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US DOE Kick-Off Meeting

Enabling Production of Low Carbon Emissions Steel through CO₂ Capture from Blast Furnace (BF) Gases (FE0031937)

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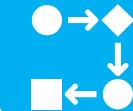
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The steel industry is responsible for **~7-9%** of overall carbon emissions worldwide

2

The Blast Furnace is the most carbon intensive operation in ISPs, emitting **1.6 – 2.1 t CO₂ per t of hot metal.**

3

The project aims to reduce CO₂ emissions by **up to 70%** from the 'available' BF gas (425 MMSCFD), resulting in CO₂ capture of **2.4 to 2.8 mtpa**

4

Using a novel Fuel Conversion and Carbon Capture scheme, the project aims to capture and sequester CO₂ at a cost of **~ 42 US\$ / tonne CO₂**

5

Produce hydrogen **for alternative uses in the steel plant in the future**

1

Carbon Capture at scale with BF energy transformation for low carbon H₂ heavy fuel to include multiple downstream consumers

2

Flexibility of Design from baseline volume of 2.4 (to 2.8) mtpa CO₂ capture, while optimizing and extracting H₂ heavy fuel for use

3

Optimizing CO₂ Capture Economics (Capex and Opex) based on train capacity, CO₂ concentration and related gas conditioning

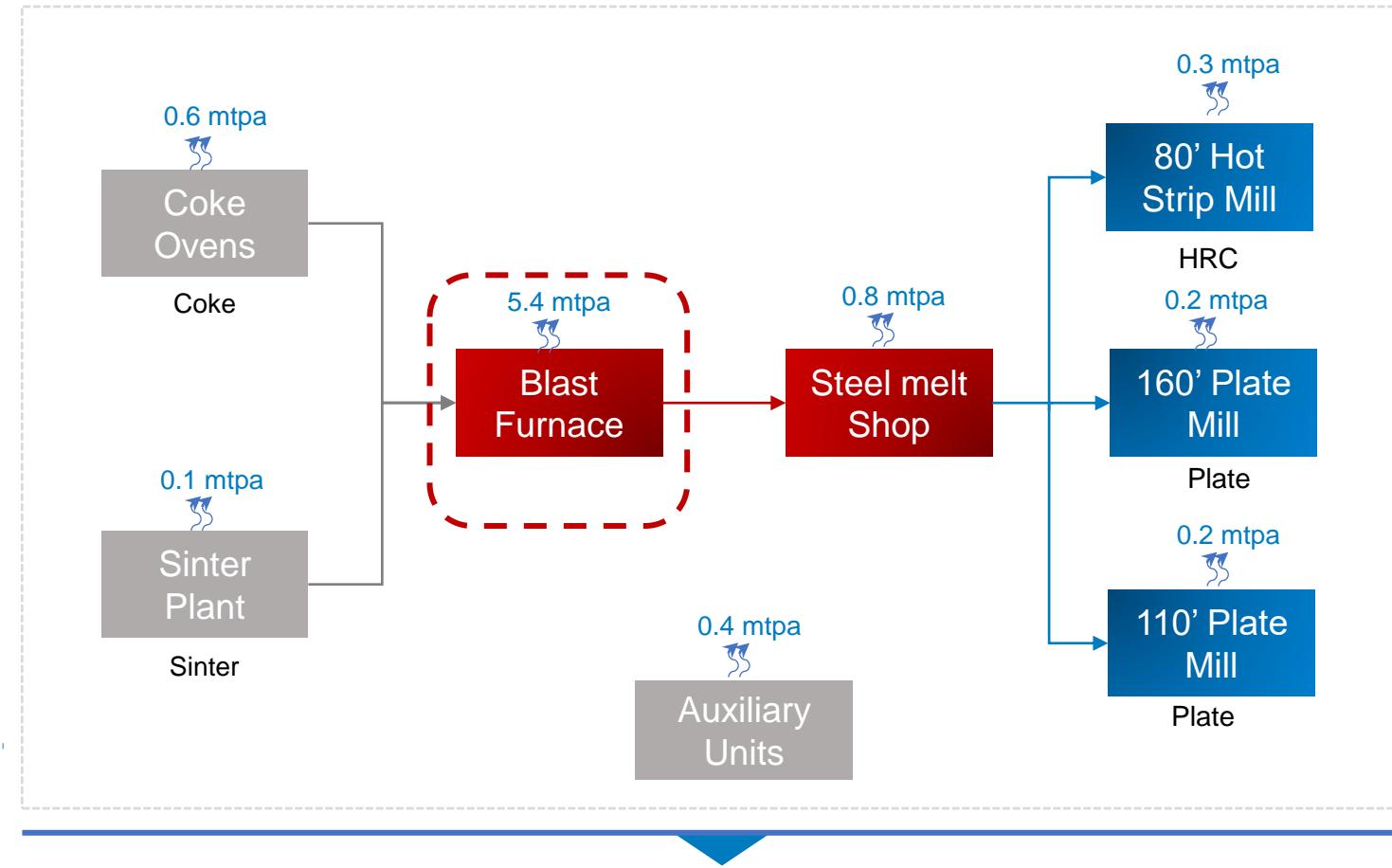
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Flexibility of Design to route conditioned gas blends to maintain operational flexibility and reliability

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Flexible of Design to extraction of hydrogen for alternative use in steel plant in future

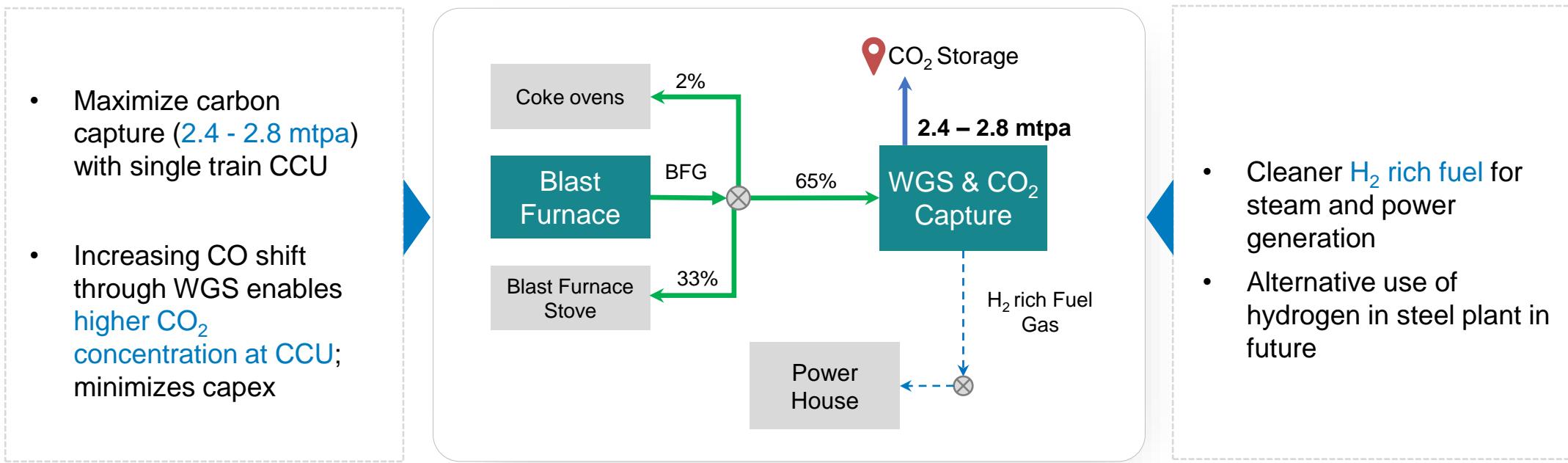
Cliffs Burns Harbor Plant Configuration and Typical CO₂ Emissions (Direct)



Total CO₂ emissions (direct) is ~ 8 mtpa

CO₂ figure Based on EPA number

Approach to Design of Carbon Capture Island





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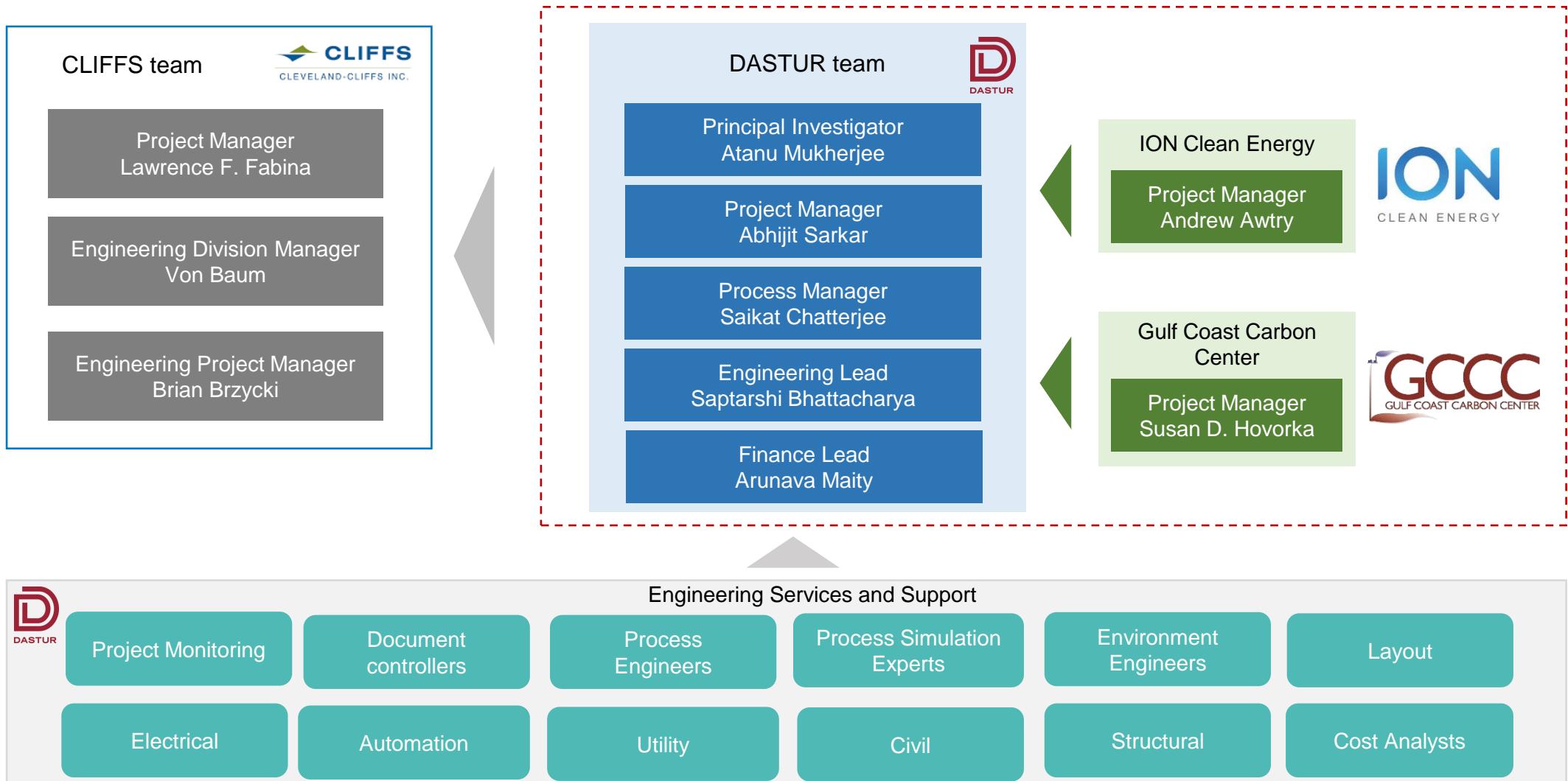


