



# Advanced Coal Power Systems Competing in Multiple Market Scenarios

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## Overview

#### OBJECTIVE

- How can R&D help maintain a <u>balanced energy supply</u> for our nation's energy and economic security through use of its abundant domestic coal resources?
- Determine cost and performance requirements for new coal power plants to deploy in the 2030-2035 timeframe
  - With and without CO<sub>2</sub> utilization for enhanced oil recovery

#### METHODOLOGY

- DOE/EIA's National Energy Modeling System (NEMS) Annual Energy Outlook (AEO) 2011 used to examine competitiveness of new power generation capacity under different scenarios
- NEMS competes the full array of power generation options, including coal, NGCC, nuclear and renewables
- Deployment largely driven by levelized cost of electricity (LCOE)



## Advanced Coal Power Systems

with and without CO<sub>2</sub> capture

Advanced IGCC *Integrated* Today's Advanced Pre-Gasification IGCC combustion Fuel Cells **Capture** (IGFC) 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation State-of-the-Art **Transformational** Today's Advanced Ultra-Supercritical

PC

supercritical (AUSC) PC

**Advanced Post-combustion Capture** 

**AUSC Oxycombustion** 



## Market Uncertainties Impacting Competiveness of Coal Power Systems

- Natural gas (NG) prices
- Macroeconomic growth and its impact on electricity demand
- Cost and performance of competing baseload technologies
- Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) CO<sub>2</sub> prices and opportunities
- Regulations limiting emissions for coal plants
- Regulation-based cost for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (i.e. CO<sub>2</sub> tax)



## **AEO 2011 Scenarios Evaluated**

CO <sub>2</sub> -EOR Revenues Available	No	Yes
Reference	X	Χ
Low Shale Gas Recovery (i.e. high NG prices)	X	Χ
High Shale Gas Recovery (i.e. low NG prices)	X	X
High Macro-economic Growth (i.e. high electricity demand)	X	X

- Reference Case: Baseline economic growth (2.7 percent per year from 2009 through 2035), world oil price, and technology assumptions
- Low Shale EUR: Estimated Ultimate Recovery (EUR) per shale gas well is assumed to be 50 percent lower than in Reference case
- **High Shale EUR:** EUR per shale gas well is assumed to be 50 percent higher than in Reference case
- **High Macroeconomic Growth**: Real GDP grows at an average annual rate of 3.2 percent from 2009 to 2035; other energy market assumptions are the same as in the Reference case
- In all scenarios without GHG regulations, EIA applies a 3 %-pt increase in the cost of capital for GHG intensive technologies without CCUS (including coal)



## **Key Findings**

### Market Competiveness of Coal Power Systems in 2030

	No CO₂ Capture		With CO <sub>2</sub> Capture			
Generation	No R&D	2 <sup>nd</sup> Gen	Transf.	No R&D	2 <sup>nd</sup> Gen	Transf.
Higher NG Prices		Competitive		Competitive with CO <sub>2</sub> sales		CO <sub>2</sub> sales may not
Greater Electricity Demand				Higher CO <sub>2</sub> sales price		be required
Reference AEO 2011 Case					Higher CO <sub>2</sub> sales price	With CO <sub>2</sub>
Lower NG Prices	Not com	mpetitive Possible		Not competitive		sales



## **ADVANCED POWER SYSTEMS**



## 2<sup>nd</sup>-Gen Technology Pathways

#### Advanced USC PC Pathway

- Advanced ultra-supercritical steam conditions (5000 psig/1350F/1400F)
- Advanced post-combustion capture such as CO<sub>2</sub> separation membranes or CO<sub>2</sub> sorbents
- Advanced CO<sub>2</sub> compression

#### Oxycombustion PC Pathway

- Advanced ultra-supercritical steam conditions
- Compact oxy-fuel boiler
- Advanced oxygen separation
- Advanced CO<sub>2</sub> compression
- Co-sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub>/SO<sub>2</sub>

