

# Metrics for Screening CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Processes

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# Presentation Outline

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- NETL's Carbon Storage Program
- Introduction of the metrics
- Review of the case study technology
- Application of metrics to the case study technology
- Discussion of metrics interpretation and grouping

# NETL Carbon Storage Program

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- The Carbon Storage Program contains three key elements:
  - Infrastructure
  - Global Collaborations
  - Core Research and Development:
    - Monitoring, Verification and Accounting (MVA)
    - Geologic Storage
    - Simulation and Risk Assessment
    - CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization

# NETL Carbon Storage Program

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- This analysis supports the CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Focus Area of the DOE-NETL Carbon Storage Program for use in screening current and future utilization technologies:
  - Cement
  - Polycarbonate Plastics
  - Mineralization
  - Enhanced Hydrocarbon Recovery

# Screening Metrics

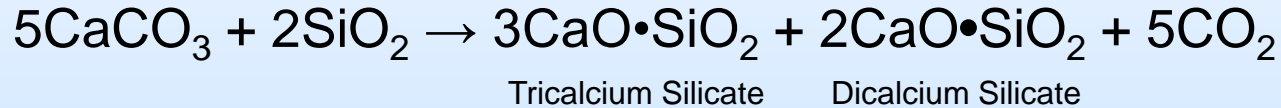
- Developed a set of 12 metrics for use in screening utilization technologies, grouped into 5 categories:
  - **Performance Metrics:**
    - CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Potential
    - CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Efficiency
    - CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Intensity
    - Energy Utilization
    - CO<sub>2</sub> Integration Reaction Rate

# Screening Metrics

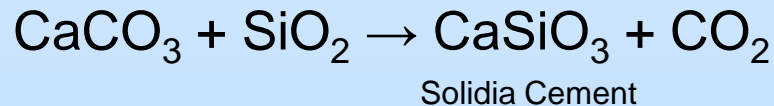
- **Cost Metrics:**
  - Cost per Ton CO<sub>2</sub> utilized
  - Product Marketability
  - Incremental Cost Reduction
- **Emissions Metrics:**
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Reduction
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Avoided Potential
- **Market Metric:**
  - Product Supply-Demand
- **Safety Metric:**
  - Relative Safety and Environmental Benefits

# Case Study: Solidia Technologies

- Technology in development targets (1) production of a Portland Cement substitute, and (2) utilization of CO<sub>2</sub> in carbonation chemistry as a binding phase
  - Traditional Portland Cement production:



- Solidia Cement production:



- Solidia Cement may also be mined as a naturally occurring mineral (Wollastonite)

# Case Study: Solidia Technologies

- Cement processing comparison:

	Traditional Portland Cement	Synthetic Solidia Cement
Cement Kiln Feed	80 Limestone/20 Shale + Clay	50 Limestone/50 Shale + Clay
Kiln Temperature (°C)	1,500	~ 1,200
Cement CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions (ton CO <sub>2</sub> /ton Cement)	1.2 <sup>1</sup>	0.0 (natural Wollastonite) 0.77 (synthetic SC)

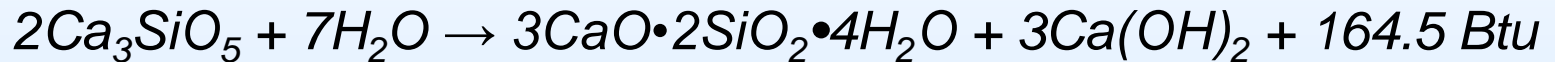
<sup>1</sup>Choate, William T. Energy and Emissions Reduction Opportunities for the Cement Industry. Columbia, MD : 2003.



