Overview of ARPA-E in CCS

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Evolution of ARPA-E



ARPA-E Mission

To enhance the economic and energy security of the U.S.

To ensure U.S. technological lead in developing and deploying advanced energy technologies



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ARPA-E Mission

Reduce Energy-Related Emissions

Reduce Energy Imports Improve Energy Efficiency

Advanced Transformative Technologies



Creating New Learning Curves



ARPA-E is currently running four FOAs - three focused and one broad

Methane Opportunities for Vehicular Energy (MOVE)



Advanced Management and Protection of Energystorage Devices (AMPED)



Open FOA



Energy Storage SBIR/STTR



MOVE Program Methane Opportunities for Vehicular Energy

Objectives

- 5-yr payback for light duty natural gas vehicles
- Conformable tanks with energy density = CNG
- Convenient, low-cost at-home refueling

Vehicle Storage + Home Refueling < \$2000



Program director: Dane Boysen Est. award date: Sep 2012 No. projects: 7-10 Investment: \$30M

Approach 1: Low pressure storage (< 500 psi)

Sorbent materials with energy density = CNG

Approach 2: High pressure storage (3,600 psi)

High strength, conformable tanks + low cost compression



12 Focused Programs

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Stationary Power



U.S. electricity generation projections



Worldwide electricity projections

World electricity generation (trillion kilowatt-hours)



Source: EIA International Energy Outlook (2011)

Capture is the largest cost



Adapted from Herzog, Meldon, Hatton, Clean Air Task Force (2009)

Two Approaches to Reduce Capture Costs

Advanced Materials



Innovative Processes



Texas A&M



High risk, high reward projects that can disruptively lower the energy needs & cost structure for capture



Where ARPA-E Fits in with CCS



Carbon capture projects from FOA-1 and IMPACCT: \$49.4M in funding

Funding by category



- Solvents
- Membranes

Sorbents

- Phase Change
- Chemical Looping







CO₂ capture process using phase-changing absorbents

Phase-changing materials; allow exploration of unconventional tradeoffs between OPEX and CAPEX. Preliminary economic assessments are promising. Me Me H₂N NH₂ Me Me process. Semi-Continuous Continuous Lockhopper Screw/Auger Conveyor CO_2 Atmospheric hopper Solids flow from hopper into screw Gas injection Pressurewhen upper, valve closed wing hopper Screw moves solids Highout of conveyor Solids exit with Pressure pressurizing gas Solids Transfer **GE Posimetric Pump** Piston Pump Solids enter at

Solids handling; team has overcome early limitations and has a unique desorption process.

atmospheric pressure

Housing

Solids

locked in

roto

Abutment

Solids discharged into pressure

Solid seal

forms in

outlet duct

Solids flow from hopper

into pump chamber

Solids pushed out

of pump chamber

Piston oscillates to allow

solids to flow into pump

chamber and push solids

out of pump chamber

High-Throughput (HT) Metal-Organic Framework (MOF) Discovery



HT sorption isotherms

- Before: <u>8 weeks</u> to measure 28 MOFs
- Now: only <u>1 day</u> to measure the same number
- Next step: Gen 2 system that measures 28 samples at a time with mixed gases

HT surface area measurements

- Correlate NMR relaxation times to surface area faster than BET
- Robotic instrumentation used with single-sided NMR



Cryogenic Carbon Capture

De-sublimation; CO_2 from flue gas is removed by a classical separation process. The SES team offers a creative approach with a unique value addition for energy storage.



Final targetintegrated unit operationscampaigns on real flue gas



Multi-stage contactor; flue gas is fractionated in a high surface-area staged configuration.

A 10,000 GPU Selective Membrane for CO₂





Robust Metal-Organic Frameworks (MOFs) and Porous Polymer Networks (PPNs)





PCN-200

- Chemically, thermally robust
- Selectivity > 200
- Simple, inexpensive synthesis

IMPACCT Summary

- \$49.4 M Federal Funding (all ARRA funding)
 - 17 projects in post-combustion capture (\$44.4 M)
 - 1 project in chemical looping demonstration at NCCC (\$5 M)
- 2-3 years of funding per project, average \$2.2M
 - Start at TRL 2-3 (lab scale)
 - Finish at TRL 4-6 and transition to NETL or commercial groups
 - Most projects finish between fall 2012 and fall 2013



Related Oral Presentations

Wednesday afternoon

- **Codexis** Directed evolution of carbonic anhydrase catalysts
- LLNL Catalytic Improvements of Solvent Capture Systems
- **ATK / ACENT Labs** Supersonic duct for solid CO₂ separation
- **RTI** Non-aqueous solvents
- ORNL / Georgia Tech Hollow-fiber ionic liquid sponges