#### Advanced IGCC Pathway

- Advanced hydrogen or syngas turbine (>2600F TIT)
- Warm gas clean up
- Advanced H<sub>2</sub>-CO<sub>2</sub> separation (i.e. high temperature hydrogen membrane)
- Ion transport membrane for oxygen separation
- Dry coal feed pump



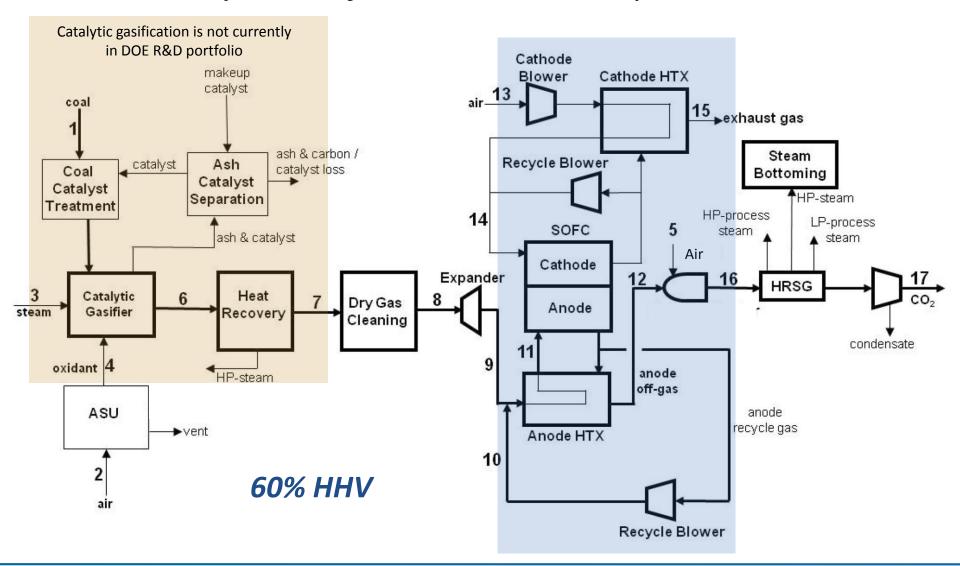
## **IGFC Pathway**

Parameter	Base	Improved
SOFC Degradation (%/1000 hrs)	1.5	0.2
Cell Overpotential (mv)	140	70
Gasifier CH <sub>4</sub> (conventional)	5.9%	10.2%
Gasifier CH <sub>4</sub> (catalytic)	30%	NA
SOFC Stack Cost (Atm.) (\$/kW)	296	268
SOFC Stack Cost (Pressure) (\$/kW)	442	414
Inverter Efficiency	97%	98%



