
Large Pilot CAER Heat Integrated Post-combustion CO₂ Capture Technology for Reducing the Cost of Electricity

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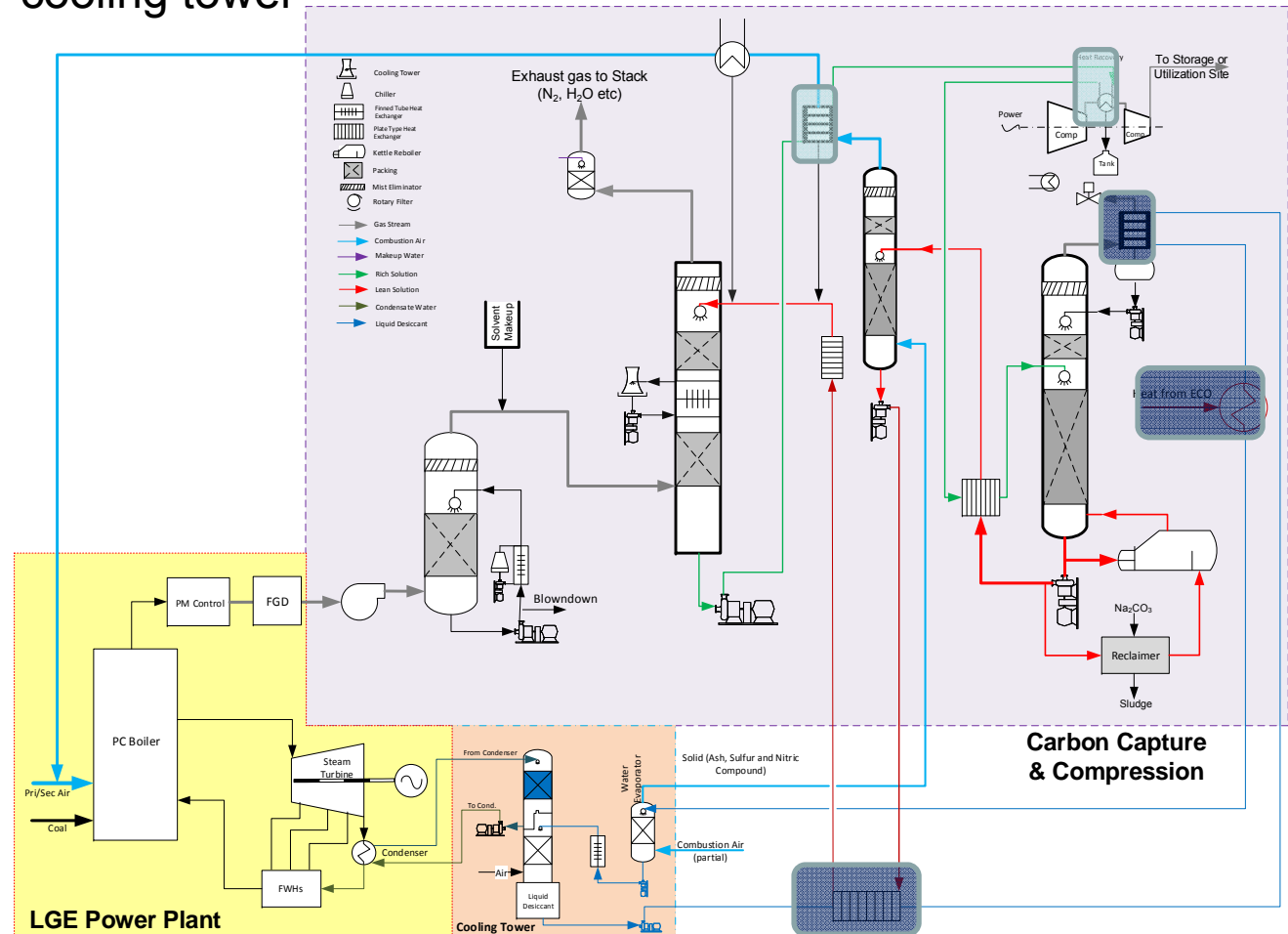
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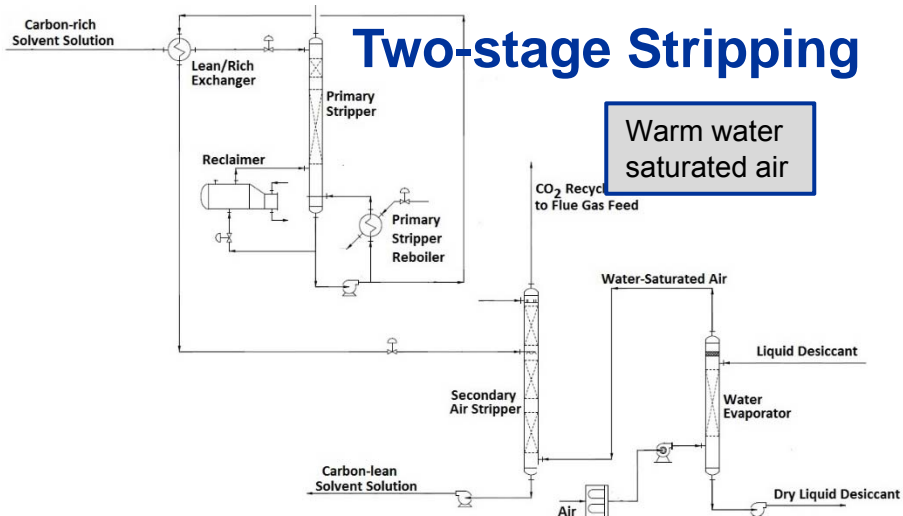
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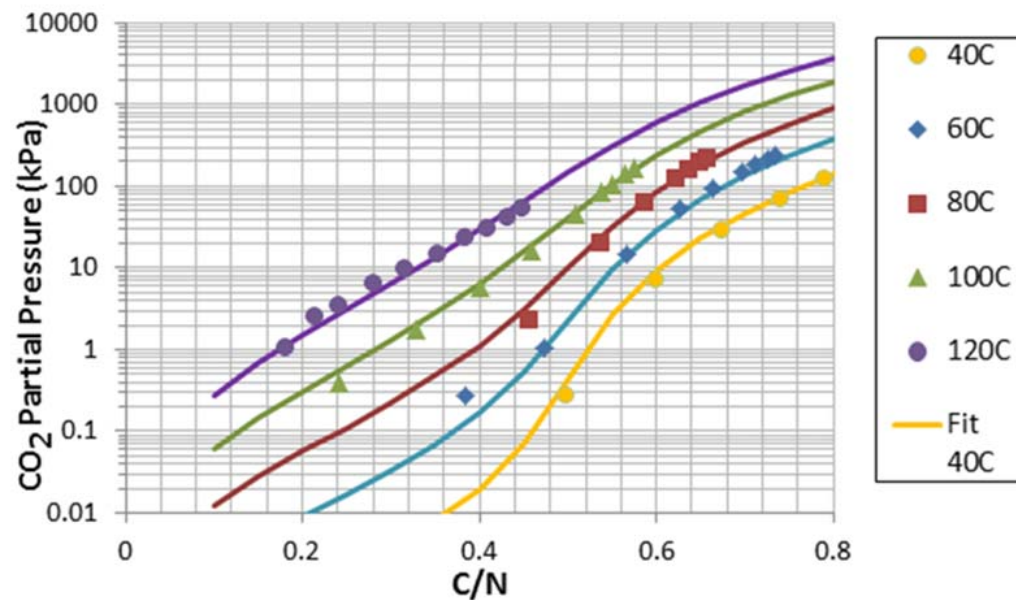
- Process Overview
- Knowledge Gained from 0.7MWe
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 - Status Update
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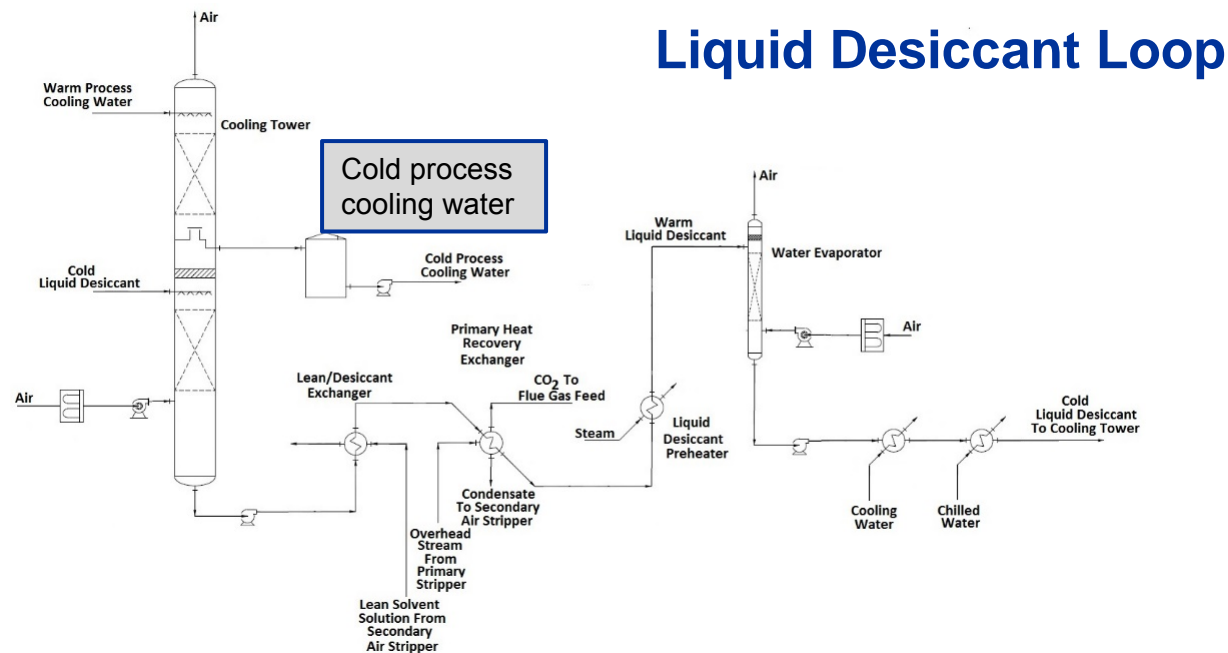
- Utilization of low grade heat via internal heat pump
 - Secondary stripper
 - Liquid desiccant for cooling tower
- Near-zero makeup water for amine loop
- Knowledge gained from small-pilot
 - Secondary air flowrate
 - Packing heights
- Potential utilization aspect





