



Chilled Water Plants; Basic Principles, Ongoing Commissioning/Operation, and Optimization

kW per Ton and Load Profiles



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Asking About the Load Profile

$$Q_{Btu/Hr} = 500 \times Flow_{gpm} \times (t_{Entering,^{\circ}F} - t_{Leaving,^{\circ}F})$$

Where:

$Q_{Btu/Hr}$ = Load in Btu/hr

500 = Units conversion constant, good for water between 30 and 200°F

$Flow_{gpm}$ = Flow through the heat exchanger in gallons per minute

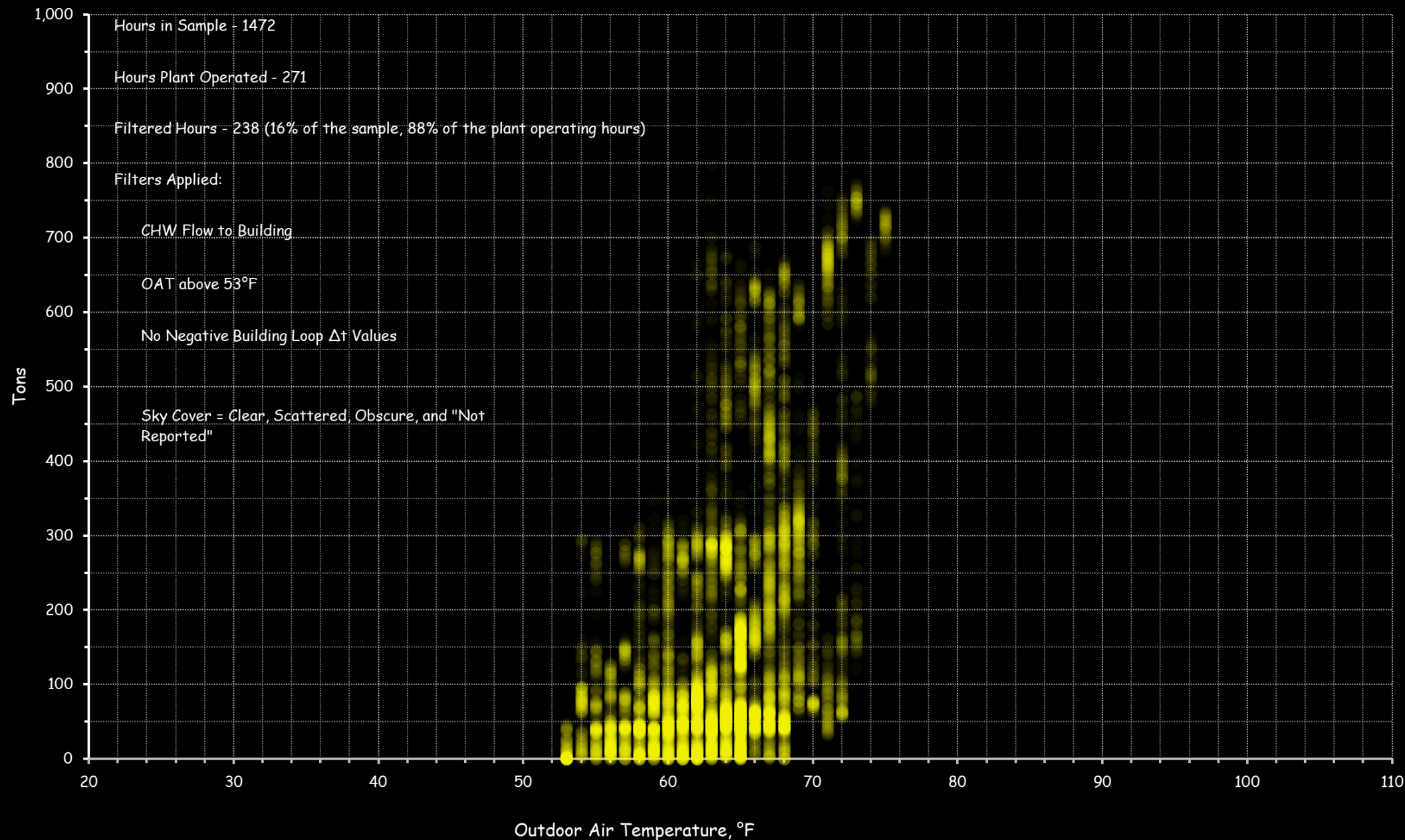
$t_{Entering,^{\circ}F}$ = Temperature entering in °F

$t_{Leaving,^{\circ}F}$ = Temperature leaving in °F



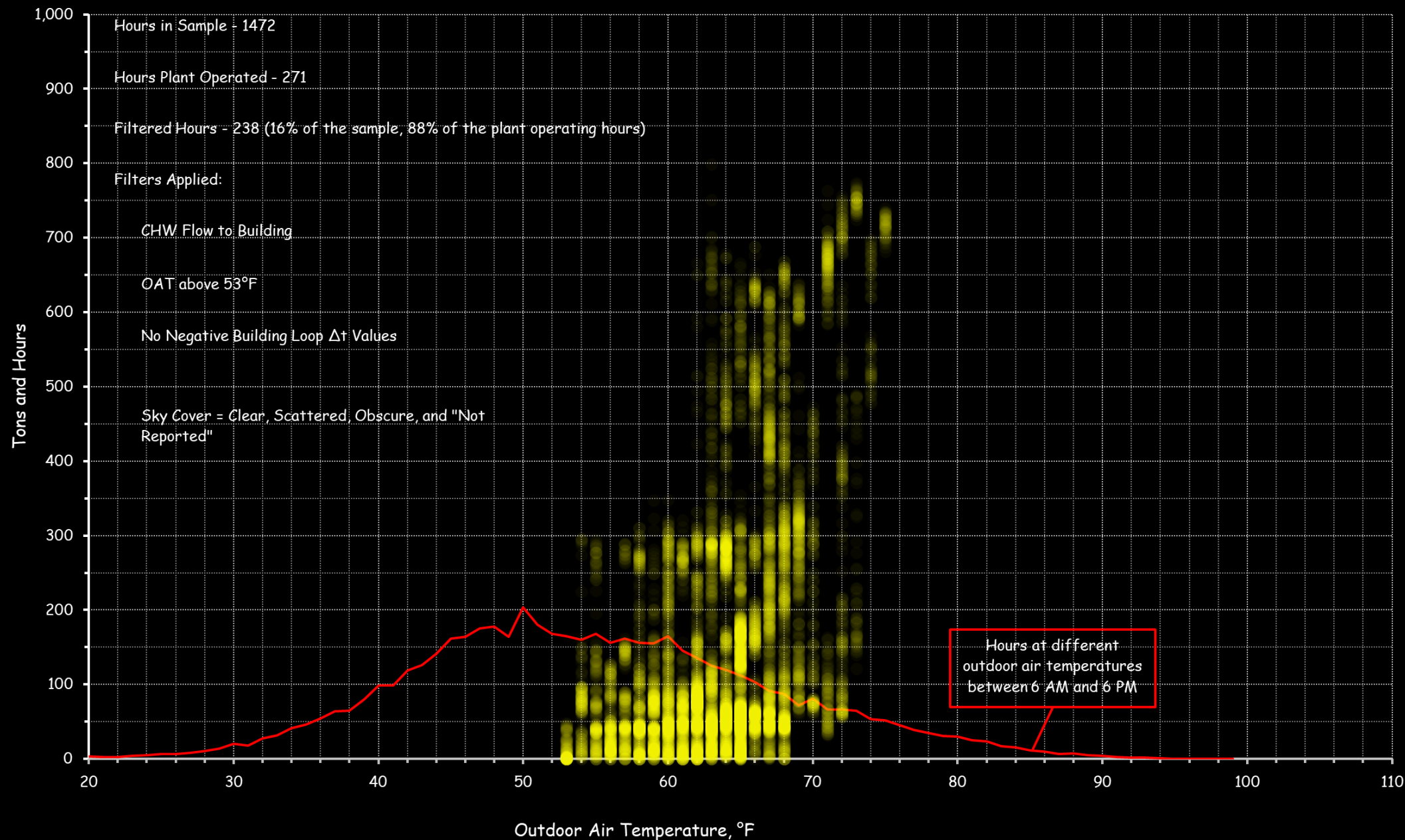
Central Plant Tons vs. Outdoor Temperature

