

# Alstom's Chemical Looping Technology Program Update

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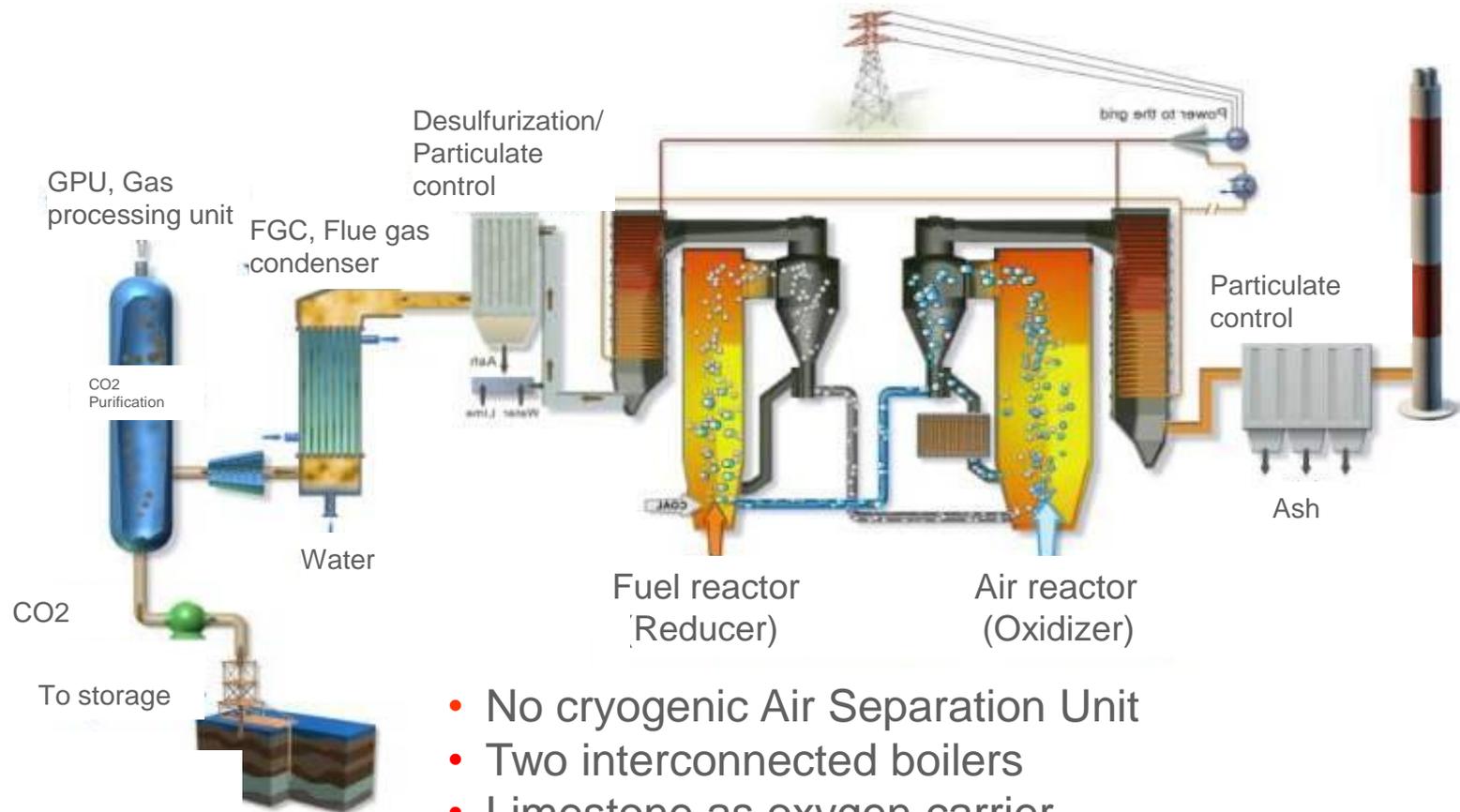
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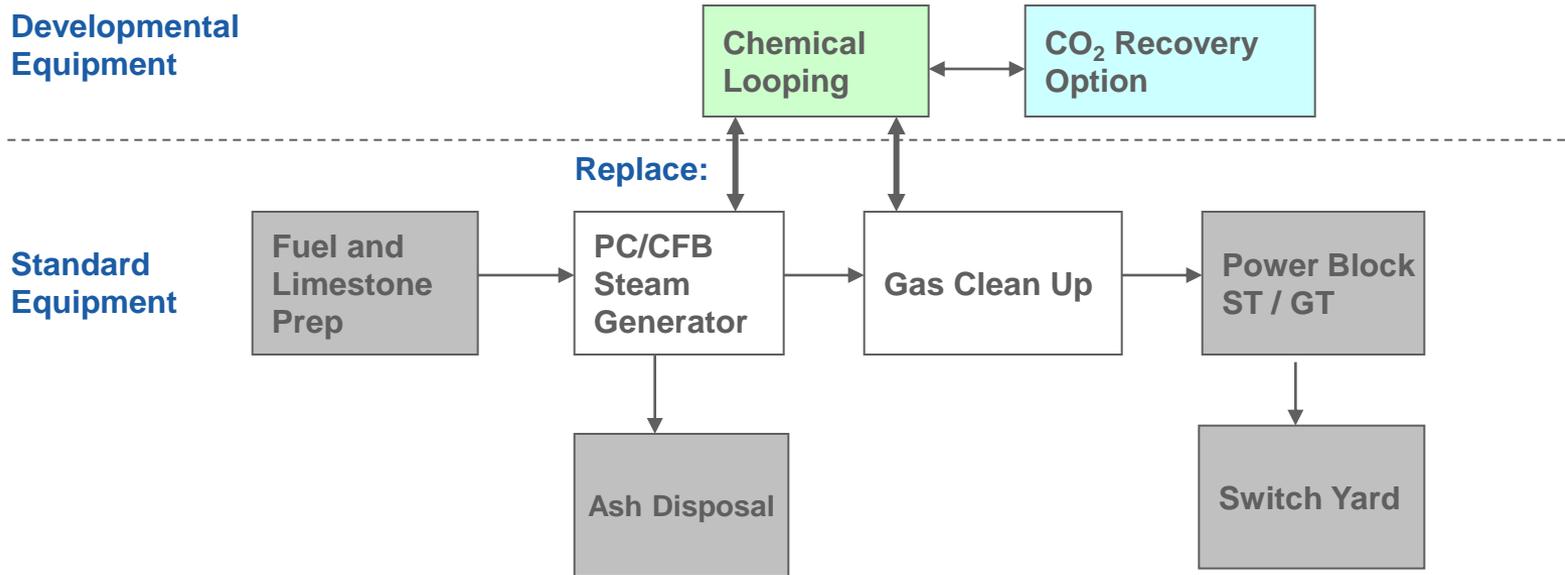
## What is it?



Advanced oxy-combustion system without Air Separation Unit

# Chemical Looping Combustion Concept

## How it fits in a Power Plant



# Limestone Chemical Looping Concept and Options

## Option 1 – Chemical looping combustion

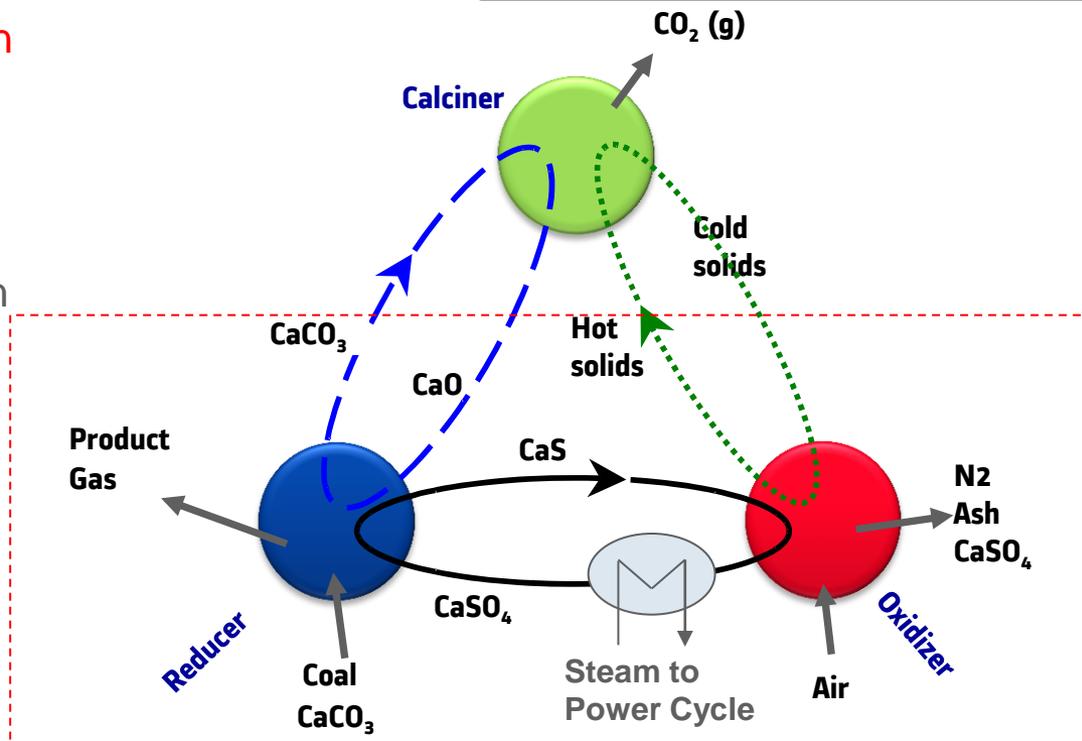
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## Option 2 – Chemical looping gasification