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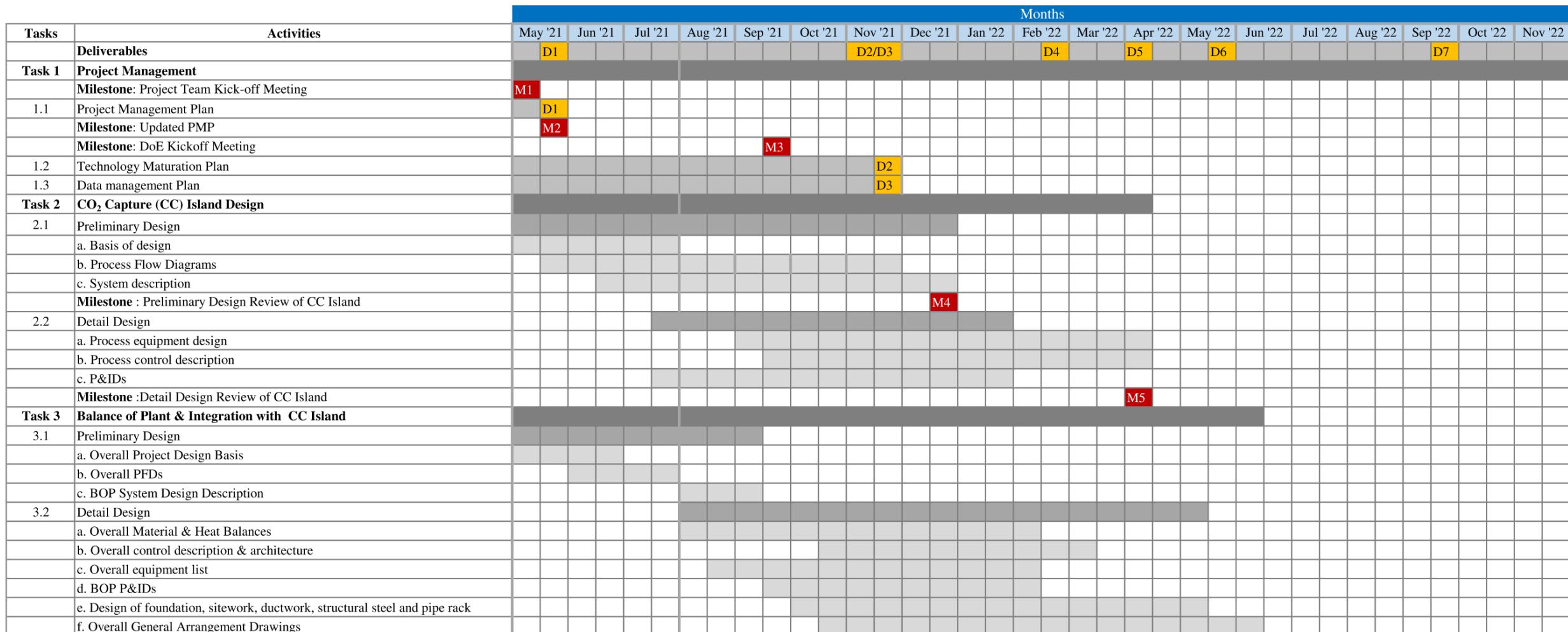


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Project Organization Chart



Project Management Plan: Schedule, Milestones & Deliverables



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Project Management Plan: Schedule, Milestones & Deliverables

Tasks	Activities	Months																		
		May '21	Jun '21	Jul '21	Aug '21	Sep '21	Oct '21	Nov '21	Dec '21	Jan '22	Feb '22	Mar '22	Apr '22	May '22	Jun '22	Jul '22	Aug '22	Sep '22	Oct '22	Nov '22
	Deliverables	D1						D2/D3			D4		D5	D6				D7		
Task 4	Studies & Investigations										D4									
4.1	Steam and Electricity Sourcing Study																			
4.2	Solvent Disposal Investigation																			
4.3	Waste Water Treatment Study																			
4.4	Permitting Study & Review										D4									
4.5	Hazard and Operability Review (HAZOP)											D6								
4.6	Constructability Review										D5									
Task 5	Costing																			
5.1	Capital Cost of Major Equipment incl. Construction Cost																			
5.2	Capital Cost for BoP Facilities incl Construction Cost																			
5.3	Project Indirect Costs																			
5.4	Operating & Maintenance Costs																			
Task 6	Report Submission																			
6.1	Initial Engineering Design and Cost Estimate																D7			
	Milestone : Initial Engineering Design and Cost Estimate																M6			
6.2	Techo-economic Analysis																	D8		
6.3	EHS Risk Assessment																	D9		

Milestones	
M1	= Project Team Kick-off Meeting
M2	= Updated PMP
M3	= DoE Kick-Off Meeting
M4	= Preliminary Design Review of CC Island
M5	= Detail Design Review of CC Island
M6	= Initial Engineering Design and Cost Estimate

Deliverables	
D1	= Updated Project Management Plan (PMP)
D2	= Initial Technology Maturation Plan (TMP)
D3	= Data Management Plan
D4	= Permitting Study & Review
D5	= Constructability Review
D6	= HAZOP Review
D7	= Initial Engineering Design and Cost Estimate
D8	= Techo-economic Analysis
D9	= EHS Risk Assessment

Task / Subtask Number	Deliverable Title	Planned Completion Date
1	Project Team Kick-off Meeting	17 May 2021
1.1	Updated Project Management Plan	31 May 2021
1.1	DOE Kick-Off Meeting	21 Sep 2021
2.1	Preliminary design review of CC island	15 Dec 2021
2.2	Detail design review of CC island	15 Apr 2022
6.1	Initial Engineering Design & Cost Estimate	15 Sep 2022

Cost type	Total budget	Share
Federal share	US\$ 1,497,344	80%
Non-federal share	US\$ 377,077	20%
Total	US\$ 1,874,421	100%

Cost type	May '21 – Aug '21	Share	Remaining budget	% Remaining
Federal share	US\$ 384,356	89%	US\$ 1,112,988	74%
Non-federal share	US\$ 47,023	11%	US\$ 330,054	88%
Total	US\$ 431,379	100%	US\$ 1,443,042	77%



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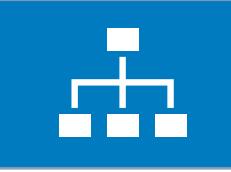
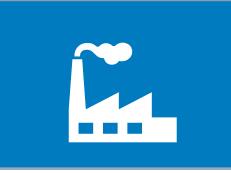
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Task 1	<h3>Project Management</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project Management Plan• Technology Maturation Plan• Data management Plan	
Task 2	<h3>CO₂ Capture (CC) Island Design</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preliminary Design• Pre-FEED Engg	
Task 3	<h3>Balance of Plant Design and Integration with the CC island</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preliminary Design• Pre-FEED Engg	
Task 4	<h3>Studies and Investigations</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Steam and Electricity Sourcing Study• Solvent Disposal Investigation• CO₂ Disposition Study• A Wastewater Treatment Study, permitting study and review, a hazard and operability review (HAZOP) and a constructability review	
Task 5	<h3>Detailed Costing of the Project</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capital Cost of major equipment & BOP including construction costs• Project indirect cost• Operating and maintenance costs	
Task 6	<h3>Project Report</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initial Engineering Design and Cost Estimate• Techno-Economic Analysis (TEA)• Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) Risk Assessment	



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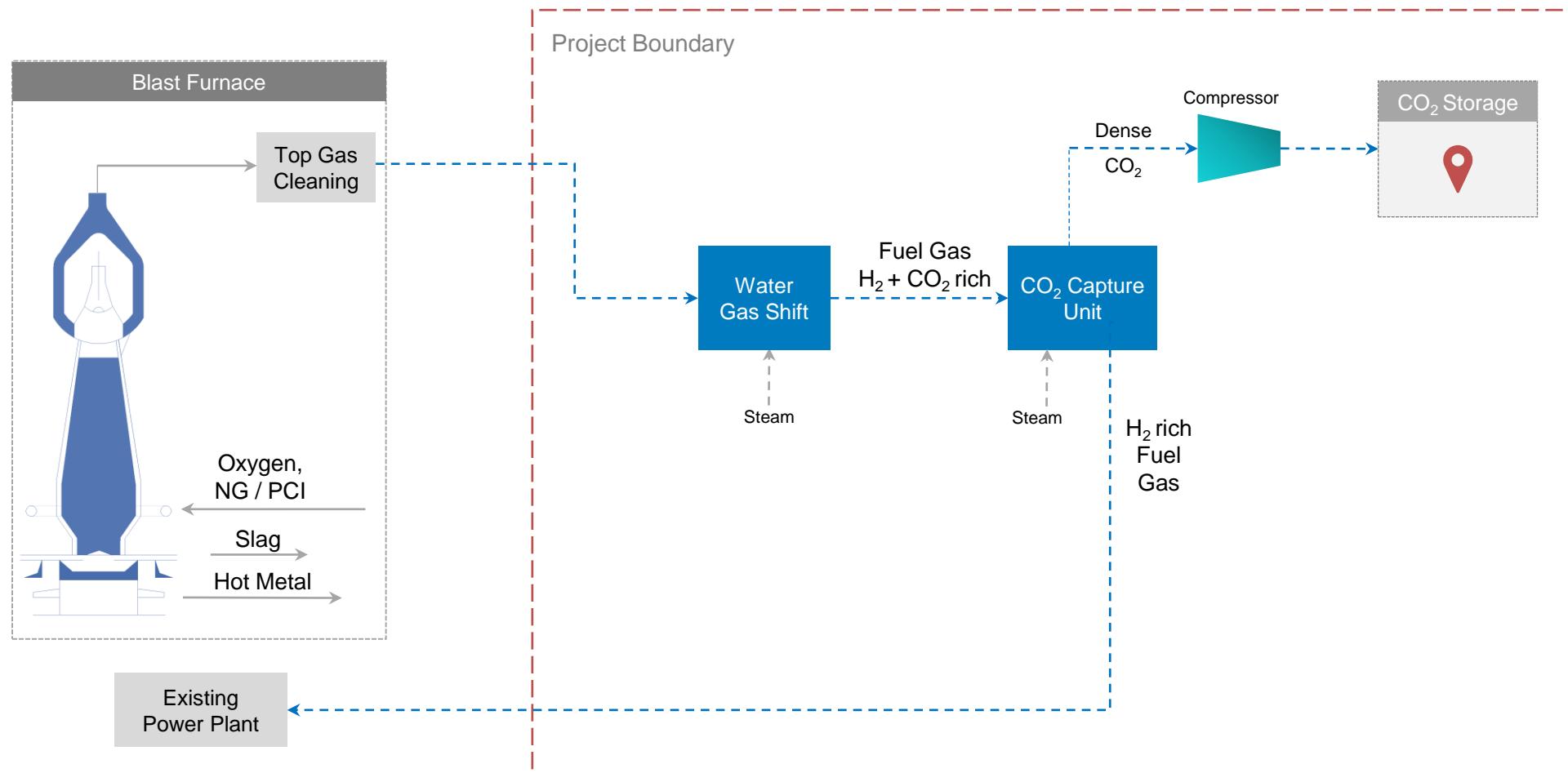