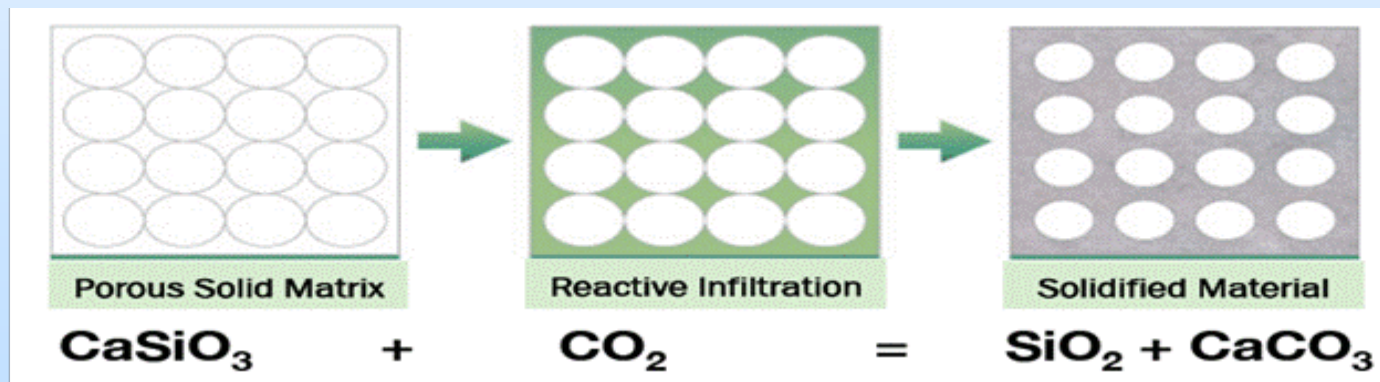
# Case Study: Solidia Technologies

- Utilization of CO<sub>2</sub> as a binding phase

- Activation step for traditional Portland Cement – Hydration



- Activation step for Solidia Cement – Low-Temperature Solidification (LTS)



*Solidia Cement*

*Solidia Concrete*

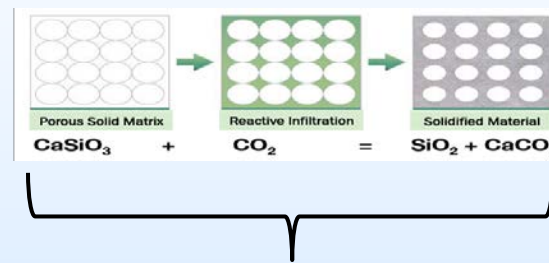
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# Case Study: Solidia Technologies

- Utilization of CO<sub>2</sub> as a binding phase (continued)
  - LTS reaction conditions:
    - Autoclave reaction vessel
    - Temperature: 90°C
    - Pressure: 20 psig
    - Reaction time: 19 hours
    - 65% carbonation – translates to 0.25 tons CO<sub>2</sub>/ ton cement (utilization)
    - Activation energy: 2.2 kcal/mol (7.87 Btu/mol)

# Case Study: Solidia Technologies

- Complete system stages:



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- Mixing, Molding, and Finishing stages mirror current concrete practice
- Dry and React stages total 22 hours

# Case Study: Solidia Technologies

- Current performance/ path forward:
  - Total cycle emissions:
    - $0.77$  (creation) –  $0.25$  (carbonation) =  $0.52$  tons CO<sub>2</sub>/ ton Solidia Concrete (net)
  - Mechanical strength properties compare/ exceed Portland Cement equivalent
  - Structural enhancements: increased thickness, rebar
  - Transition to ‘flue gas-like’ CO<sub>2</sub> source
  - Move towards optimized ambient LTS reaction conditions

# Calculation Basis

- **Reference case for CO<sub>2</sub> supply:**
  - Supercritical PC plant: 550 MW-net
  - Conventional amine capture technology
  - Available CO<sub>2</sub>: 4.5 M tons/year (85% on-stream factor)
    - Allows for CO<sub>2</sub> available at pressure; no required cost addition
  - Implicit assumption is co-location; no explicit assumption about CO<sub>2</sub> distribution network
- **Production evaluation basis:**
  - 2011 U.S. Portland Cement production of 74.6 M tons
  - Of concrete production: ~80% cast in place, ~20% precast
    - Assumption is 100% of concrete/cement market is accessible