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- No inherent  $\text{CO}_2$  capture
- High efficiency, low cost IGCC

## Option 3 – Hydrogen production

- Add  $\text{CaO-CaCO}_3$  loop to option 2
- Add calciner
- Product gas is low cost  $\text{H}_2$
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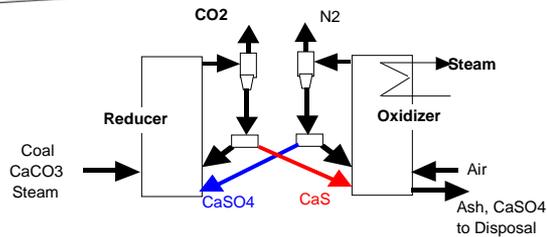


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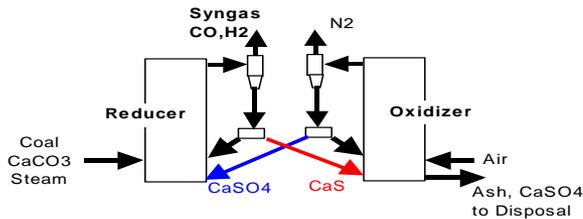
## Oxygen Carrier:

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- Metal oxide based: Alstom – Europe (1 MWt, Darmstadt University)

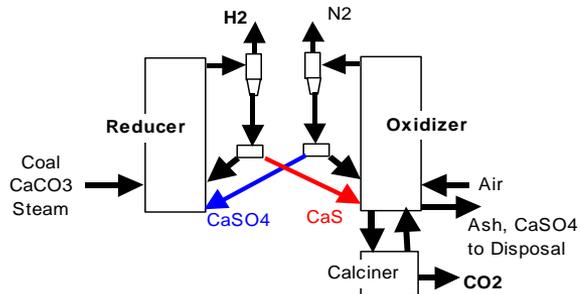
# Chemical looping Process: Options and Applications



Option 1 – Combustion with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture



Option 2 – Syngas with no CO<sub>2</sub> Capture



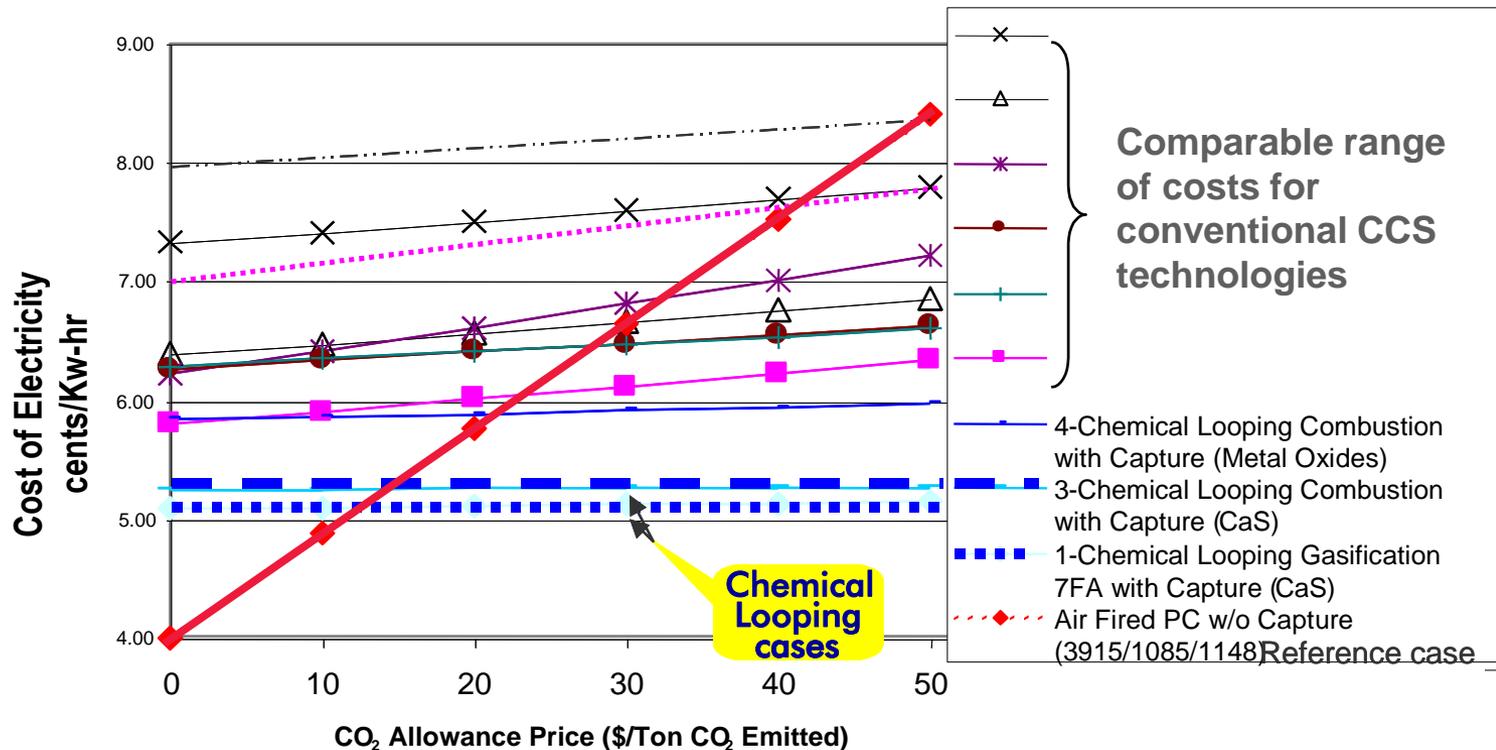
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## Applications

- CO<sub>2</sub> Capture – PC Retrofit
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Capture – CFB Retrofit
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Capture-Ready Power Plant
  - Advanced Steam Cycles
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- ICGG with Down-Stream CO<sub>2</sub> Capture
  - Industrial Syngas
  - Coal-to-Liquid Fuels
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- CO<sub>2</sub> Capture – PC Retrofit
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Capture – CFB Retrofit
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Capture-Ready PC/CFB Power Plant
  - Advanced Steam Cycles
  - IGCC with CO<sub>2</sub> Capture
  - Fuel Cell Cycles
  - Industrial Hydrogen, CO<sub>2</sub>
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- **Lowest Cost CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Option**
  - **Competitive with or without CO<sub>2</sub> Capture**

# Chemical Looping Economics

## Why do we do it?



### Basis:

- Plant size 400 MWe
- Steam conditions 3915 psia/1085 degF/1148 degF/2.5in Hga
- Cost basis 2006, \$US
- Coal cost 1.5 \$/MMBtu
- Levelized capital charge 13.8%
- Capacity factor 85%

Source: 2006 CO<sub>2</sub> Product Gas Study

Chemical Looping, the lowest COE vs. all of the alternatives studied to date.

