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ABOUT US
Company Overview

- Global gasification leader - competitively differentiated, technologically advantaged
- Creating high value, high margin clean energy products in the most rapidly growing markets in the world
- U-GAS® technology\(^{(1)}\) – exclusive worldwide license, highly scalable, proprietary, and readily commercially deployable
- Business model well vetted and commercially proven; 3.5 years successfully operating in China, working to build key positions in India, Australia, Africa
- Multiple projects in pipeline with attractive economics, successfully leveraging off regional growth platforms
- Developing “captive” low cost positions in low rank coal and biomass feedstocks; vertically integrating
- Management team - decades of industry experience, technical sophistication, in-country knowledge and leadership

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Building Momentum

Yima/ZJX Investment (China)
- $84 million pending investment into SES
- Collaboration leverages position in China
- Facilitates multiple development opportunities

SES this year has made significant progress advancing its business plan and attracting investment capital

These initiatives provide opportunities to build on existing positions, expand into important rapidly developing markets, and create long term value

Zuari Investment (India)
- Initial $5 million investment into Company
- First step in establishing key position in high growth, high demand marketplace
- Development, licensing initiatives underway

Key additional initiatives include SES’ recently announced technical services agreement with Ambre Energy.

SES/Midas Joint Venture (Resources)
- Vertically integrates feedstock resources, enhances competitive advantage
- Intended to develop resource-based and gasification project partnerships

- Application of U-GAS® in large scale Queensland GTL project
- Opens up new opportunities for licensing, equipment supply, and other technical services arrangements
World Coal Reserves
Billion Short Tons

Sub-bituminous and lignite account for 53% of total recoverable global reserves

**Total World Reserves**
- Total: 948
  - Bituminous & Anthracite: 445.7
  - Sub-bituminous: 287.0
  - Lignite: 215.3

**USA**
- Total: 260.6
  - Bituminous & Anthracite: 119.6
  - Sub-bituminous: 108.2
  - Lignite: 33.2

**China**
- Total: 126.2
  - Bituminous & Anthracite: 68.6
  - Sub-bituminous: 37.1
  - Lignite: 20.5

**Russia**
- Total: 173.1
  - Bit & Anthracite: 54.1
  - Sub-bituminous: 107.4
  - Lignite: 11.5

**Vietnam**
- Total: 3.2
  - Bit & Anthracite: 0.2
  - Sub-bituminous: 0.2
  - Lignite: 33.2

**Australia & NZ**
- Total: 84.8
  - Bituminous & Anthracite: 40.9
  - Sub-bituminous: 2.5
  - Lignite: 41.4

**India**
- Total: 66.8
  - Bituminous & Anthracite: 61.8
  - Lignite: 5.0

**Turkey**
- Total: 2.6
  - Bit & Anthracite: 0.6
  - Sub-bituminous & Lignite: 2.0

**Indonesia**
- Total: 6.1
  - Bituminous & Anthracite: 1.7
  - Sub-bituminous & Lignite: 4.4

Our Technology Platform - U-GAS®

*U-GAS®*(1) is a unique, proven technological gasification process that addresses the challenges of creating energy from low cost, low quality coal and biomass feedstocks

- Originated in U.S. at Gas Technology Institute (“GTI”) and perfected over a thirty-five year period
- Commercialized by SES’ two projects in China
- Fuel flexible – all ranks of coal & biomass
- Simple, low-cost design
- Efficient, low maintenance, reliable
- Lower water usage, improved environmental performance
- Well suited for small and larger scale applications

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Paths To Value Creation

Low Value Feedstock
- Low quality coals
- Biomass

SES’ U-GAS\textsuperscript{(1)}
- Synthesis Gas (CO\textsubscript{2} + H\textsubscript{2})

Conversion Processes
- CO\textsubscript{2} Capture Capable
- Downstream Processes

High Value End Products
- Power
  - IGCC
  - Fuel cells
- Gas
  - SNG
  - Fuel Gas
- Fertilizers
  - Ammonia
  - Urea
- Steel Making
  - DRI
- Fuels
  - Gasoline blending
  - Syngas to gasoline
  - Diesel - DME & FTL
  - LPG - DME blending
- Chemicals
  - Methanol
  - Hydrogen
  - Olefins
  - Acetic Acid
  - Glycol

By-Products
- Ash
- Sulfur

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## Technology Advantages
### Industry leading capability

### U-GAS® Advantages

#### Commercially Proven Technology
- Developed by GTI over the past 35 years
- 11 pilot, demo and commercial units since 1975
- SES proprietary “know-how” & technology capability
- Growing SES IP with twelve new patents pending