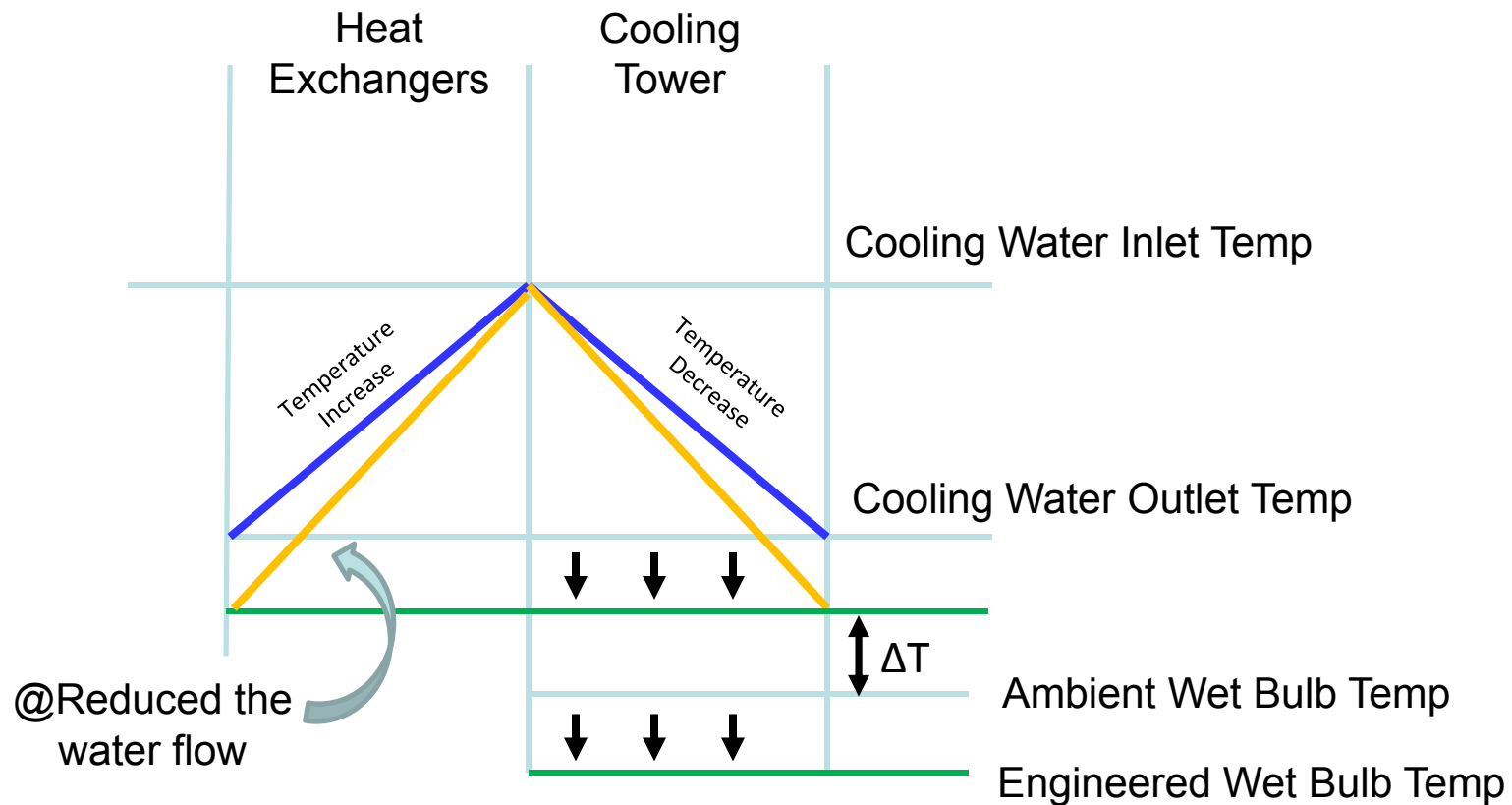
- Non-linear chemical absorption - desorption relationship between carbon loading and CO₂ partial pressure