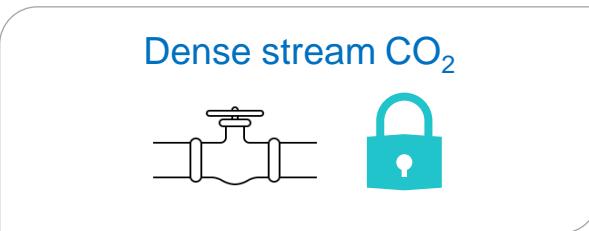
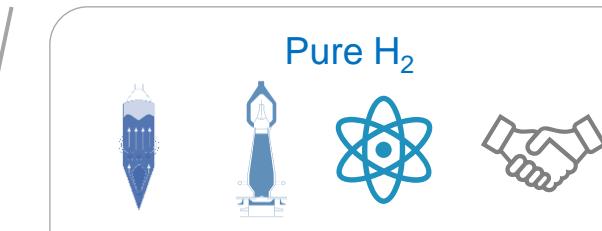
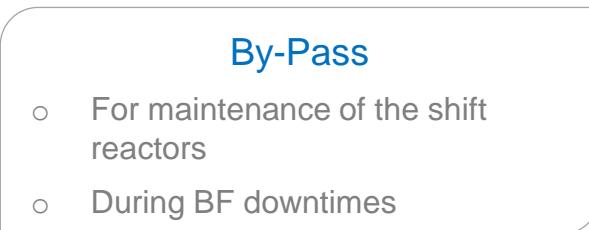
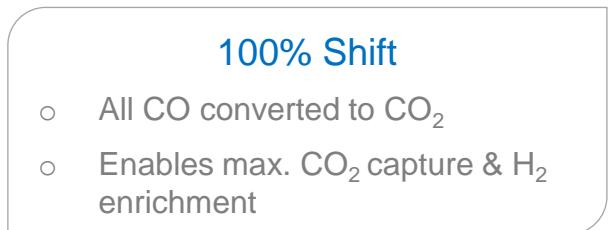
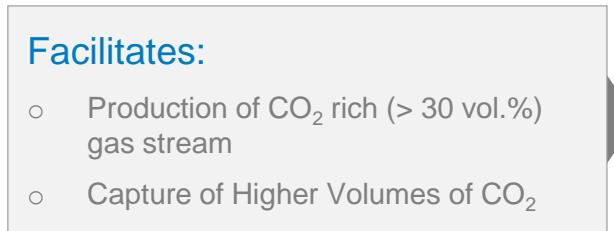
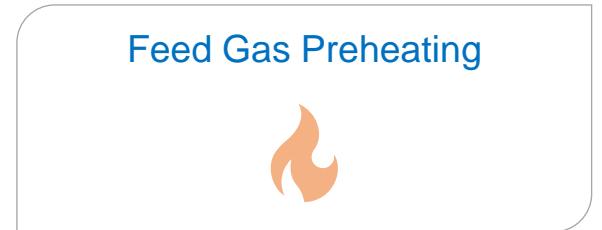
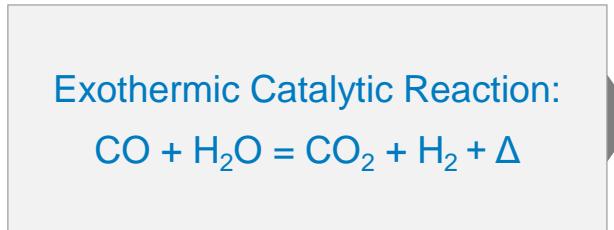
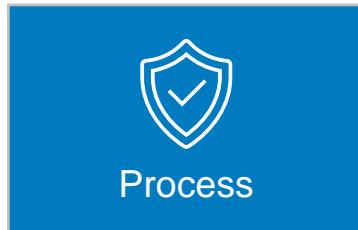
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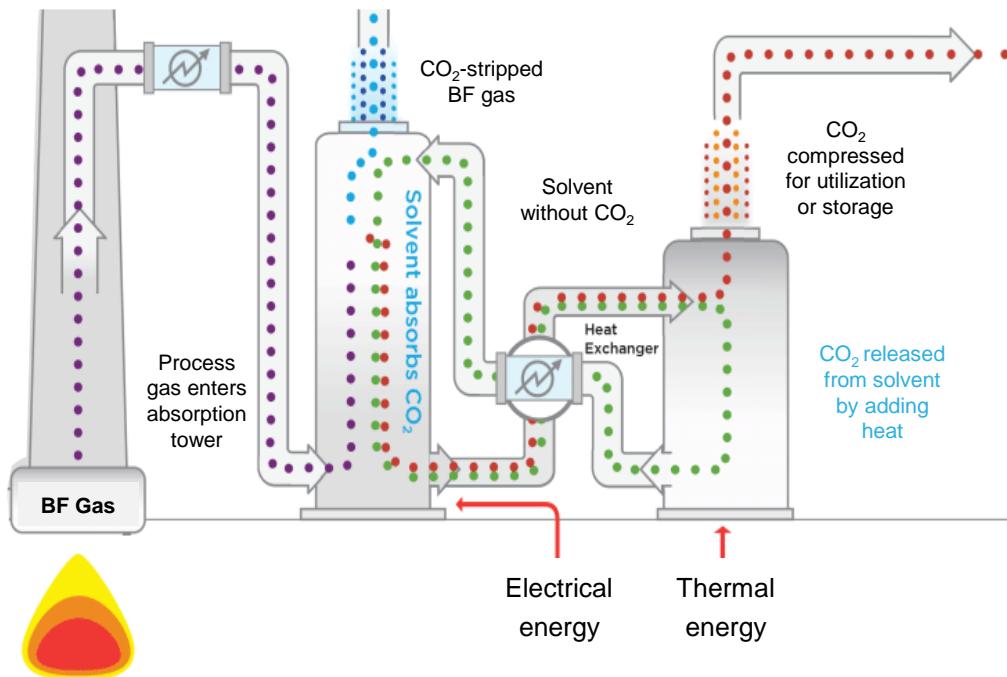
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Key Technology Components of the Project





- Proprietary Solvent-based Technology
 - Liquid absorbent-based capture
 - Low aqueous
 - World-wide Patents



Performance Attribute	ICE-21 (2017)	Target Commercial Applications
TRL	6	9
Scale (MWe)	12	300
CO ₂ in flue gas, vol%	13	11.5
Hours of operation	2,750	> 120,000
L/G, mass/mass	2	1.9
CO ₂ Capture Efficiency, %	91	> 95
CO ₂ Product Purity, vol%	99	> 95
Corrosion of 304 (mpy)	0	< 0.1

Accelerated development path leveraging existing research facilities



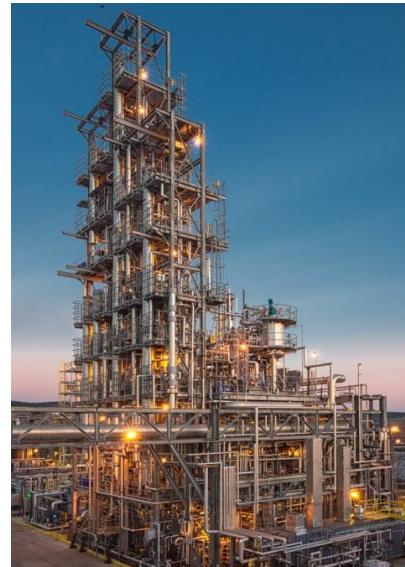
2010

ION-CE Lab-pilot
Simulated Flue Gas
3 kWe
Boulder, CO, USA



2012

EERC
Coal
0.05 MWe
Grand Forks, ND, USA



2015

NCCC
Coal
0.5 MWe
Wilsonville, AL, USA



2016 - 2017

TCM
Refinery & Natural Gas
30 – 60 ktpa
Mongstad, Norway



2018 - 2021

Commercial FEED
Coal
2 – 5 Mtpa
Sutherland, NE, USA

Much Higher CO₂ Content

- 30% vs. 4-12% CO₂
- Significantly smaller absorber and ducting
- Change from lined concrete vessel to SS304 vessel
- Maximum train size increases (now limited by stripper/compression equipment)

Higher absorber temperatures

- Intercooling is necessary
- Placement of intercooler is important

Low-oxygen environment

- No oxidative degradation leads to change in solvent management strategies
- Possible contaminant concerns in outlet supercritical CO₂ stream(H₂S, CO)