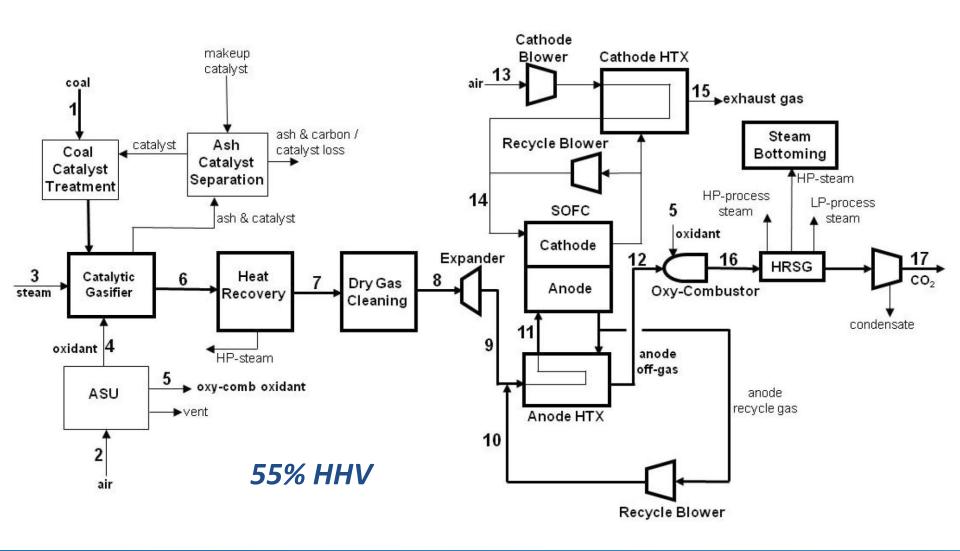
### **IGFC**

#### Catalytic Gasification and Atmospheric SOFC



## IGFC with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

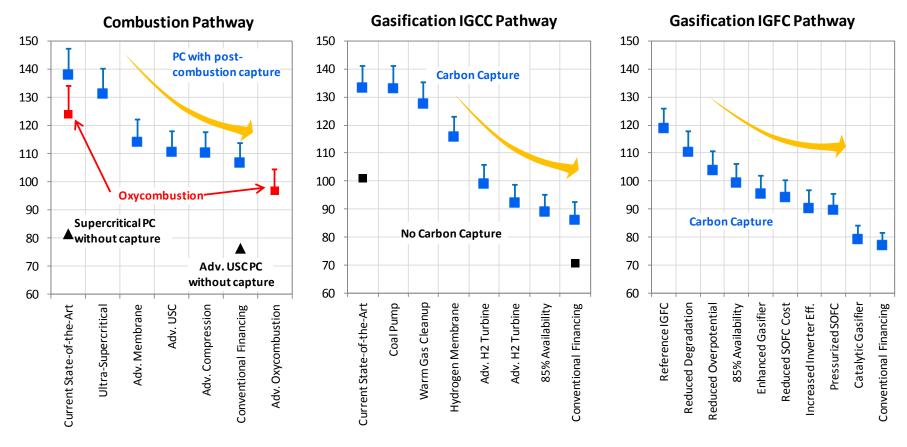
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## Fossil Energy R&D Program

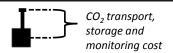
#### Driving Down the Cost of Electricity for Coal Power with Capture

#### First-year cost of electricity (\$/MWh)



Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC), Integrated Gasification Fuel Cell (IGFC), Pulverized Coal (PC)

COE is reported in June 2011 dollars on a first-year (non-levelized) basis, and is assumed to escalate at a nominal annual rate of 3%.