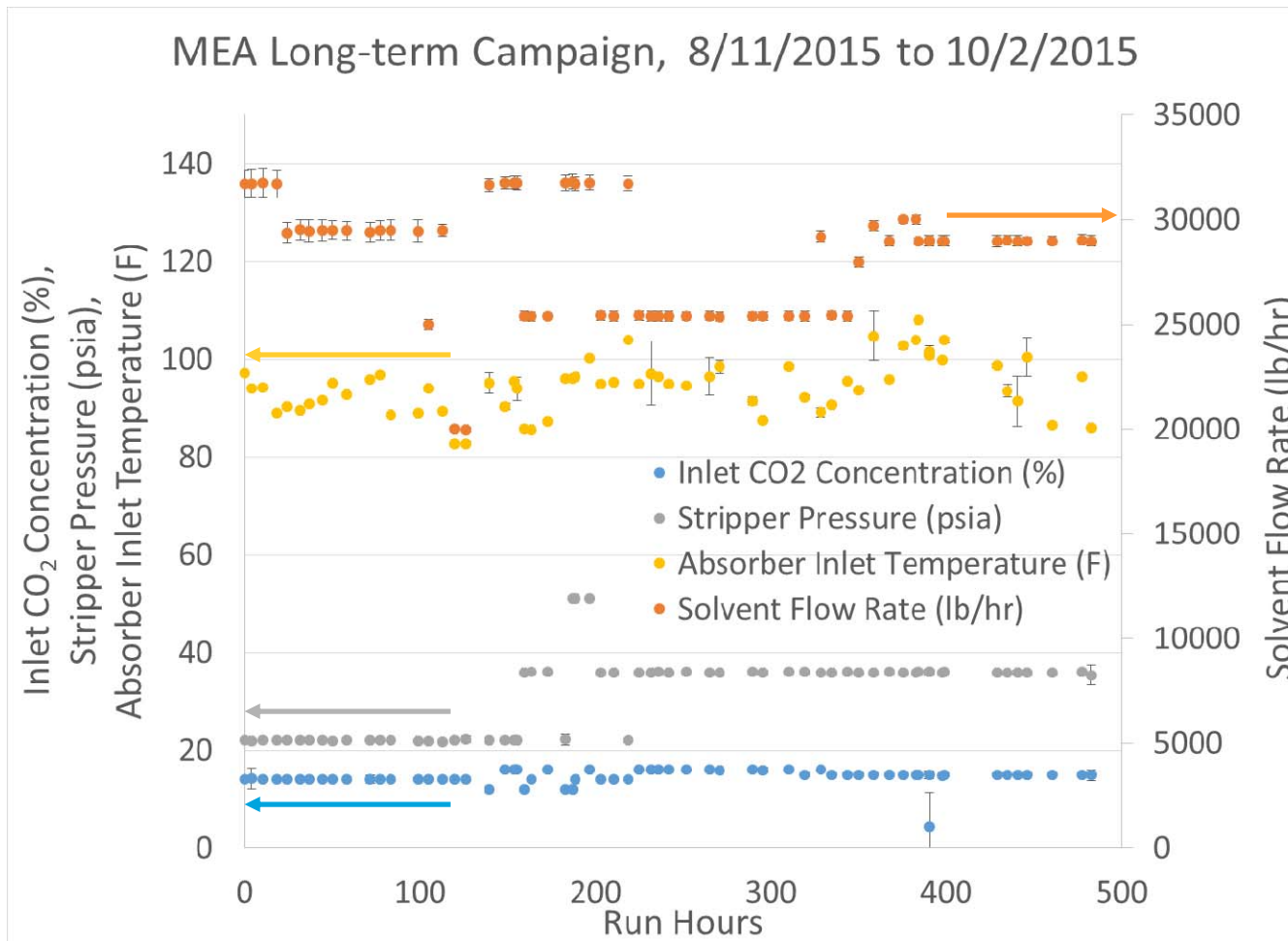


- Non-linear relationship between relative humidity for wet air and the wet-bulb temperature
- Provide warm, water-saturated air to the secondary air stripper and provide cooling water to the system.