Gas feeds a powerhouse

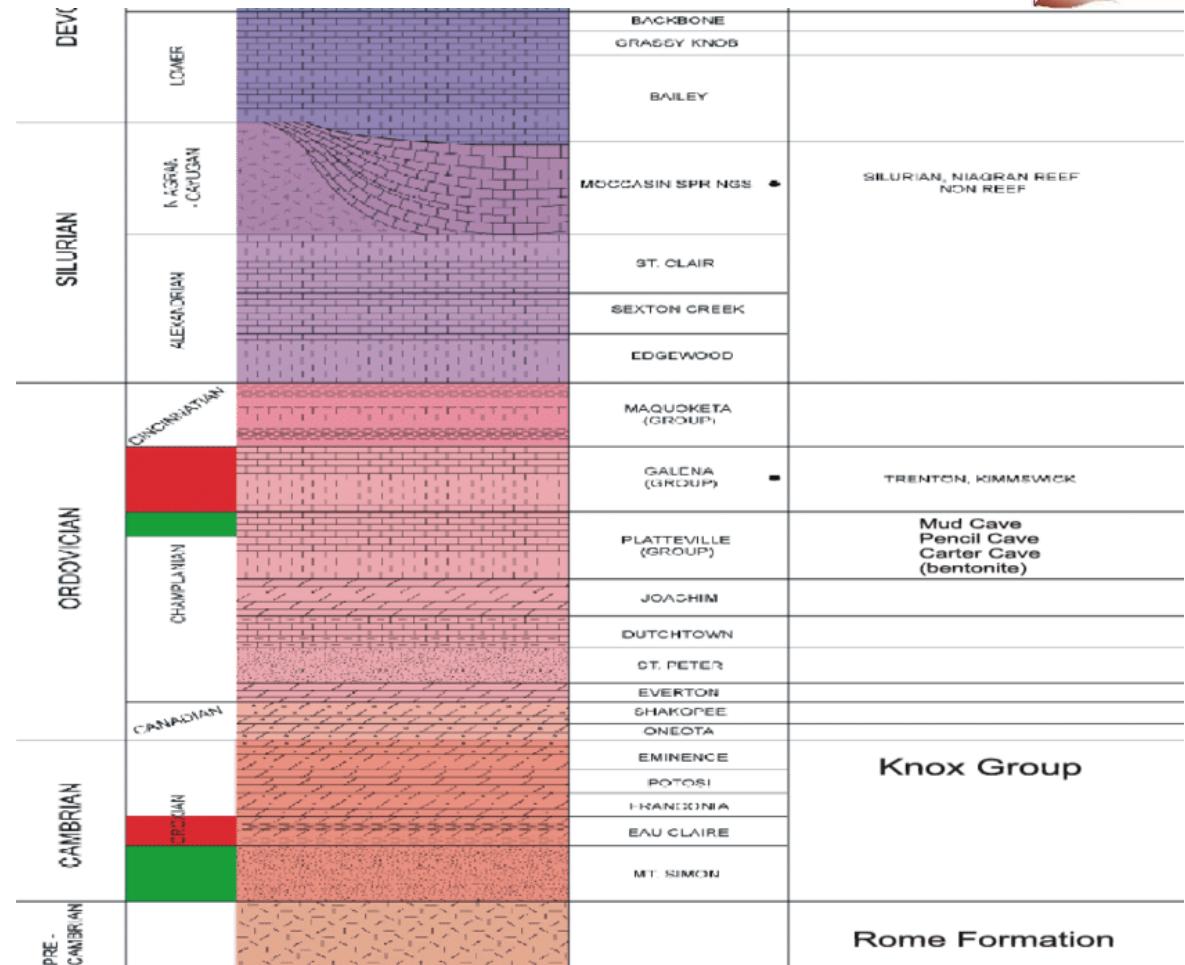
- Low VOC and Nitrogen emissions

CO₂ Disposition Options

- › Permeable unit that can accept large volumes of CO₂
- › At depth:
 - Below and isolated from (via seal) protected freshwater (>10,000 mgL)
 - >2400 ft below water table (CO₂ dense phase)
- › Leasable acreage large enough to accept the rates planned
- › Manageable induced seismic risk

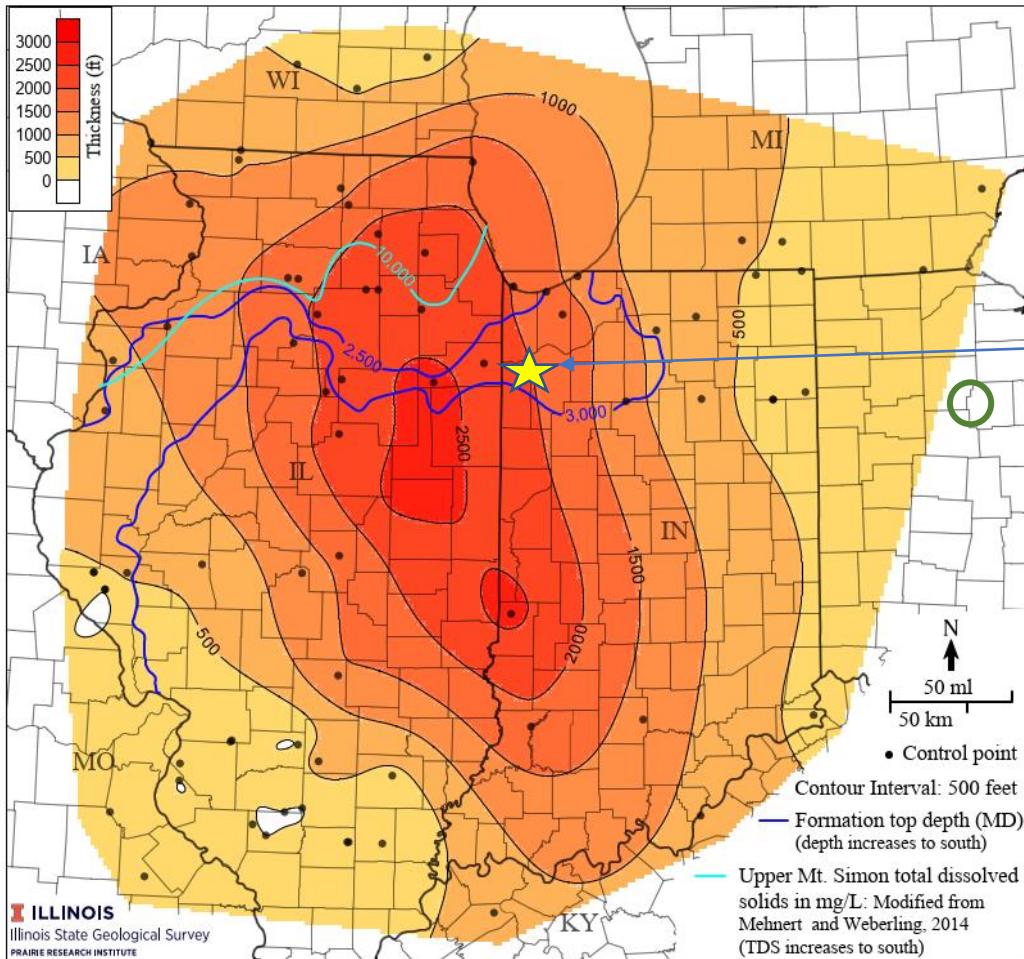
Seals
Mt Simon Target

Too shallow



Generalized Stratigraphic Column of the Illinois Basin

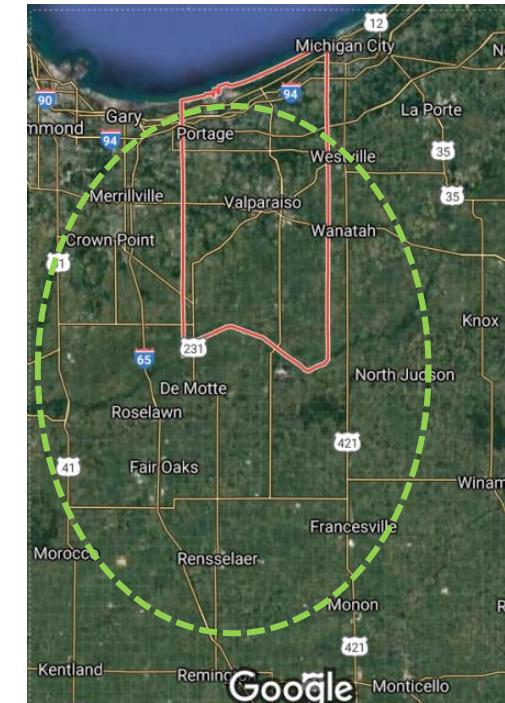
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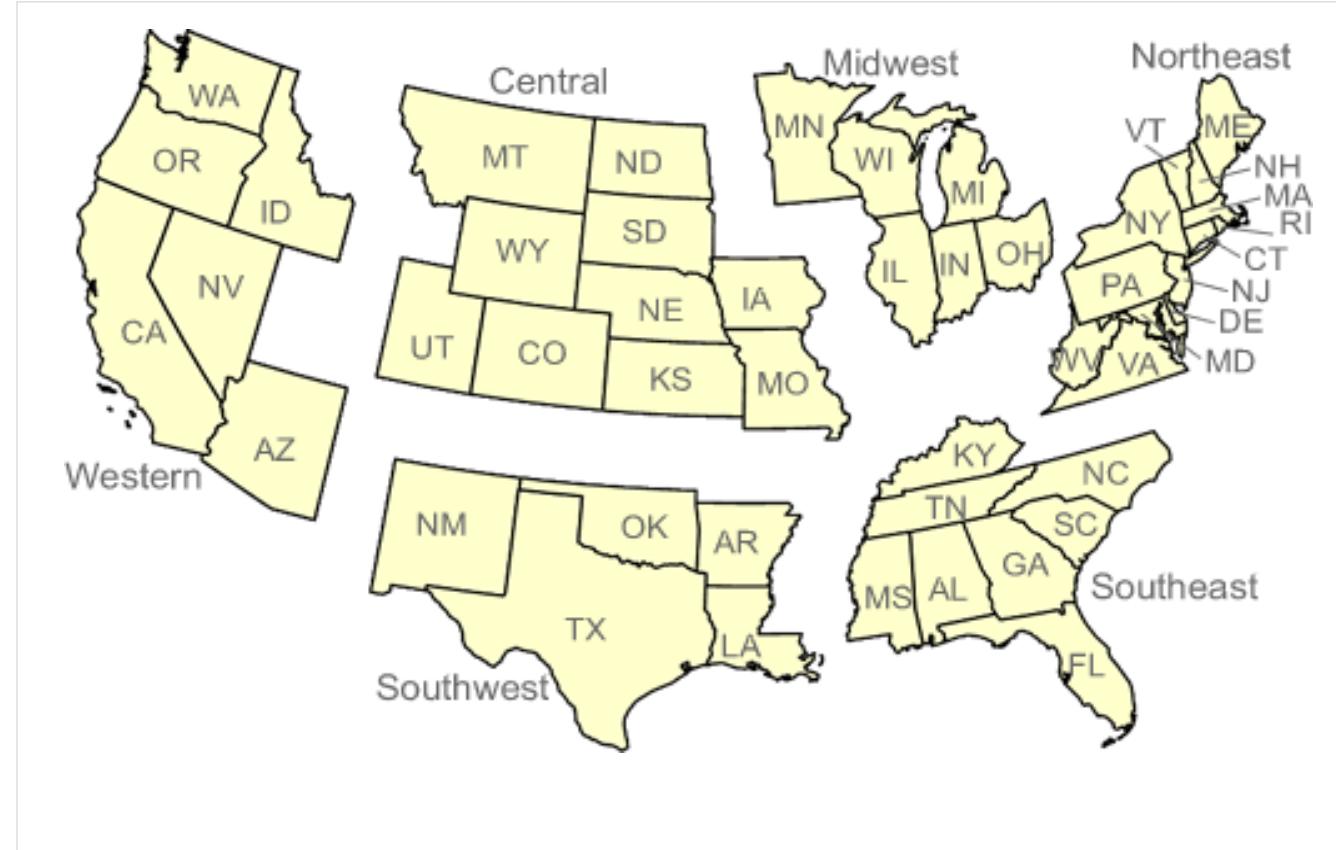
Thickness of the Mt. Simon Sandstone

Preliminary map prepared by Illinois State Geological Survey
03/16/2021

- › Existing data compiled by Illinois State Geological Survey
- › Subsurface beneath Cliffs BH facility is marginal for storage:
 - Shallow
 - Salinity uncertain
 - High population
- › More favorable 15-60 miles to south
- › More work required!