Thursday 09/24/15 12:00 AM through Monday 12/07/15 11:59 PM



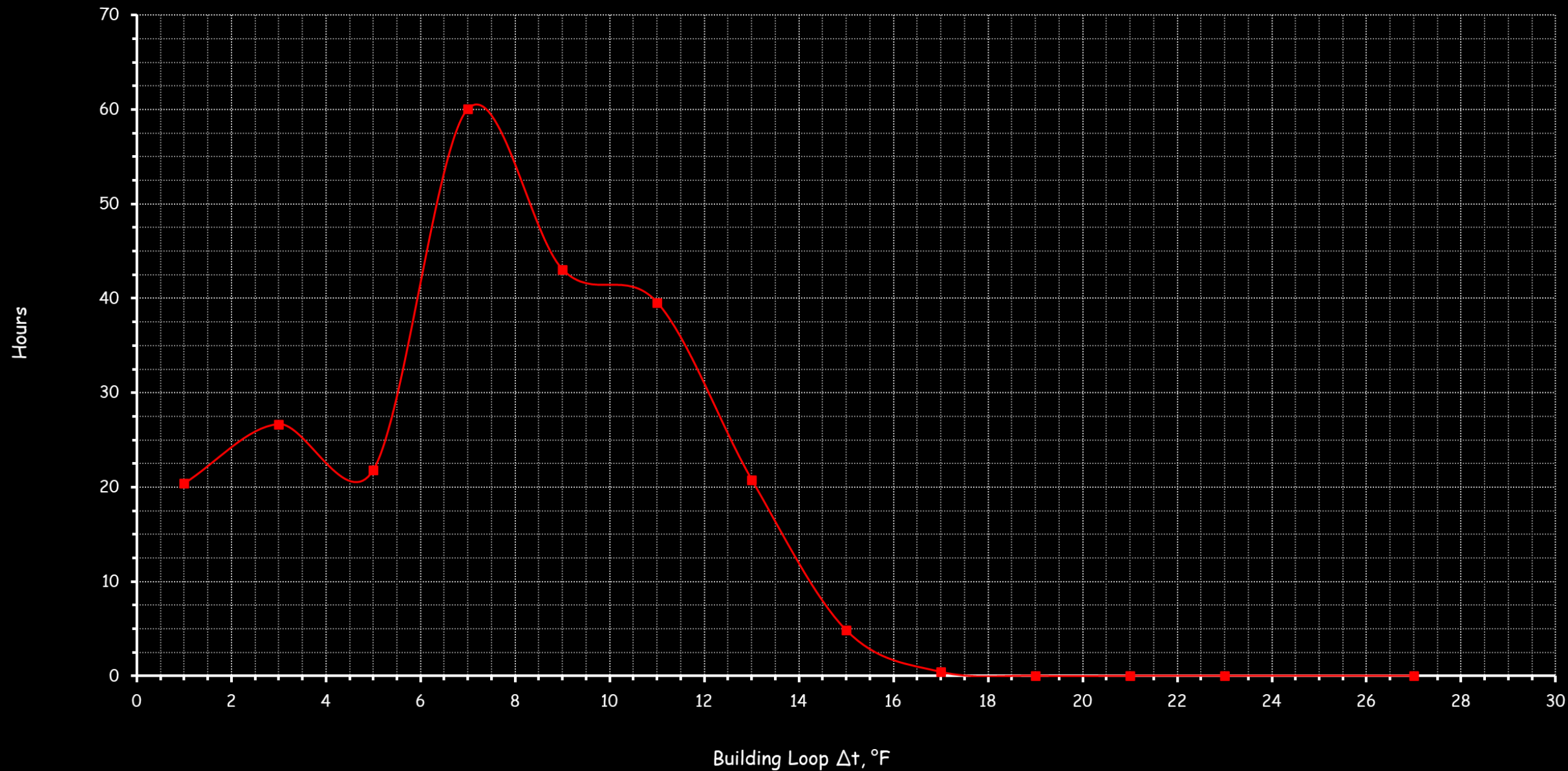
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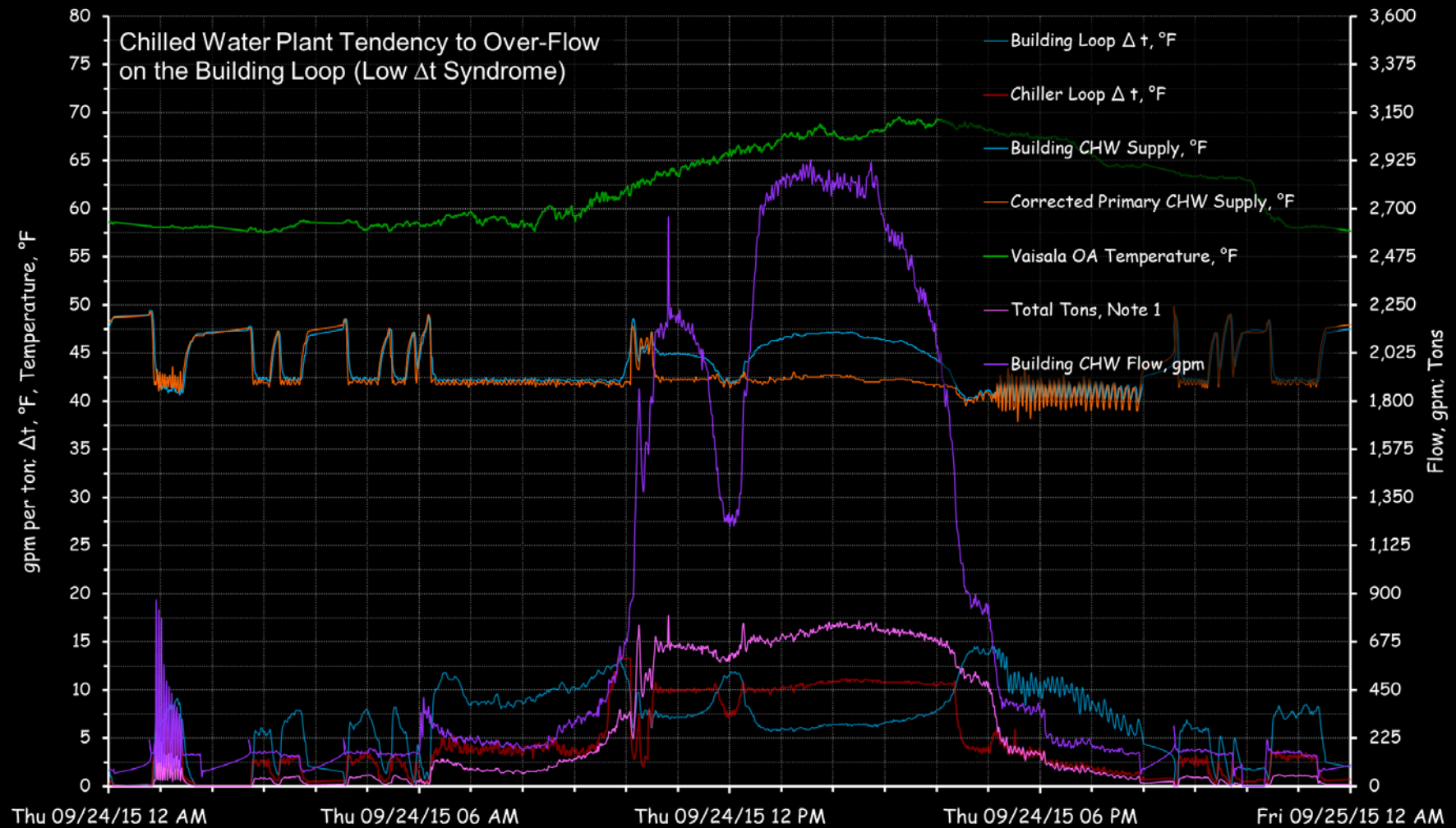