#### Fuel Flexible
- Industry leading fuel range for coals & biomass
- Proven operation on the lowest cost coals

#### Low Cost
- Low Operating Costs
  - High operating reliability/availability
  - Low water usage
- Low Capital Costs
  - 30 to 40% lower than other gasification technologies
  - More economical at smaller scale
  - Equipment sourcing capability from China

#### Environmental Solutions
- Creates clean gaseous product from dirty solid fuel
- Greenhouse gas capture capable – CO$_2$
- No generation of tars & oils

### Fuel Flexibility vs Tested Range

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<td>Moisture, wt %</td>
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<td>Fixed Carbon, wt %</td>
<td>6 – 83</td>
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<td>Sulfur, wt %</td>
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<td>0 – 8</td>
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<td>Ash Content, wt %</td>
<td>&lt;1 – 55%</td>
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<td>1,900 – 2,500</td>
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<td>Heating Value, Btu/lb.</td>
<td>5,500 - 14,000</td>
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SES has Unique Advantage over Fixed/Moving Bed

- Fixed/moving bed has lower carbon conversion efficiencies due to the lower operating temperature.
- Fixed/moving bed has non-uniform temperature profile, which promotes the generation of tars, oils, and other undesirable by-products.
- Fixed/moving bed cannot handle fine material, thereby creating large piles of waste coal fines material.
U-GAS®: Highly Fuel Flexible
Fluidized Bed versus Entrained Flow

FLUIDIZED-BED PROCESS
- Med Operating Temperature
- Non-slagging conditions
- Uniform temp profile
- No Tars & Oils formed
- Can process fine coal
- Handles wet coal feed

ENTRAINED-FLOW PROCESS
- High operating temperature
- Slagging conditions
- High capital intensity
- No Tars & Oils formed
- Can process fine coal
- Cannot process wet coal feed
Defining Fuel Flexibility

Sub-bit Coal & Lignite
- Chinese, Shen Fu – Sub-Bituminous
- Henan Yima – Sub-bituminous
- Indian, Dadri, ROM
- Montana Rosebud, Colstrip – Sub-bituminous
- Wyoming, Big Horn – Sub-bituminous
- North Dakota Lignite, Freedom
- Saskatchewan Lignite, Shand
- Inner Mongolia Lignite Baiyinghua
- Queensland – Sub-bituminous

Bituminous Coal
- Western Kentucky #9, washed & ROM
- Western Kentucky #9 and 11, Camp Australian, Bayswater #2, Sydney Basin
- Pittsburgh #8, Champion and Ireland
- Illinois #6, Peabody #10 & Crown III
- Polish, Silesia
- French, Merlebach – ROM
- Utah – ROM
- Columbian
- Indian, N. Karanpura, washed & ROM
- Shandong – ROM & washing middlings
- Yishan – Middlings

Biomass
- Pelletized waste wood, wood chips
- Bagasse
- Whole tree chips, hard and soft woods
- Danish Willow
- Rice and wheat straw
- Alfalfa stems
- Highway clippings
- Bark and pulp sludge
- Chicken litter

Coke Char, Peat & Wastes
- U.S., China, Poland, Metallurgical Coke
- Western Kentucky No. 9 coal char
- Illinois No. 6 coal char
- Finnish Peat, Viidansuo and Savaloneva
- US Peat, Minnesota and North Carolina
- Oil Shale, Eastern US
- Automobile Shredder Residue
OPERATIONS
U-GAS® Technology Development

TONS/DAY
- Low Pressure Coal
- High Pressure Coal
- High Pressure Biomass
- Medium Pressure Coal

U-GAS SCALE UP HISTORY

1975
- 24 Tons/Day
- Synthesis Coal Plant, Coal Gases Inc.

1980
- 8 Tons/Day
- U-Gas Coal Plant, Coal Gases Inc.

1985
- 10 Tons/Day
- Scale up technology to 1,000 ton per day, coal gasifier.

1990
- 80 Tons/Day
- 30 Tons/Day
- 100 Tons/Day
- 150 Tons/Day
- Commercial 150 ton per day.

1995
- 2000 Tons/Day
- 400 Tons/Day
- 150 Tons/Day
- 1200 Tons/Day
- High pressure Coal Gasifier, for IGCC.

2000
- 20 Tons/Day
- 40 Tons/Day
- 200 Tons/Day
- Hasler 40 Tons/Day pilot plant, Denmark.

2005
- 150 Tons/Day
- 400 Tons/Day
- High Ash Coal Gasifier, for IGCC.

2010
- 1200 Tons/Day
- 2400 Tons/Day
- Hasler 2400 Tons/Day sub-combustor.