# Application of Metrics to Case Study

Performance Metrics	Solidia
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Potential</b> <sup>a</sup> – Amount of CO <sub>2</sub> utilized to meet product market demand relative to amount of CO <sub>2</sub> emitted or captured from the reference	413%
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Efficiency</b> – Amount of CO <sub>2</sub> utilized per unit amount of CO <sub>2</sub> fed to the utilization process	24.6%
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Intensity</b> – Amount of CO <sub>2</sub> utilized per unit amount of the desired product	0.25 ton CO <sub>2</sub> / ton S Cement 0.28 ton CO <sub>2</sub> / ton S Concrete
<b>Energy Utilization Metric</b> – Net amount of energy required per unit amount of CO <sub>2</sub> utilized (kW-net/(ton CO <sub>2</sub> /hr))	-
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> Integration Reaction Rate</b> – Molar rate of CO <sub>2</sub> utilized per unit of reactor volume (lb <sub>mol</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> /gal-yr)	-

<sup>a</sup> – Based on CO<sub>2</sub> available from 550 MW-net PC plant

# Application of Metrics to Case Study

Cost Metrics	Solidia
<b>Product Marketability Metric</b> – Cost to make a unit amount of the desired product relative to the market value of that product	<100% <sup>a</sup>
<b>Incremental Cost Reduction Metric</b> – Incremental cost reduction of the new utilization process over the traditional process cost (percent)	-
<b>Cost/Ton CO<sub>2</sub> Utilized</b> – Annualized capital and operating cost of the utilization system relative to the tons of CO <sub>2</sub> utilized annually (\$/ton CO <sub>2</sub> )	-
Emissions Metrics	Solidia
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Reduction Metric</b> – Amount of CO <sub>2</sub> emitted per unit amount of product in the new utilization pathway relative to the traditional pathway	35.8% Cement Only 56.7% for Concrete
<b>CO<sub>2</sub> Avoided Potential</b> <sup>b</sup> – Amount of CO <sub>2</sub> avoided by the proposed technology over the traditional technology relative to the amount of CO <sub>2</sub> emitted from the reference plant	711%

<sup>a</sup> – Approximate, based on discussion with Solidia

<sup>b</sup> – Based on CO<sub>2</sub> available from 550 MW-net PC plant

# Application of Metrics to Case Study

Market Metric	Solidia
<b>Product Supply-Demand Metric</b> – Percentage of market that may be satisfied with the proposed technology, considering feedstock or other requirements	100% <sup>a</sup> 60.3% <sup>b</sup>
Safety Metric	Solidia
<b>Relative Safety and Environmental Benefits Metric</b> – Ranking of the safety of raw materials and processing conditions, including any environmental benefits, of the new utilization pathway relative to those of the traditional pathway (using NFPA category hazard values 0-4; Improved, No Change, or Reduced, over traditional process)	Improved

<sup>a</sup> – Based on synthetic SC production

<sup>b</sup> – Based on natural SC production (Wollastonite reserves)



# Metric Interpretation and Use

- **Use of metrics is dependent on the end goal of the developer:**
  - Is the scale large and is the goal to maximize CO<sub>2</sub> utilization?
    - Focus on Utilization Efficiency/ Potential/ Intensity
  - Is the scale small and is the goal to produce a product capable of offsetting the cost of implementing capture?
    - Focus on Integration Reaction Rate/ Cost per ton CO<sub>2</sub> Utilized/ Product Marketability
  - Are the traditional process operating characteristics or chemistry such that improvements in process safety outweigh marginal product economic gains?
    - Focus on Relative Safety and Benefits

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# Backup Slides

# CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Potential

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CO}_2 \text{ Utilization Potential (\%)} &= \frac{\text{tons CO}_2 \text{ utilized to meet market demand}}{\text{tons CO}_2 \text{ available from reference plant}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{18.6 \text{ M tons CO}_2 \text{ / year utilized}}{4.50 \text{ M tons CO}_2 \text{ / year available}} \times 100 \\ &= 413\% \end{aligned}$$