- › 2.4 million tonnes per year single source to sink pipeline transport
- › National Energy Technology Laboratory FE/NETL CO₂ Transport Cost Model
- › 15 Miles = \$24M
- › 60 miles= \$70M
- › Savings in scale up (more than one source into pipeline)





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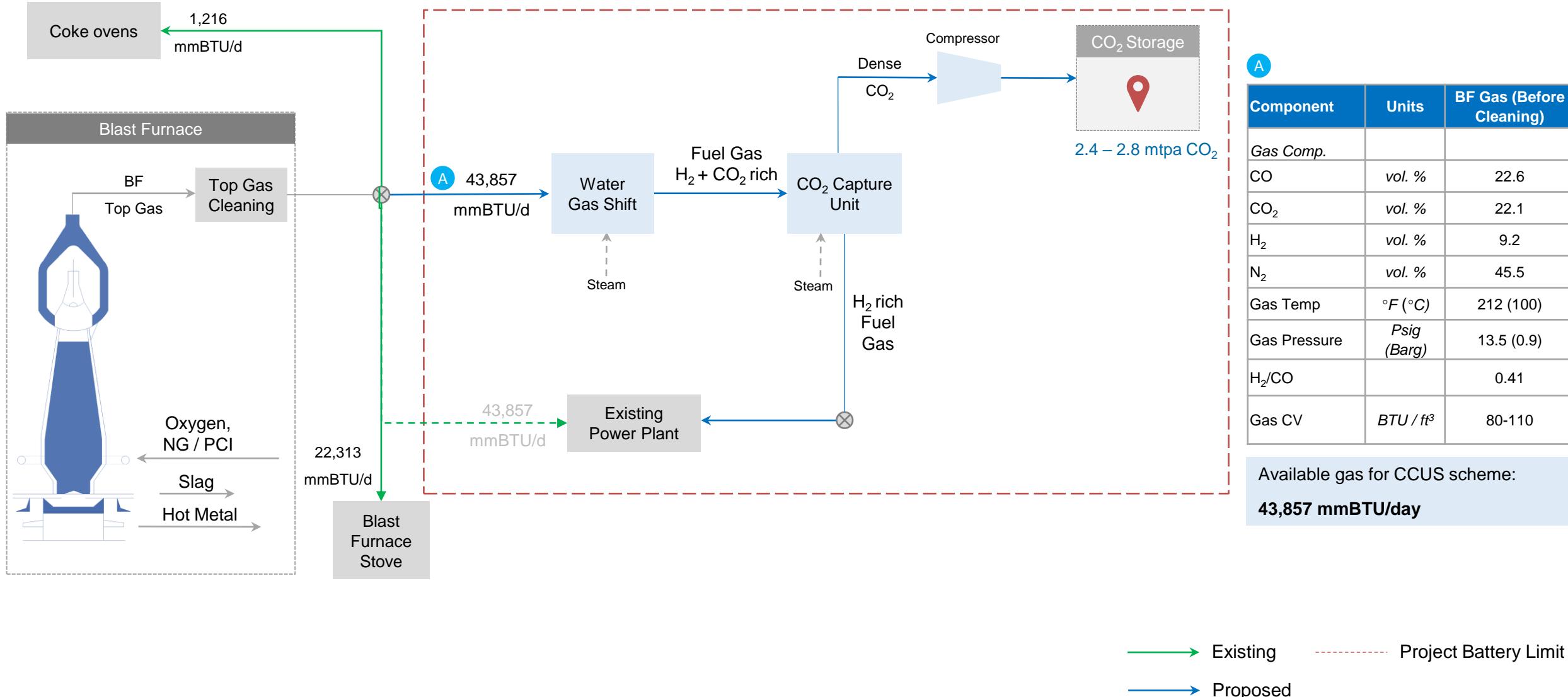


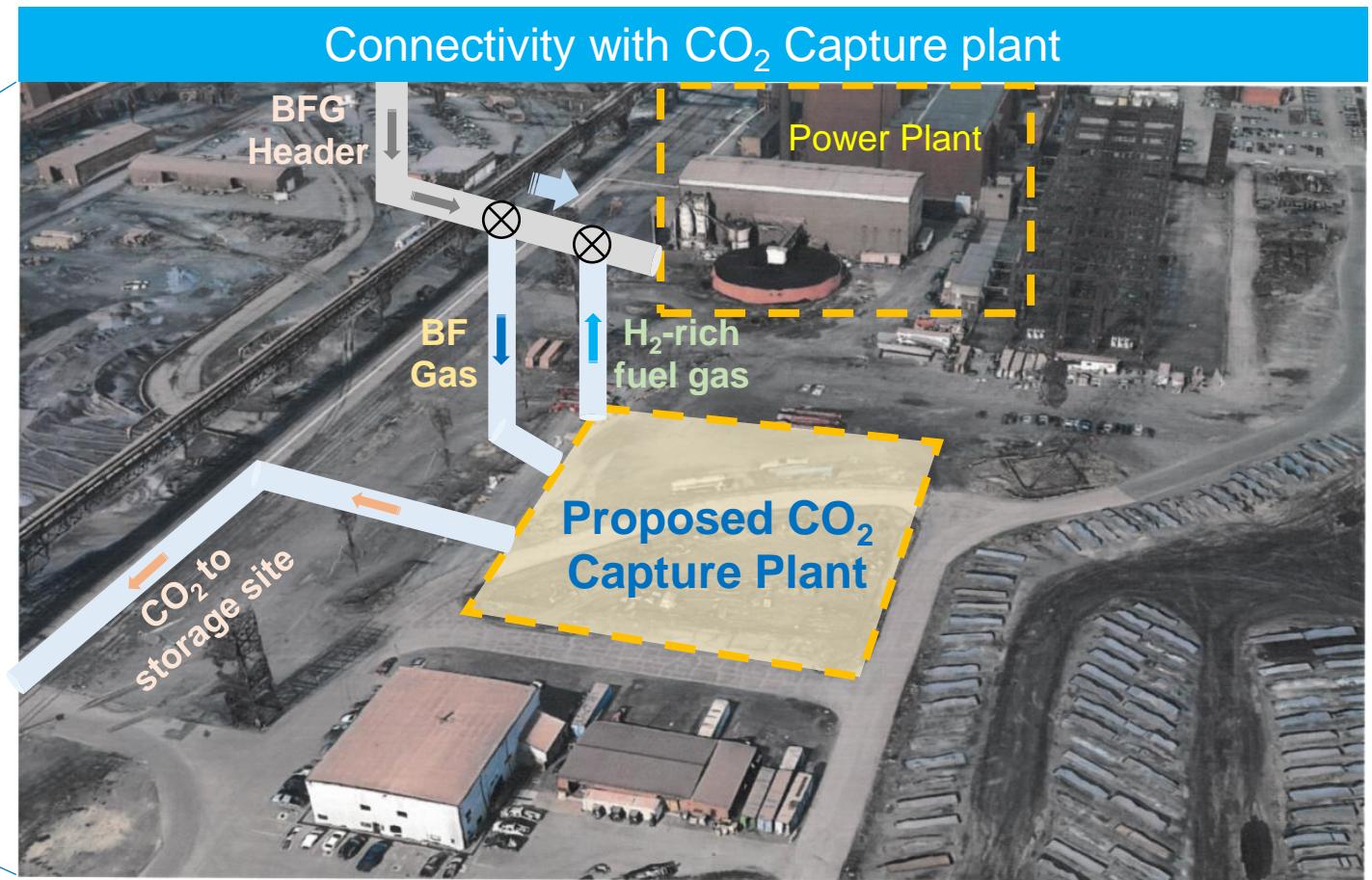
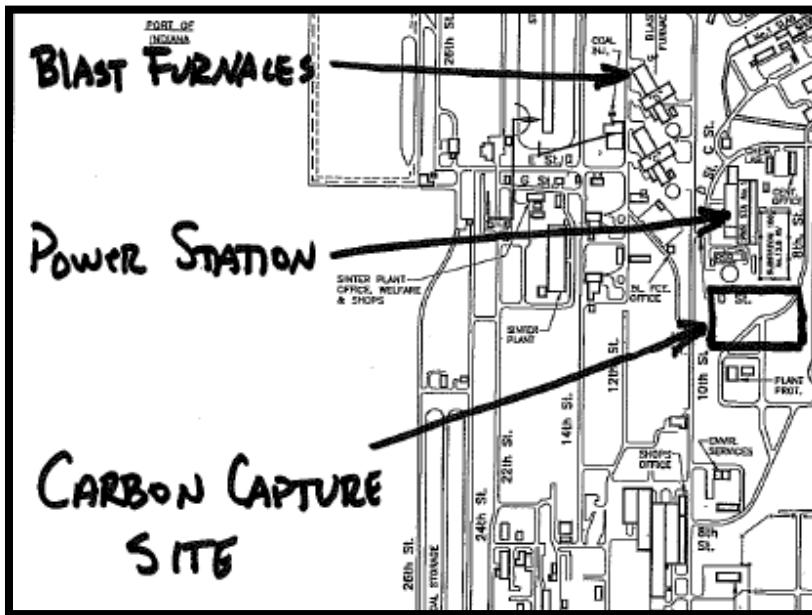
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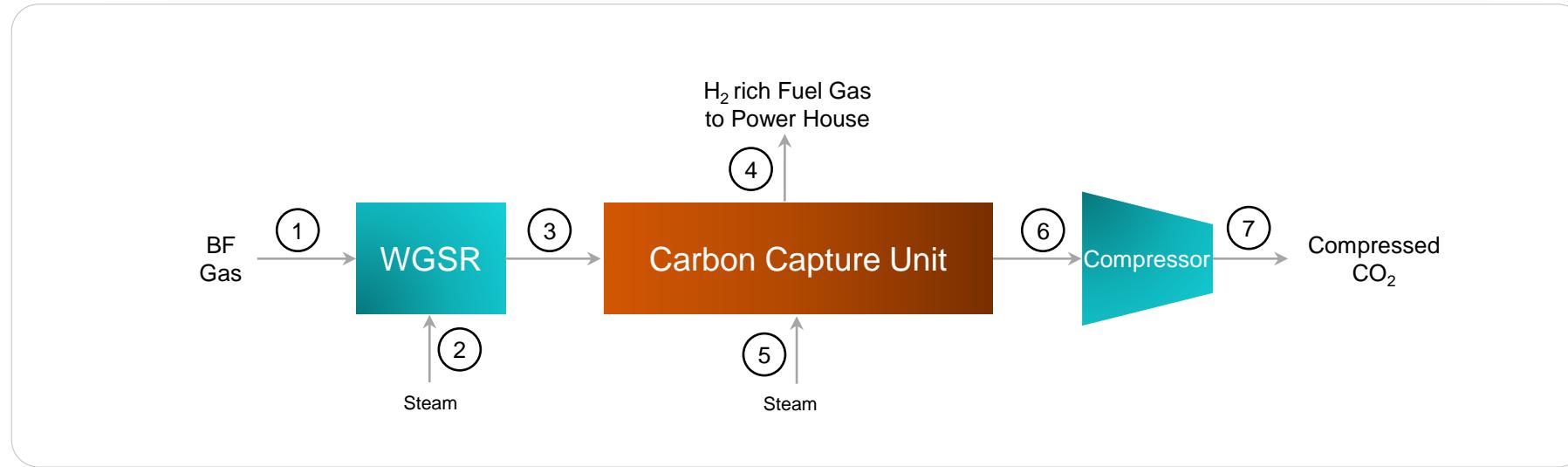