## **MARKET ASSESSMENT IN 2030**



### Forecasted Gas Price is Key Variable Across Scenarios

#### Coal Price is Stable Across Scenarios

Low Shale High Macro

ReferenceHigh Shale

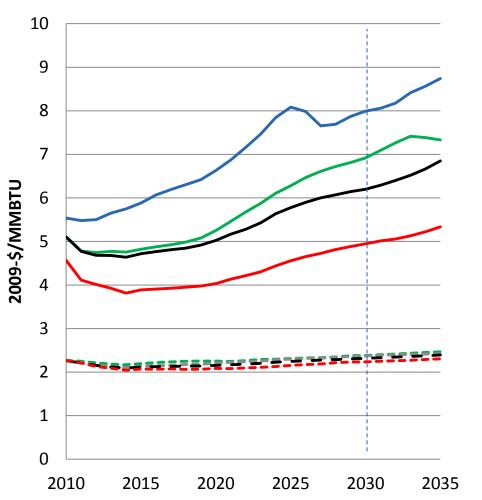
Low Shale Coal

--- High Macro Coal

--- High Shale Coal

- Reference - Coal

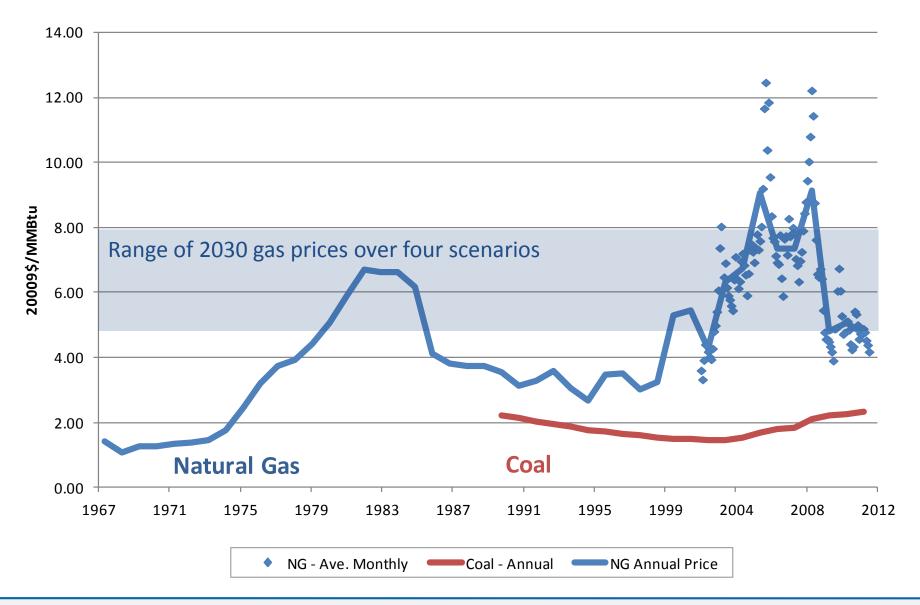
#### **AEO 2011 Fossil Fuel Prices - Electricity Sector**



2030 Delivered Fuel Prices (2009 \$/MMBtu)			
	Gas	Coal	Delta
High Shale	4.95	2.23	2.7
Reference	6.20	2.31	3.9
High Macro	6.92	2.37	4.6
Low Shale	7.99	2.38	5.6

