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Oxy-Combustion Pressurized Fluidized Bed with Carbon Dioxide Purification

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Phase II Oxy-fired Pressurized Fluidized Bed Combustor (Oxy-PFBC) Overview

Description and Impact

Phase II Description

- •Advance Oxy-PFBC technology to TRL 6 through pilot testing
- •Budget: \$19.1M (\$12M DOE funding)
- •Period of Performance: 33 months (7/1/2014 - 3/31/2017)

•Impact: Exceed DOE Goals of >90% CO2 capture with no more than 35% increase in cost of electricity

Project Objectives

- •Assess the components of the system designed in Phase I to confirm scalability, performance, and cost
- •Test the system at subscale pilot facility to evaluate system performance and operability
- •Develop algorithms to model the components and system for scale-up
- •Use the validated models to predict commercial scale cost of electricity
- •Develop Phase III project plan, risk mitigation status and TRL advancement, and identify partners and sites for 30-50 MWth plant



Team Members and Roles

- Gas Technology Institute (GTI) Lead, PFBC technology
- Linde, LLC Gas supply, CPU technology, HEX design
- CanmetENERGY Pilot plant test facility and test support
- Alstom PFBC design support and commercialization partner
- Pennsylvania State University (PSU) Fuel & limestone testing, agglomeration model development
- Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) End user insight, review of process and cost modeling
- Utility End User TBD End user insight, demo plant site and demo plant design support





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Oxy-PFBC Technology Overview

INNOVATION

- High power density reactor for coal-fired plants with CO2 capture
 - In-bed heat exchanger for ultra-compact combustor
 - Elutriated flow removes ash and sulfur prior to CO2 recycle
 - 1/3 the size and half the cost of traditional boiler

BENEFITS

- Produces affordable electric power with near zero emissions
- Produces steam for heavy oil recovery using low value feedstock (petcoke, coal, biomass)
- Produces pure CO₂ for Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR)

MARKETS

- Electric power generation with CO₂ capture, including CHP
- Heavy oil production (once-through steam)
- Light oil production (CO₂ floods)

STATUS

- Long-life, in-bed heat exchangers demonstrated in 1980s
- Two active DOE contracts
- Next step: TRL 6 by Spring 2017 with Pilot scale (1 MWth) testing



Heritage Rocketdyne Test Facility that Demonstrated Long Life In-bed Heat Exchanger



Phase 1 Economic Analysis Results



- PFBC system provides affordable COE with additional upgrade paths
- No net increase in COE for CO2 prices/credit > \$30/ton, or \$18/ton with SCO2



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Technical Approach



- **Success Criteria:** Provide knowledge for target operating conditions and design features for the demonstration and commercial scale units. Examples:
 - Use test data to calibrate models for combustion, bed stability and heat removal, enabling a trade of bed height and staging strategy for commercial plants
 - Pressurized staged oxy-combustion system operation is characterized to develop operability criteria and scaled-up system requirements

Risks for Commercial System Development





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Significant Accomplishments

- Completed coal reactivity tests
 - Kinetics model validated, supports performance predictions
- Agglomeration model developed and validated
 - Predictions indicate minimal risk of agglomeration
- Completed pressurized elutriation testing
 - Quantified impact of elevated pressure on residence time; Sufficient time for complete carbon burnout
- Completed pre-FEED design
- >1 MWth pilot construction underway at CanmetENERGY
 - Major equipment installed
 - Gas cleanup skids design complete, fabrication underway

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Component commissioning started

Testing and analysis results support performance predictions

Coal Kinetics Testing Approach

> Pressurized fluidized bed oxy-combustion coal reactions with gas evolution data

- CO, CO₂, temperature
- Flow CO₂ and O₂ in specified ratio
- Measure time for gas to return to initial concentration
- Reaction rate determined from exit gas composition versus time



PSU Test Rig Schematic

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Coal Kinetics Testing Results



>GTI coal reactivity models anchored with PSU test results

 Test results validate GTI coal kinetics models at expected pilot test operating conditions; Reasonable prediction of burnout time

Reduced the risk of reaction kinetics driving combustor temperatures outside of operational limits, and validated residence time requirements

Agglomeration Model Results





Validation Results - Model based on FactSage/MFIX				
Bed temperature (°C)	Superficial gas velocity (m/s)	Particle diameter (μm)	Defluidization time (h)	Defluidization time obtained from model (h)
800	0.25	425-500	15.36	13.9
850	0.25	425-500	7.23	8.0
900	0.25	330–355	7.22	6.9

Predictions indicate low risk of agglomeration at planned operating conditions

Pressurized Elutriation Testing



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Pressurized Elutriation Test - Results

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- Steady state entrainment is reached by approximately 8 min
- 3 entrainment rate measurements are done at 8, 18 & 28 min
- > Mass of fines in the bed (m_{FB}) is measured by capturing the entrained fines for 5 min after shutting off the feeder

> Fines residence time in the bed: $heta=m_{FB}/\dot{E}$ (\dot{E} is the entrainment rate at steady state)

Conclusions

- Effect of gas velocity, operating pressure, and presence of a tube bank on the fines residence time in the bed was determined
 - Increase in pressure decreased the fines residence time with tube bank present
 - The presence of tube bundle only augmented residence time of the larger particle while that of smaller particles on average remained similar.
 - An increase in gas velocity decreased the fines residence time
 - Presently collecting data where effect of pressure is determined by keeping the $U-U_{mf}$ constant.



CO2 Purification Unit (CPU) and Heat Recovery System



- Detailed engineering & procurement of CO2 purification unit for pilot completed
 - Process Description and PFD
 - P&IDs and equipment layout
 - 3-D model of CPU
 - Piping and structural design
 - Factory testing of distributed control system, control logic and display graphics
- Fabrication of skid sub-assemblies are in progress in Linde's Port of Catoosa facility
- DCC and LICONOX columns and other equipment shipped to Canmet in Ottawa. All skids expected to be shipped by Oct. 2016.



CPU equipment enables reduced cost relative to traditional cryogenic units

Engineering and procurement of CPU completed; Skid assembly is in progress

CPU Sub-systems





Pilot Plant Construction

Enhancement of building utilities (structural, water, electrical, compressed air) complete. Canadian Federal government funding used for all building enhancements.

>All contracts for major equipment awarded

- Pilot plant equipment installation in progress (40% complete) including:
 - Bulk gas supply systems for O₂, N₂, CO₂, and NG
 - Bulk fuel and sorbent handling systems
 - GTI equipment including combustor and pressure vessel, particulate filter, convective heat exchanger
 - Linde direct contact cooler and Liconox[™] columns



Pilot Plant Layout & Hardware Progress





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Phase II plans

- Fabrication and testing of the pilot scale rig
 - Update performance and technoeconomic analysis
 - Material and TRL evaluation
 - Anchor analysis codes
- CFD modeling
- Complete commercialization activities





Oxy- PFBC Commercialization Plan



Plan for commercial scale demonstration by 2025



- Component testing completed and validates performance predictions
- Agglomeration model validated and indicates low agglomeration risk
- 1 MWth pilot plant construction well underway with major equipment installed
- Pilot testing expected to start late this year



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