Hours vs. Building Loop Δt

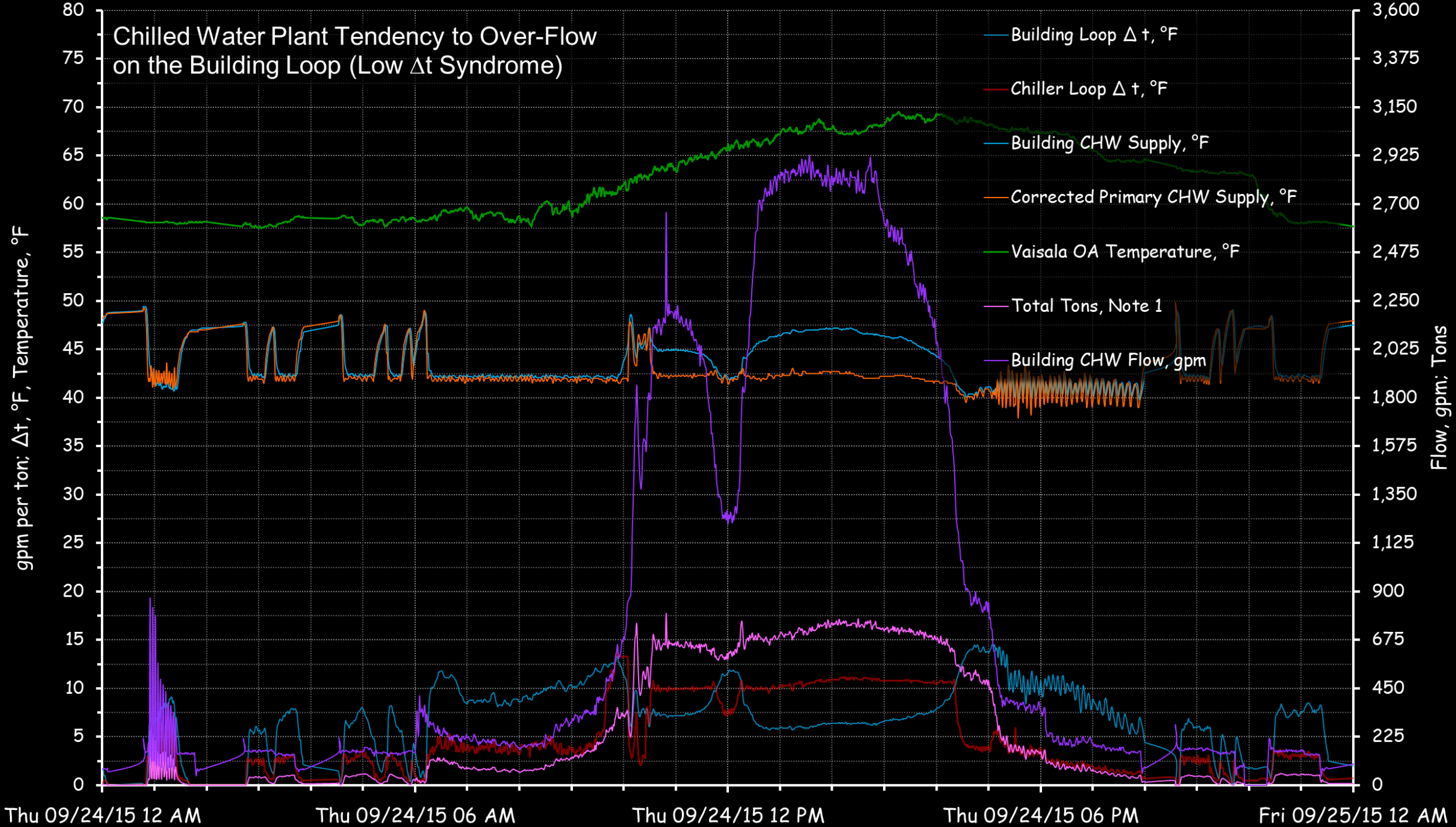
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A Low Delta-T Event