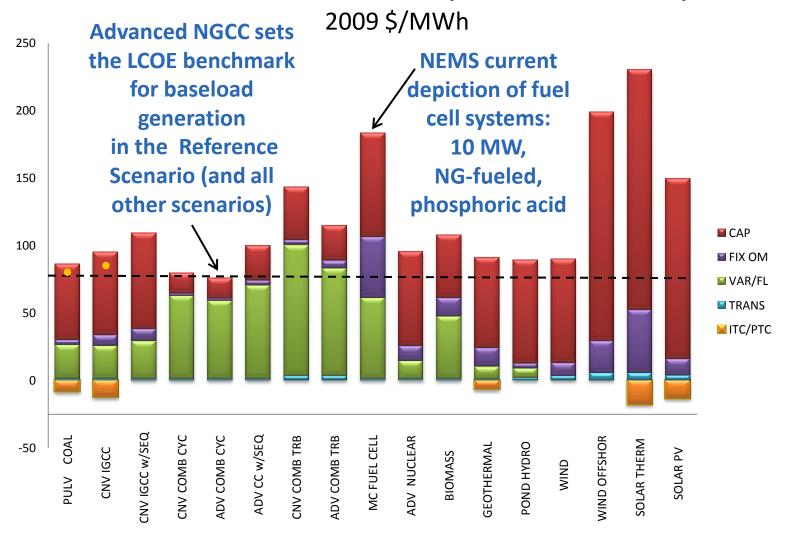


#### Delivered Fuel Costs to U.S. Electric Utilities





## LCOE's of New Power Generation Options in 2030 Reference Scenario (No Coal R&D)

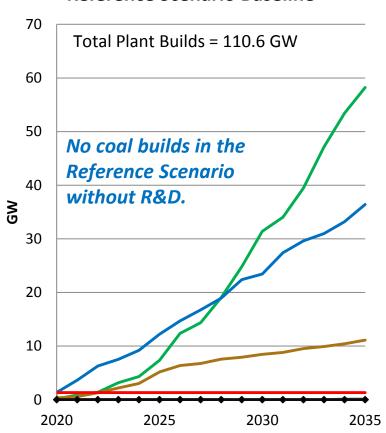


Advanced NGCC: 400 MW-net H-Class, 53% HHV

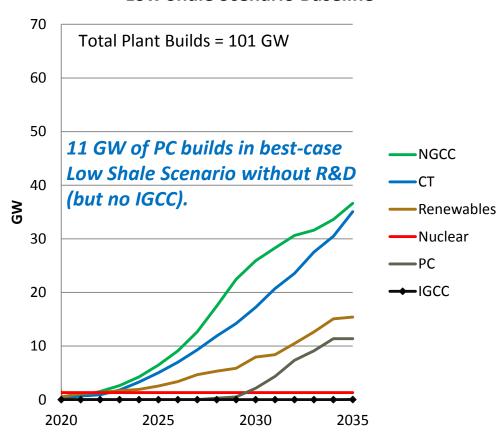


## Little or No New Coal Capacity is Deployed In Scenarios without Coal R&D

#### New Plant Builds by Technology Reference Scenario Baseline



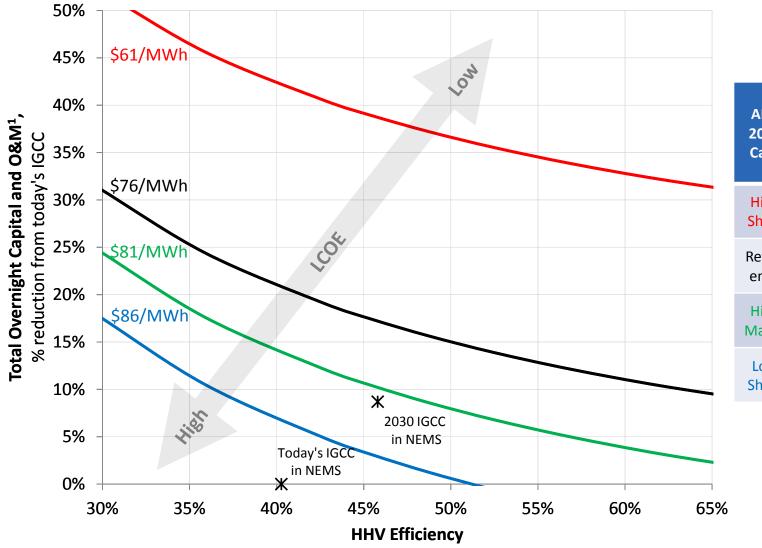
#### New Plant Builds by Technology Low Shale Scenario Baseline





### Competitiveness of Non-Capture Coal Plants in 2030

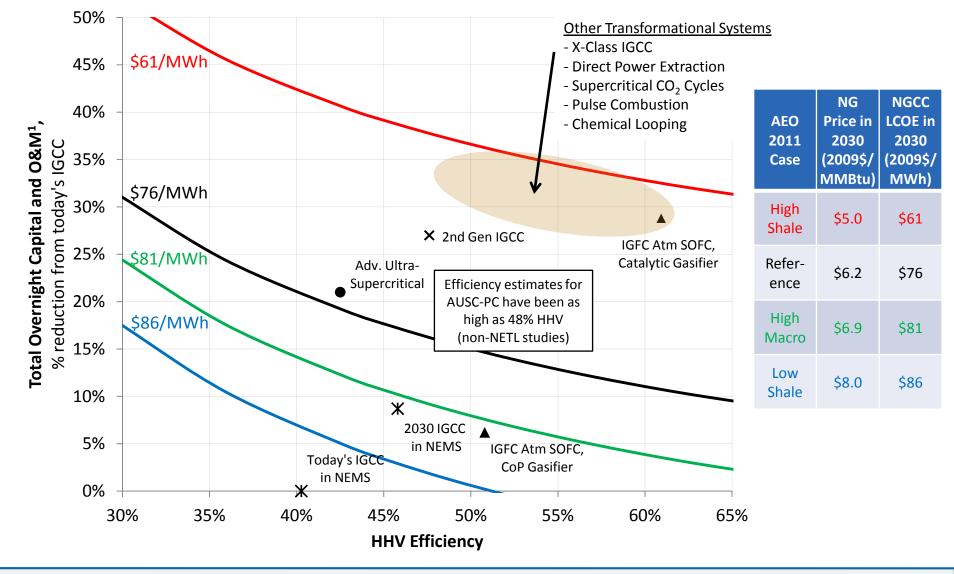
Impact of Improvements in Capital Cost and/or Efficiency



