

# Reference Data

## Power Calculations

### Conduction and Convection Heating

#### Power Evaluation

After calculating the start up and operating power requirements, a comparison must be made and various options evaluated.

Shown in the graph below are the start up and operating watts displayed in a graphic format to help you see how power requirements add up.

With this graphic aid in mind, the following evaluations are possible:

- Compare start up watts to operating watts.
- Evaluate effects of lengthening start-up time such that start-up watts equals operating watts (use timer to start system before shift).

- Recognize that more heating capacity exists than is being utilized. (A short start-up time requirement needs more wattage than the process in wattage.)
- Identify where most energy is going and redesign or add insulation to reduce wattage requirements.

Having considered the entire system, a reevaluation of start-up time, production capacity and insulating methods should be made.

Comparison of Start Up and Operating Power Requirements

