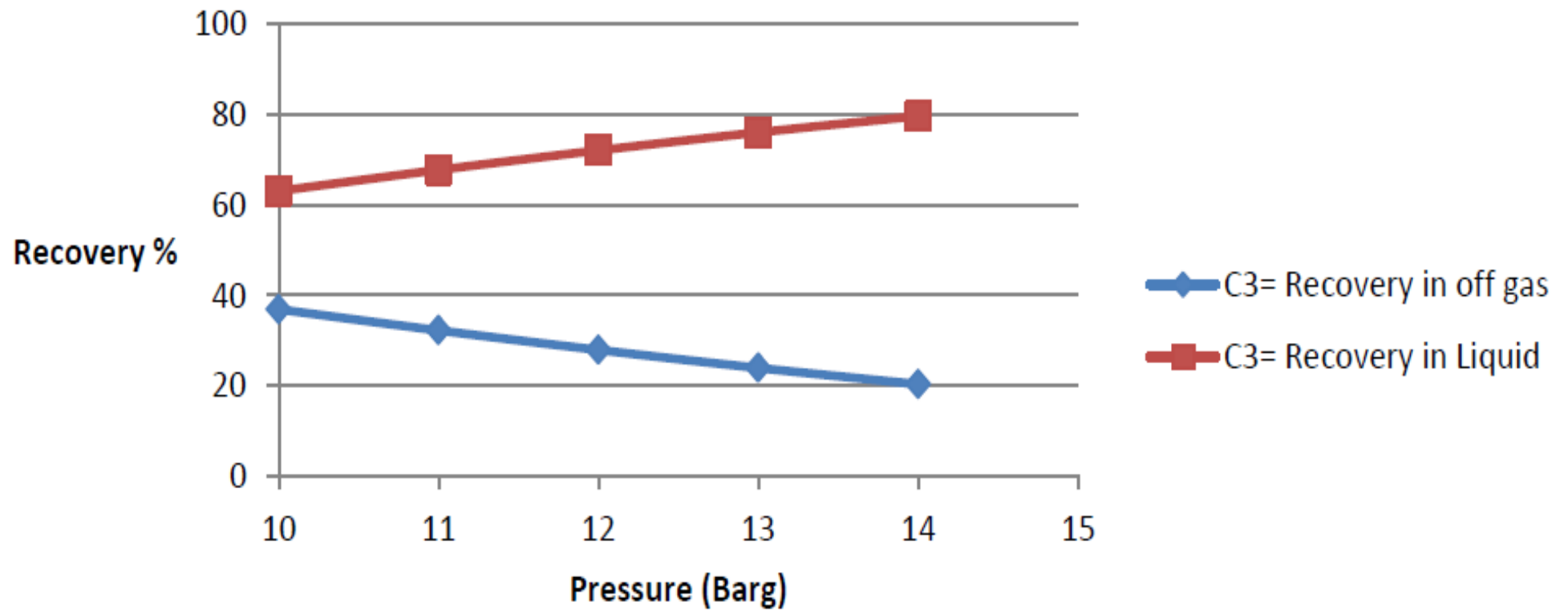
Different pressure:

- Actual Pressure , 12.5 barg
- H&M balance pressure 13.8 barg

C3= Mole % in 021-D-0019 Products



C3= Recovery in 021-D-0019 Products



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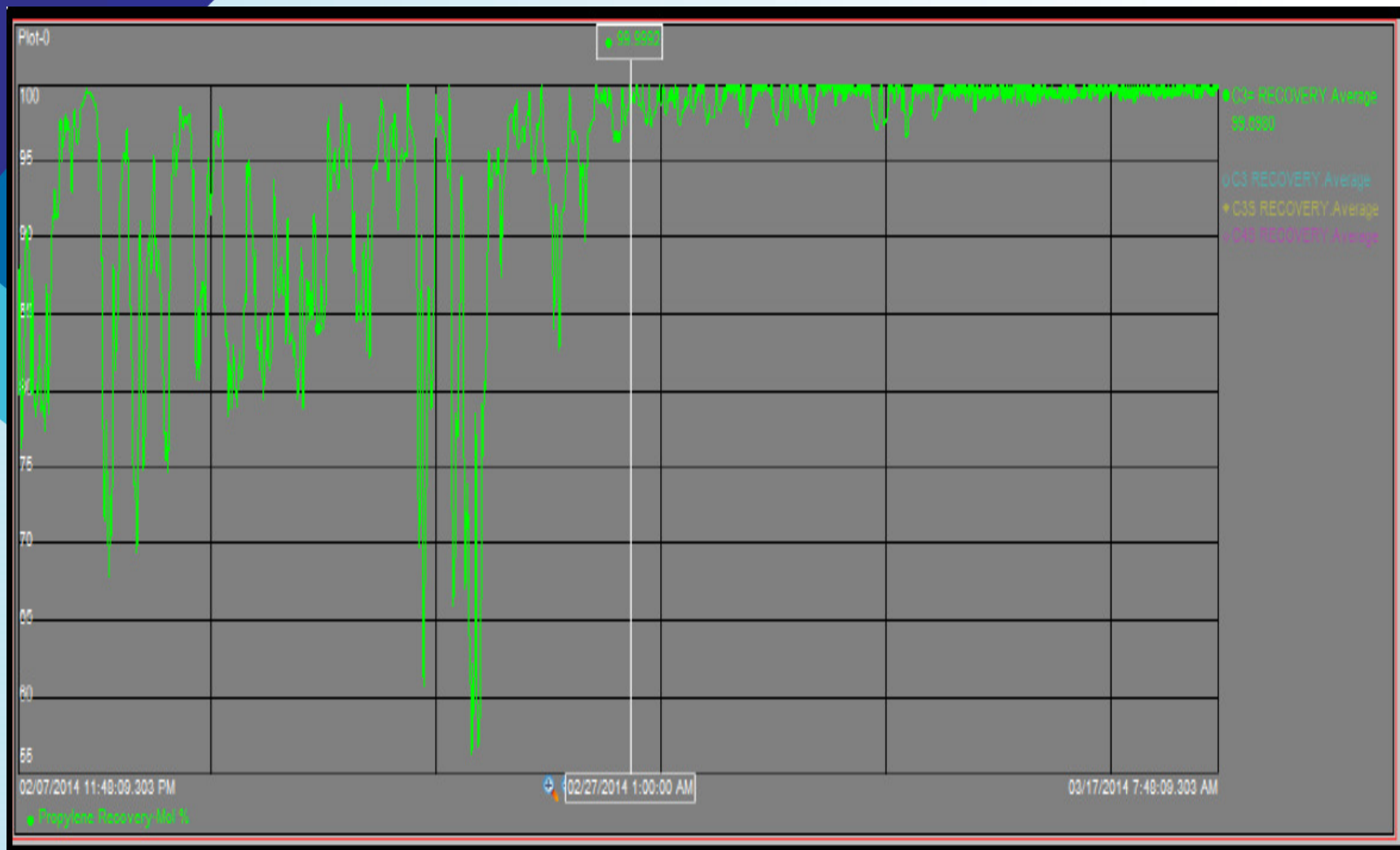
Main Stripper Operation

Bottom temperature relatively high

- a- Undetectable C2 in Coker LPG (design 0.5 wt% max)
- b- H₂S in sour LPG is less than 0.1 wt%(design 6 – 7 wt%)

Actions and Results

- Gas plant pressure slightly increased
- Stripper bottom temperature reduced from 158 0C to 154 degC
- High Recovery achieved and propylene produced increased 250 %



Thank you

Q & A

