# DOES COMBINED HEAT AND POWER (CHP) MAKE SENSE AT YOUR FACILITY?

### WHAT IS CHP?

Combined heat and power (CHP) — sometimes referred to as cogeneration, is the simultaneous production on-site of electric power and heat from a single fuel source. CHP provides a cost-effective alternative to a site separately purchasing electricity from the local utility and burning fuel in a boiler or furnace to produce heat needed by the facility.

# Power Plant Electricity Boller Heat -75% Efficiency

# WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF CHP?

- CHP is a proven technology, able to serve a large range of industrial, institutional, and commercial applications from small to very large
- CHP improves business competitiveness and contributes to a healthier local and state economy, by dramatically increasing energy efficiency and lowering operating costs, when compared to separate generation of electricity and heating/cooling
- CHP increases energy reliability and resiliency of local businesses and of such critical community services as police, fire/emergency services, water/wastewater treatment facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, etc.
- CHP contributes to **keeping all utility customers' rates down** by reducing grid congestion, electric distribution costs, and the utility's need to invest in new infrastructure

 CHP reduces emissions of all pollutants through its higher efficiency and creates a more diverse energy supply.

### WHO HAS INSTALLED CHP?

The <u>DOE database of CHP installations</u> provides information about CHP systems currently operating across the United States (see map), including 22 locations in Missouri. Features include search and filter options and the ability to download a list of operating CHP systems and state-level summary tables.

More than 30 CHP Project Profiles of Midwest CHP projects have been compiled by the U.S. Department of Energy's Midwest Combined Heat and Power Technical Assistance Partnership (Midwest CHP TAP). The two-page

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profiles describe successful projects at manufacturers, hospitals, universities, wastewater treatment plants, ethanol plants, data centers, and municipal facilities in the Midwest region. (www.midwestchptap.org/profiles/)

## NEXT STEPS: FIND OUT IF CHP COULD BE A GOOD FIT FOR YOUR FACILITY

- 1. Answer the brief questions at the following weblink and the US DOE Midwest CHP TAP will contact you to provide a no-cost CHP screening: <a href="http://www.midwestchptap.org/CHPScreening/">http://www.midwestchptap.org/CHPScreening/</a>
- 2. To learn more about the concepts and benefits of CHP, attend a 45 minute LIVE webinar (at no cost), on August 10, 2017 @ 11AM CT. Register at the following: <a href="http://www.midwestchptap.org/CHP101Webinar/">http://www.midwestchptap.org/CHP101Webinar/</a>
- 3. Or view this 10-minute archived presentation: http://www.midwestchptap.org/BenefitsofCHP/
- 4. Any questions, contact:

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