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Performance Report of Induced Draft Cross Flow Cooling Tower

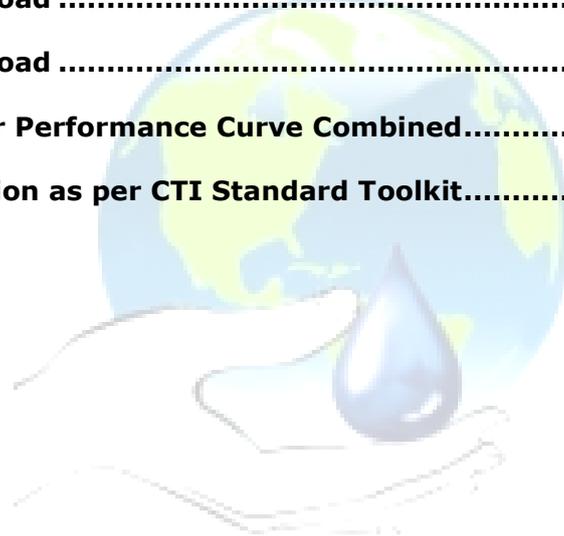
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1. Preface

The evaluation of Field Test Data is consisting of interpolation techniques to enable a comparison of actual capability from the test data and predicted capability from the performance curves.

Two equations are used for this purpose.

$$\text{Adjusted Test Water Flow (M}^3 \text{ / HR)} = \text{Test Water Flow} \times \sqrt[3]{\text{DESIGN FAN POWER / TEST FAN POWER}} \rightarrow 1$$

$$\% \text{ Capability} = (\text{ADJ. TEST WATER FLOW / PREDICTED WATER FLOW}) \times 100 \rightarrow 2$$

Equation (1) is used to predict the amount of water the tower could cool, at test temperatures, if the fan drivers were loaded to design power, and is based on the following assumptions:

- The Water Flow Capacity of a cooling tower is directly proportional to the Air Flow.
- The Air Flow is proportional to the Cube Root of the Power delivered to the fan.

Actually the water flow capacity of a cooling tower deviates from the straight line relationship with air flow, due to change in drop size, interfacial area, and distribution, but the error is small for small changes in air flow. Also, air flow deviates from the cube root relationship with power, due to the fact that a change in water loading is involve, and to the fact that the fan efficiency does not remain exactly constant as air and water flows, and hence static pressure are changed. For these reasons it is desirable that water circulation rate and fan power be held reasonably close to design during a test. For water circulation rate, the limits of +/- 10% specified in CTI – ATP – 105 are recommended. Although no limits on fan power are specified in **CTI ATP – 105**, +/- 20% (with proper precaution to avoid over loading of mechanical equipment) is recommended.

In summary, the closer water circulation rate and fan power are to design, the less will be the error due to the adjustment of test water circulation rate by means of Equation (1). If the limitations recommended above are observed, this error will generally be within the limits of testing accuracy.

Equation (2) is used for the final quantitative comparison of actual and predicted capacity.

2. Thermal Performance Testing

2.1 CROSS FLOW COOLING TOWER 'A' DATA

S.No.	Design Factor	Design Data	Av. Test Data
1.	Water Flow Rate (M ³ / HR)	1000	876.3
2.	Hot Water Temperature (° C)	38.5	33.5
3.	Cold Water Temperature (° C)	32.5	26
4.	Wet Bulb Temperature (° C)	28.3	19.75
5.	Dry Bulb Temperature (° C)	35	26.75
6.	Range (° C)	6	7.5
7.	Approach (° C)	4.2	6.25
8.	Fan Power (kW)	19	20.33

From Equation (1):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Adj. Test Water Flow Rate} &= 876.3 \times \text{Cube Root of } (19 / 20.33) \\ &= 856.76 \text{ M}^3/\text{HR} \end{aligned}$$

The determination of Predicted Water Flow Rate from the Performance Curve No. 1, 2 & 3 (Enclosed) is accomplished in the following manner.

Cold Water Temperatures at Test Wet Bulb Temperature of 19.75 °C are read from the performance curve no. 1, 2 & 3 and are as under.

2.2 Cold Water Temperature @ Test WBT 19.75 °C

Predicted Cold Water Temperature (°C)

S. No.	Cooling Range (°C)	900 M ³ / HR	1000 M ³ / HR	1100 M ³ / HR
1.	4.8	25.2	25.6	26.4
2.	6.0	26.1	26.5	27.4
3.	7.2	26.8	27.5	28.4

The above data are used to produce the curve 4 and Cold Water Temperatures at the Test Range of 7.5 °C are then read from the curve 4 and are as under.