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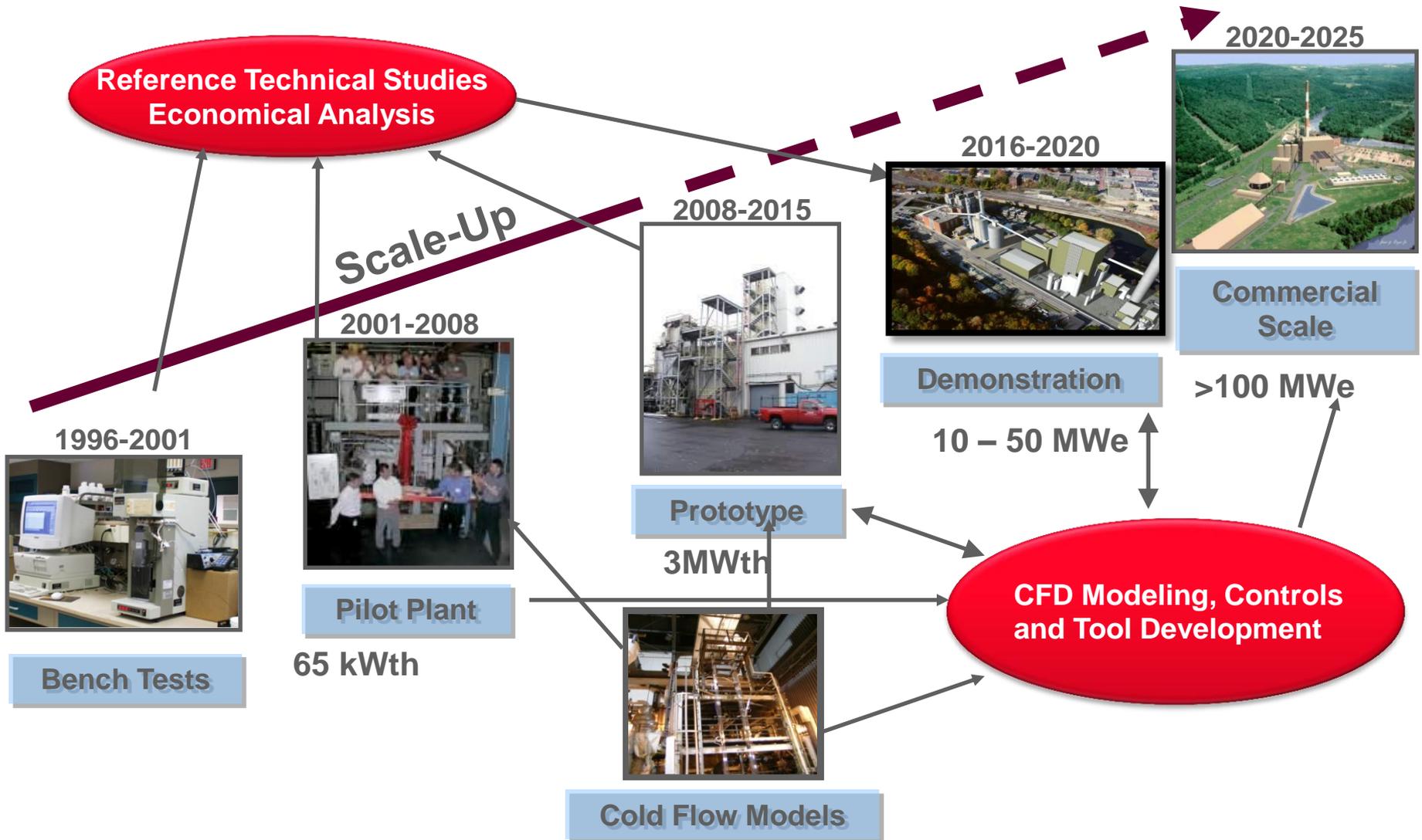
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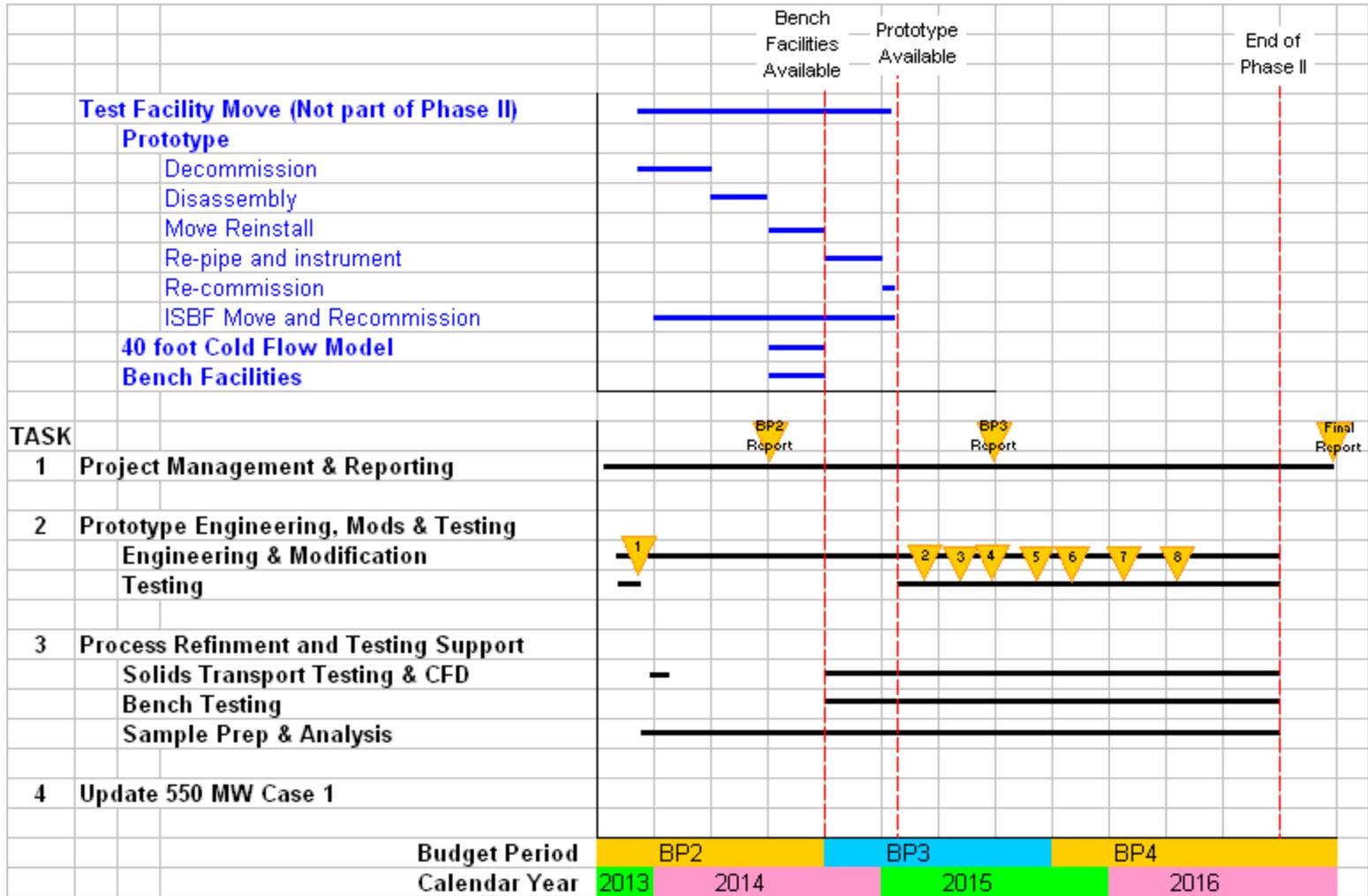
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# Limestone Chemical Looping Combustion (LCL-C™)

## Commercialization Plan



# Limestone Chemical Looping Combustion Project Workscope & Schedule



Phase II Deliverables.xls 1 Nov 2013

# Phase IV A – Prototype Testing (3 MWt)

- Main objectives:
  - Design, engineering, construction and operation
  - Autothermal operation of prototype
  - Provide data required to design, build and operate a reliable demonstration plant
- Status:
  - Engineering & go/no-go (Oct 2008 – Apr 2010)
  - EPC, Shakedown (Apr 2010 – Dec 2010)
  - First coal firing - May 2011
  - **Autothermal operation achieved in July 2012; 40 hrs May 2013**
  - Current activity: Phase II Test 1; Facility Move
- Total DOE-funded budget: \$9.2 million (80% DOE):
  - 8.2 for preliminary engineering and EPC
  - 1.0 for preliminary testing
- Additional Alstom funding of \$3.5 million to achieve autothermal operation plus a 40 hour autothermal run

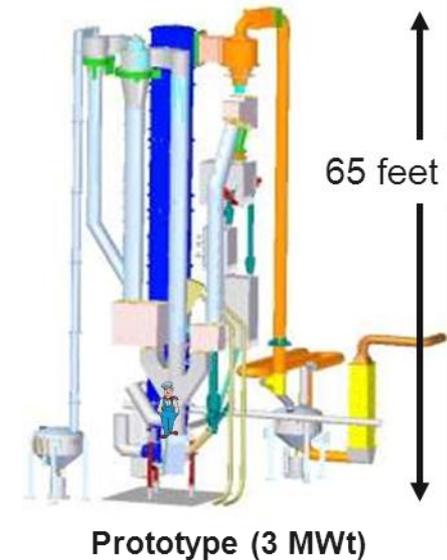
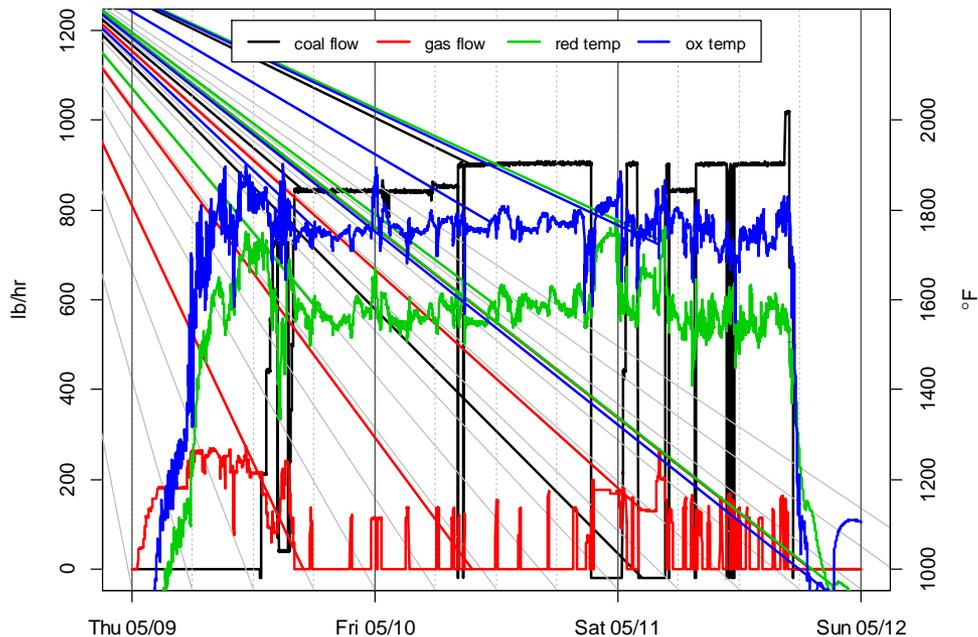


Prototype (3 MWt)



# 3 MWth Prototype Performance Highlights

- Achieved 1<sup>st</sup> autothermal operation on two crushed coals.
- Performance is not perfect, but good enough to see:
  - Major chemical looping reactions take place
  - Test results indicate directions for improvement
- No major concept changes have been required.