AEO 2011 Case	NG Price in 2030 (2009\$/ MMBtu)	NGCC LCOE in 2030 (2009\$/ MWh)
High Shale	\$5.0	\$61
Refer- ence	\$6.2	\$76
High Macro	\$6.9	\$81
Low Shale	\$8.0	\$86

### How R&D Can Enable Coal Plants to Compete in 2030

#### Improvements in Capital Cost and/or Efficiency



## Preliminary Deployment Assessment of Non-Capture Advanced Coal (with R&D) in NEMS

- Baseline IGCC parameters in NEMS replaced with select advanced coal cases
  - 2020-2030 transition period with advanced system cost and performance fully met in 2030
- Transformational Coal (i.e. IGFC with Catalytic Gasification)
  - >10 GW deployment 2020-2035 in AEO 2011 Reference case
    - Compare to no deployment without R&D
  - >25 GW deployment 2020-2035 in Low Shale case (i.e. high NG price)
    - Compare to 11 GW without R&D
  - Target cost and performance not likely fully in place in 2030 timeframe (i.e. 2030 readiness requires completion of R&D, commercial demonstration, and initial deployments, and plants built and ready to produce power)



## CO<sub>2</sub> CAPTURE, UTILIZATION AND STORAGE (CCUS)



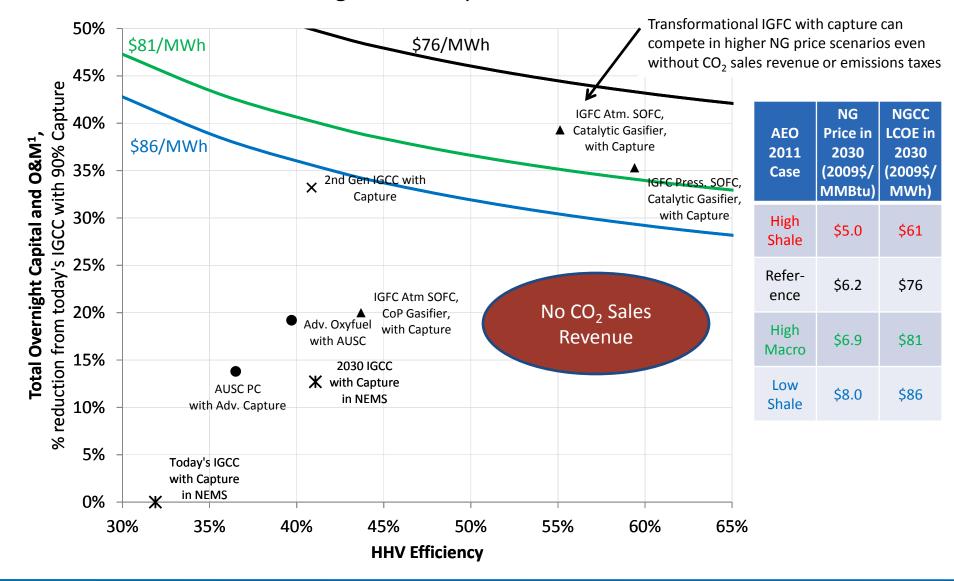
## Incentivizing CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

