

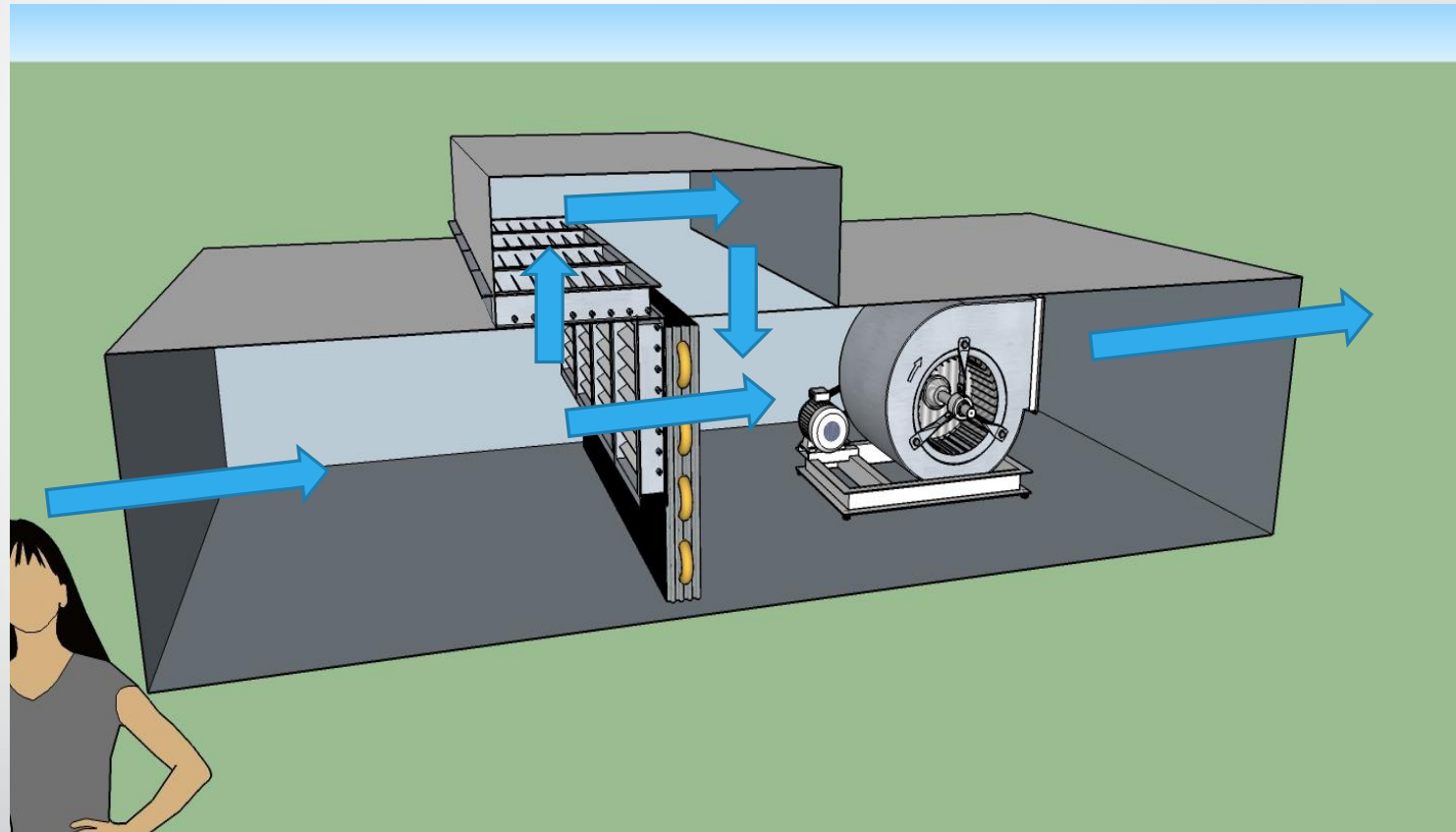


AHU WITH FACE BYPASS DAMPER

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A. INTRODUCTION & METHODOLOGY

- VARIOUS OPTIONS ARE USED TO IMPROVE THE INDIRECT DEHUMIDIFICATION OF A TYPICAL CV SYSTEM.
 - Total energy recovery
 - **Mixed-air (MA) bypass**
 - Return-air (RA) bypass

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providing insights for today's
hvac system designer

it may take more than you think to Dehumidify with Constant-Volume Systems

from the editor...

ASHRAE Standard 62, "Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality," recommends that the relative humidity not exceed 60 percent at any load condition. This can be problematic because the Standard increases the minimum outdoor-air requirement. Many HVAC designers prefer a low-cost constant-volume solution, believing that it also simplifies ventilation and inherently provides sufficient dehumidification.

This newsletter reveals the flaw in that belief. Dennis Stanke, Trane staff engineer and member of ASHRAE SSPC 62.1, uses psychrometric analyses to demonstrate the difficulty of providing proper dehumidification—particularly at part load, when dry-bulb temperature determines system capacity. He also discusses several design options that improve the latent capacity of a constant-volume system and compares their effectiveness.

The Difficulty with CV Dehumidification

Contrary to popular belief, indoor moisture control is an issue in almost all geographic locations, not just in areas where hot, humid conditions prevail. Whenever a high relative humidity exists at or near a cold, porous surface, moisture absorption increases

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and moisture-related problems (increased maintenance, premature replacement of equipment and furnishings, and increased health risks) become likely.

If properly designed and controlled, the HVAC system can significantly reduce the moisture content of indoor air. Ironically, the most widely used means of ventilation—the single-zone, constant-volume (CV) system—is also the most problematic when it comes to dehumidification.

with a constant volume of air, usually a mixture of outdoor air and recirculated return air, at a variable temperature.

A thermostat senses the zone dry-bulb temperature and compares it to the set point. The thermostat then modulates the capacity of the cooling coil, adjusting the supply-air temperature until the sensible capacity of the cooling coil matches the sensible load and the zone temperature matches the set point.

Designers typically (and appropriately) size cooling coils based on the peak sensible load, that is, when it is hottest outdoors. In many climates, however, the latent load on the cooling coil—and often the total load (sensible plus latent)—peaks when outdoor dew point, not dry bulb, is highest.

Consequently, in some air-handler arrangements, coils selected for the highest sensible load may not provide sufficient cooling capacity when the highest latent load occurs. More importantly, however, coils controlled to maintain the dry-bulb temperature in the space often operate without adequate latent capacity at part-load conditions. Here's why...

