Thermal Response Test Equipment Data

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GENERAL TRT DATA

Type: *Heat injection*No TRTs: *01*Size, weight: *L: 0,5 m + W: 0,5 m + H: 2 m, kg 300*

Aim:

Commercial (Geo-Net): analysis of thermal properties of different borehole heat exchangers all around Italy, for dimensioning of borehole fields.

Research (Geo-Net, Geological Survey of Emilia Romagna, DICAM - University of Bologna): Study of thermal properties of different types of underground and heat exchanger.

Development: (Geo-Net, DICAM – University of Bologna): Improvement of efficiency of TRT hardware, improvement of TRT software and analysis models. Pump: 2 pumps: one inside the boiler, one external circulation pump. Maximum flow rate inside the borehole circuit: 2000 l/h

Powered by: gas Heater: Gas boiler. 12 kW power

Built on/in: pallet HP/Cooler: none

Temperature measurements:

PT100, temperature in/out in the boiler; temperature in/out at the bottom of the heat exchanger; external temperature.

Flow rate measurements:

Flow meter, flow rate in the boiler circuit, flow rate in the heat exchanger circuit

Voltage stabilization: No

Supply Power Monitoring: *Yes*

GPS: No

Remote Control of Operation: No

Remote Data Collection: Yes

Logger: Realized by B.R.T. snc

TRT EXPERIENCE

Years of operation: 3

Number of performed measurements: >40 Research + development + commercial

Typical borehole depths: 100 m

Applications: BHE

Typical collector type: 2U simplex (40 mm) and duplex (32). Fitting: appropriate grouting or alluvial material (rarely)

Typical fluid type: water

Typical groundwater temperature: variations between 10 and 20°C. Typical: 14°C

Geographical area: Italy. Emilia Romagna and Lombardia, overall

Analysis Method: Line source / DCE method (Drift and Conditional Estimation method, developed by DICAM –

University of Bologna)