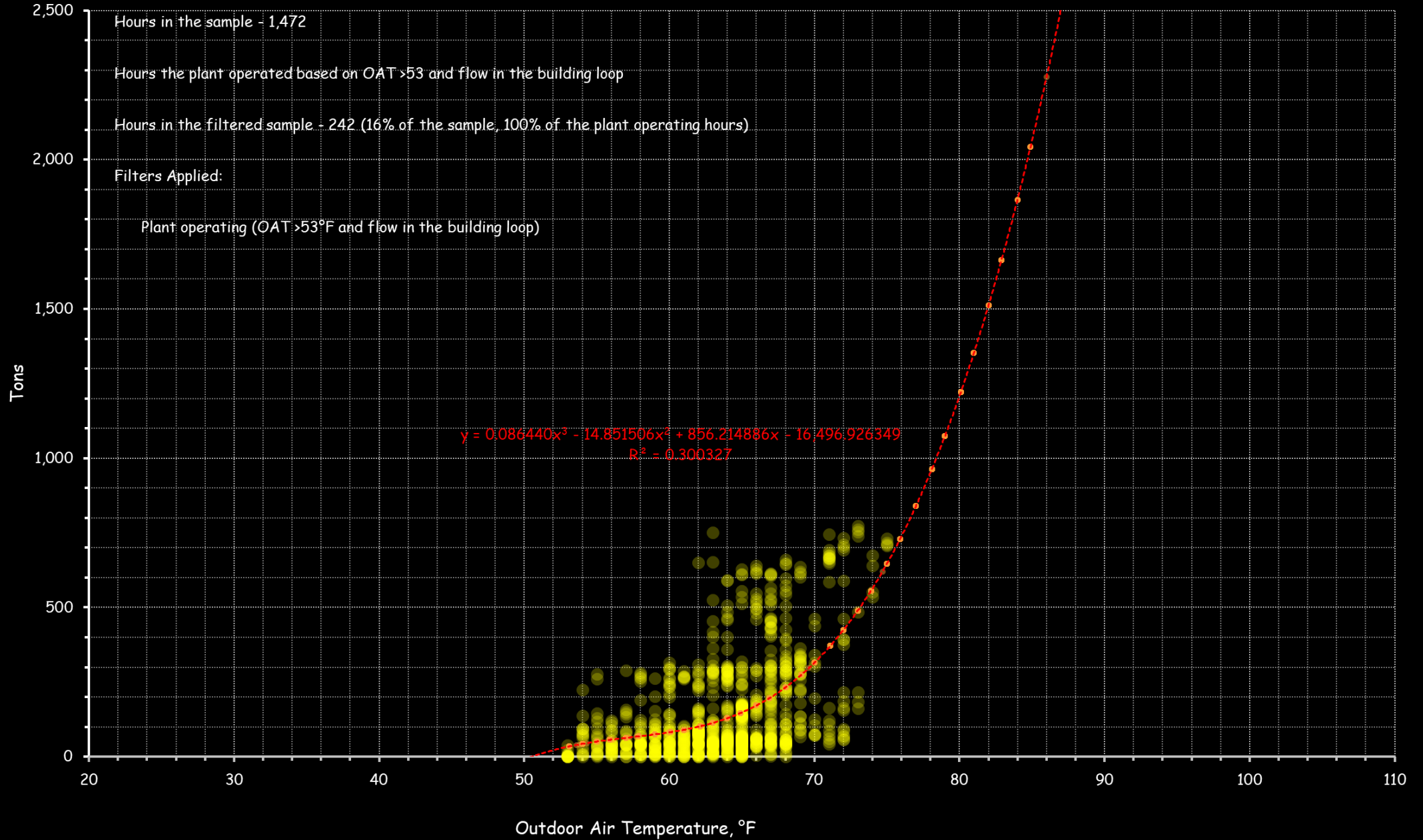


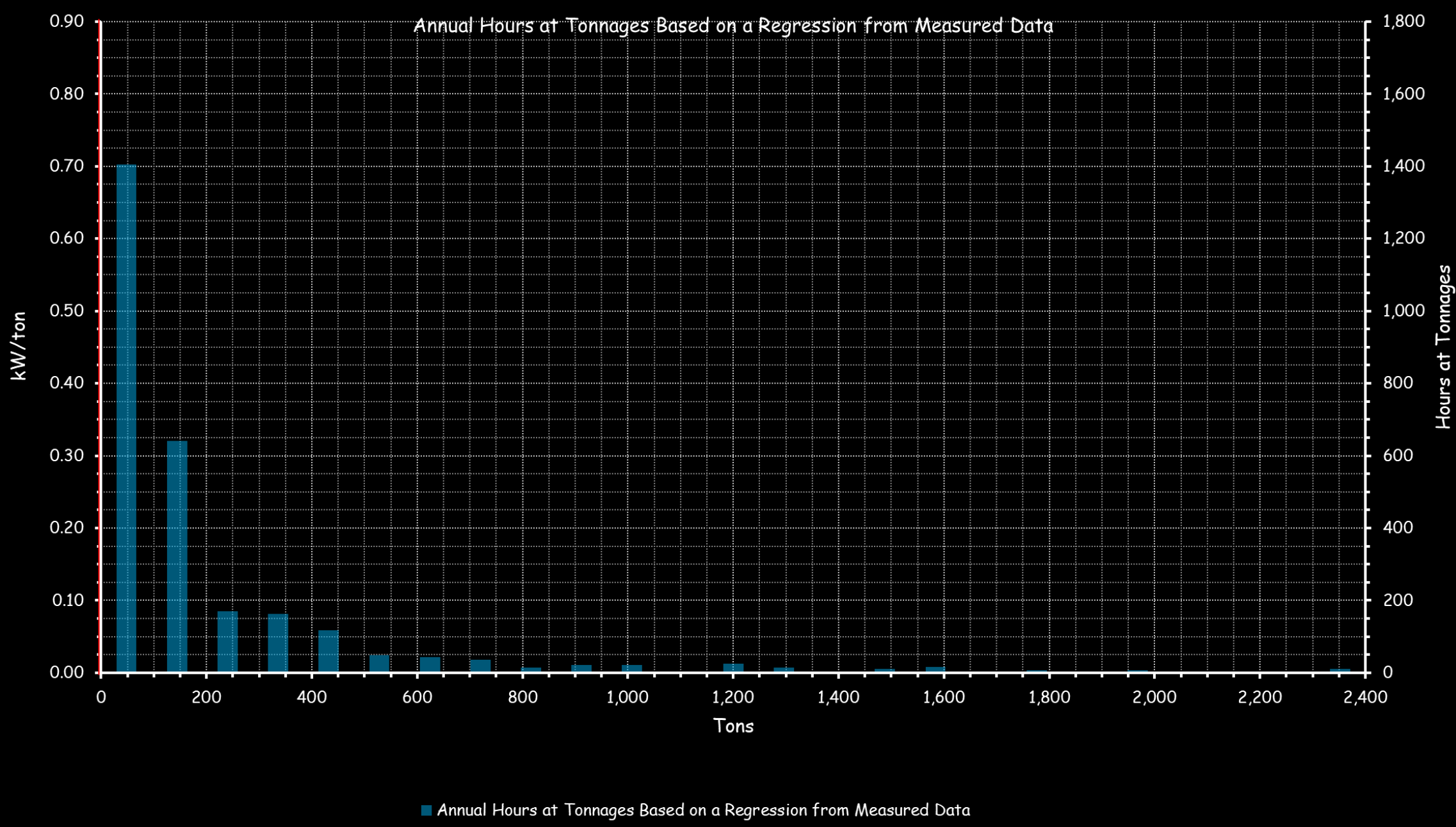
Chilled Water Plant Tendency to Over-Flow on the Building Loop (Low Δt Syndrome)