2.3 COLD WATER TEMPERATURES @ TEST WBT 19.75 °C & RANGE 7.5 °C

S No.	Water Flow Rate M ³ / HR	Cold Water Temperature °C
1.	900	26.95
2.	1000	27.76
3.	1100	28.65

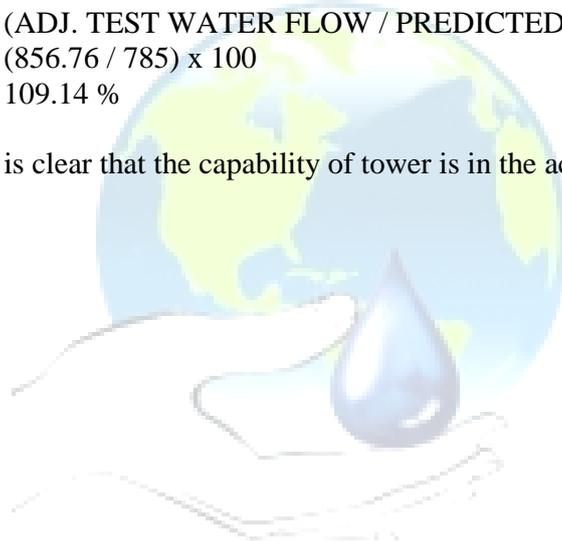
Finally the above data are plotted to produce the Curve No. 5 (enclosed)

Predicted Water Flow Rate is found from the curve no. 4 and is 785 M³/ HR. at the test cold water temperature of 26 °C

Hence the % capability of the cooling tower is calculated from the Equation (2)

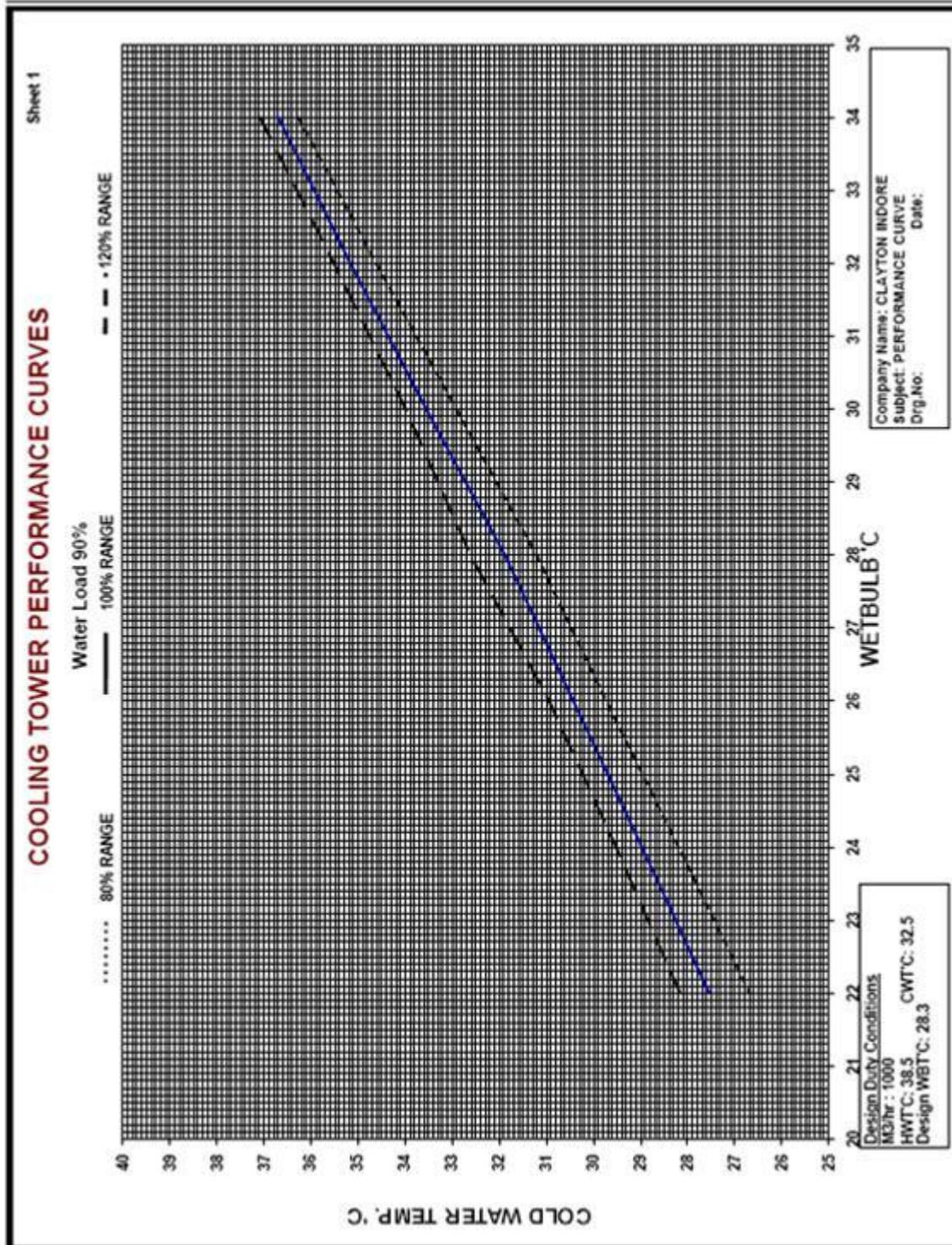
$$\begin{aligned}
 \% \text{ CAPABILITY} &= (\text{ADJ. TEST WATER FLOW} / \text{PREDICTED WATER FLOW}) \times 100 \\
 &= (856.76 / 785) \times 100 \\
 &= 109.14 \%
 \end{aligned}$$