The Working Principle for Cooling Tower

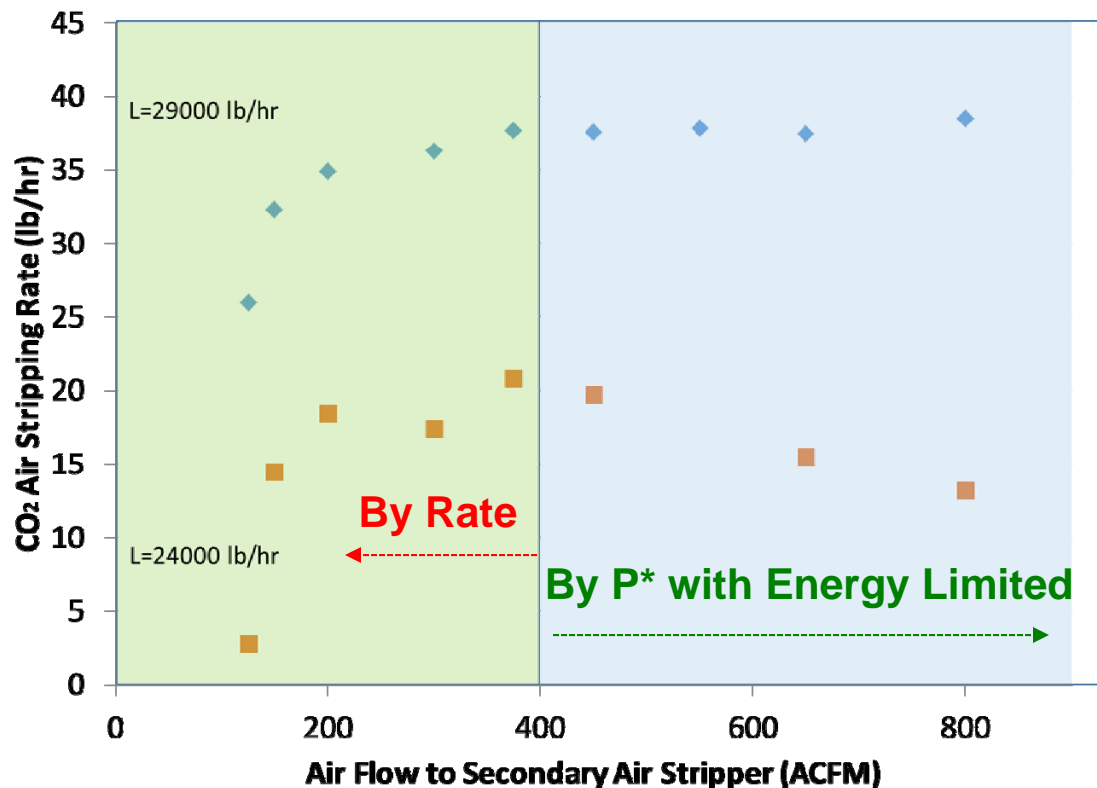


≥ 90% capture consistently obtained



MEA Long-term Campaign	
Date	CO ₂ Capture (%)
8/11/2015	90-92
8/12/2015	91
8/13/2015	92-93
8/14/2015	92-94
8/17/2015	92
8/18/2015	90-91
8/20/2015	91
8/24/2015	95
9/2/2015	92-94
9/3/2015	92
9/4/2015	90
9/8/2015	92
9/9/2015	91
9/10/2015	93
9/23/2015	93
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9/26/2015	90
9/28/2015	85-87
9/29/2015	86
9/30/2015	90-94

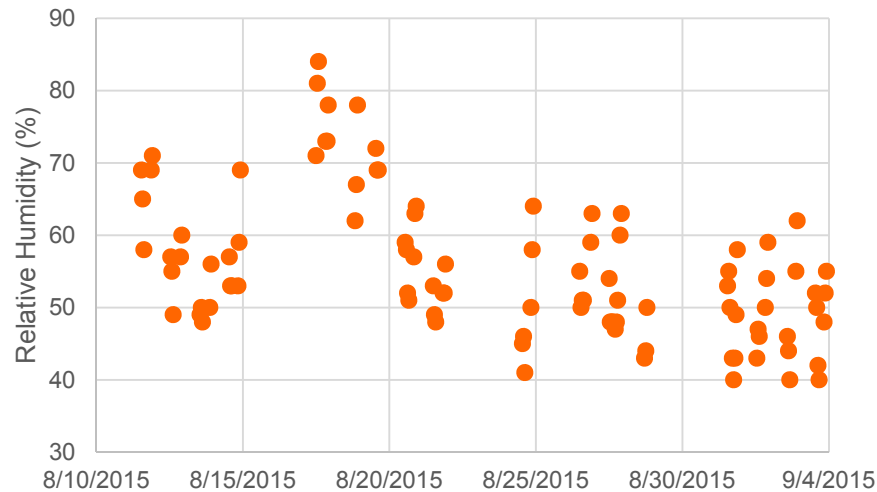
- Given:
 - Flue Gas: 1400 acfm
 - CO₂: 16.0%
 - Stripper pressure: 36 psia
 - Solvent feed to air stripper temp: 195 F
 - Alkalinity = 3.26 mol/kg



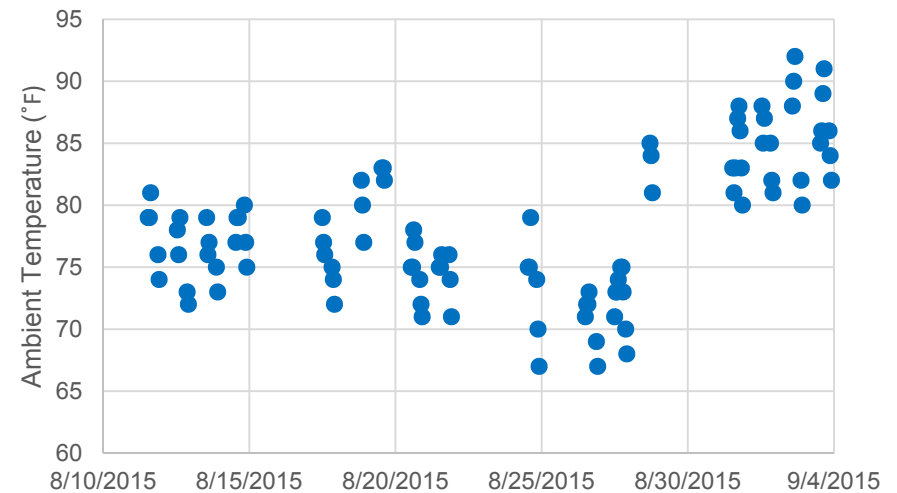
- Stripping does not increase in a linear fashion with increased air flow but is limited by the equilibrium vapor pressure of CO₂ in the air stripper.
- Beyond 400 acfm, stripping can be increased with additional heat input