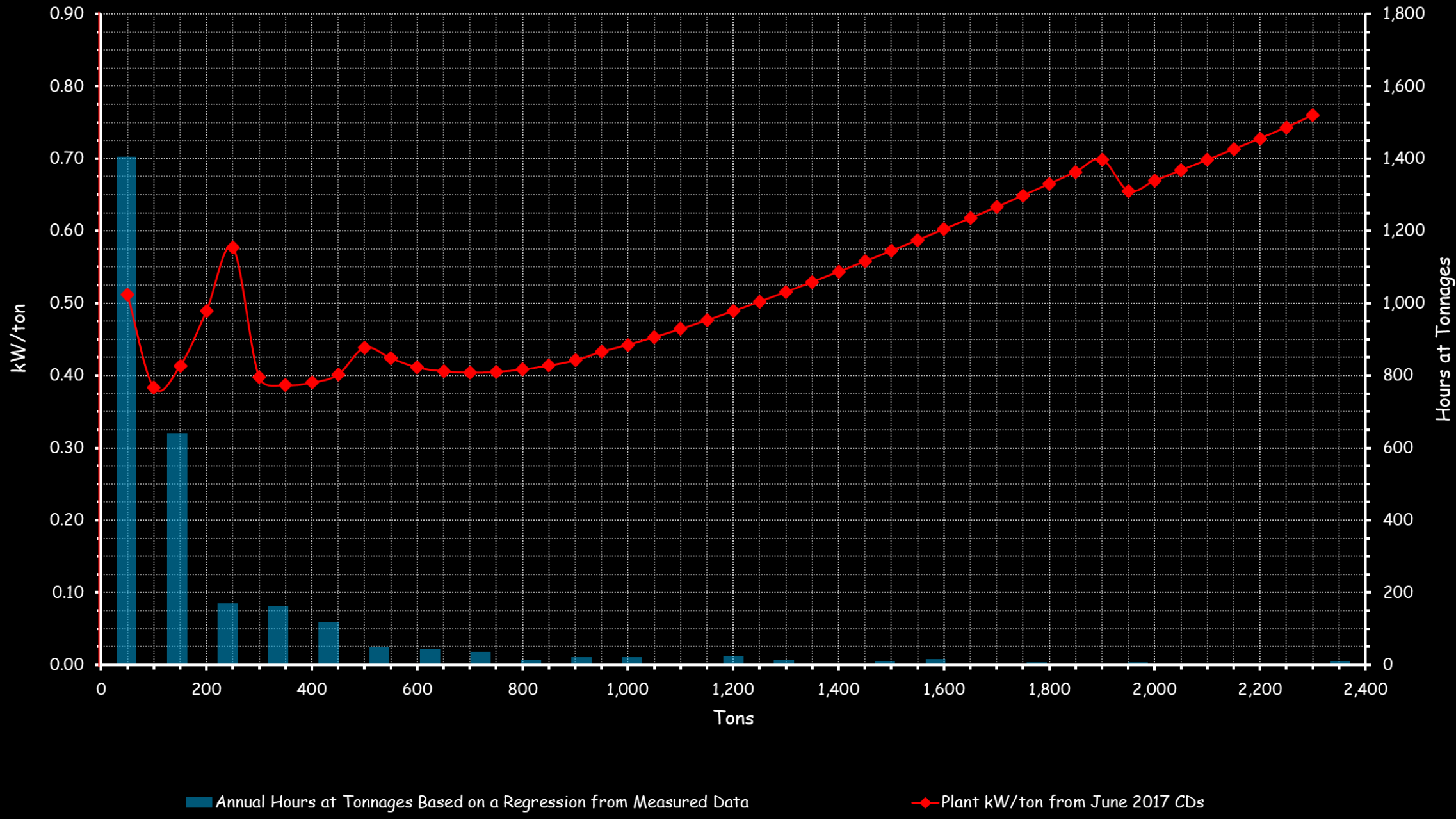


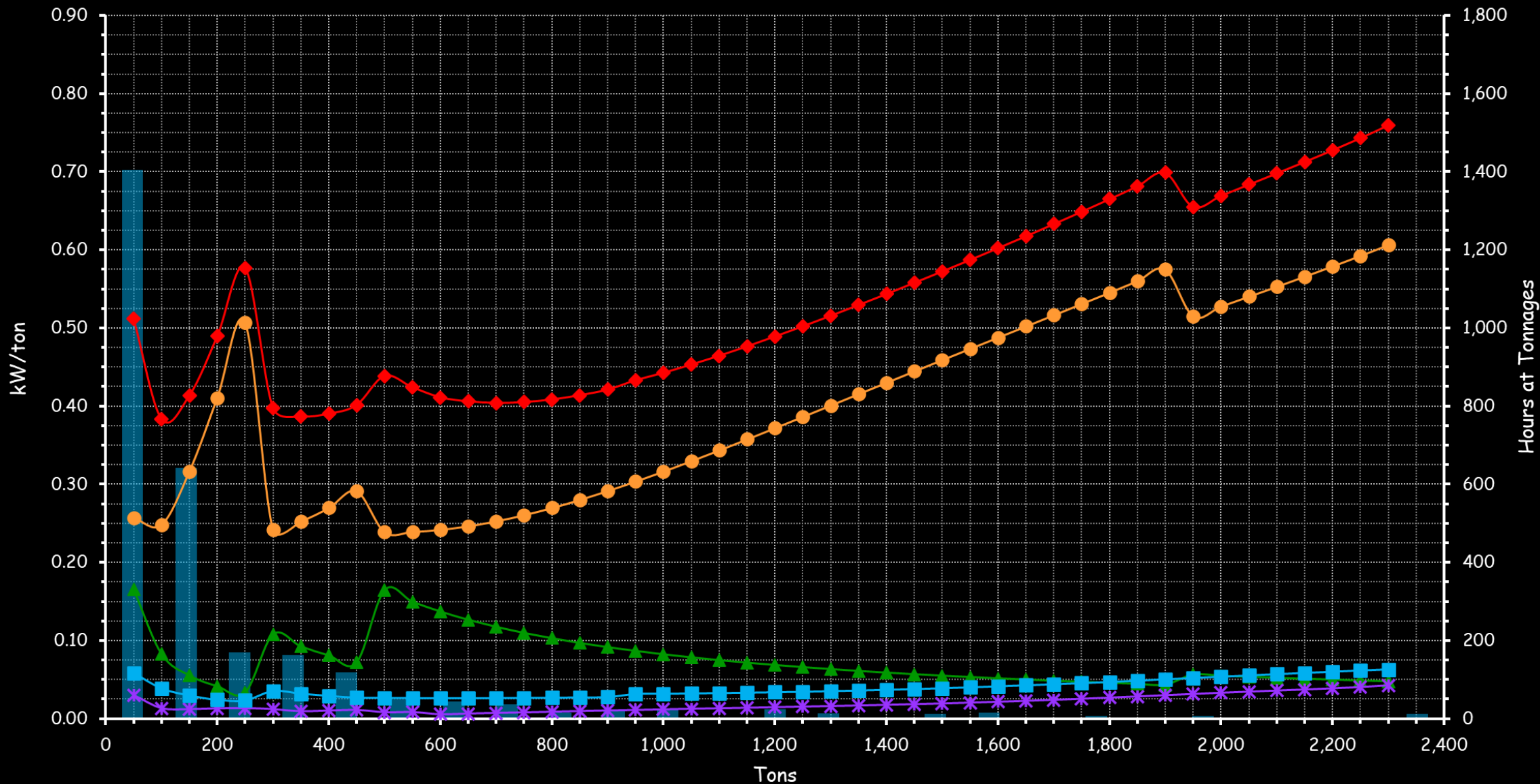
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Annual Hours at Tonnages Based on a Regression from Measured Data