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Baseline Architecture with BF Gas Characteristics





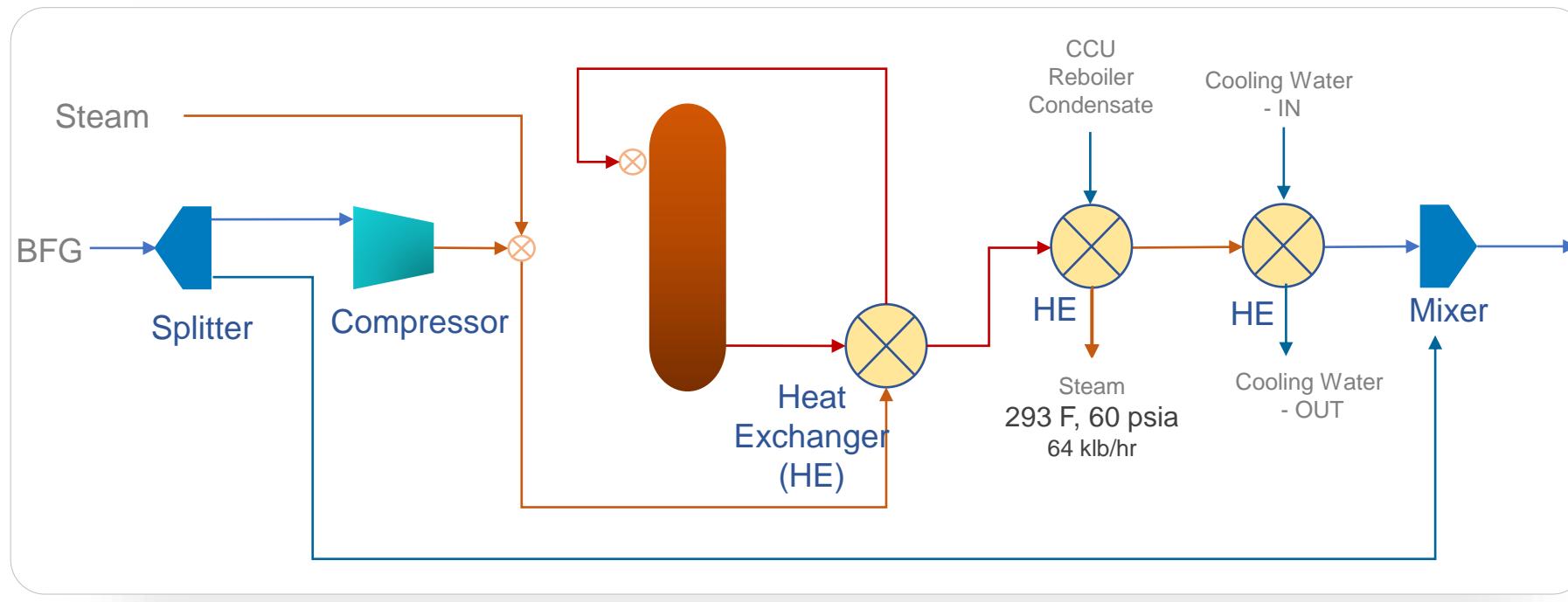


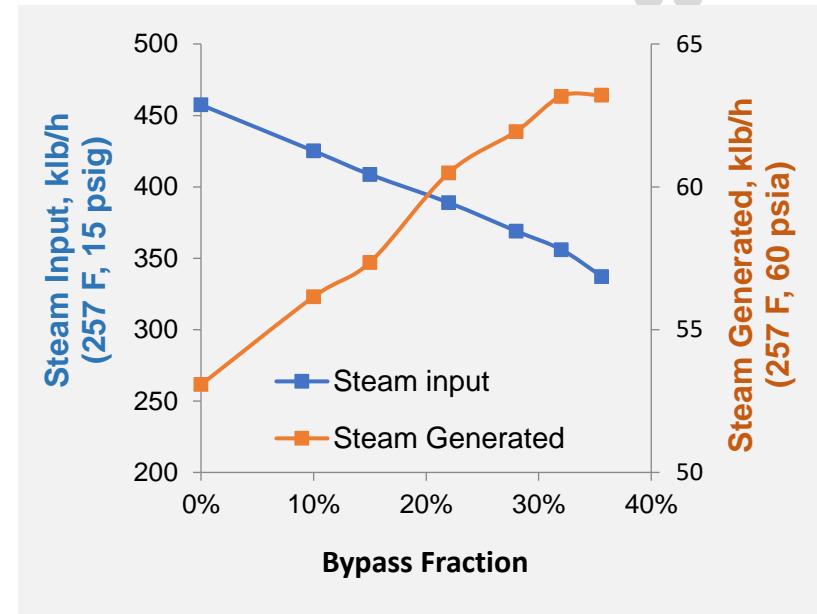
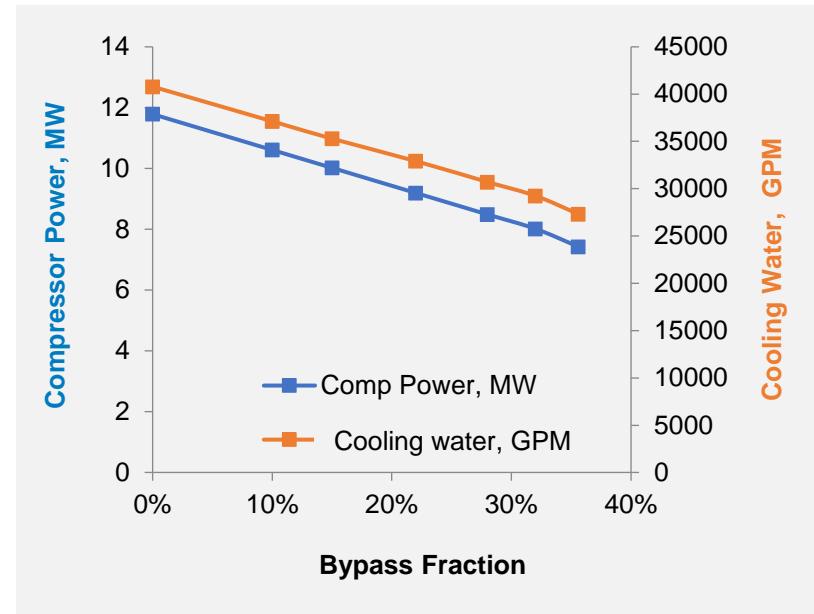
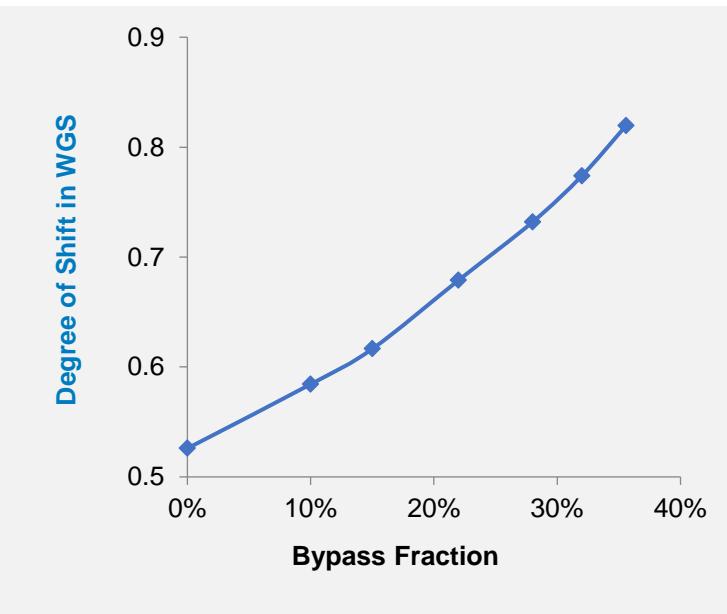
Stream description	Units	BF Gas	Steam to WGSR	Shifted Gas from WGSR	H ₂ rich fuel gas	Steam to CCU	CO ₂ into compressor	CO ₂ out from compressor
Stream No.		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>Gas Comp. (dry basis)</i>								
CO	vol. %	22.6	0	10	14	0	0	0
CO ₂	vol. %	22.2	0	31	2	0	100	100
H ₂	vol. %	9.2	0	19	27	0	0	0
H ₂ O	vol. %	0	100	0	0	100	0	0
N ₂	vol. %	45.5	0	41	57	0	0	0
Gas CV	BTU/SCF	103	n/a	92	130	n/a	n/a	n/a
Gas Vol. Flow Rate	mmSCFD	425	n/a	475	337	n/a	138	138

considering 2.4 mtpa CO₂ capture capacity

Considerations

- › Feed steam is available at 257 °F (145 °C) and 14.5 psig
- › Feed BFG need to be compressed to 14.5 psig to account for the overall pressure drop
- › Mixture of BFG and Steam need to be heated to 660 °F (350 °C) for the required catalytic activity in the WGSR
- › 36% BFG is by-passed to get optimum result and desired H₂/CO in the outlet





