

The Netherlands Minewater BV



General

Owner

Municipality of
Heerlen

Operator

Minewater BV

Region

Limburg, south
region of the
Netherlands

Project

**Inhabitants
connected**

125.000 m2
connected.
175.000 m2
contracted, will be
connected

Design of the DH

By technical team
minewater bv

**Installed
geothermal
capacity**

10 Megawatt

**Production of
heating and/or
cooling**

both

**Others uses
(drinking water,
cascade uses...)**

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**Dates of beginning
and end of
construction**

1. mid 2007 – mid
2008 (large
backbone)
2. end 2012 finalized
mid 2013 (on
clusterlevel)

**Planning of the
operation
(from pre-studies
to full
completion)**

completed

**Organisational
scheme**

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**Administration
scheme**

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Difficulties faced

Geological
uncertainties
Unequal level
playing field with
fossil fuels
Cost mitigation

**Administrative
permits**

3 and 1 pending
(under Heat Act)

**Comparison with
fossil energies**

Problematic!

Financing

**Investment for
geothermal well**

€ 5,5 mio
Shallow geothermal
in mine.

**Investment for
geothermal heating
station**

€ 1,5 mio

**Investment for
DH network and**

**Financing
(banks, funds,**

Municipality of
Heerlen and funding

substation	€ 8 mio	PPP...)	programmes
Cost of the produced MWh Final energy cost structure	€ 6,8 /Gj	Cost of the MWh sold Taxes	In between € 18- € 25/GJ incl VAT
Pay back	50 years for infrastructure 20 years installation	Amount of Subsidies if any	50%

Technical

Installed capacity (MWth)	Heat 4MWth Cold 8MWth	subsurface and surface technical schemes	Cluster development
Operating Temperature of the DH	Low temperature 28 degrees Celsius heat 16 degrees Celsius cold	Temperature of the geothermal resource (production - injection)	Production 28 degrees Injection 18 degrees Production cold 16 degrees Injection 24 degrees
Geothermal flow rate	Heat 240 m3/hour Cold 480 m3/hour	Heat Pump if any (power in Mwe and COP)	COP heating 5-7 COP cooling 4-6
Innovation if any	Development to dh smart grid	Engineering	
DH Length (m)	8 kilometer		