- *Equivalent to 4.1 of the reference plants' CO<sub>2</sub> streams utilized*

# CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Efficiency

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CO}_2 \text{ Utilization Efficiency (\%)} &= \frac{\text{tons CO}_2 \text{ utilized (in - out)}}{\text{tons CO}_2 \text{ fed to process}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{(145.0 - 109.3) \text{ M tons CO}_2 \text{ / year utilized}}{145.0 \text{ M tons CO}_2 \text{ / year fed to process}} \times 100 \\ &= 24.6\% \end{aligned}$$

- Based on a single pass of the process (no CO<sub>2</sub> recycle)

# CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization Intensity

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CO}_2 \text{ Utilization Intensity} &= \frac{\text{tons CO}_2 \text{ utilized}}{\text{tons product produced}} \times \% \text{ Carbonation} \\ &= \frac{44.01 \text{ ton CO}_2}{116.16 \text{ ton Solidia Cement}} \times 65\% \\ &= 0.25 \text{ ton CO}_2 / \text{ton Solidia Cement} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CO}_2 \text{ Utilization Intensity} &= \frac{\text{tons CO}_2 \text{ utilized}}{\text{tons product produced}} \times \% \text{ Carbonation} \\ &= \frac{44.01 \text{ ton CO}_2}{100.08 \text{ ton Solidia Concrete}} \times 65\% \\ &= 0.28 \text{ ton CO}_2 / \text{ton Solidia Concrete} \end{aligned}$$

# CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Reduction

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CO}_2 \text{ Emission Reduction (\%)} &= \frac{\text{tons CO}_2 \text{ emitted in traditional} - \text{tons CO}_2 \text{ emitted in new pathway}}{\text{tons CO}_2 \text{ emitted in traditional pathway}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{1.2 \text{ tons CO}_2/\text{ton Portland Cement} - 0.77 \text{ tons CO}_2/\text{ton Solidia Cement}}{1.2 \text{ tons CO}_2/\text{ton Portland Cement}} \times 100 \\ &= 35.8\% \text{ for Solidia Cement} \end{aligned}$$

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# CO<sub>2</sub> Avoided Potential

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CO}_2 \text{ Avoided Potential (\%)} &= \frac{\text{tons of CO}_2 \text{ avoided to meet market demand}}{\text{tons of CO}_2 \text{ available from reference plant}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{89.6 \text{ M tons PC CO}_2 \text{ emitted/year} - 57.5 \text{ M tons SC CO}_2 \text{ emitted/year}}{4.50 \text{ M tons CO}_2 \text{ / year available}} \times 100 \\ &= 711\% \end{aligned}$$

- Equivalent of 7.1 reference plants' CO<sub>2</sub> streams avoided

# Product Supply-Demand Metric

- *Synthetic SC production can meet PC market production, thus Product Supply-Demand Metric is 100% (CO2 supply is not limiting)*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Product Supply-Demand Metric (\%)} &= \frac{\text{tons per year of product that can be produced}}{\text{tons per year of market demand for that product}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{45.0 \text{ M tons / year of natural SC (Wollastonite)}}{74.6 \text{ M tons / year of PC production}} \times 100 \\ &= 60.3\% \text{ based on limited Wollastonite reserves} \end{aligned}$$

# Relative Safety and Benefits

- **Example of Relative Safety and Benefits**
  - Traditional Process: Partial Oxidation of Propylene
  - Proposed Process: CO<sub>2</sub> Reforming with Ethylene
- **NFPA Feedstock Analysis:**