- METHODOLOGY

- MEASUREMENT TEMPERATURE AT MAIN RETURN DUCT BY USING DATA LOGGER
- PERCENTAGE OPENING AIR BYPASS SUBJECT TO MODULATING CONTROL VALVE OPENING



B. INSTALLATION UNIT

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BYPASS DAMPER BOX



QUADRANT DAMPER





AHU WITH BYPASS
DAMPER



DAMPER INSIDE THE
BYPASS BOX

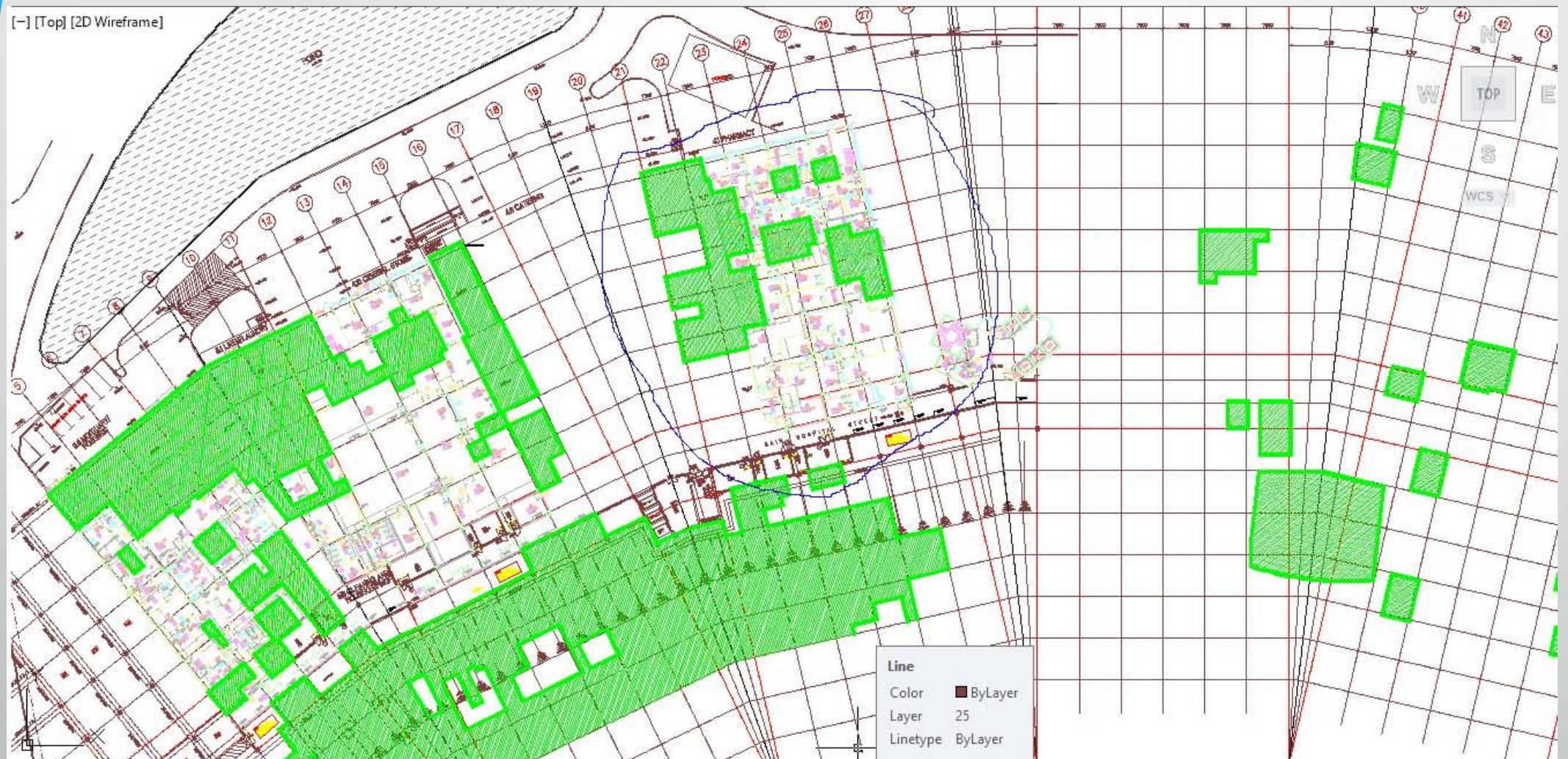


CONCEPT MIXED-AIR BYPASS

1. IT IS ONE OF INDIRECT DEHUMIDIFICATION
2. AHU CAV BYPASS DAMPER ALTER COIL CAPACITY BY ADJUSTING AIRFLOW RATHER THAN WATER FLOW. THIS MEANS THE COIL SURFACE CAN BE VERY COLD, ENHANCING THE ABILITY THE COIL TO DEHUMIDIFY THE ZONE WITHOUT DIRECTLY CONTROLLING HUMIDITY