## Highlights:

- 40 hour Autothermal Operation
- Coal-only operation (Pittsburgh & Adaro)
- Chemical looping reactions working
- Unburned carbon < 0.5%
- Up to 97% carbon capture achieved
- Sulfur controllable to near zero
- Stable operation for long periods

# Limestone Chemical Looping (LCL™) Development

## Advanced Oxy Combustion – Phase I and II Objectives and Status

### DOE/NETL Cooperative Agreement No. DE-FE0009484 Phase I – Completed June 2013

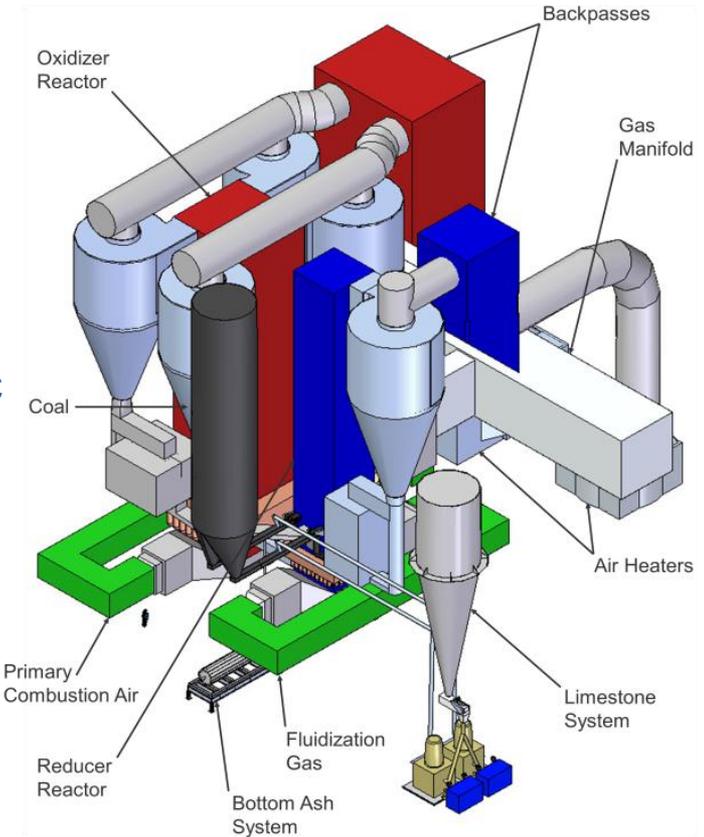
- Techno-economic studies on 4 cases for 550 MW<sub>e</sub>

- Case # 1. Atm. pressure LCL-C™ system using transport reactors
2. An atm. pressure LCL-C™ system with the Reducer reactor in the CFB mode,
  3. The atm. pressure LCL-C™ system of Case 1 with an AUSC steam cycle,
  4. A pressurized LCL-C™ system with an AUSC steam cycle.

- Engineering Studies
- Bench Scale test – TGA and Plug Flow Static Bed

### DOE/NETL Cooperative Agreement No. DE-FE0009484 Phase II – October 2013 to Sept. 2016

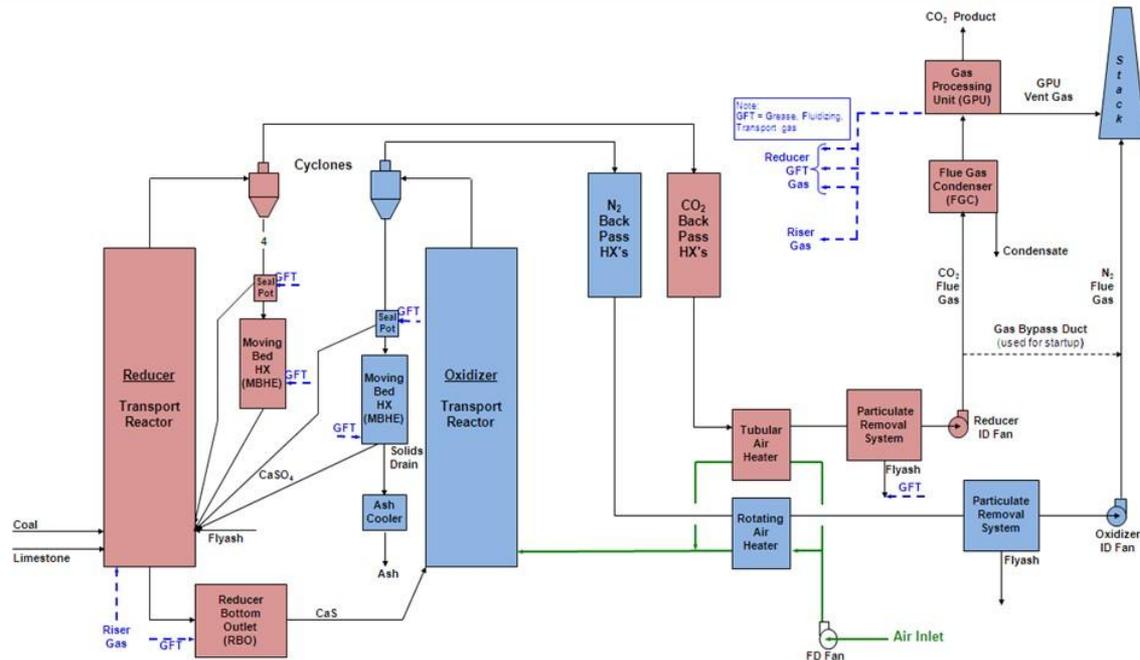
- Address 7 main technology gaps
  - Various Bench tests
  - 6 3MWth Pilot test after modifications
- Update techno-economic study



# Alstom Chemical Looping Reference Studies

## Latest analysis – June 2013

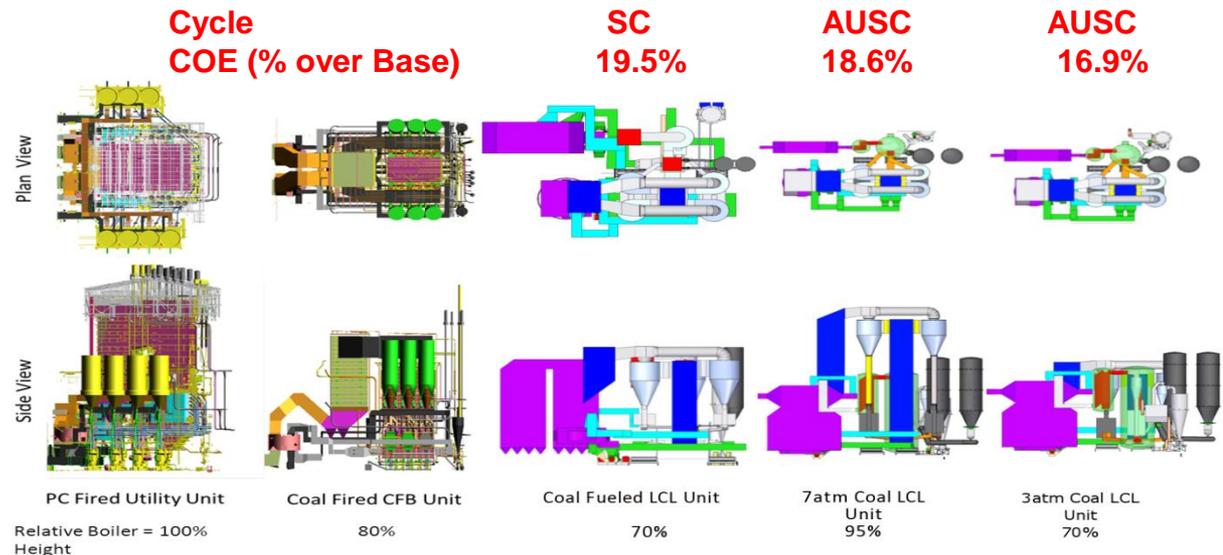
- Case 1 [base] **Atm. pressure LCL-C™ system using “fast CFB” transport reactors**
- Case 2 Atm. pressure LCL-C™ system with the Reducer reactor in the CFB mode,
- Case 3 Atm. pressure LCL-C™ system of Case 1 with an AUSC steam cycle,
- Case 4 3 – 7 bar pressurized LCL-C™ system with an AUSC steam cycle



CLC has potential to be lowest COE for coal-based power with CCS

# Limestone Chemical Looping – Phase I Results

Phase I - Performance and Cost Summary vs DOE Goals								
	DOE/NETL Base Case	DOE GOAL	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4	Case 4A	
Technology	PC		LCL-C™					
Pressure (bar)	1		1	1	1	7	3	
Reducer Reactor			transport	CFB	transport	transport	transport	
Steam Cycle	USC		USC	USC	AUSC	AUSC	AUSC	
Net Capacity (MW)	550		550	550	550	550	551	
Net Efficiency (%)	39.3		35.8	35.8	41.1	42.7	42.0	
Investment Cost (\$/kW)	2452		2795	2801	2944	3067	2978	
COE (cnts/kW-hr)	8.10		9.67	9.68	9.51	9.60	9.46	
CO2 Avoided Cost (\$/ton)			27	27.3	24.2	26.5	23.4	
Carbon Capture (%)	0	>90%	97%	97%	98%	96%	97%	
COE (% over base)		<35%	19.5%	19.6%	17.5%	18.6%	16.9%	