- Most coal-based power systems would require some level of CO<sub>2</sub> capture to meet 1,000 lb CO<sub>2</sub>/MWh-gross
  - IGFC with atmospheric SOFC and catalytic gasification comes closest with ~1,020 lb CO<sub>2</sub>/MWh-gross
  - Adding capture to coal systems further hampers competiveness
- For advanced coal with capture, objective shifts to assess competitiveness if CO<sub>2</sub> can be sold for EOR
  - Utilization of CO<sub>2</sub> for EOR provides market incentive for coal with CCUS and will speed deployment
- LCOEs of capture systems adjusted to include CO<sub>2</sub> plant gate sales price
  - NEMS currently has limited functionality to sell CO<sub>2</sub> for use in EOR
  - NETL CO<sub>2</sub> Transport, Utilization and Storage (CTUS) model integration into NEMS in final stages of development
- NGCC continues to set LCOE benchmark in 2030
  - NGCC with CCUS not incentivized until CO<sub>2</sub> plant gate sales prices reach ~\$70/tonne



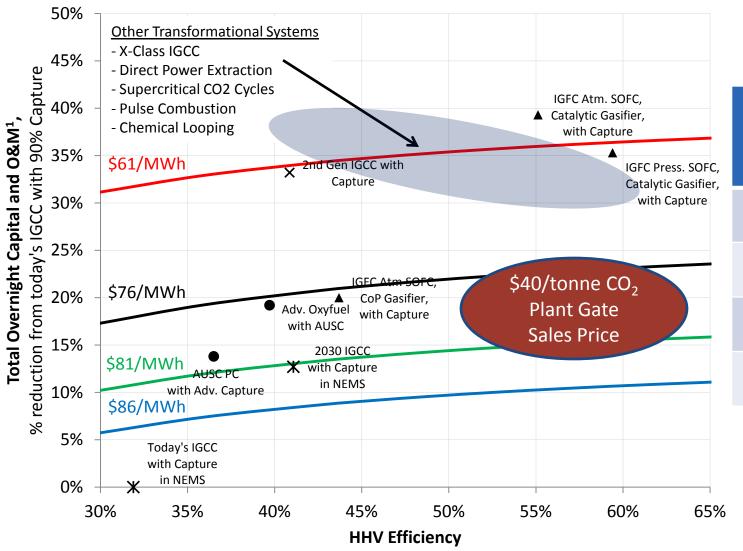
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#### Adding Carbon Capture to Coal Plants



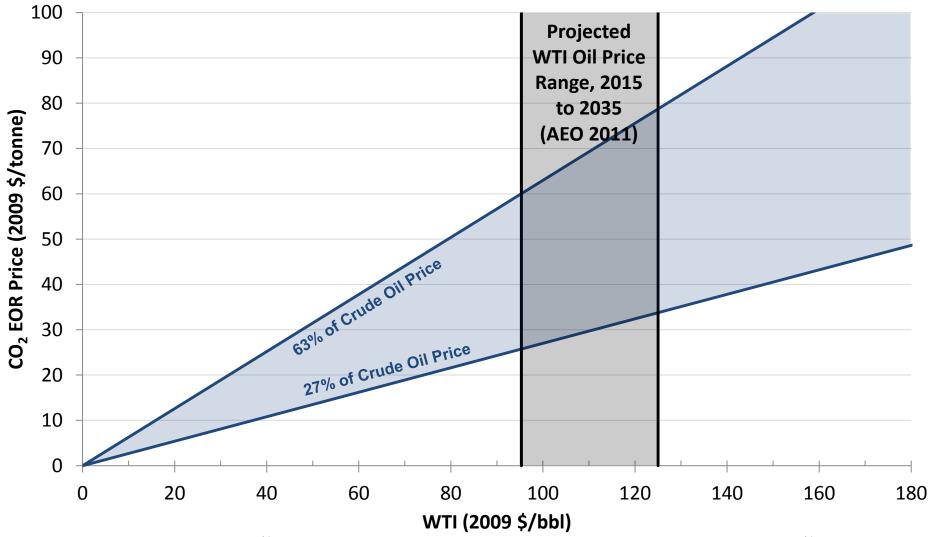
#### Competitiveness of Coal Plants with CCUS in 2030