Cooling Tower Long-term Operations Data

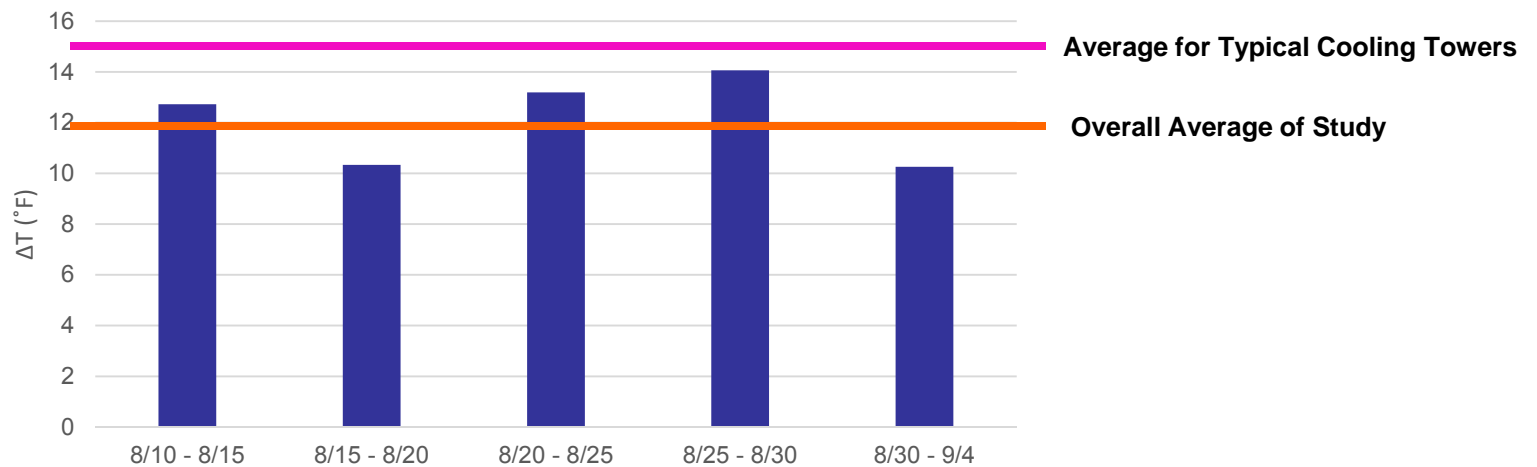
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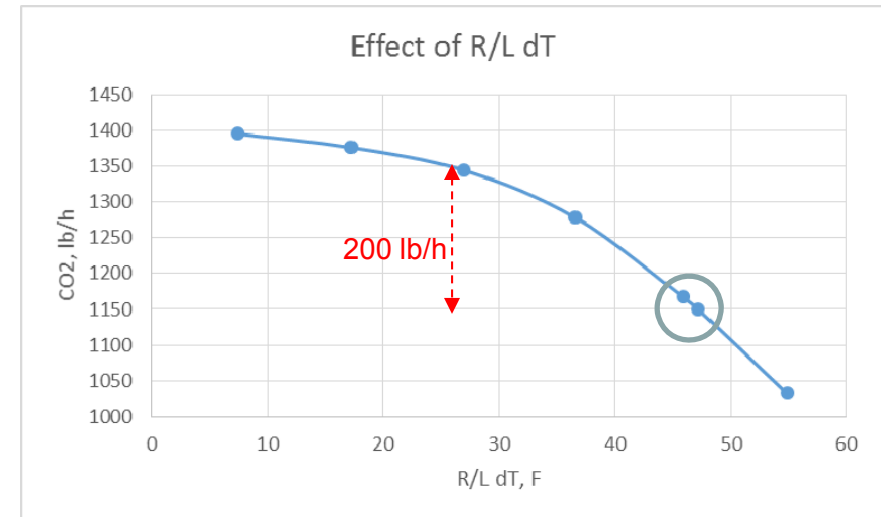
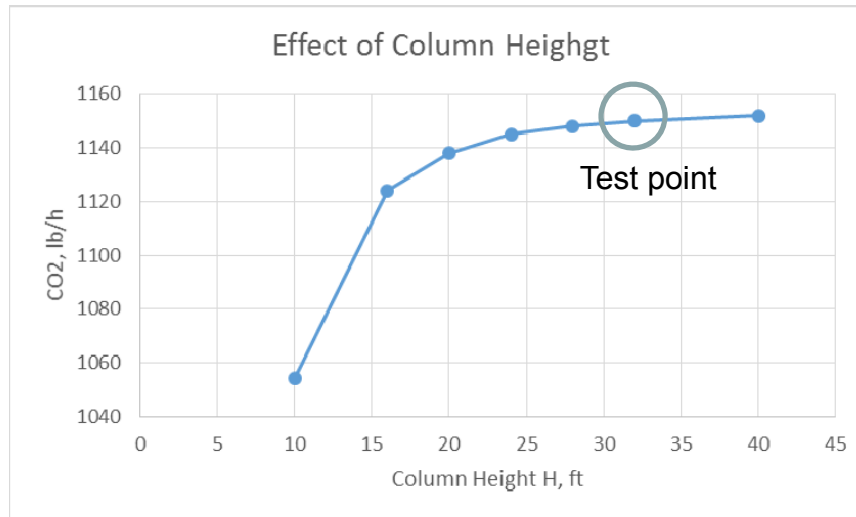
Ambient Temperature