Category	Propylene	Ethylene
Health Risk	1	3
Flammability	4	4
Reactivity	1	2

0 – No Risk  
4 – Very High Risk

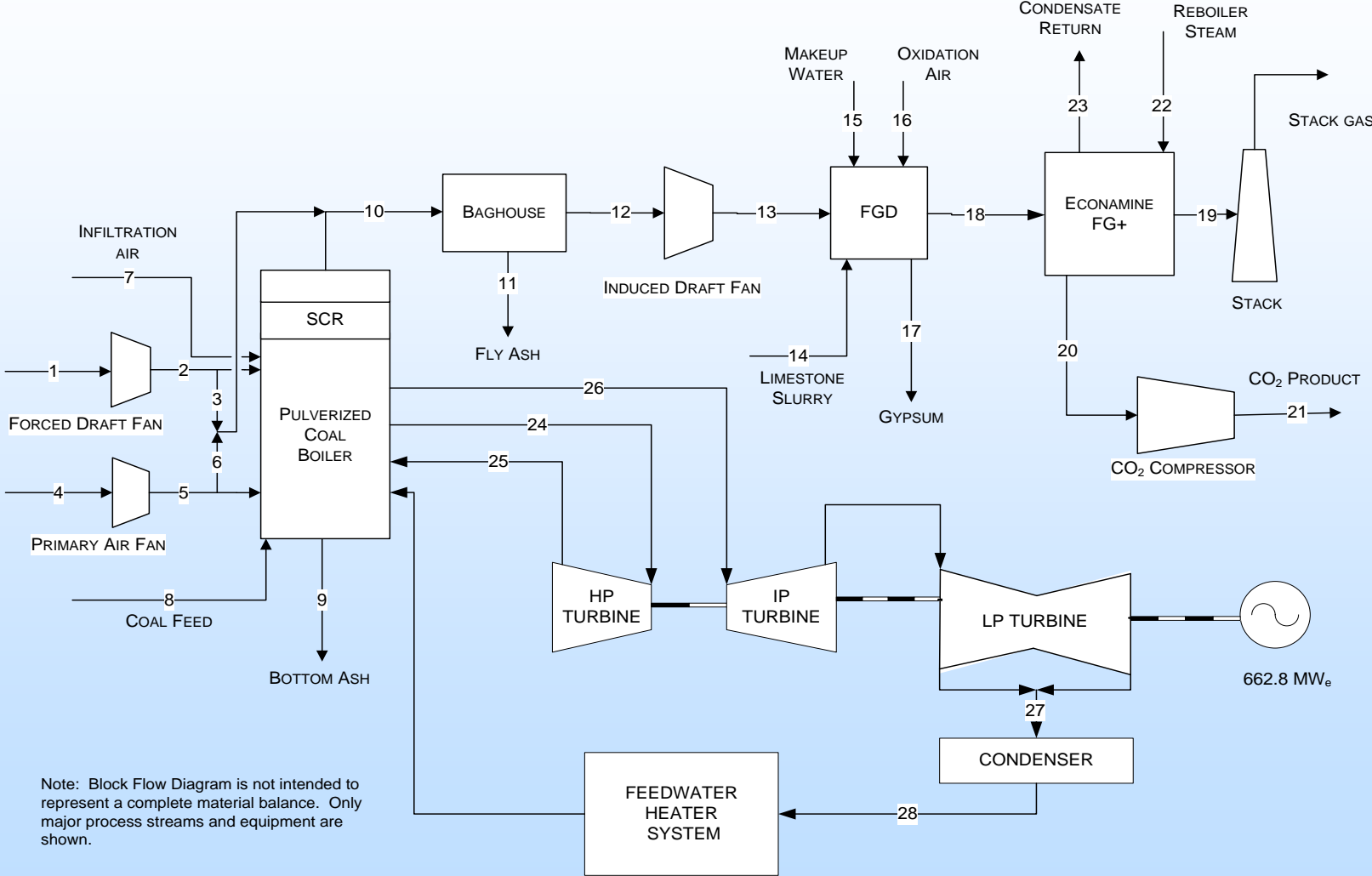
- **Cost:**

	Propylene (\$/ton)	Ethylene (\$/ton)
March (2012)	\$1,520 <sup>1</sup>	\$1,010 <sup>1</sup>
May (2012)	\$1,320 <sup>1</sup>	\$1,069 <sup>1</sup>

- **Result:** Ethylene feedstock poses higher Health and Reactivity risks, but the nature of the overall proposed process is safer, and ethylene provides an economic benefit as a starting material over propylene

<sup>1</sup> Lemos, William. www.ICIS.com. [Online] March 8, 2012. [Cited: May 14, 2012.]

# Bituminous Baseline Case 12: SC PC



Note: Block Flow Diagram is not intended to represent a complete material balance. Only major process streams and equipment are shown.