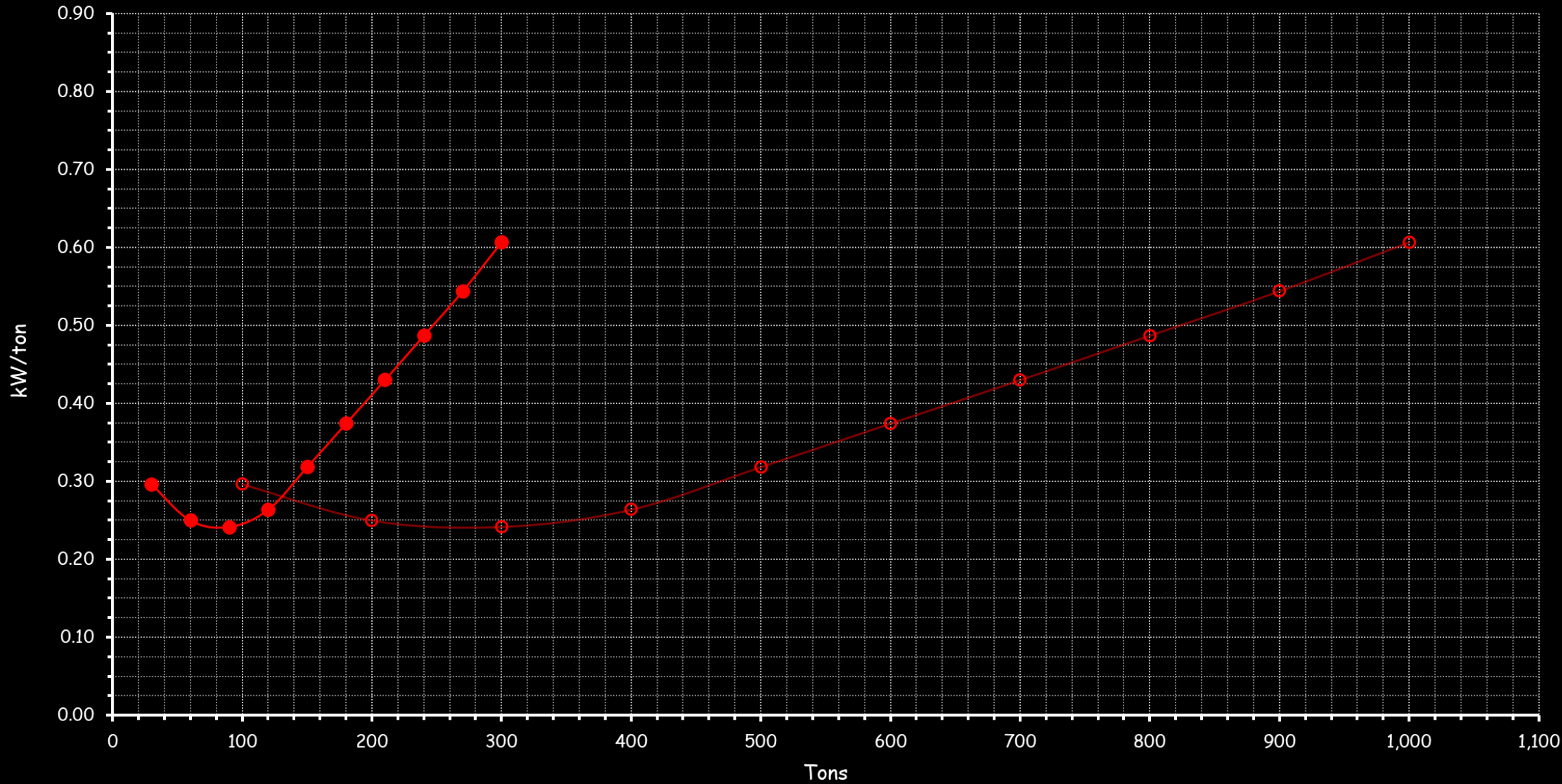
Plant kW/ton from June 2017 CDs

Compressor kW/ton

CW Pumps kW/Ton

Cooling Tower Fan kW/Ton

CHW Pump kW/Ton



● Chiller 1 Compressor kW/ton

○ Chiller 2 or 3 Compressor kW/ton

Chiller 1 Running with All Chillers kW/ton with CW Pumps

Chiller 2 or 3 Running with All Chillers kW/ton with CW Pumps

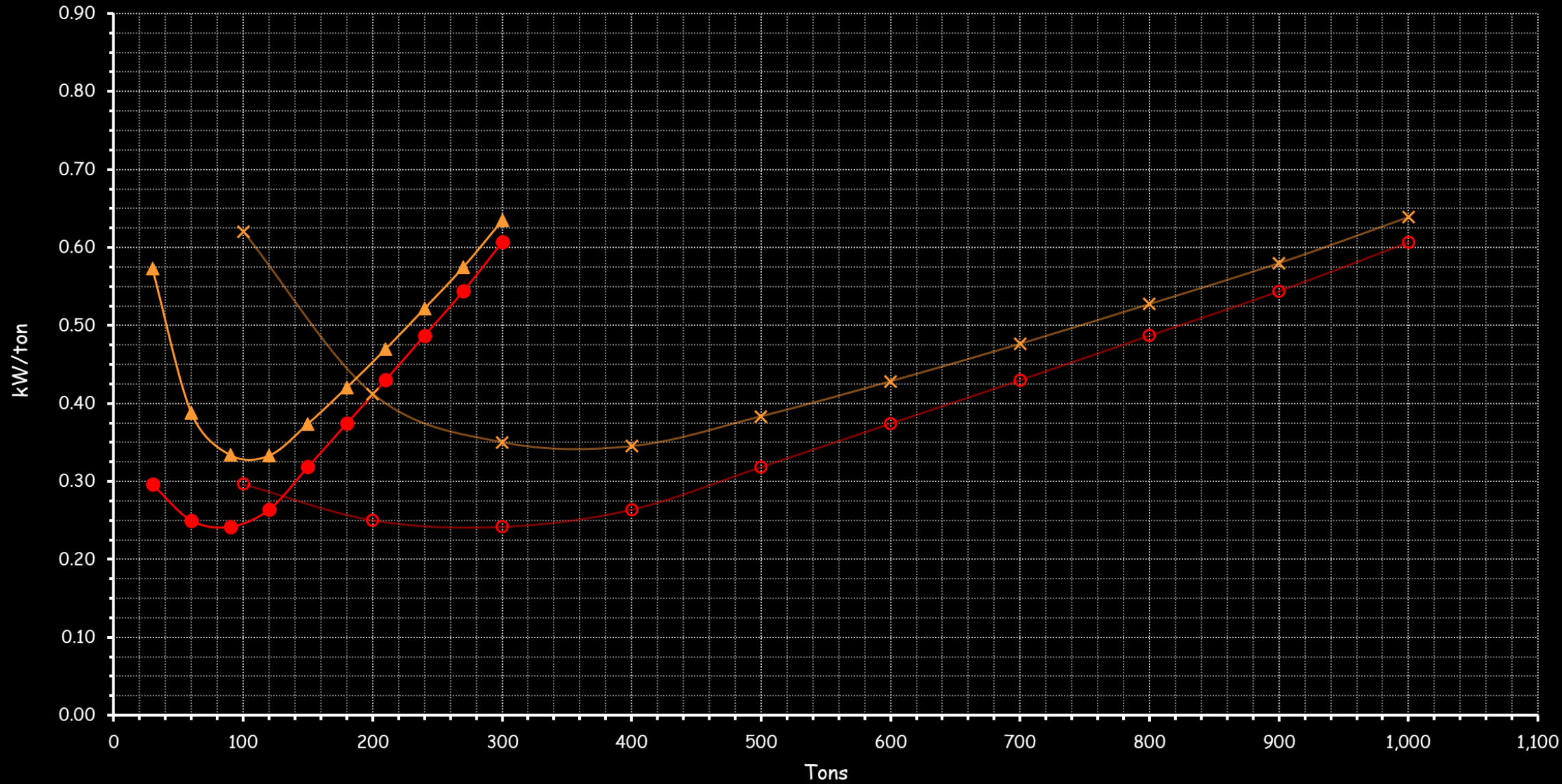
Chiller 1 Running Alone kW/ton with CW Pump