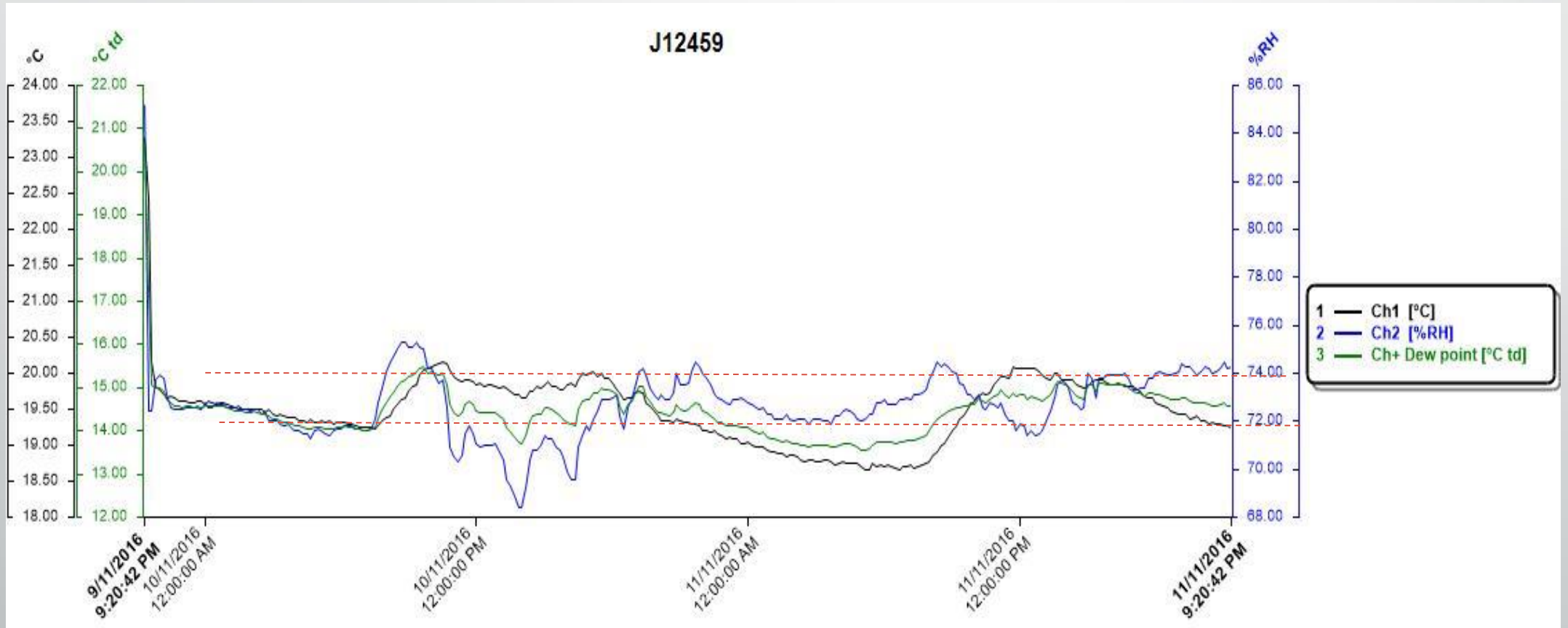


C. AHU PERFORMANCE DATA



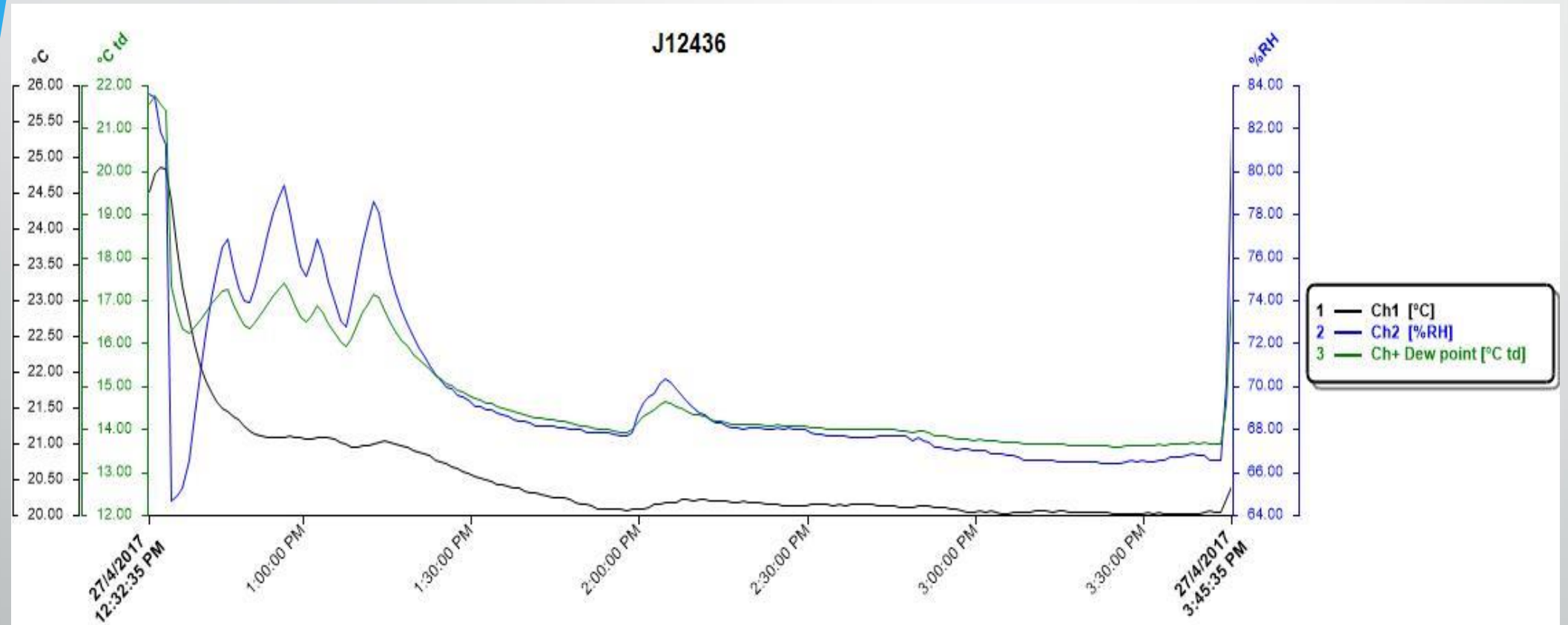
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ZONE PHARMACY- (0% BYPASS)

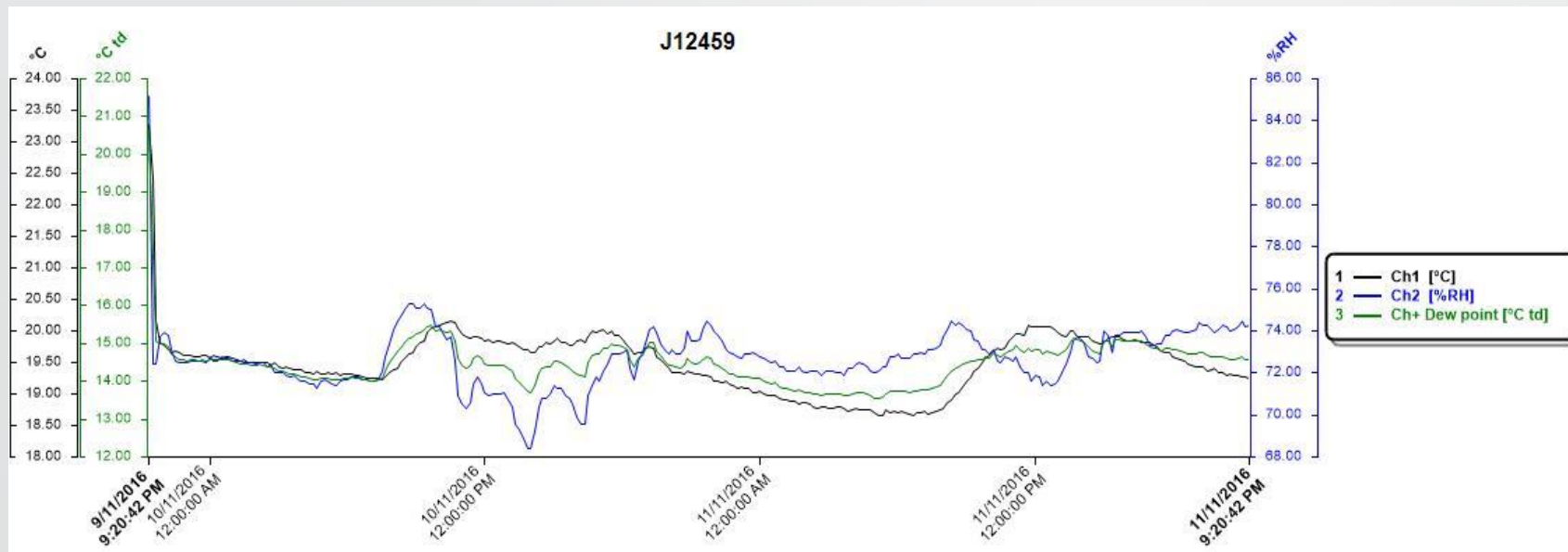


RETURN AIR POINT (2 DAYS LOGGING)