Increasing Bypass fraction → Decreasing gas volume to be shifted

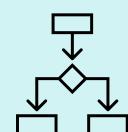
- Needs more shift in the reactor
- Decreasing compression duty
- Decreasing cooling duty
- Decreasing steam for reaction

- Increasing degree of shift → Increasing exothermic heat → Increasing steam generation (293 F, 60 psia)

Favorable Conditions

- Maximizing the bypass fraction, until the equilibrium limit [†] of the WGS reaction, results in most favorable conditions

[†] determined by feed gas composition and temperature



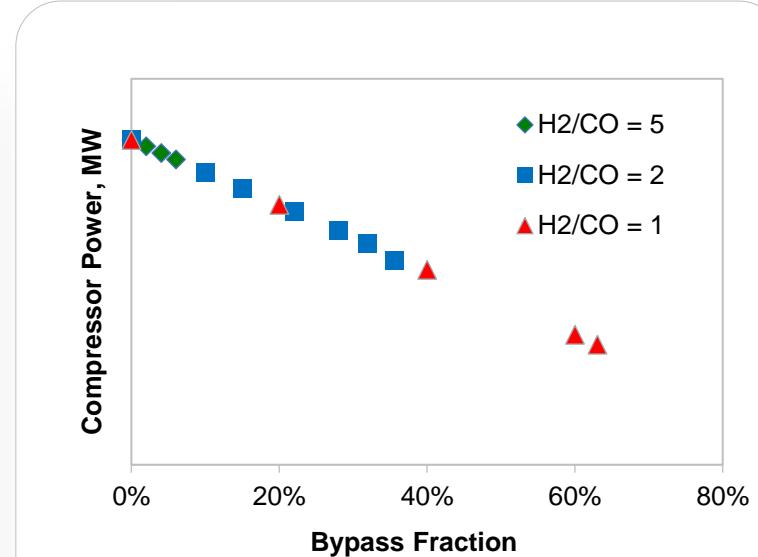
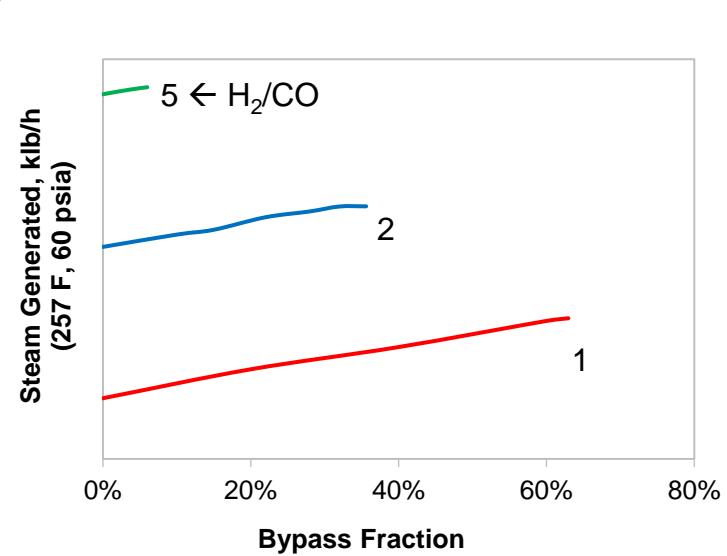
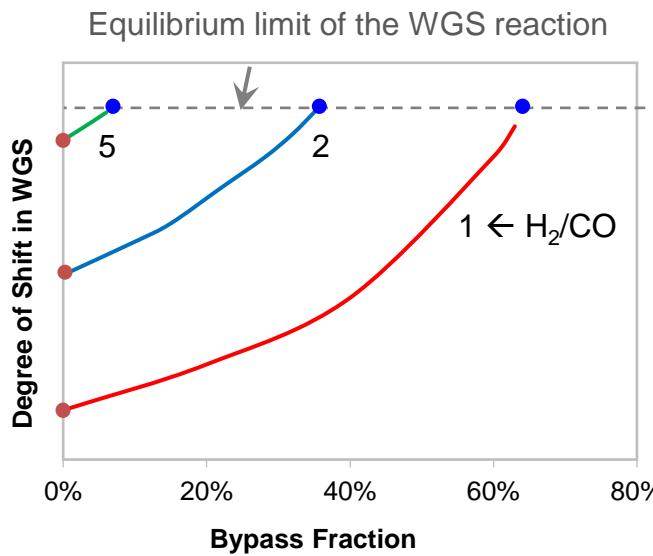
36%
Bypass
Fraction



660 °F
Reactor Inlet
temperature



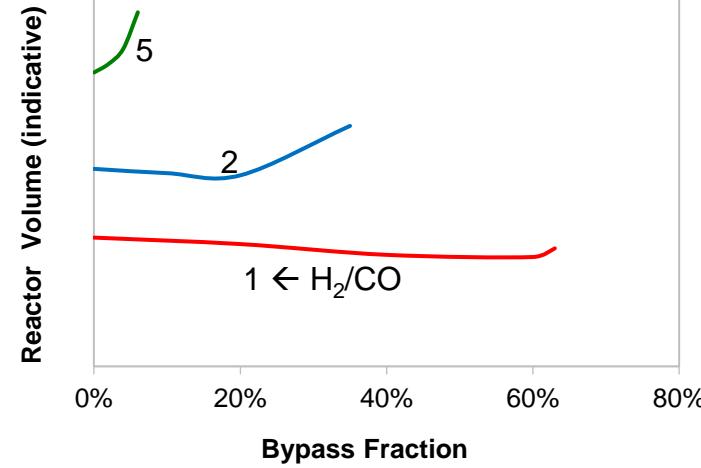
63 klb/h
293 F, 60psia
Steam generated



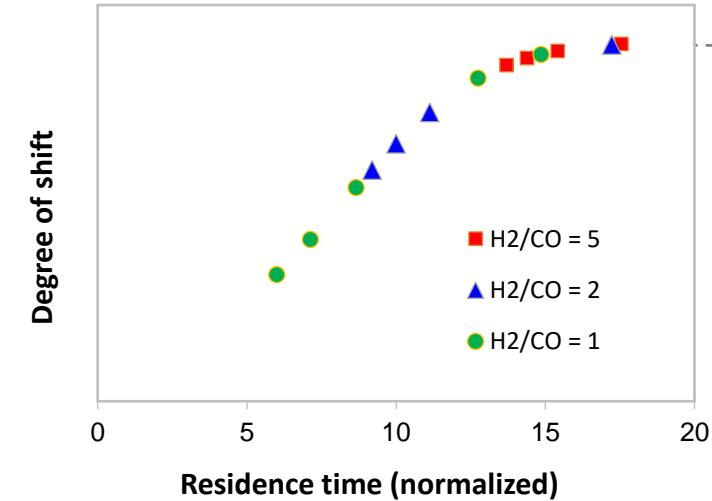
- Minimum degree of shift – at 0% bypass – increases with H₂/CO
- Maximum degree of shift – bound by the equilibrium limit of WGS reaction
- Maximum bypass – occurs at maximum degree of shift – decreases with H₂/CO

Increasing H₂/CO → increasing degree of shift → increasing steam generation

- Increasing Bypass → decreasing Vol. of gas for compression → decreasing compression duty
- Independent of H₂/CO ratio



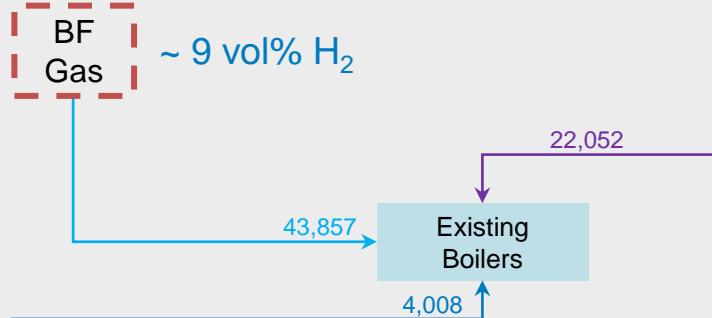
- Reactor size strongly depends on the H₂/CO – higher H₂/CO requires higher degree of shift.
- No *one-size-fits-all* for reactor size. Fixing one reactor size may result in over sizing of reactor or insufficient shift when targeting various H₂/CO cases



Residence time (deduced from Reactor volume and bypass fraction) plotted against the degree of shift for various cases, collapses all points along one curve. This proves that the overall WGS model is internally consistent

Effect of H₂-rich fuel on Fuel Mix and Gas Pipeline to Power House

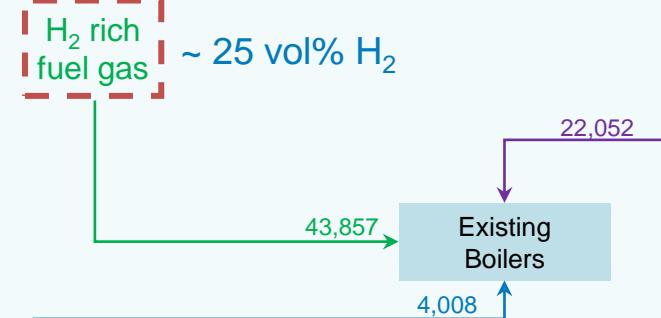
Present Scenario



↑ COG ↑ BFG ↑ NG

Sl. No.	Fuel	Energy content (mmBTU/day)	% (energy basis)	Volume Flow Rate (ft ³ /day)	% (VFR basis)	Heat Value (BTU/ft ³)
1.	COG	22,052	31%	40,837,037	9%	540
2.	BFG	43,857	63%	402,357,798	90%	103
3.	NG	4,008	6%	3,891,262	1%	1030
	Total	69,917		447,086,097		

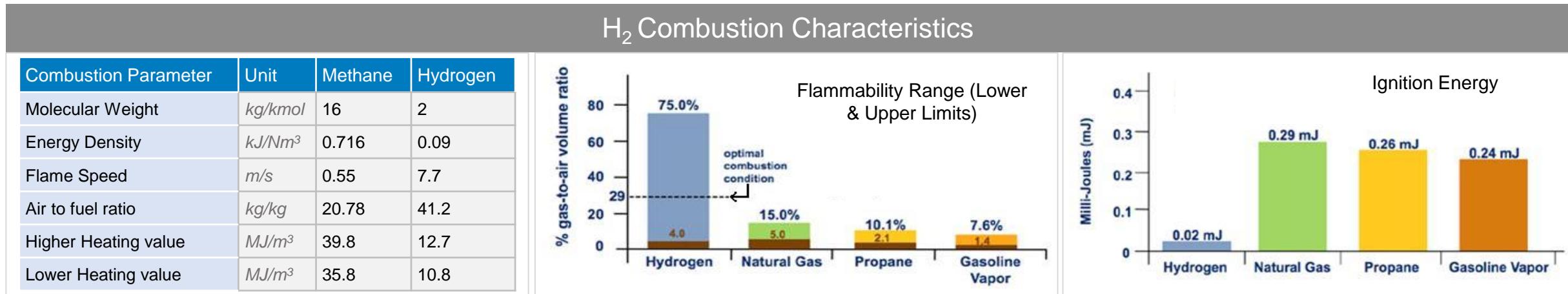
Envisaged scenario for 2.4 mtpa capture



↑ COG ↑ H₂-rich fuel gas ↑ NG

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2.	H ₂ RF	43,857	63%	337,361,538	88%	130
3.	NG	4,008	6%	3,891,262	1%	1030
	Total	69,917		382,089,838		