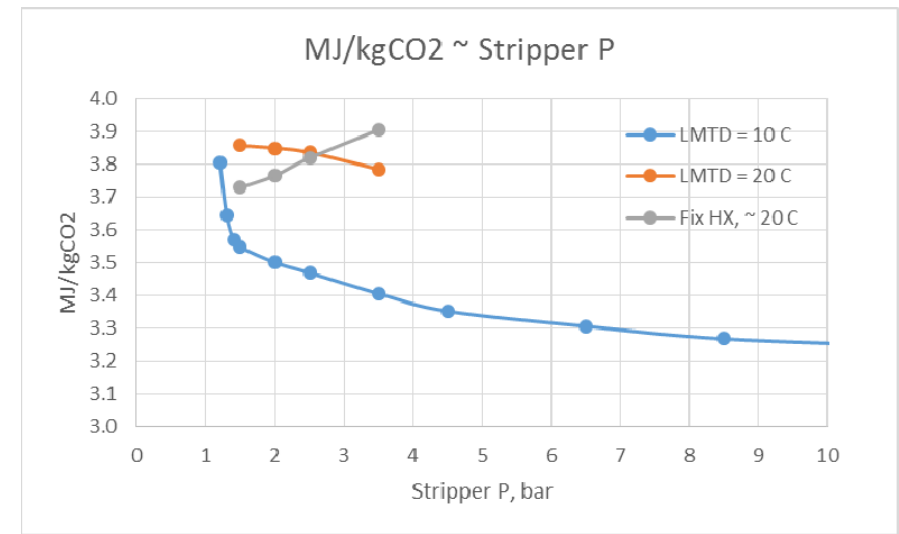
Average ΔT On Weekly Basis



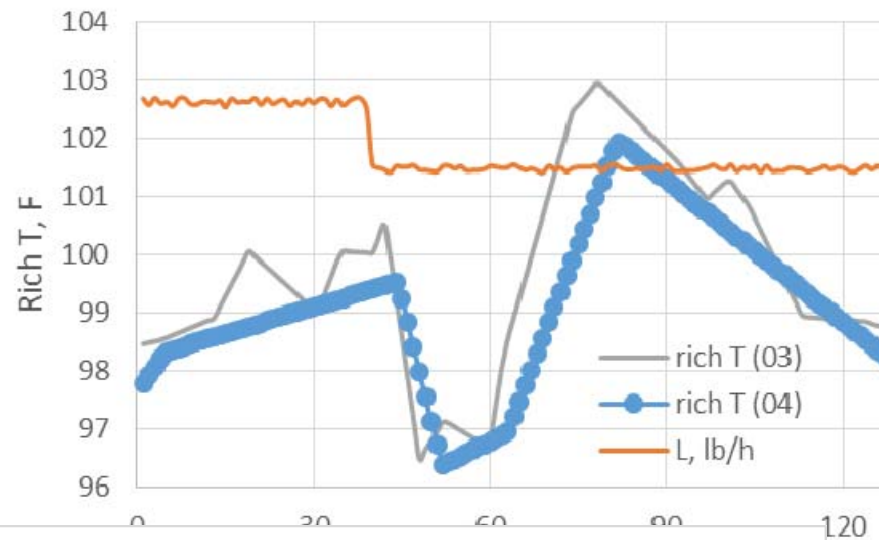
The Trade-off between Packing and EHx on Specific Energy



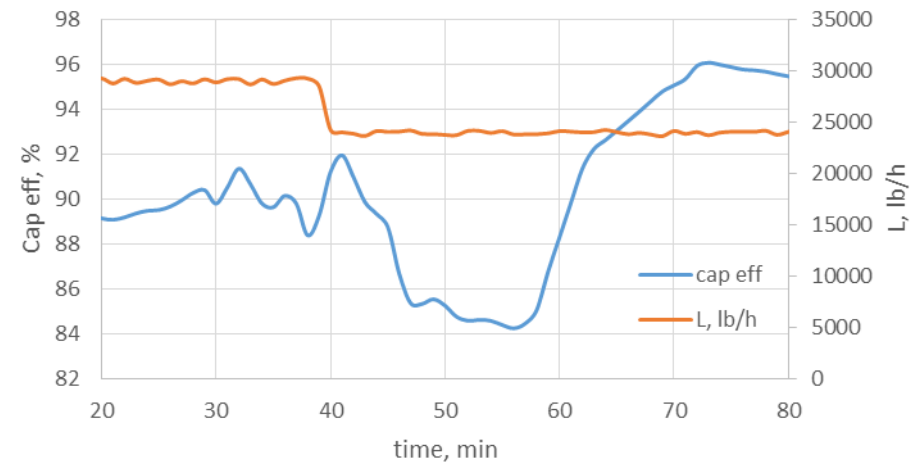
- Stripper column height
 - Gain from column height, but flattens out
 - Primary stripper is just near the turn point of flattening out
 - Again a trade-off between CAPEX and OPEX
- R/L HX
 - Gain from low R/L dT, but flattens out
 - Slipstream R/L HX seems significantly undersized (at least needs to be doubled)



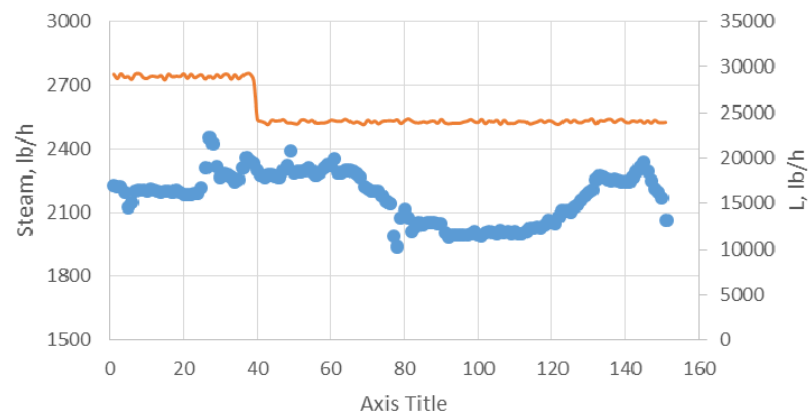
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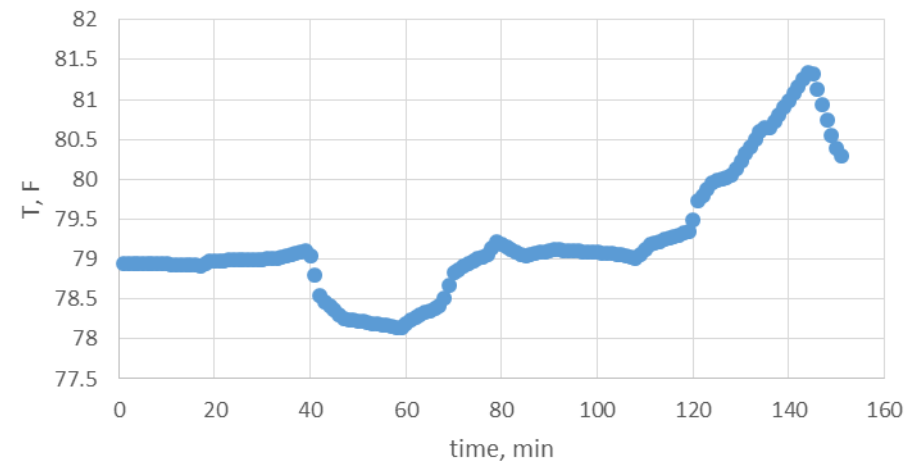
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Steam to Reb