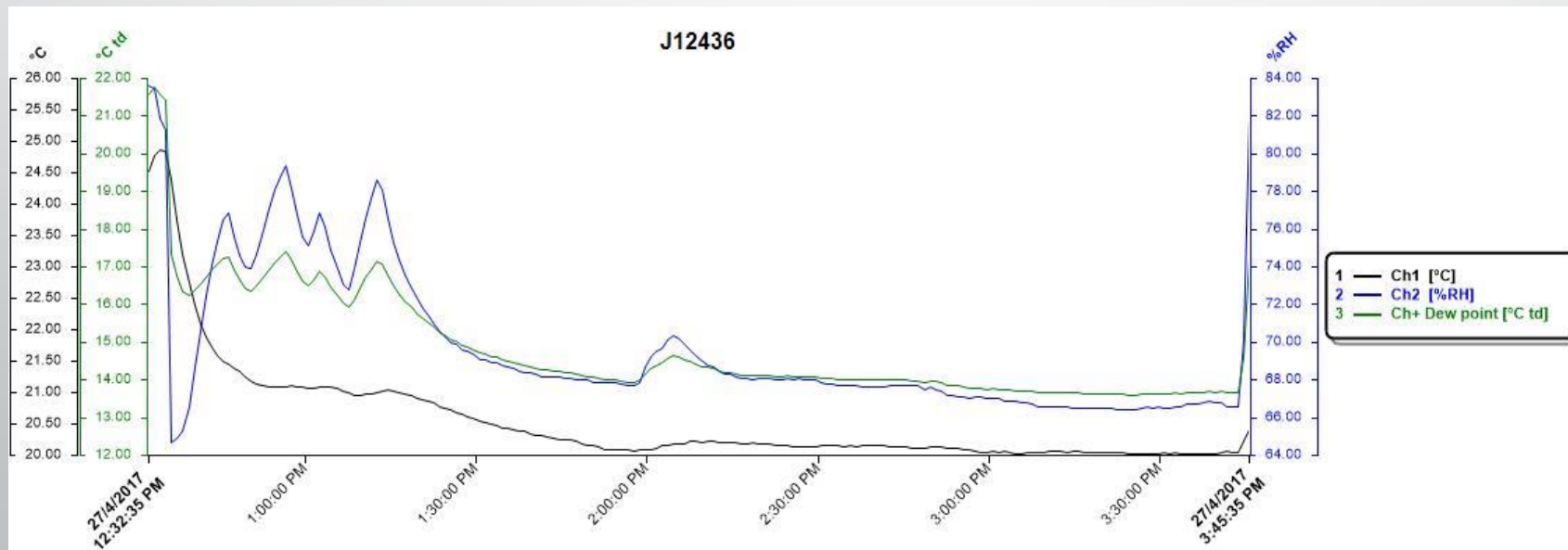
ZONE PHARMACY-(50% BYPASS)



RETURN AIR POINT (3 HRS LOGGING)