No change is envisaged in the NG, COG & H₂RF (originally BFG) pipeline sizing



CFD Modeling

Fluid flow pattern

- Temperature fields
- Velocity fields

Flame Characteristics

- Flame Temperature & Velocity
- Flashbacks
- Air/Fuel Ratio
- Flame Appearance

Combustion Products

- NO_x, SO_x, SPM, etc.
- Extant emission norms to be considered

H₂

Maximum H₂ limit



New 'low-carbon' fuel-mix design



Host



Attendees



1

No overground and underground facilities other than 132 KV transmission line - needs to be relocated during the site work

2

Space available for installation of CHP/boiler to source steam and power

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BFG tapping can be taken from nearby pipe-rack beside power house

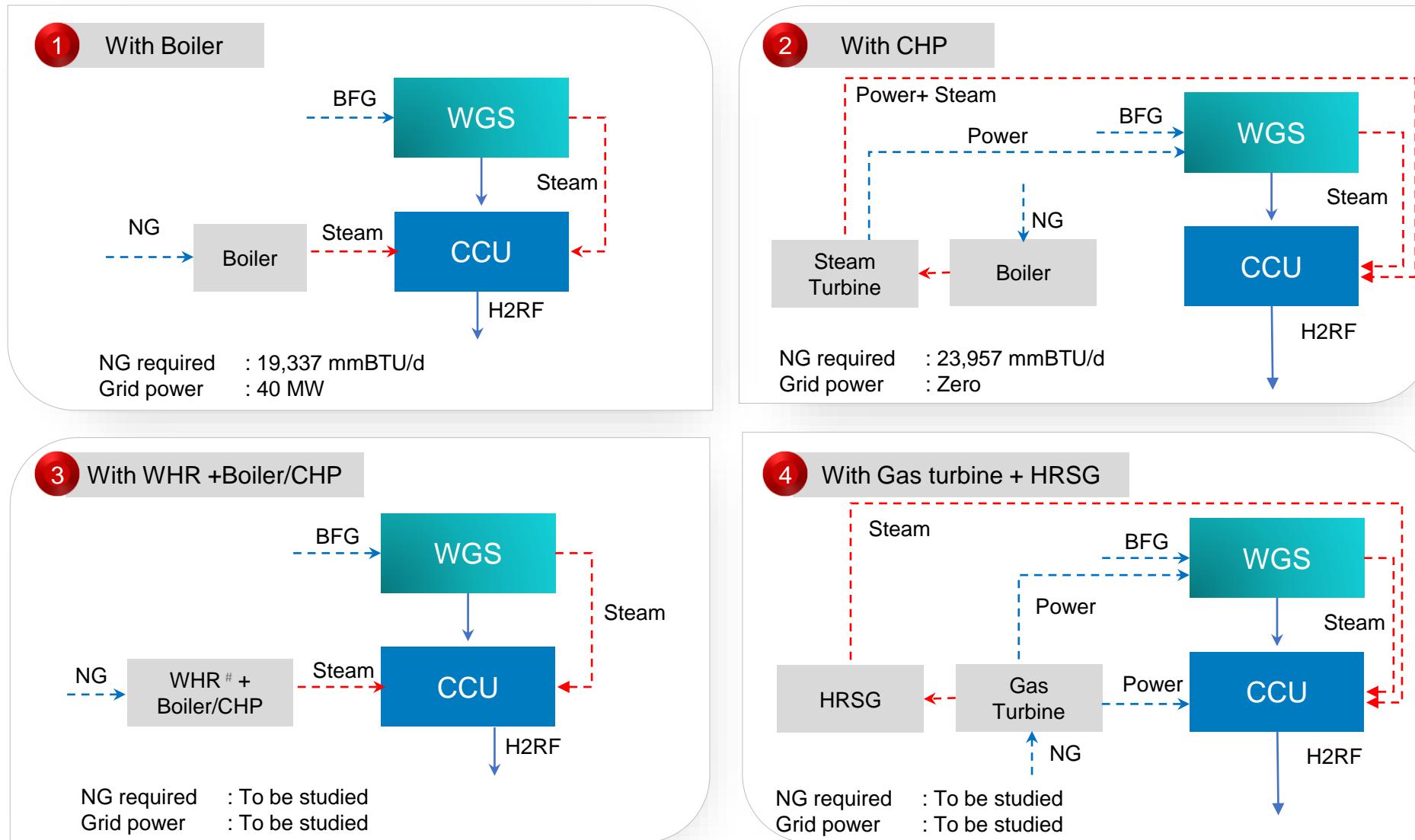
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15 PSI.g saturated steam available from power house for the project

5

New NG pipeline to be laid for additional natural gas requirement

Power and Steam Sourcing Options



Cost of Capture at Burns Harbor – Preliminary Techno-Economic Analysis

BFG volume considered: 43,857 MMBTU/d

Parameter	Option 1 – With CHP	Option 2 – with Boiler	Unit
CO ₂ Captured	2.4	2.4	MTCO ₂ /year
Total CAPEX	450	430	\$MM
Annualization Factor	0.0944	0.0944	-
Amortized CAPEX	17.7	16.9	\$/tonne CO₂
Annual OPEX	42.0	60.5	\$MM/year
OPEX/Cash Cost	17.5	25.2	\$/tonne CO ₂
Capture cost incl. CAPEX	35.2	42.1	\$/tonne CO₂
Transport, Sequestration & Monitoring (TSM)	10	10	\$/tonne CO ₂
Total Cost	45.2	52.1	\$/tonne CO₂

Assumptions @ \$70/MWh electricity cost at BH, 90% uptime, 95%+ capture

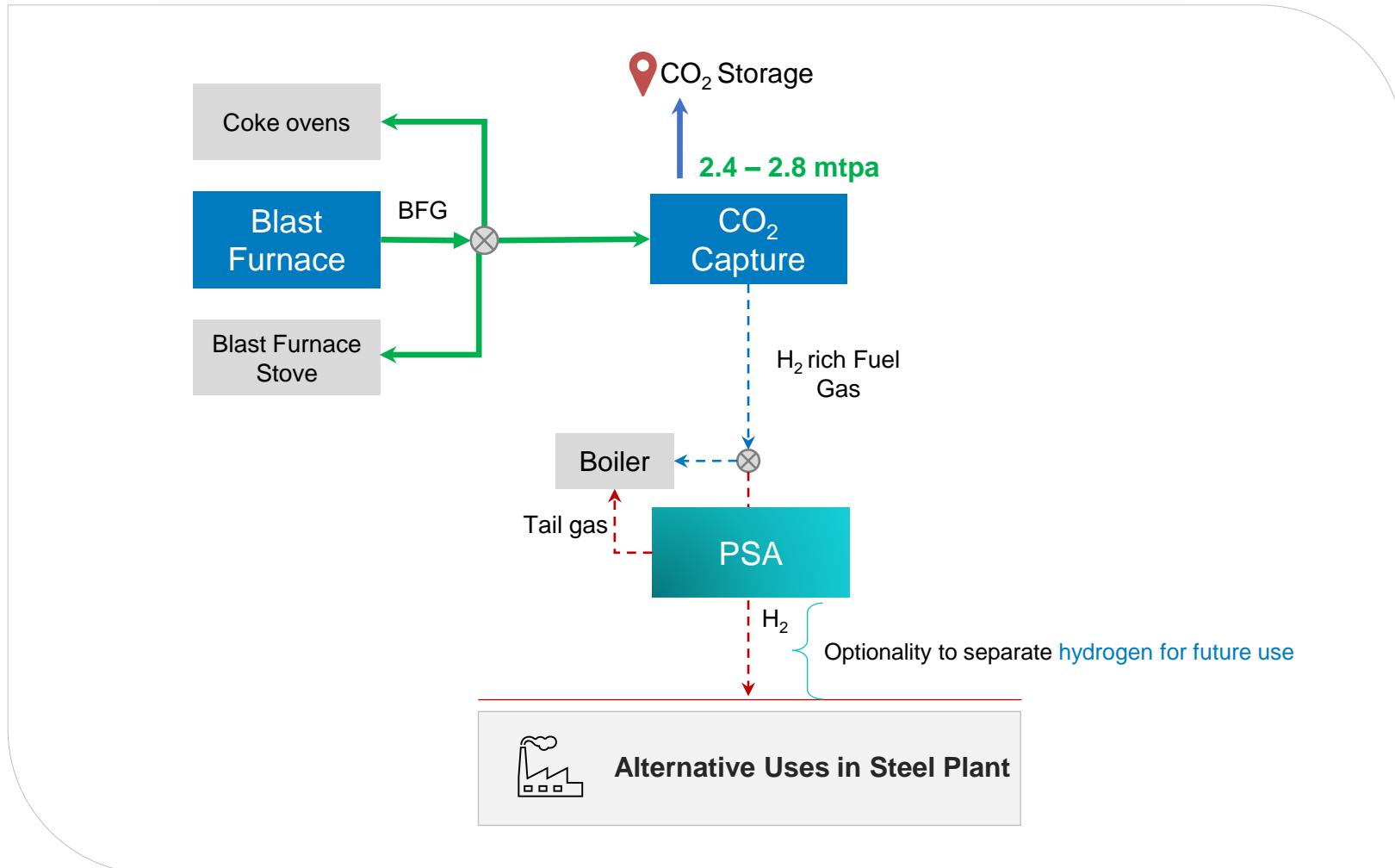
Goal of ~\$32 \$/t by commissioning

- Increase in CO₂ volume will amortize same capex over higher volumes
- Onsite wells being explored as an alternative to off site sequestration.
- Steam generation from WGS and other waste heat schemes can complement the net steam requirement of CCU reboiler

*Includes capital cost of Water Gas Shift, CHP for carbon capture needs, NG fuel costs at 3\$/Mmbtu

**Includes cost for carbon capture, carbon compression up to 2215 psia

Opportunity to Extract H₂ for Alternative Uses in Steel Plant in Future





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