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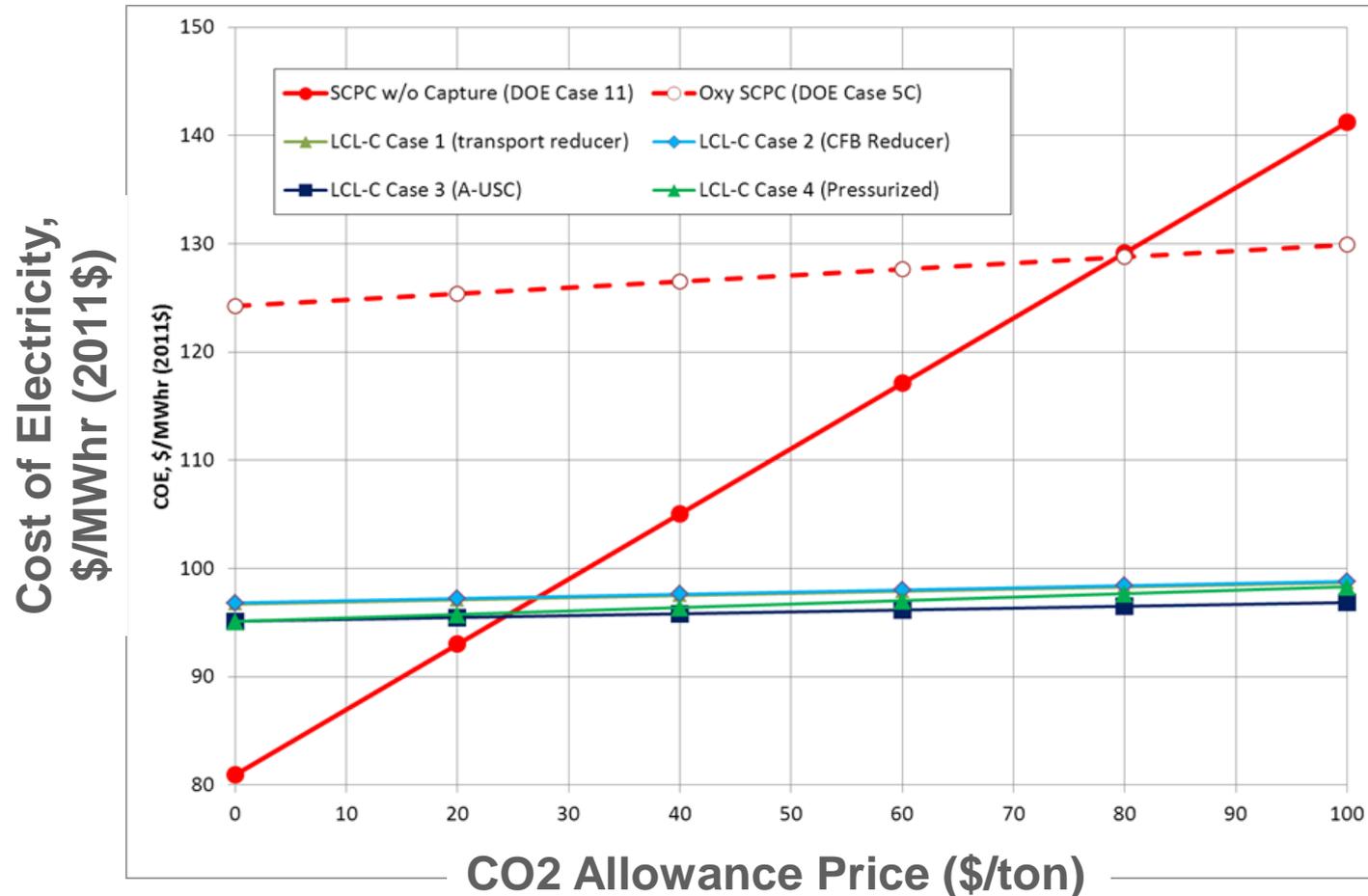
## US DOE-sponsored techno-economic analysis

	Baseline: US DOE SCPC plant, no capture	US DOE Oxy-SCPC plant	Alstom SC Chem Loop Plant, Case 1
Nominal output (net, MW)	550	550	550
Capacity factor (%)	85	85	85
HHV efficiency (% HHV)	39.3	29.3	35.8
CO <sub>2</sub> capture (%)	<b>0</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>97</b>
CO <sub>2</sub> emitted rate (lb/MWh)	1210	113	40
EPC overnight cost (\$/kW)	2452	3977	2795
Cost of Electricity Breakdown			
Fuel (\$/MWh)	25.53	34.25	28.04
Capital (\$/MWh)	38.19	66.23	46.55
O&M fixed (\$/MWh)	9.48	14.24	10.58
O&M variable (\$/MWh)	7.74	9.54	11.53
T&S adder to COE (\$/MWh)	0	8.29	7.08
1 <sup>st</sup> yr COE (w/o T&S, \$/MWh)	80.95	124.25	96.7
LCOE (w/o T&S, \$/MWh)	<b>102.64</b>	<b>157.55</b>	<b>122.62</b>
Fuel cost (\$/MMBtu)	2.94	2.94	2.94
Construction period (yrs)	5	5	5
Operational period (yrs)	30	30	30
% Increase – Levelized COE		<b>53.5</b>	<b>19.5</b>