From the above report, it is clear that the capability of tower is in the acceptable range.

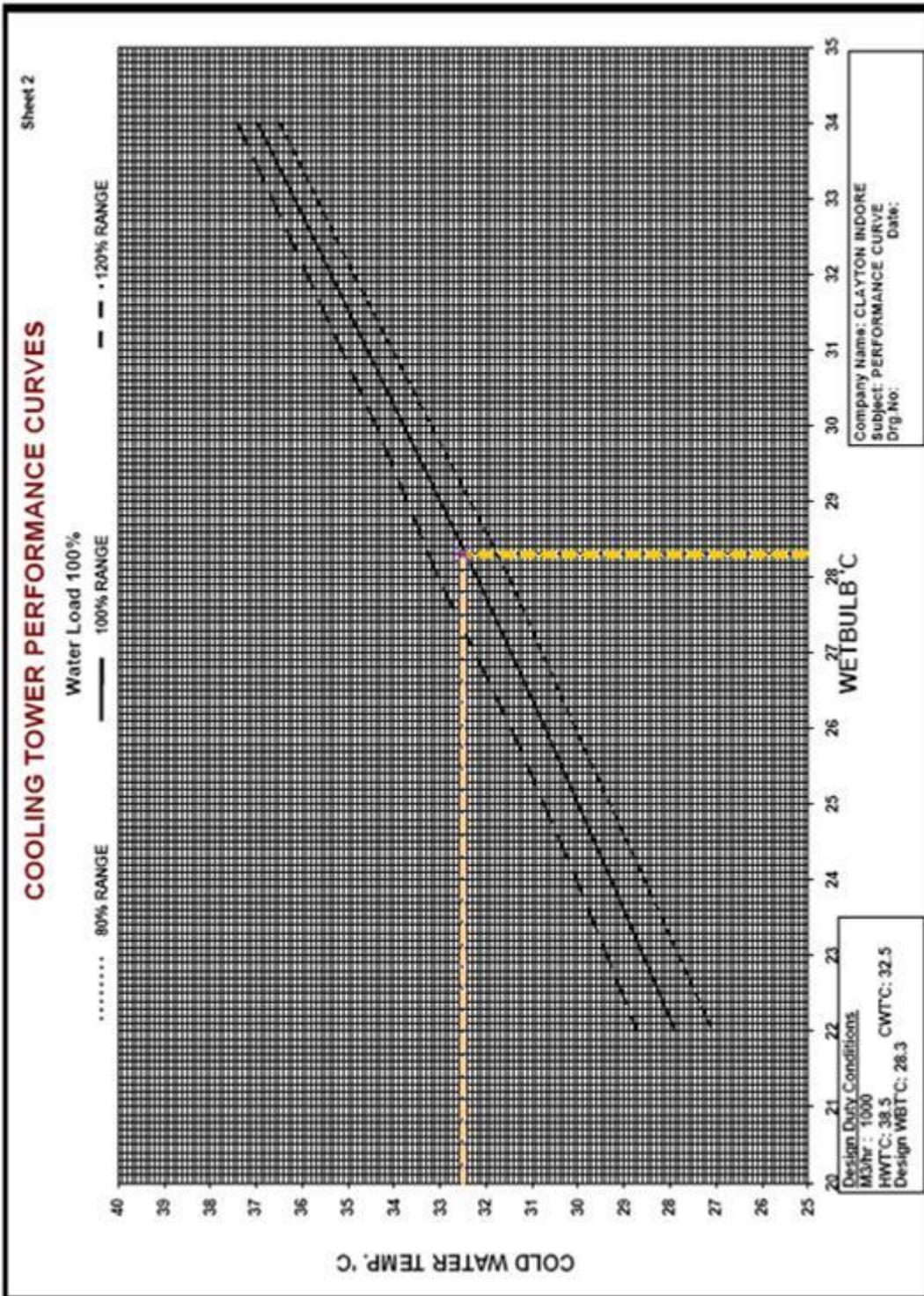


3.0 Curves