Chiller 2 or 3 Running Alone kW/ton with CW Pump

Chiller 1 Running with Chiller 2 or 3 kW/ton with CW Pumps

Chiller 2 or 3 Running with Chiller 1 kW/ton with CW Pumps

Chiller 2 Running with Chiller 3 kW/ton with CW Pumps



● Chiller 1 Compressor kW/ton

Chiller 1 Running with All Chillers kW/ton with CW Pumps

▲ Chiller 1 Running Alone kW/ton with CW Pump

Chiller 1 Running with Chiller 2 or 3 kW/ton with CW Pumps

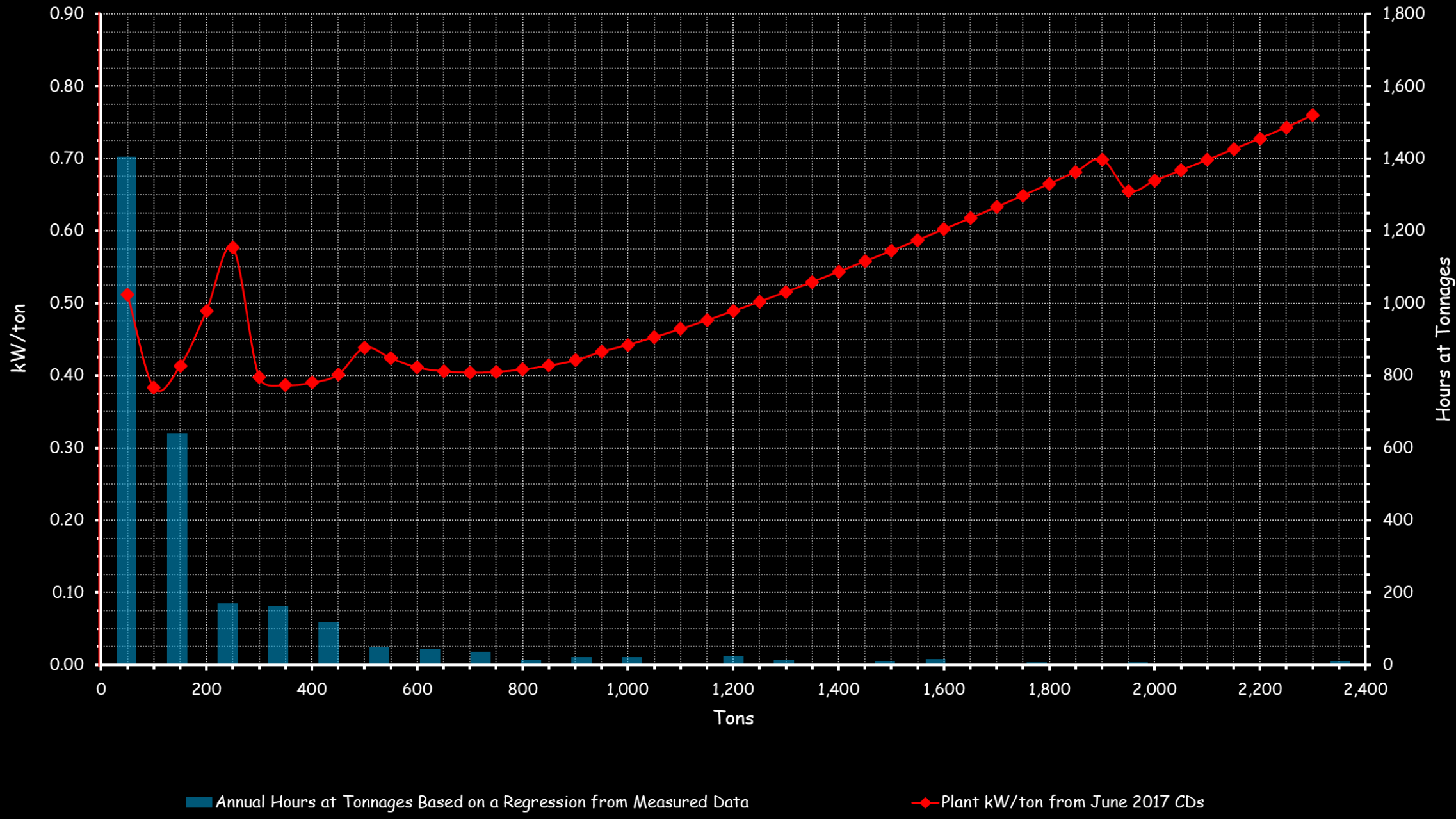
Chiller 2 Running with Chiller 3 kW/ton with CW Pumps