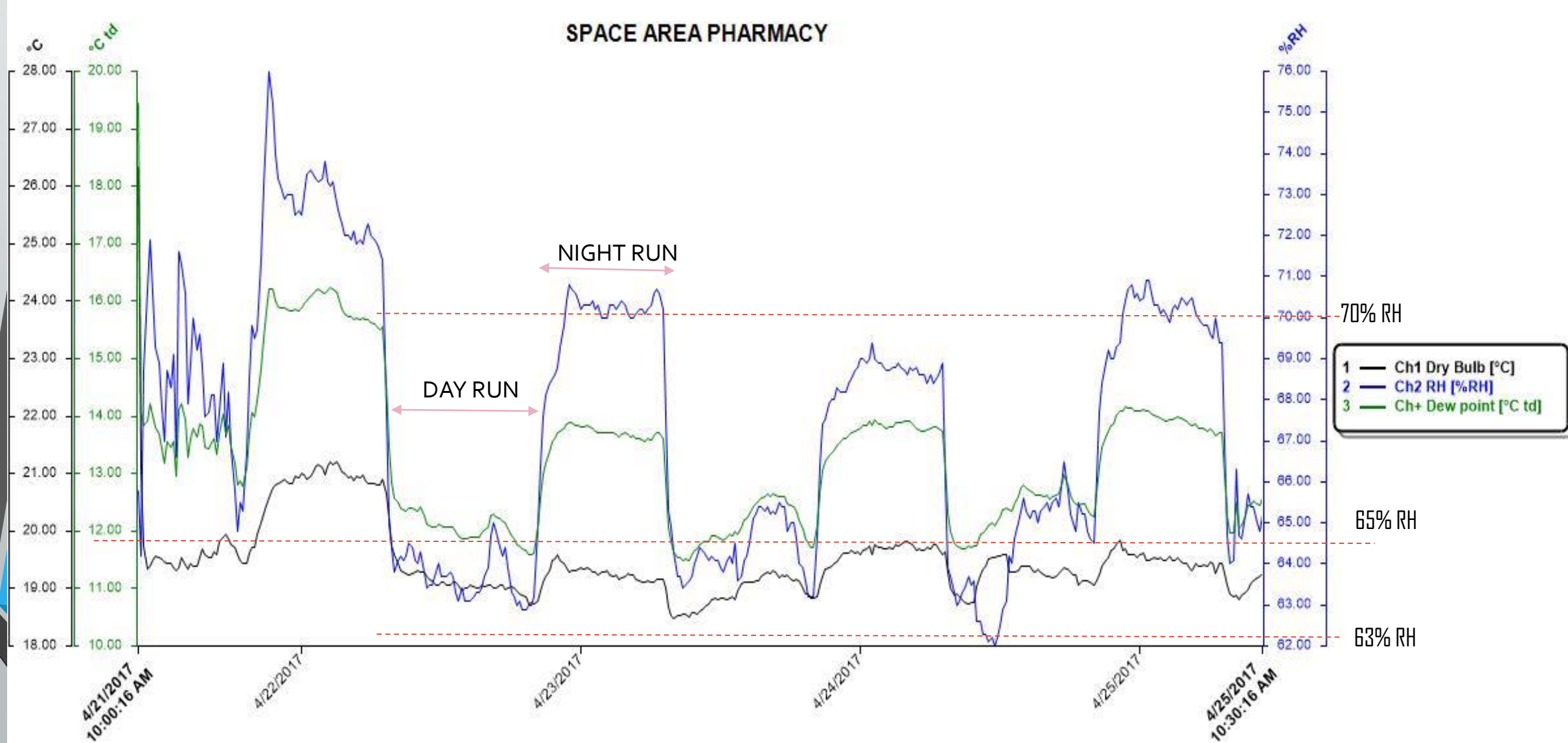


0 % BYPASS



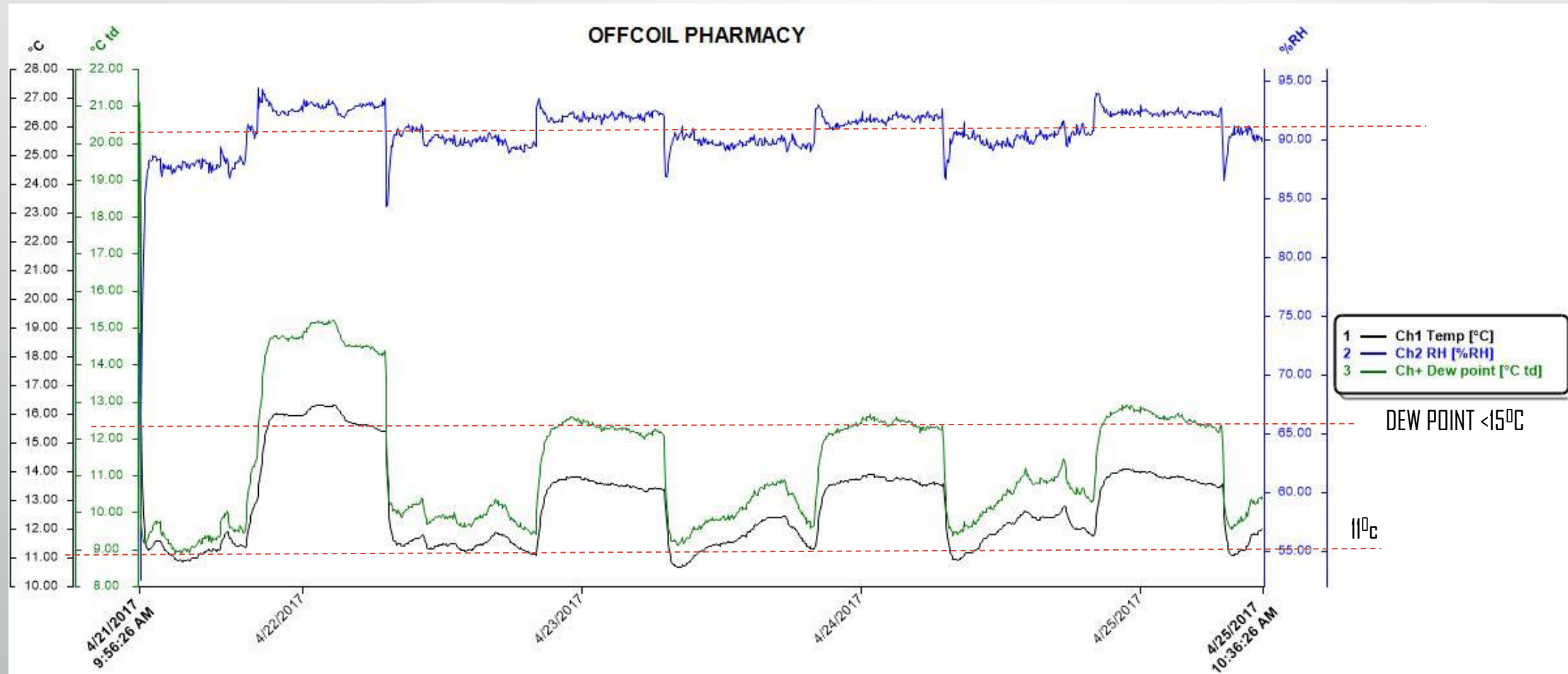
50 % BYPASS

ZONE PHARMACY-(50% BYPASS)



THREE (3) DAYS LOGGING DATA-ZONE PHARMACY-24 HRS OPERATION

OFFCOIL ZONE PHARMACY (50% BYPASS)