DOE goal:  
>90%

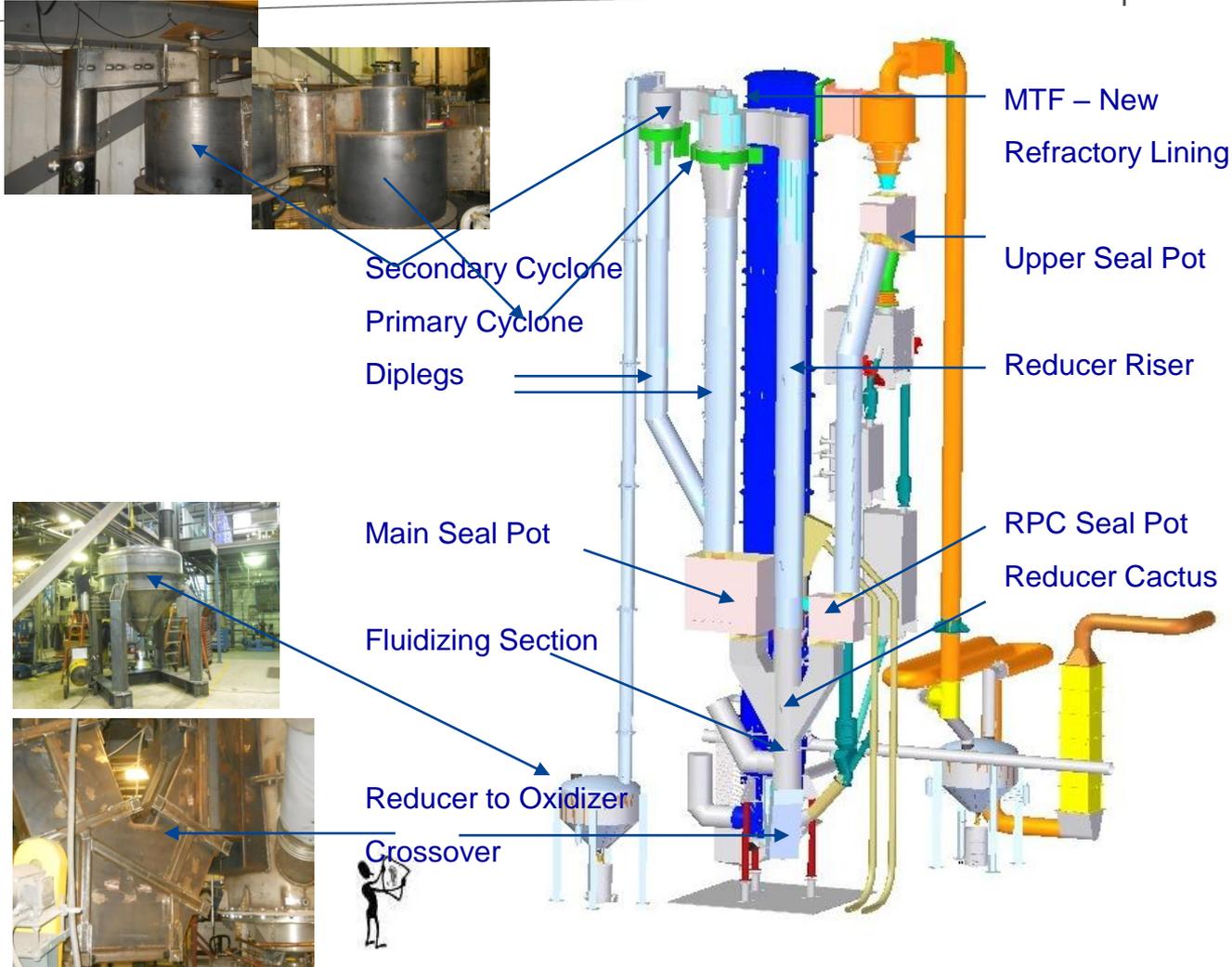
DOE goal:  
<40%

# COE Sensitivity to CO<sub>2</sub> Allowance Price



LCL-C™ process at economic parity at \$24-26/ton CO<sub>2</sub>

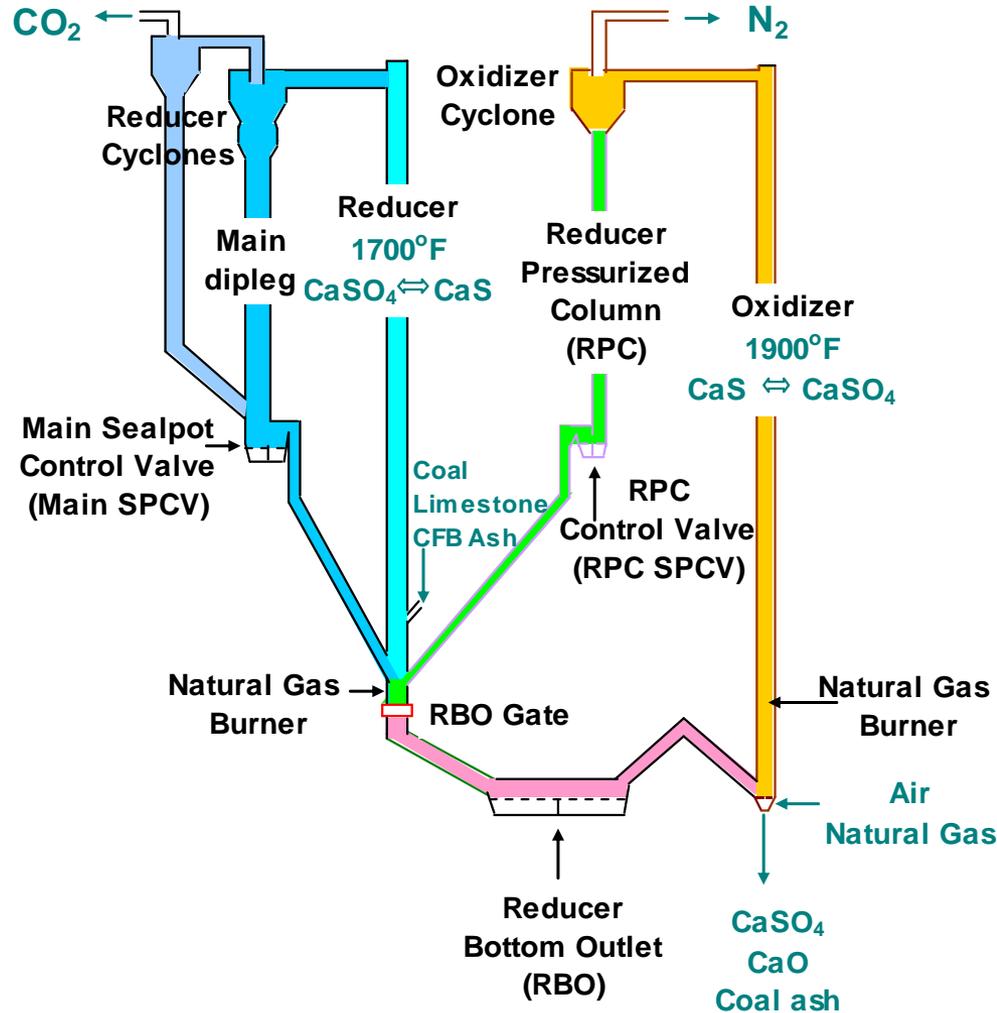
# Chemical Looping 3 MWth Prototype Component Construction



65 feet

Retrofit of Alstom's existing Multi-use Test Facility (Windsor, CT)

# Chemical Looping 3 MWth Prototype Schematic



## Design Flow Rates:

Coal	700 lb/hr
Limestone	125 lb/hr
Air	8,000 lb/hr
RPC flow	170,000 lb/hr
Inventory	6,000 lb

## Sorbent Constituents:

CaSO<sub>4</sub> ⇌ CaS  
 CaO  
 Coal ash

## Reactions:

Reducer:



Oxidizer:



## Reducer "Combustion"



# Limestone Chemical Looping – Phase II

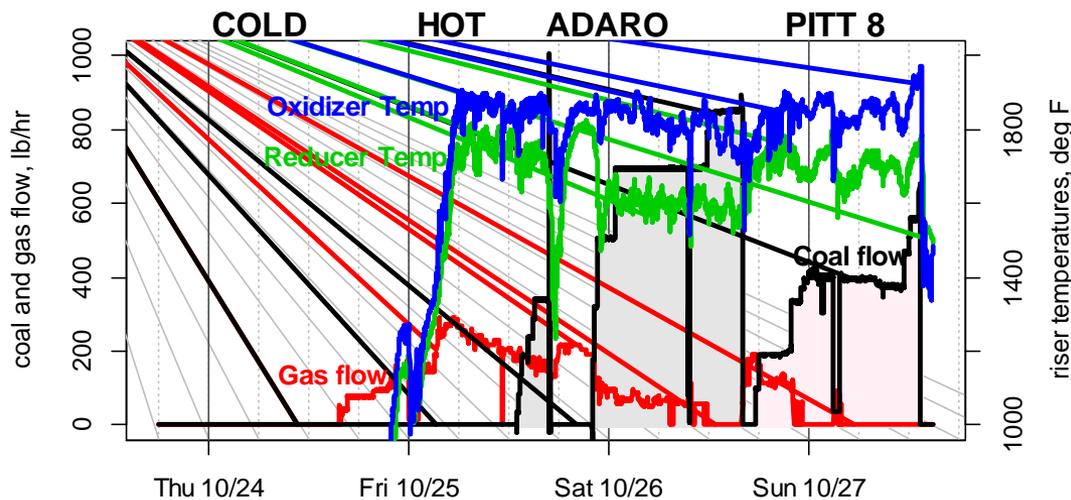
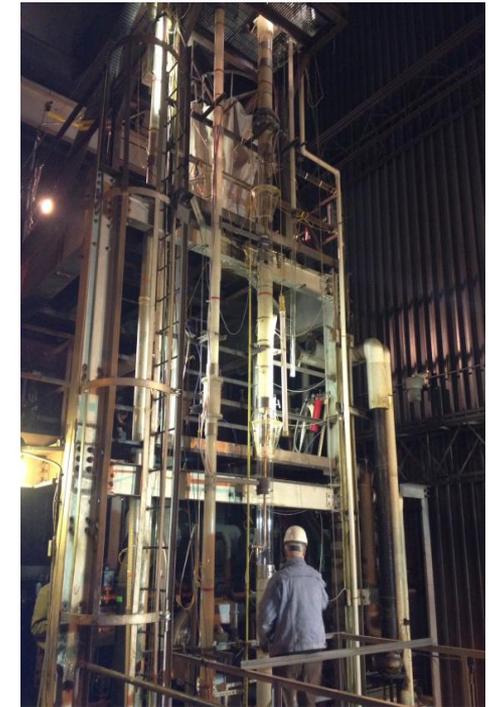
## Phase II Objective:

- Resolve the 3 MWth Prototype Technology Gaps identified in Phase I

## Phase II Status:

- Phase II is in progress
- 3 MWth Prototype - Test 1 Completed
- 40-Foot CFM Tests Underway
- Prototype Move & Modifications

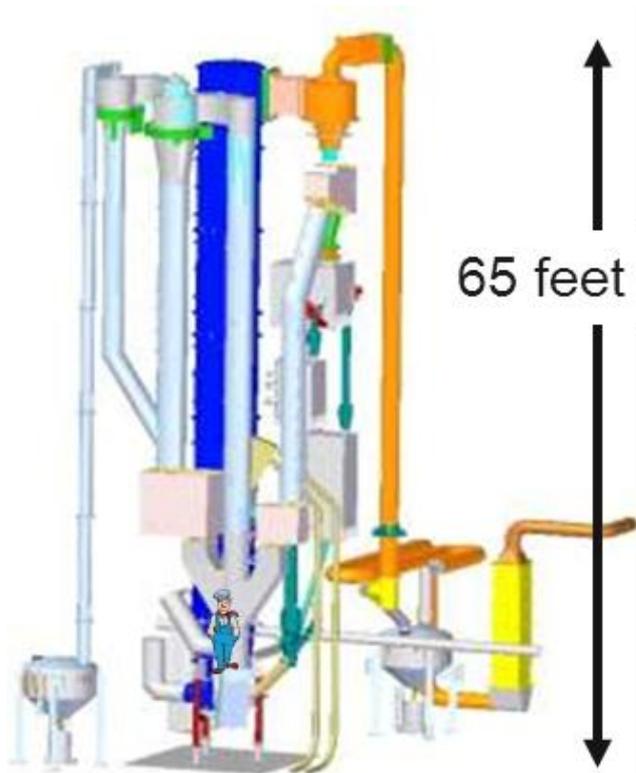
## 40-ft Cold Flow Model (CFM)



**Prototype Test 1- Performance Survey**

# Limestone Chemical Looping (LCL™) Development

## Modifications & Planned Work



**Prototype (3 MWt)**

ID	TECHNICAL GAP	AFFECTS
1	High Solids Loss Rate	operability
2	Main DipLeg Flushing	operability
3	Solids stability	operability
4	Sorbent Activation	operability
5	Sulfur Capture / Loss	operability
6	Low temperatures during some tests	operability
7	Carbon Carryover to Oxidizer	performance

### Define Gap / check solution:

Prototype Performance Shortfall  
Analyze Prototype Data  
Define Bench Test

### find solution:

40-Ft CFM for Solids Transport

50-Ft & Bench Test Rig(s) for  
Chemistry, Conversions, Transport

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## Current 3 MWth Prototype Modifications