2015
- Synthesis Energy Systems
Zao Zhuang Commercial Operations

- Zao Zhuang ("ZZ") – Shandong Province
- JV with Shandong Hai Hua Coal & Chemical Co. Ltd (96% SES / 4% HH)
- Proven U-GAS® performance with successful commercial operation; over 3.5 yrs
- Designed for 22,000 Nm³/hr of clean syngas on coal washing waste (40 wt% ash)
- High syngas availability…over 97% average
- 30% turndown of design syngas rate
- Demonstrated on high ash middlings (55 wt%), ROM bituminous, high ash sub-bit, & lignite
- Successful third party commercial coal testing
  - Yima Coal Industry Group
  - Inner Mongolian Lignite
  - Ambre Energy
  - Yankuang Yishan Chemical Company
### Proximate Analysis

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<td>1.84</td>
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<td>36.37</td>
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<td>Moisture Content, wt% AR</td>
<td>26.50</td>
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<td>LHV, BTU/lb, AR</td>
<td>6,786</td>
<td>9,162</td>
<td>6,904</td>
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### Performance

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<td>CO+H$_2$, mol%</td>
<td>65.14</td>
<td>66.60</td>
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<td>H$_2$/CO Ratio</td>
<td>1.43</td>
<td>1.23</td>
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<td>HHV, BTU/scf*</td>
<td>254</td>
<td>256</td>
<td>272</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cold Gas Efficiency %</td>
<td>79</td>
<td>82</td>
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<td>Carbon Conversion %</td>
<td>96</td>
<td>&gt;98</td>
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* On a nitrogen, sulfur and moisture free basis
Carbon conversion and cold gas efficiency are calculated values. Slagging wet and dry feed gasification calculations based on DOE/NREL-2007/1281 IGGC performance study. Fixed bed gasification calculations based on DOE/NREL 401 / 040607 SNG performance study.

Estimated Cold Gas Efficiency [GGE]
ZZ Plant Performance 2011

Coal unit consumption kg/m³
(\text{CO+H}_2+\text{CH}_4)

Plant operation reliability

\text{O}_2 \text{ unit consumption (Nm}^3/\text{Nm}^3)\n
\text{Syngas monthly output (Nm}^3)
Yima – A Multi-Phased Project

- The Yima Coal Industry Group is one of China’s largest coal companies with total assets of RMB 15.7 billion (USD 2.3 billion)
- Chose U-GAS® following test campaign on Yima’s high ash sub-bituminous coal at SES’ Zao Zhuang facility

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<td>Capacity</td>
<td>3 x 1,200 mtpd (2 operating &amp; 1 backup)</td>
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<td>Product</td>
<td>Integrated coal gasification to methanol (300k mtpa)</td>
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<td>Fuel</td>
<td>Sub-bituminous; 38 – 45% ash</td>
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<td>Capital Cost</td>
<td>Approx. $250 million – financial close Aug 2009</td>
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<td>Structure</td>
<td>75% Yima / 25% SES (SES option to increase to 49%)</td>
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<td>Mechanical Completion</td>
<td>Mid-2012; COD – approx 6 months later</td>
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Yima Coal Gasification Project

- Yima Plant – Henan Province
- Phase 1 of $4B Mazhuang Coal Chemical and Energy Industrial Park
- Converts 2400 mtpd of 38-45% ash coal to 300,000 mtpa methanol
- Syngas generation in mid-2012
Implementing Strategy Through Regional Growth Platforms

- **Strategic partnering key to SES global growth**
  - Partners typically well capitalized, bring financial muscle to table
  - Have ability to facilitate and capture new business
  - Facilitate completion of local approvals for projects
  - Experience with regional culture, language, customs and local business practices
  - Puts localized face/branding on Company

- **Emerging markets focus, high demand, significant commercial potential**
  - Well advanced in China, developing strong early foothold in India
  - Other Asian and developing regions on radar screen – Southeast Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America, Southern Africa

- **Regional approach leverages SES technology position**
  - Regions targeted contain vast low-cost feedstock resources, essential to maintaining competitive advantage
  - SES will have ability to capture and integrate these resources into regional commercial effort, further distinguishing SES as leading cost competitor
Multiple Paths to Growth & Profitability

Three Pronged Global Growth Strategy

Technology, Equipment Supply & Services
- Rapid U-GAS® Commercialization
- Grow installed base
- Near term earnings

Project Investments
- Equity Carries & Options
- Selective Investments
- Earnings from product sales

Integrating Coal Resources
- Vertical integration
- Links low cost feedstock

Technology & Equipment Supply
- SES Advanced Gasification Technology

Integrated Coal Resource Projects
- Selective Project Investments

Selective Project Investments
Licensing

- Potential to be a sustained revenue generator
- Technology royalty is typically a one time fee collected across project design, construction & startup
- Typical project cycle…24 to 48 months
- Typical transaction range $3MM to $30MM+ (1)

Specialized Equipment & Technical Services

- Pre-Order Engineering Services…coal testing, feasibility studies
- PDPs…engineered by SES & delivered prior to detailed design
- Equipment…proprietary equipment orders placed during detailed design
- Technical Services…training, commissioning, start-up, ongoing support