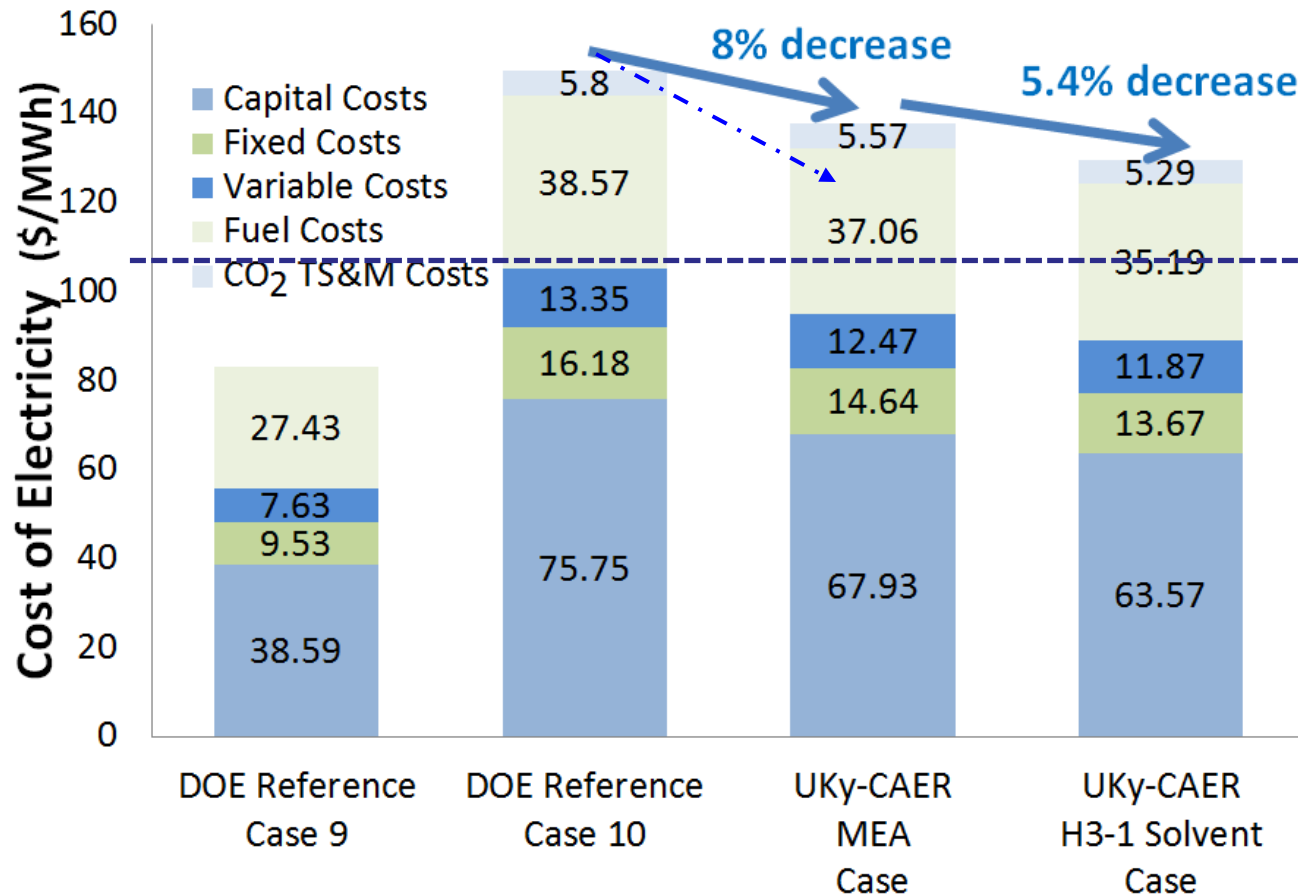


Hot water



- Absorber is rate-limited
- Stripper (primary and secondary) is equilibrium controlled
- In the view of energy penalty, the L/R heat exchanger plays a significant role for energy saving compared to absorber packing height for richer carbon loading
- Process control is challenge if 90% of capture is the only target
- CAER technology is approved at 0.7MWe scale.

Expected Cost Analysis

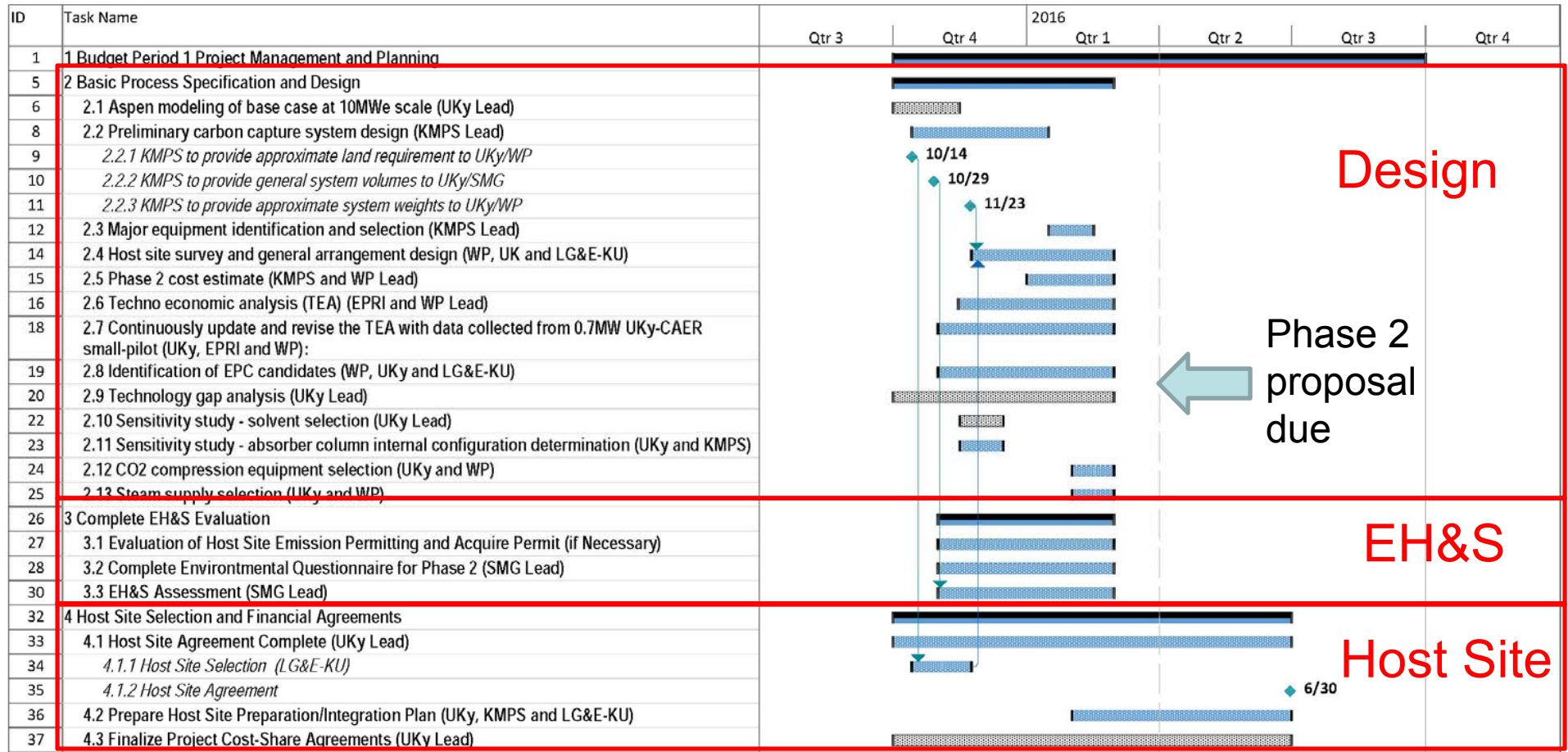


The capital cost will be reduced due to less HETP verified by both experimental and simulation methods