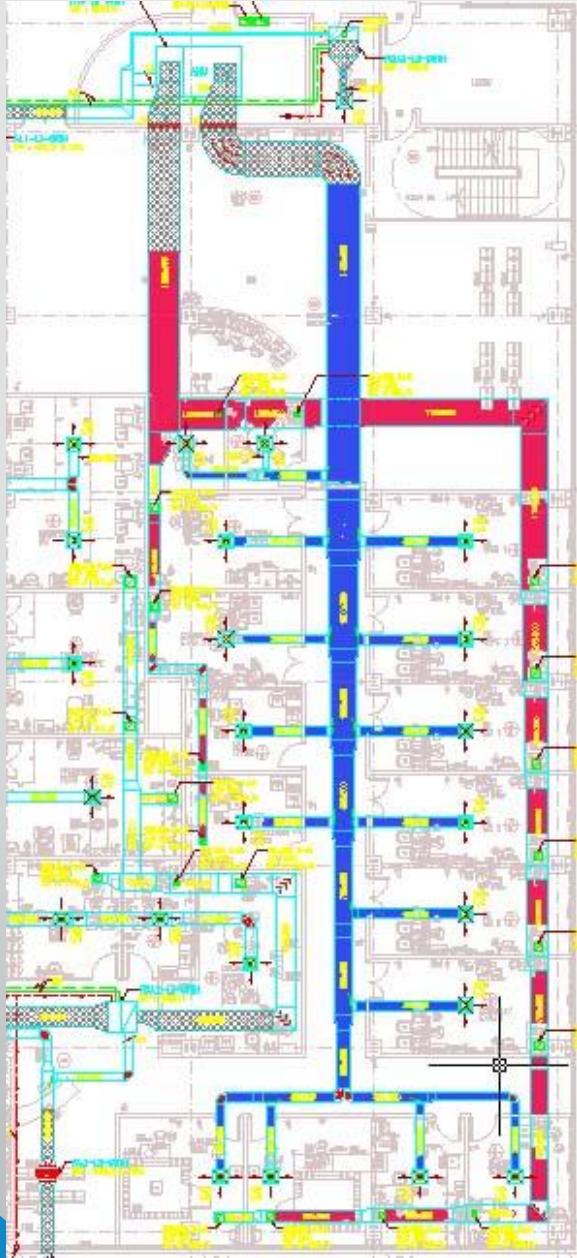


DEW POINT OFFCOIL WILL DETERMINE HUMID OR DRY IN SPACE

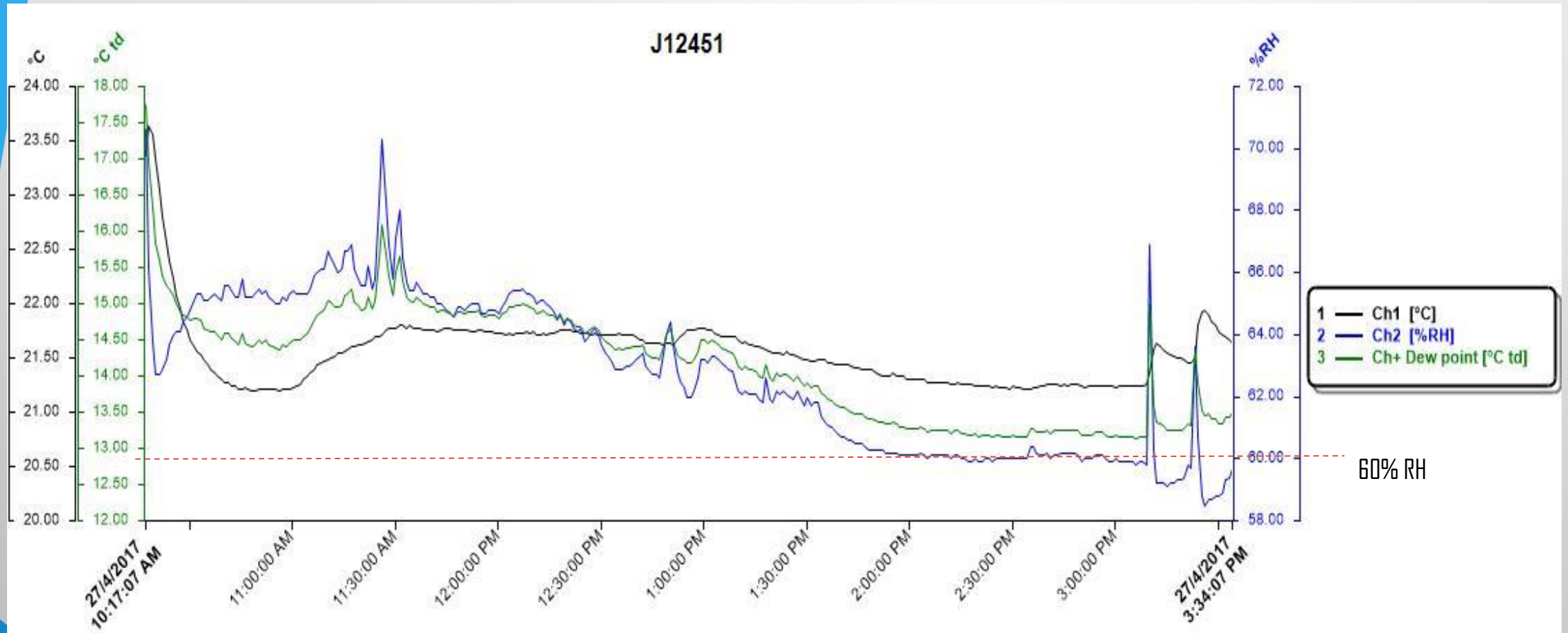


ZONE ENT

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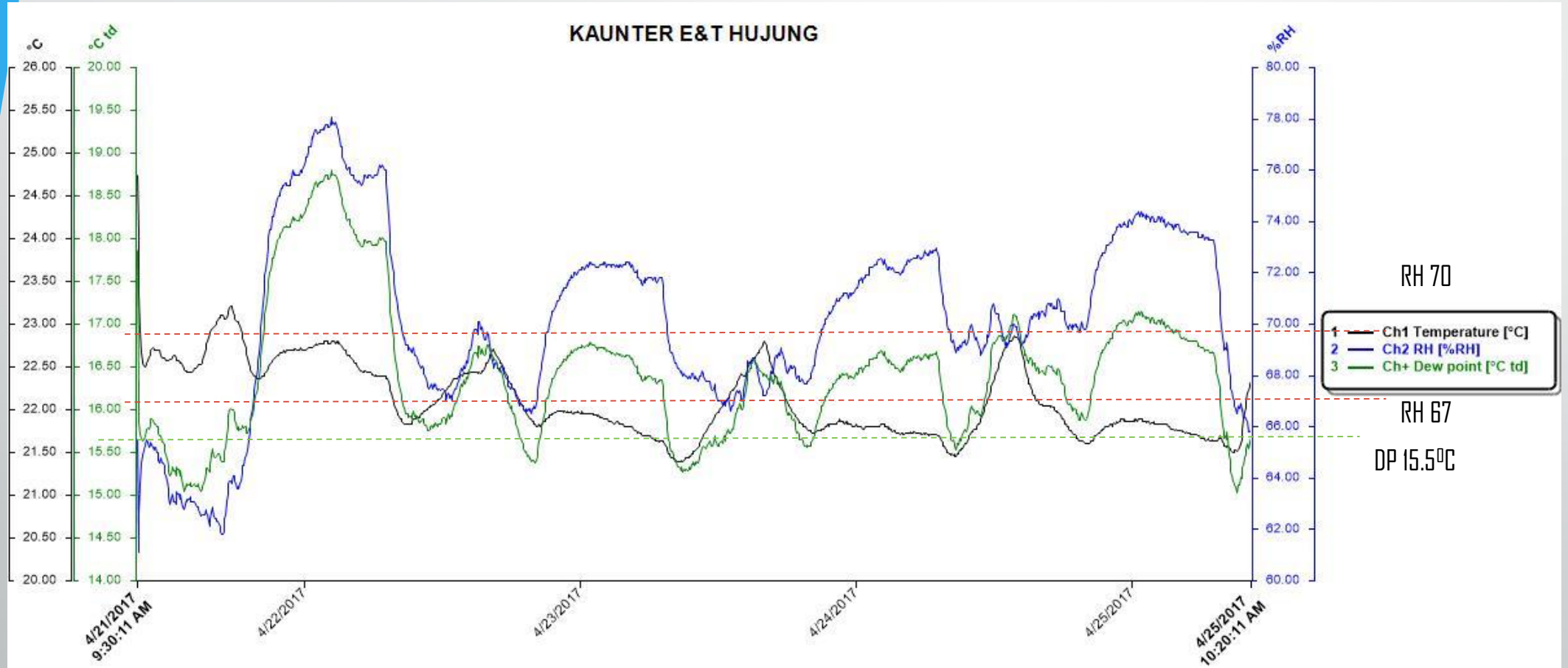


ZONE ENT – (50% Bypass)