#### Impact of CO<sub>2</sub> Plant Gate Sales



NG Price in 2030 (2009\$/ MMBtu)	NGCC LCOE in 2030 (2009\$/ MWh)
\$5.0	\$61
\$6.2	\$76
\$6.9	\$81
\$8.0	\$86
	Price in 2030 (2009\$/MMBtu) \$5.0 \$6.2

## Future Oil Prices May Support CO<sub>2</sub> Prices for EOR that are Equal to or Above CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Costs



From 2008 to 2011, the market price of CO<sub>2</sub> (expressed in \$/MCF) for EOR, quoted at the Denver City, TX "hub", varied between 1.4% and 3.3% of the WTI Crude oil price (expressed in \$/bbl). Restating this correlation, the market price of CO<sub>2</sub> (expressed in \$ per metric tonne) would be 27% to 63% of the crude oil price (\$/bbl). Source: Chaparral Energy "US CO<sub>2</sub> & CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Developments" Panel Discussion at CO<sub>2</sub> Carbon Management Workshop December 06, 2011



## **Primary Findings**

- Advanced NGCC (H-class; 53% HHV) sets the LCOE benchmark for deployment in all scenarios
  - More advanced turbines could be available by 2030 (J-class and beyond) that enable HHV efficiencies of 56-59% for NGCC
- Scenarios without Coal R&D
  - Little or no new coal capacity is added under any scenario except with the highest natural gas price
    - At high natural gas price, 11 GW is deployed from 2020 to 2035 (~10% of all new capacity)
  - CO<sub>2</sub> plant gate sales price of >\$50/tonne would be required in 2030 for NEMS coal with CCUS to deploy in Reference case



## **Primary Findings**

- Scenarios with Coal R&D
  - "2<sup>nd</sup>-Gen" <u>non-capture</u> coal systems can compete in all scenarios but lowest natural gas price case
  - "Transformational" <u>non-capture</u> coal systems add potential to compete in scenario with the lowest natural gas price
  - "2<sup>nd</sup>-Gen" coal systems with CO<sub>2</sub> capture can compete in most scenarios with CO<sub>2</sub> plant gate sales prices of \$20-50/tonne
    - \$20-50/tonne within range of historical CO<sub>2</sub>:crude oil price ratio
  - "Transformational" coal systems with CO<sub>2</sub> capture:
    - Compete in the higher natural gas price cases even without CO<sub>2</sub> sales
    - Compete in the lower natural gas price cases with  $CO_2$  plant gate sales prices of \$10-\$40/tonne



## Conclusions

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gen technologies competitive in all but lowest natural gas price scenario
  - For capture systems, CO<sub>2</sub> sales revenue provides a key market incentive
- Transformational R&D provides promising prospect and is a key next step for future competitiveness of coal-based power
  - Competes in nearly all scenarios
  - High risk-high reward
  - Longer development time period



#### Future Work & Additional Considerations

- Examine deployment (i.e. total GWs built) for 2<sup>nd</sup> Gen and Transformational coal power systems
  - Detailed modeling of Enhanced Oil Recovery as a revenue source with new NETL CTUS model
- Assess impact of CO<sub>2</sub> tax
  - Expand beyond CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR opportunities
  - Transformational coal plants with capture competitive at lower natural gas prices
- Consider coal program technology impacts on advancement of natural gas-fueled systems
  - Advanced turbines
  - SOFC



## Questions?