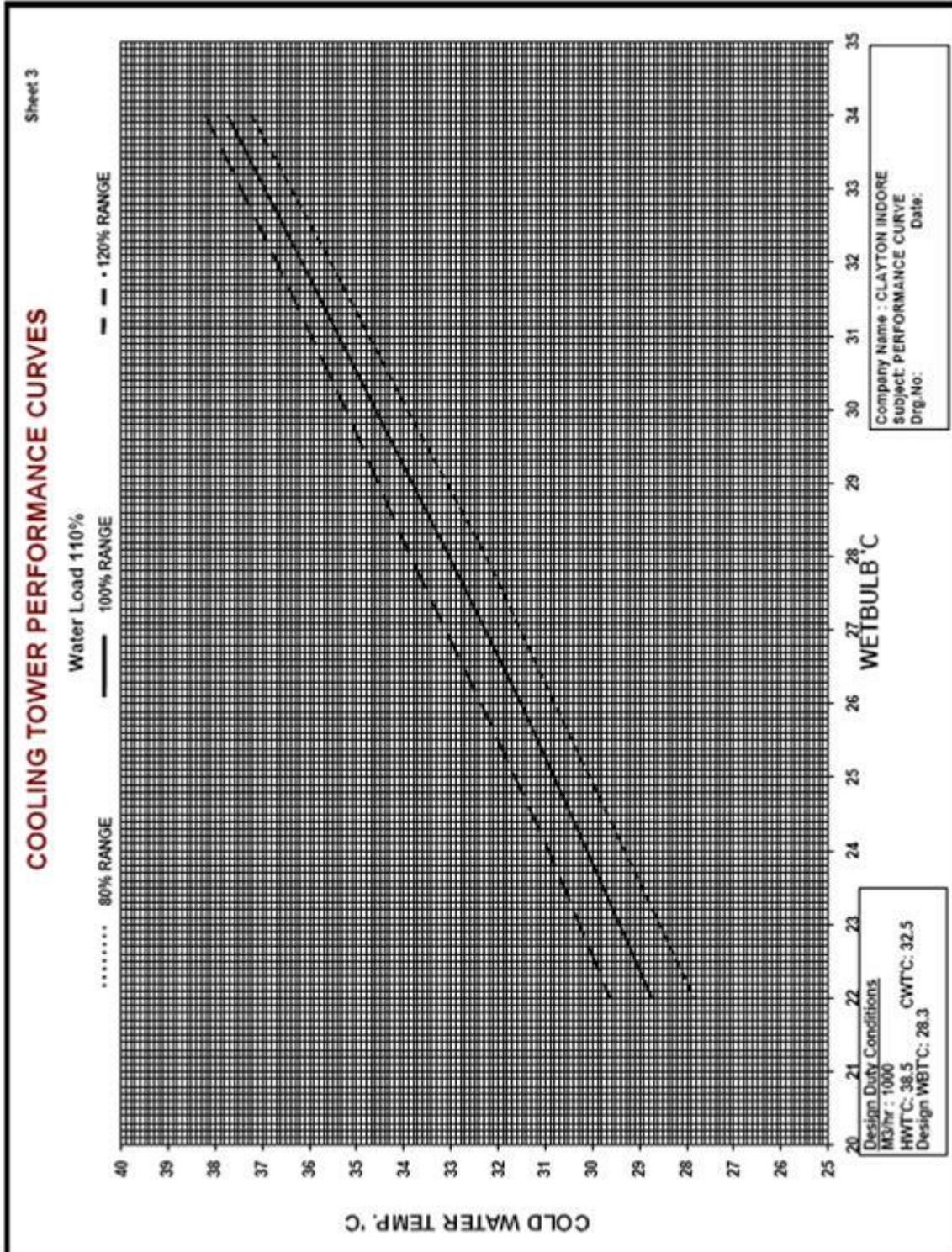
3.1 At 90% water load



3.2 At 100% water load



3.3 At 110% water load



3.4 At Cooling Tower Performance Curve Combined