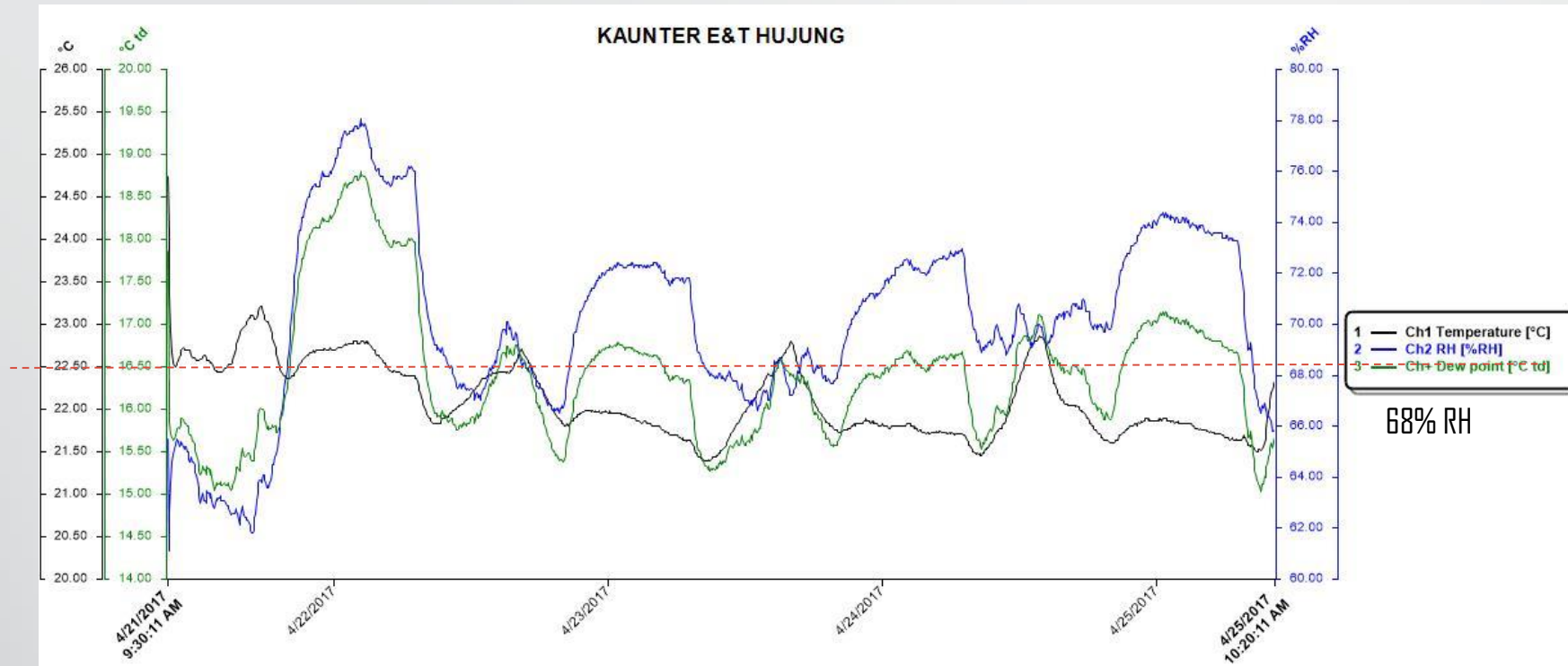


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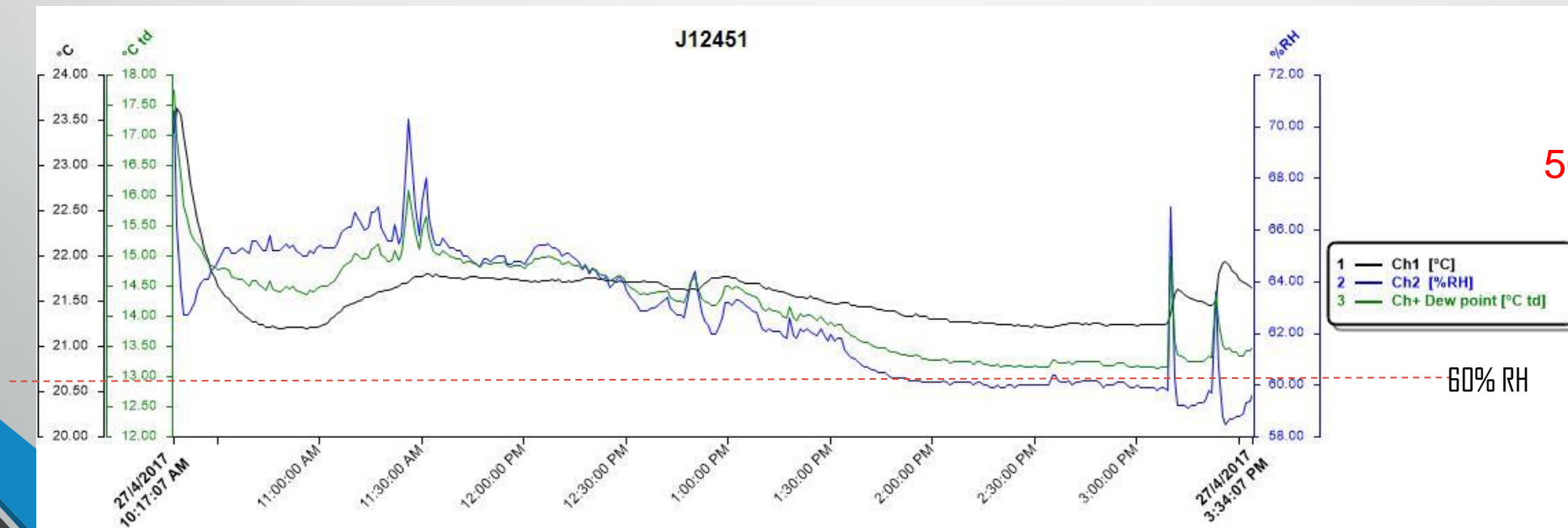
ZONE ENT (0% Bypass)