1 Typically based on the project’s daily capacity to produce CO & H₂ (syngas) and methane as well as consideration for syngas energy content
Project Investments

- **Capital Investment – JVs with equity investment & carried interest**
  - Syngas plants, SNG, integrated methanol/glycol facilities, fertilizer businesses
  - Build Own Operate (“BOO”) model
  - Build Own Transfer (“BOT”) model
    - *Modular units; engineering, equipment and construction partnerships*
    - *Operating and technical services*
  - Revenue Sources
    - *Syngas sales*
    - *End product sales – SNG, Fuels, Chemicals, etc*
  - Majority Control/Minority Interest Positions

- **Focus - targeting high growth, high product demand, emerging markets**
- **Greenfield development and acquisitions**
**Representative Economics**

**China SNG Case**

**SES provides a clean, efficient & lower cost solution for SNG**

**China Synthetic Natural Gas - SNG**

- Attractive economics
- Encouraged by Chinese government
- Large scale “mega” projects planned (Typically 4B Nm³/yr built in 1B Nm³/yr phases)
- Target fuel - low cost, low quality coal

**SES technology can unlock value in lignite coal vs. other gasification technologies which can be limited to higher grade coal**

- 1B Nm³/yr SNG => ~$150MM per annum in feedstock savings

**Base Case Assumptions**

- Representative 4 billion Nm³/yr SNG project in China
- Low rank coal feedstock
- Natural gas prices are estimated price at the city gate;
- Total invested capital: $2.3bn; coal price net of VAT, Rmb85per met ton ($16/m ton)
Integrating Coal Resources

- Vertically integrates and/or links under utilized, low quality coal resources to SES projects globally
- SES’ U-GAS® technology facilitates monetization of low commercial value “stranded” coals that are otherwise difficult or impossible to commercialize
- Secures long-term low cost fuel for projects
- Positions SES to be global leader in captive low rank coal resources
- Targeted regions include Asia, Eastern Europe, Eurasia, and parts of Africa
Develop markets for coal that would otherwise stay undeveloped

Offer stable long term price not linked to global coal prices

Ship coal to where energy products have highest value

Manufacture energy products decoupled from oil price
SRS Business Opportunities

Coal export model
- Coal resource investment, including mining and rail to export port
- Coal consuming facilities, including SES U-GAS® facilities, in high value energy markets
- Australia, Indonesia, & Southern Africa are prime coal supply targets
- India, China, Japan, Korea, & Vietnam are prime energy market targets

Mine mouth gasification model
- Coal resources are proximate to reasonably high value energy market
- Investment opportunity includes full chain from resource to ultimate market
- Includes coal supply and chemical/SNG facilities in one location
- RSA, Mozambique, & Eastern Europe prime targets

Products
- DRI, SNG, methanol, ammonia, urea, acetic acid, gasoline, & power
SRS is working with coal resource owners, Boards & executive management to quantify alternative options for commercialising their resources

- Market constrained low grade coal
  - High ash southern Africa coal
  - Indonesian sub-bituminous
  - High moisture content coal
  - High ash Surat Basin Queensland coal
  - Lignite in southern Australia and New Zealand
- Outside of existing coal specs i.e. <4200 kcal/kg (7560 Btu/lb)
- Coals considered all fall within the property ranges successfully tested at SES’ ZZ facility in China
Low Rank Coal In Indonesia

**Indonesian Opportunities**

- Extensive undeveloped portions of Kaltim Prima lease
- Unlikely to be developed
- May lose rights if not accessed
- Sub 4200kcal/kg high moisture coal (>35% MC)
- To be priced outside of quality adjusted formula

Data based on information provided by lease owner
Low Rank Coal In Mozambique

**SRS is working in Mozambique**

- Extensive mining area – 38,700 Ha
- 1.8 billion tonne resource
- Three potential routes to port
- Also investigating in-country gasification

Data based on information provided by lease owner
Low Rank Coal in Australia

SRS is working with a number of Surat Basin explorers

- Extensive land-locked high ash basin
- Surat Basin rail and new coal terminal at Gladstone proposed
- Underpinned by Xstrata mine (~30M mtpa)
- SES technology avoids need for washing cost and water usage
Building Value

- Working to become uniquely and competitively positioned for gasification of low cost feedstocks on a global basis
- Commercializing gasification technology in high demand, high growth markets: our only business
- Building significant momentum - achieving rapid early growth through regional platform strategy - Yima/ZJX, Zuari/India, SES-RS
- Proven track record - successful operations in China for three years; multiple development initiatives and opportunities in pipeline
- World class management and technical team, indigenous country expertise

Technological and feedstock advantages on a global scale drives our growth.