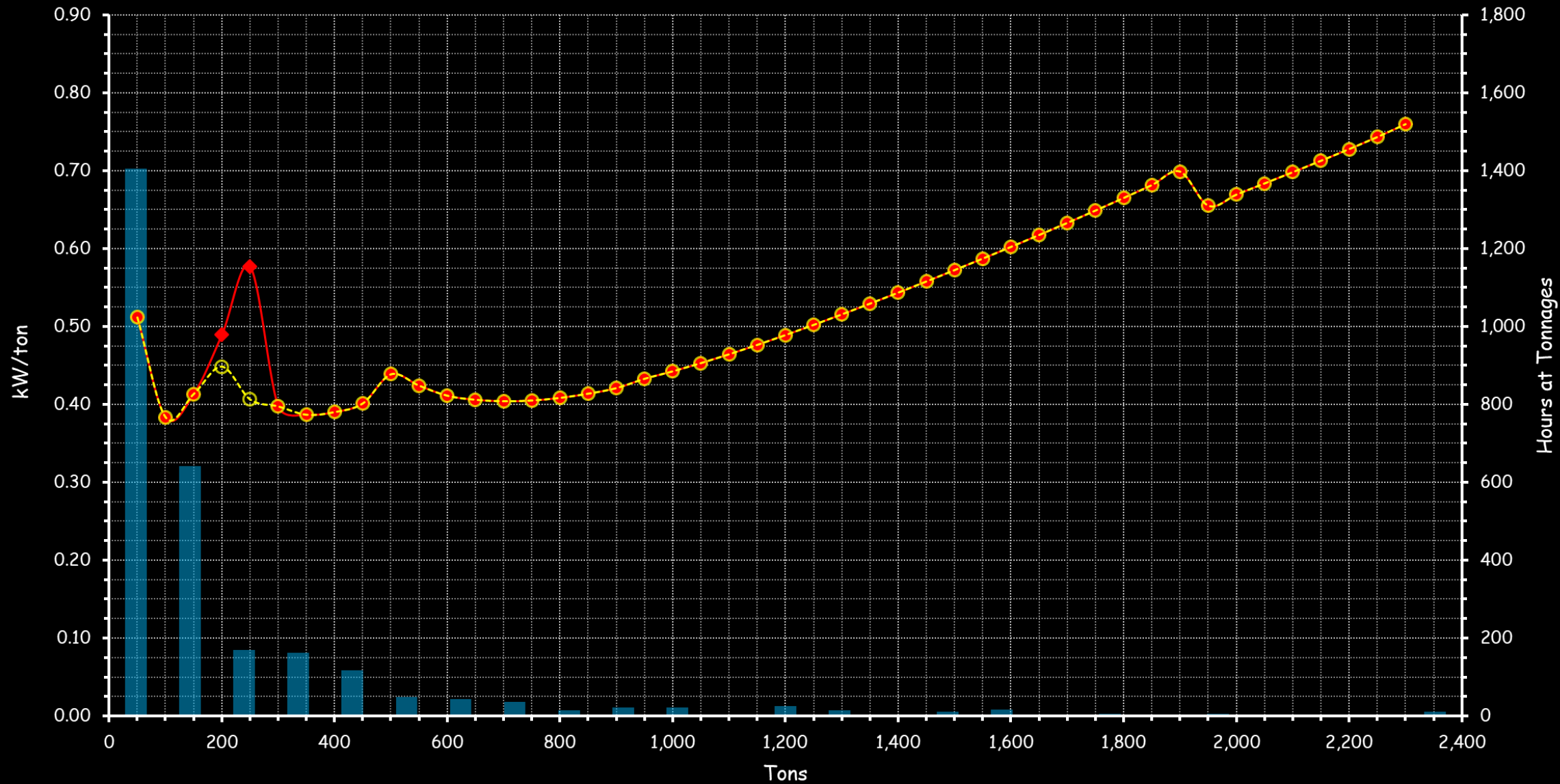
○ Chiller 2 or 3 Compressor kW/ton

Chiller 2 or 3 Running with All Chillers kW/ton with CW Pumps

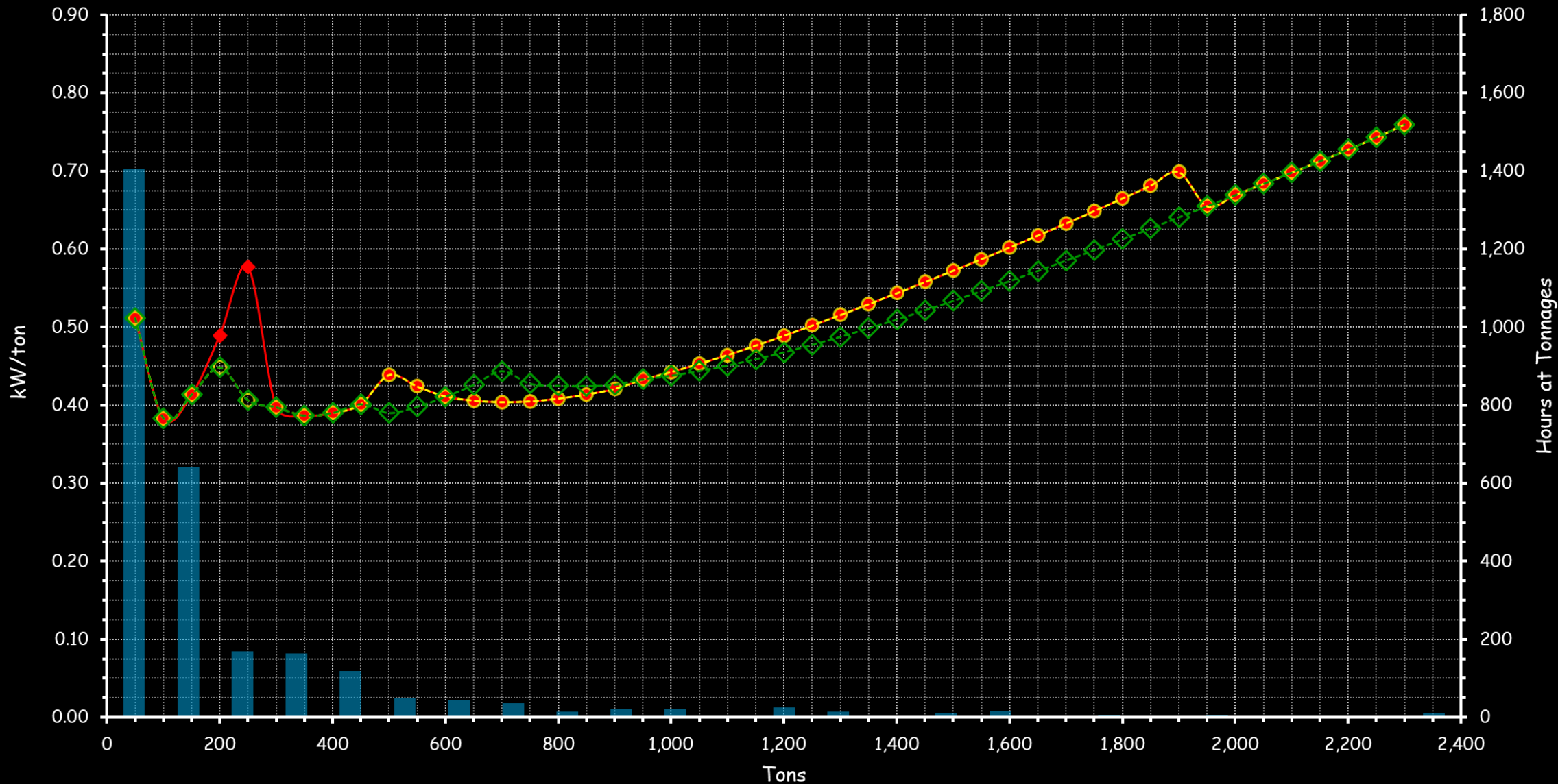
✕ Chiller 2 or 3 Running Alone kW/ton with CW Pump

Chiller 2 or 3 Running with Chiller 1 kW/ton with CW Pumps





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Annual Hours at Tonnages Based on a Regression from Measured Data

Plant kW/ton from June 2017 CDs

Plant kW/ton - Stage 2 at Lower Tonnage

Plant kW/ton - Modified Staging