SPACE POINT

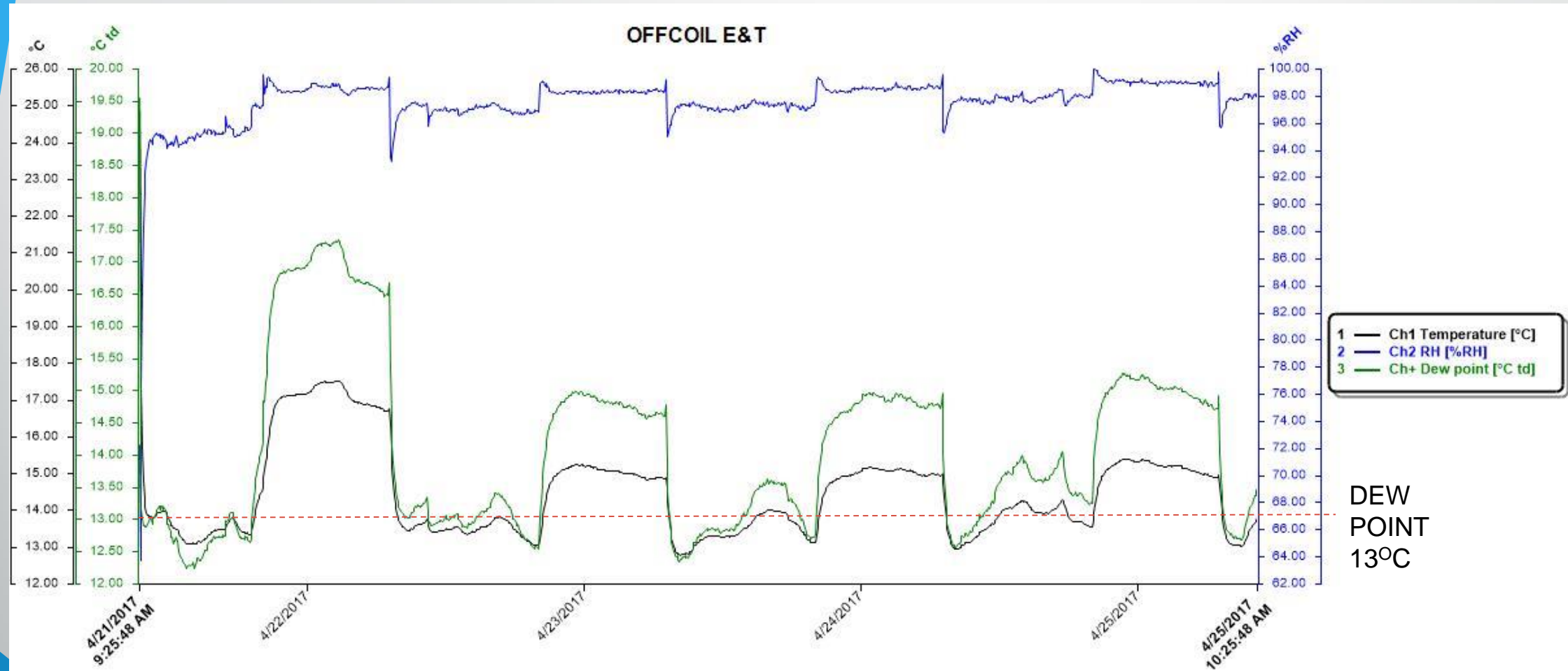


0 % BYPASS

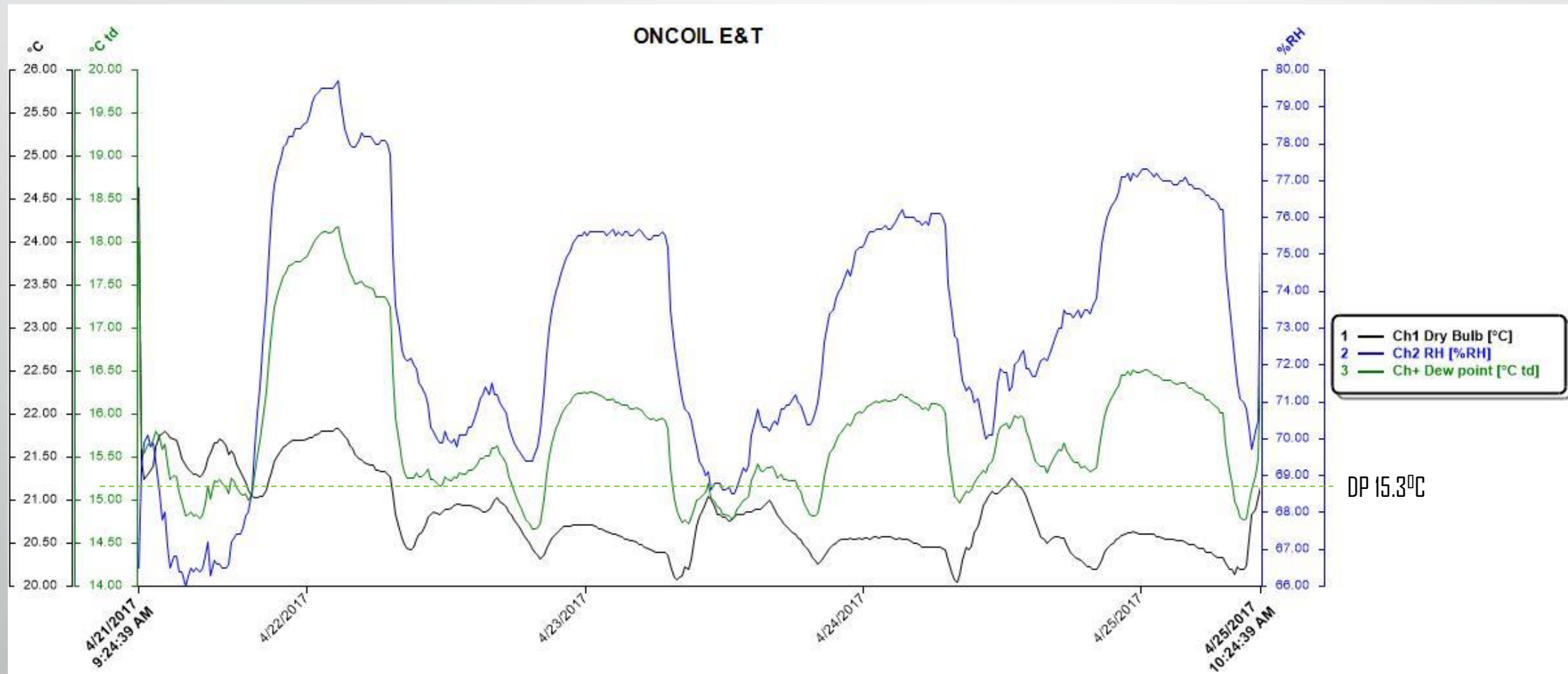


50 % BYPASS

OFFCOIL ZONE ENT-12 HRS (BYPASS 0 %)



THREE (3) DAYS LOGGING DATA-ZONE ENT - 12
HRS OPERATION



ONCOIL POINT (RETURN+FRESH AIR)

EQUIPMENT DATA

DATA FOR ZONE PHARMACY :				DATA FOR ZONE ENT :		
AHU COOLING CAPACITY :	378,000	BTU/HR		AHU COOLING CAPACITY :	404,322	BTU/HR
CHILLED WATER FLOW	75.6	USGPM		CHILLED WATER FLOW	59.6	USGPM
AIR FLOW (CFM) :	9,684	CFM		AIR FLOW (CFM) :	10,320	CFM
EXTERNAL STATIC FAN :	2.5	In. Wg		EXTERNAL STATIC FAN :	2.5	In. Wg
FLOOR AREA :	5561	ft ²		FLOOR AREA :	3602	ft ²
Btu/ft ²	68			Btu/ft ²	112	
CFM/ft ²	1.7			CFM/ft ²	2.8	

SUMMARY

EFFECT BYPASS DAMPER				
	ZONE PHARMACY (24hrs)		ZONE ENT (12hrs)	
BYPASS DAMPER OPENING	DB	RH	DB	RH
0 % BYPASS DAMPER :	20°C (D) 19°C (N)	72% (D) 74 % (N)	22°C	68% (D)
50 % BYPASS DAMPER	19°C	65% (D) Max 70% (N)	21°C	60 %(D)

CONCLUSION

1. AHU WITH FACE BYPASS DAMPER WILL ALLOW TO FINE TUNE AHU CAPASITY TO SUIT WITH ACTUAL LOAD IN ORDER TO COMPLY CODE OF PRACTICE INDOOR AIR QUALITY.
2. THIS KIND OF APPROACH DESIGN WILL MINIMISE CONDENSATION AND FUNGUS ISSUES IN BUILDINGS
3. DEWPOINT AT OFFCOIL WILL DETERMINE THE HUMIDITY (<15°C)
4. INSTALLATION UNIT WITH 68 BTU/FT² AND 112 BTU/FT² REQUIRED 50% BYPASS AIR TO BETTER DEHUMIDIFICATION.
5. THIS METHOD CAN BE APPLIED NOT ONLY TO CHILLED WATER AHU BUT TO DX SYSTEM AS WELL



THANK YOU