	MODIFICATION		INTENDED GAP IMPROVEMENT	STATUS	EXPECTED COMPLETION
1	Main SPCV Repair	Structural Repair & Eliminate Gas Leakage	2, 3, 4	Fab' Complete	22 June 2014
2	Main DipLeg Gas Drains	Drain process gas; improve stability	1, 2, 3	Fab' Complete	15 Aug 2014
3	RPC Gas Drain	Improve RPC solids stability	3, 6	Fab' Complete	15 Aug 2014
4	Steam Activation Heat Exchanger	Permit full load; improve sulfur capture; reduce CO	4, 5	In Engineering	15 Sep 2014
5	Secondary DipLeg Plug	Improve Main DipLeg testing/troubleshooting	1, 2, 3	In Fab'	15 Aug 2014
6	Lower RPC SPCV Fluidizing Nozzles	Increase Oxidizer-to-Reducer Solids Flow	3, 6	Fab' Complete	15 Sep 2014
7	100 kWt LCL-C™ Test Facility	Provide quick-turn-around, low-cost Trial-Horse for Prototype	1 thru 7	Engr' & Fab'	30 Dec 2014
8	Gas Sample System Upgrades	Improve In-process Solid/Gas Sampling ability	1 thru 7	In Engineering	30 Dec 2014
9	Gas Analyzer System Upgrades	Improve H2O, N2, sulfur measurement & Mat'l Bal	1 thru 7	In Engineering	30 Dec 2014
10	Coal/Limestone Prep Upgrades	Replace inadequate crusher with cone crusher	5, 7	In Engineering	15 Mar 2015
11	Improve Operator Solids Mgt' Display	Make solids transport management easier for Operators	1, 2, 3	In Engineering	15 Mar 2015
12	Prototype/CFM testing & analysis	Develop improved tools for Operators	1 thru 7	Ongoing	Ongoing
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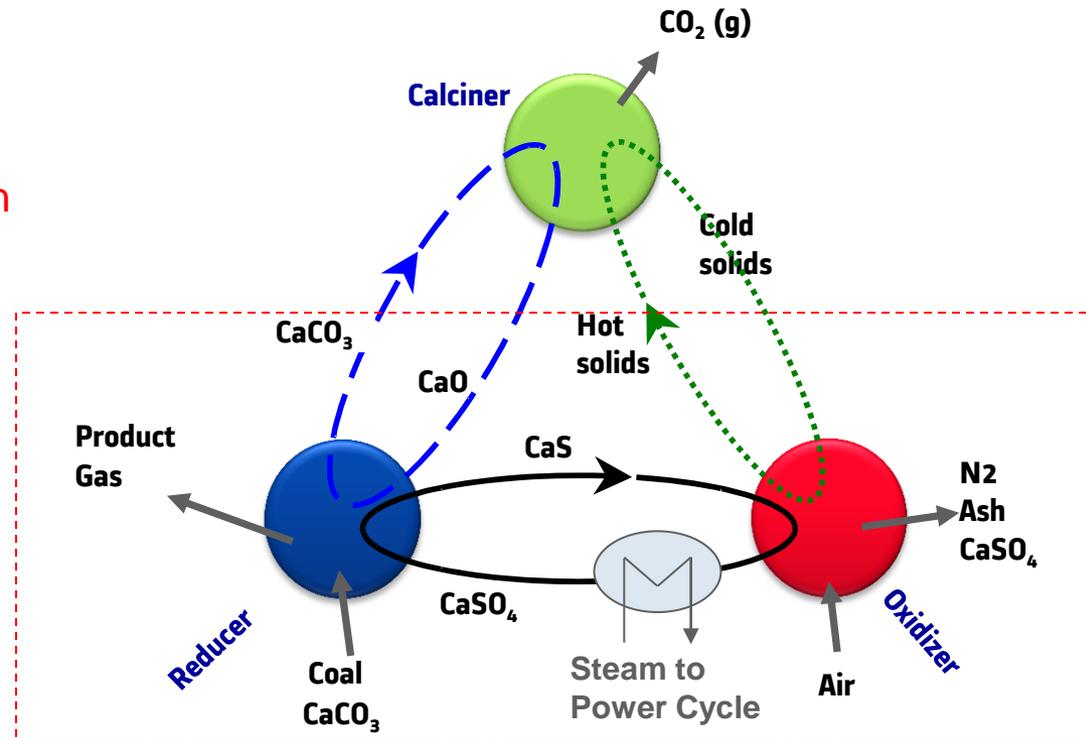
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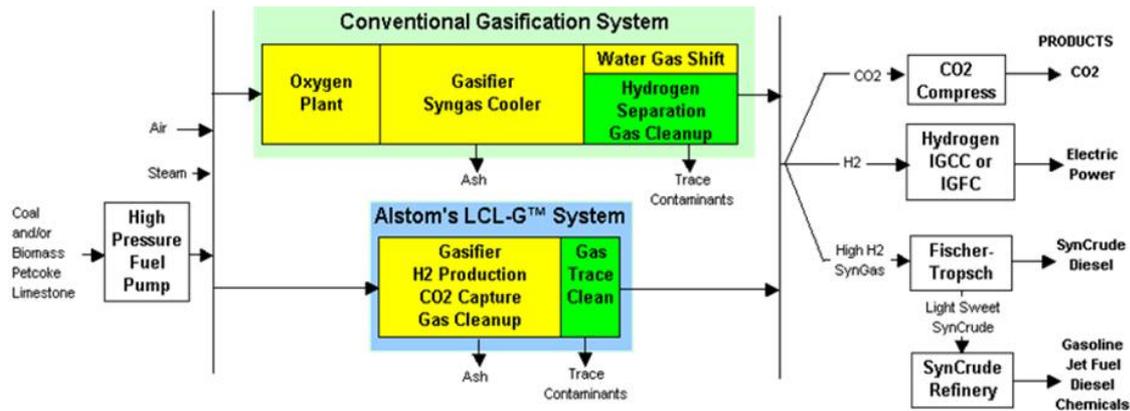
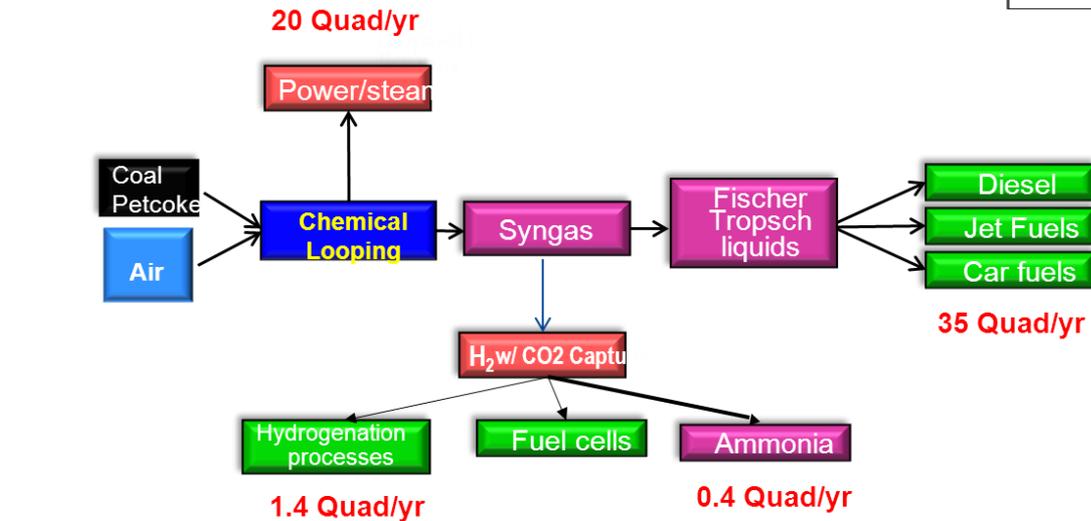
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## Oxygen Carrier:

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# Syngas Option – LCL-G™

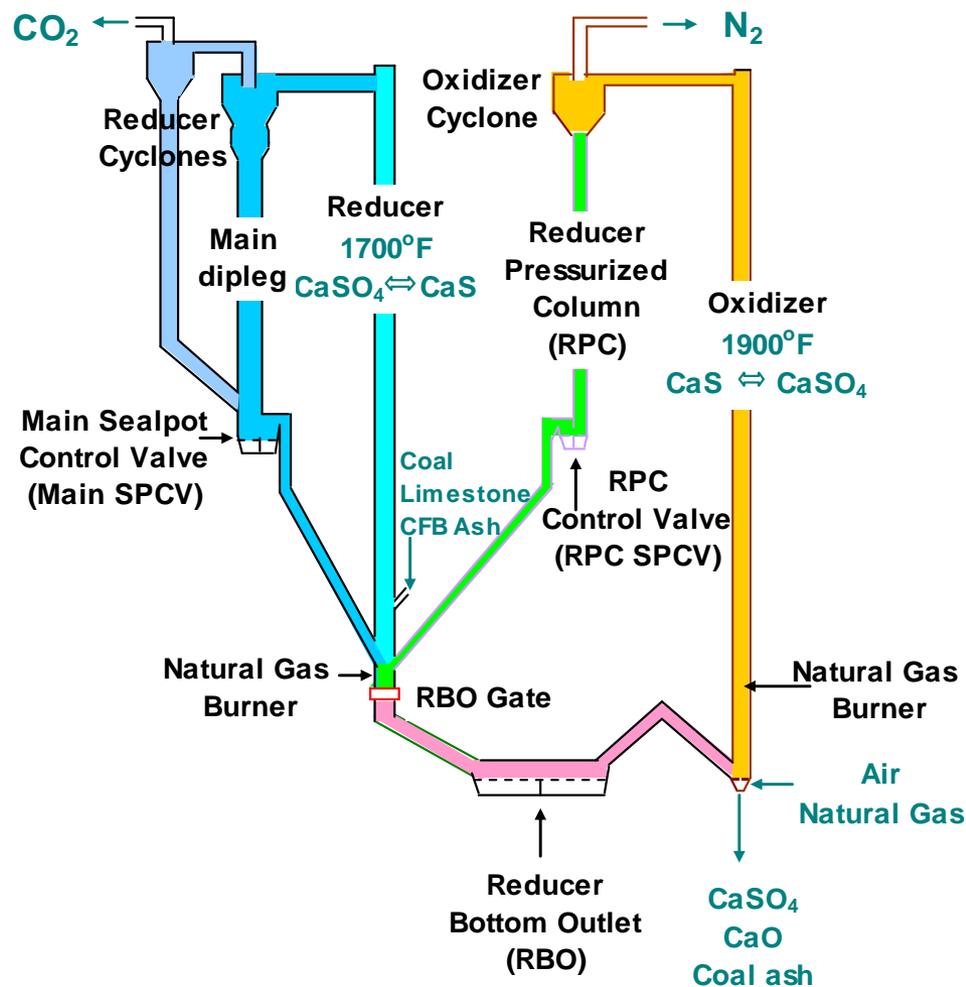
## Syngas for Petrochemical/Power



Another route to chemical looping demonstration

# Limestone Chemical Looping (LCL-G™) Development

## 3 MWt LCL™ Prototype





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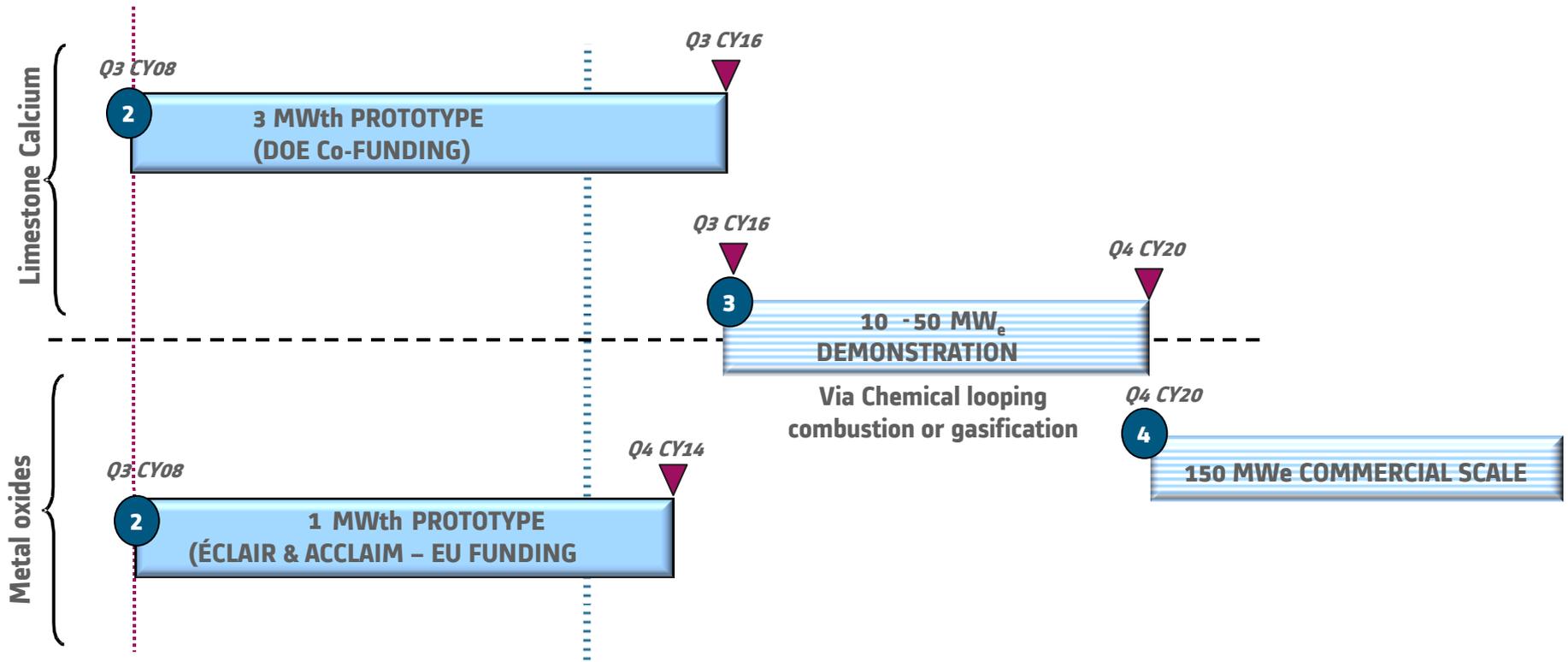
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# Chemical Looping Combustion Technology Development Roadmap



CALENDAR YEARS (CY) & DATES



# Chemical Looping Technology

## Conclusions

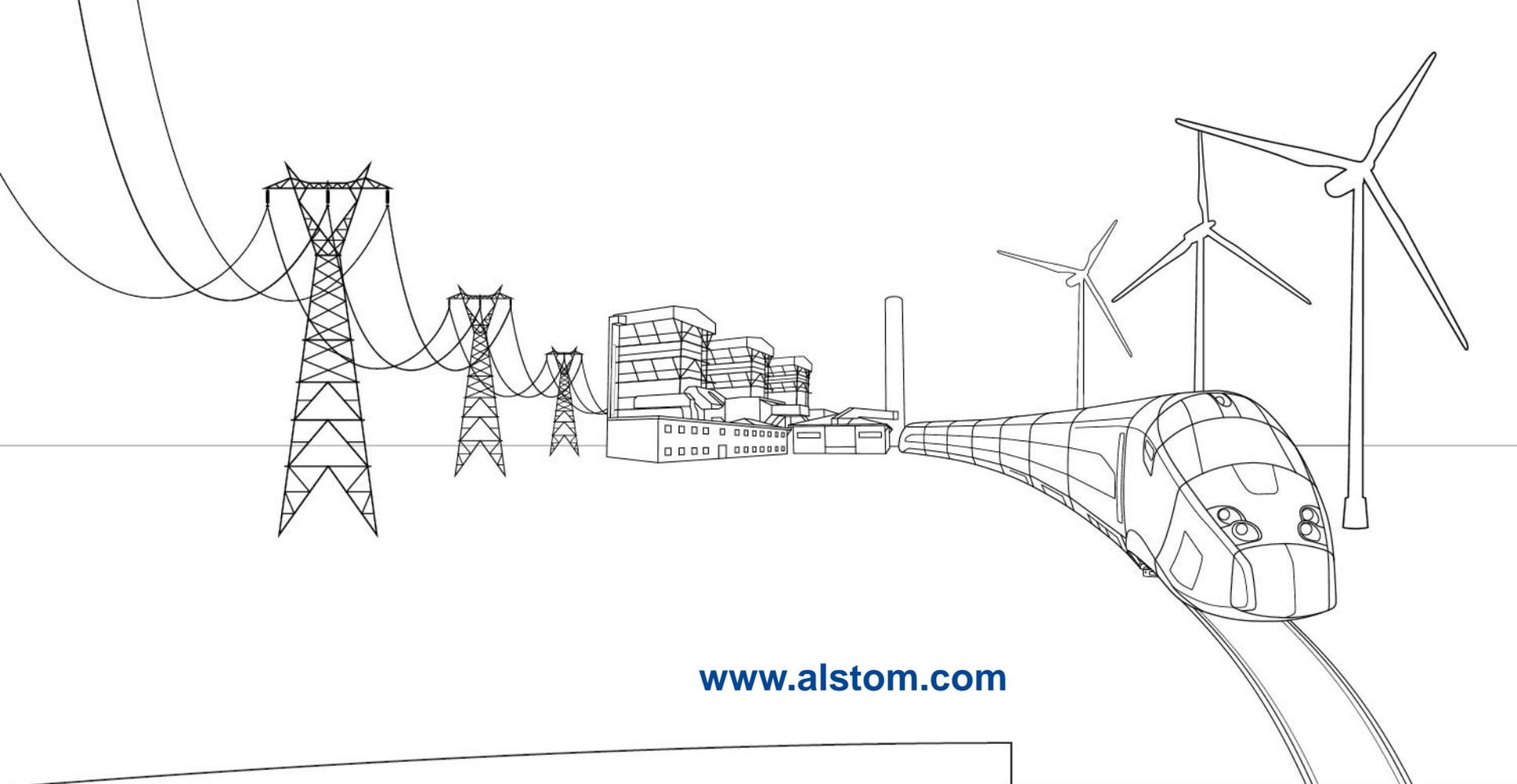
- CLC technology:
  - Potential for high efficiency, low cost power and low cost CO<sub>2</sub> capture
- CLC flexibility:
  - New or retrofit application
  - Syngas, hydrogen or power
- CLC appears feasible for limestone and MeOx
- Next steps - field demonstration:
  - power or refinery
  - 10-50 MWe scale

Chemical Looping Potential – Flexible and Low Cost

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