- Sit on 2,200 acres
- TC 2 was on-line 2011
- 760MWe Super Critical
 - 42- 44% HHV
 - Wall-fired, Hitachi Power
 - SCR
 - FGD
 - ESP
 - Bag House for Hg
 - Lime Injection
 - WESP

Anticipated Large Pilot
10MWe CCS Location



- **Phase 1 Project Funding:** \$1,249,786 in total
 - \$999,070 from DOE NETL
 - \$250,716 cost share from the team
- **Phase 1 Period of Performance:**
 - October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016

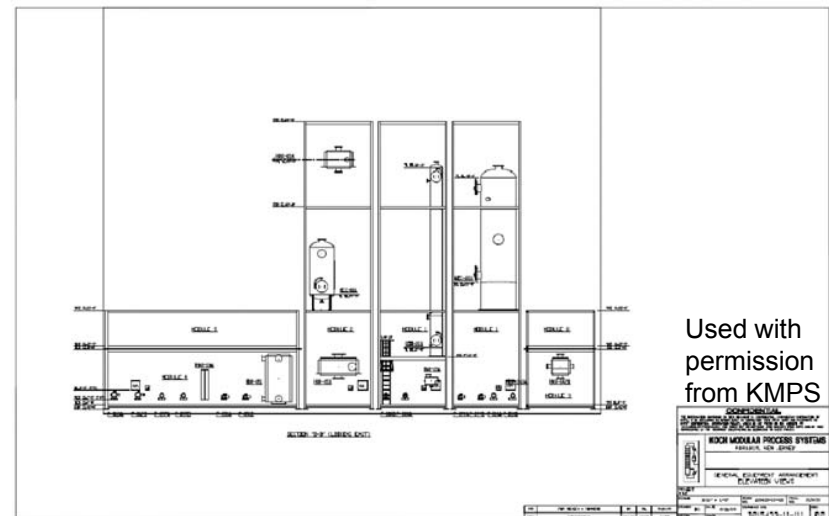
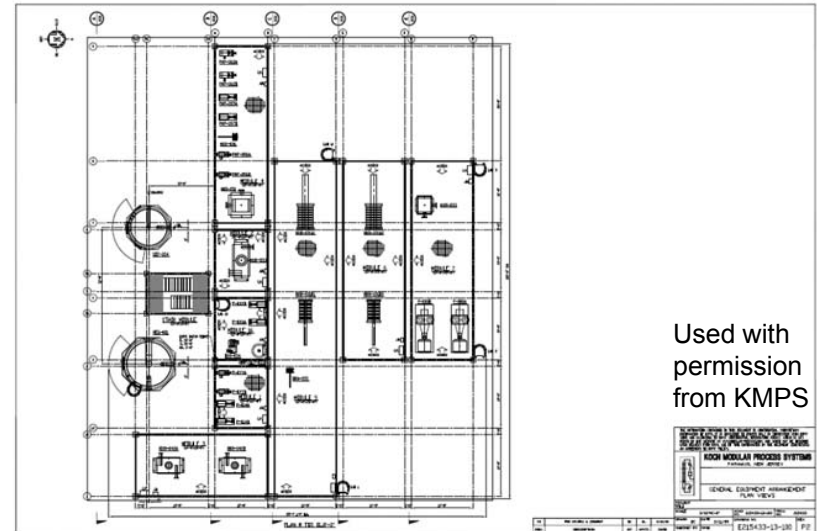
Phase 1. Resource Loaded Schedule				
Task	Task Name	Start	Finish	Task Cost
1	Project Management and Planning	10/1/2015	9/30/2016	\$242,047
2	Basic Process Specification and Design	10/1/2015	3/31/2016	\$696,709
3	Complete EH&S Evaluation - Phase 2	10/1/2015	3/31/2016	\$152,551
4	Host Site Selection and Financial Agreements	10/1/2015	6/30/2016	\$158,479

Project Deliverables

Row	Task	Deliverable by Project Task	Due Date
1	Task 1	Updated Project Management Plan	3/31/16
2		Phase 1 Topical Report and Phase 2 Budget	3/31/16
3	Task 2	Phase 1 Technology Engineering Design and Economic Analysis	3/31/16
4		Major Equipment List	3/31/16
5		Phase 1 Technology Gap Analysis	3/31/16
6		Phase 1 System Analysis Process Models	3/31/16
7	Task 3	EH&S Report	3/31/16
8		NEPA Update	3/31/16
9		Environmental Questionnaire for Phase 2	3/31/16
10	Task 4	Host Site Agreement	6/30/16
11		Financial Agreements	6/30/16

Highlighted Subtasks and Accomplishments

- Preliminary System Design (KMPS)
- Host Site Survey and General Arrangement Design (WP, LG&E-KU, UKRF)
 - KMPS provided first GA estimate of 0.75 acres. Final estimate to be provided by February
 - KMPS to provide first estimate of system weights and sized equipment by end of November and final estimate by February.
- Phase 2 Cost Estimate (KMPS, WP)
- Update and Revise TEA with data from 0.7MWe small pilot (EPRI, UKRF)
- Identification of EPC
- CO₂ Compression Equipment Selection (WP) if allowed
 - Specification on CO₂ for EOR received.



- All potential air and water emissions as well as solid wastes produced
- Waste stream characterization and emissions from Slipstream (0.7MWe)
- Include by-products and degradation products
- Compliance and regulatory implications of proposed technology
- Engineering analysis to eliminate or minimize potentially hazardous material
- Safe handling (PPE) and spill prevention/containment
- Safe storage (including incompatibilities) and accidental release measures
- Update on Phase 2 EH&S Assessment
 - KMPS to provide sized equipment estimate by end of November.
 - Final sizes by February



Accomplishments

- Updated PMP, October 28th
- All Phase 1 contracts executed, October 1st
- Kick-off Meeting with all team members, October 14th
- Detailed Schedule and interim Milestones coordinated (Engineering design and reports)
- KMPS, WP, and SMG work underway
- On-going discussion with UK administration on how to execute the project if Phase II is granted
- Detailed plan for Phase 2 Proposal Submission by 3/31/16
- Briefs and Reports (due 3/31/16)
 - TEA
 - Technology Gap Assessment
 - EH&S Report and Environmental Questionnaire
 - Topical Report on Pilot Plant and Proposal for Phase 2

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