Front End Engineering Design of Linde-BASF Advanced Post-Combustion CO₂ Capture Technology at a Southern Company Natural Gas-Fired Power Plant

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Project Overview and Objectives

Project Overview:

- Funding: **\$7,101,737**
 - DOE: \$5,674,533
 - Recipients: \$1,427,204
- Work Period: 10/1/2019 9/30/2021*
 - *Project team has requested a no-cost extension that is being processed by NETL.

Project Objectives:

- Complete a Front-End Engineering and Design (FEED) study for installing the Linde-BASF advanced aqueous amine solvent-based post-combustion CO2 capture technology (PCC) at an existing domestic natural gas-fired combined cycle (NGCC) power plant within Southern Company's portfolio of assets.
- Provide a reference case for a more detailed understanding of CO2 capture costs in a commercial application to support the development of cost-effective, environmentally sound, and high-performing technologies for the reduction of CO2 emissions from NGCC plants.





Linde-BASF Post-Combustion Carbon Capture (PCC) Technology



• OASE[®] blue solvent

- Advanced aqueous amine solvent
- Favorable kinetics and reduced steam energy requirements
- Demonstrated solvent stability
- Lower solvent circulation rate
- Technology tested from 2009-2017 in two pilot plants
 - Different flue gas sources
 - Wide range of flue gas compositions and impurities
 - Achieved Technology Readiness Level of 6
 - Multiple process design improvements achieved



Linde-BASF Post-Combustion Carbon Capture (PCC) Technology

Notable Linde-BASF process improvements

(C, E) Dry bed water wash design to minimize solvent losses
(G) Stripper regeneration at 3.4 bars reducing CO₂ compressor cost and power consumption
(I) Advanced Stripper Interstage Heater to reduce regenerator steam consumption.

Reduced capital costs/energy costs

- Optimized BASF OASE[®] blue solvent
- Efficient CO₂ capture from lowpressure sources
- Longer solvent life (can handle higher O₂ conc)
- Lower solvent circulation rate





Project Scope



CO₂ Capture Boundary Limits

• General Responsibilities:

- Southern Company is responsible for the design of interconnections to the existing plant facility, all modifications outside CO2 capture boundary limits (OSBL), and all deep foundations.
- Linde is responsible for the design of all aboveground equipment and foundations inside boundary limits (ISBL).
- Design Basis:
 - 90% capture at full NGCC load.
 - Steam extracted from combined-cycle LP steam system.
 - Product CO₂ at Kinder Morgan pipeline transportation specs.

Project Milestones

Task/Subtask Number	Milestone Title & Description	Completion Date	Verification Method
1.1	Project kickoff meeting	11/22/2019	Presentation file
1.1	Updated Project Management Plan (PMP)	2/28/2020	PMP file
2.2	Host site evaluation and selection, including design basis	4/29/2020	Quarterly Progress Report
3.2	Basic engineering complete	12/2/2020	Quarterly Progress Report
4.1	HAZOP complete	12/17/2020	Quarterly Progress Report, HAZOP report
4.0	Front-end engineering packages complete	6/30/2021*	FEED Study Report
5.3	Finalized cost and schedule analysis	9/30/2021*	Topical Report

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Success Criteria and Decision Points

Decision Point	Date	Success Criteria					
Host site selected	4/29/2020	Letter of confirmation from selected host site; design basis created for that site.					
Basic engineering completed successfully	12/2/2020	Solvent system basic design complete. All information required to conduct HAZOP complete.					
Front-End Engineering Design complete	6/30/2021*	All design packages ready for equipment/material estimation from vendors. HAZOP revisions addressed.					
Cost and schedule estimate complete	9/30/2021*	Cost and schedule estimate completed and reviewed.					

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Host Site - Plant Daniel Unit 4

- Located in Moss Point, MS
- (2) GE 7FA gas turbines -> (1)
 Vogt triple pressure HRSG -> (1)
 GE TC2F D11 steam turbine, 525
 MW net
- Began commercial operation in May 2001
- Estimated storage costs at \$3-5/ton from pre-feasibility geological studies







Task 3: Conceptual Design

SCS Scope (OSBL):

- Evaluation and identification of the steam source and quality for the carbon capture system.
- Evaluation of utility
 availability and identification
 of any necessary additions.
- Reconciliation between Linde and SCS design standards.

Linde Scope (ISBL):

- Basic design completed by BASF based on OASE[®] blue solvent technology. This includes preliminary heat and material balances and key equipment sizing.
- Linde completed basic engineering including, the development of the first version of PFD, detailed heat & material balances, P&ID, and plot plan.



Task 4: FEED – Integration between organizations



- SCS created and implemented an integrated 3D model file transfer system so that all project engineers and designers are working from a common model.
- Biweekly project team updates are held.
- Discipline meetings are held as needed to address specific issues.
- Linde is providing their inputs for estimation, and SCS is rolling that into the overall estimate and schedule.

Task 4 - ISBL

- Linde performed optimization of PCC plot plan, following the approach of 2PCC + Compressor trains with common utility supply and facilities support infrastructure.
- Linde and SCS reviewed and adjusted the plot to consider boundary limitations (e.g. underground systems), accessibility for power plant, and PCC plant.
- Optimization of tie-in points (regarding process conditions and locations).



Task 4: ISBL

- Linde progressed ISBL cost development, incl. material take-offs and inquiries.
- Linde and SCS evaluated optimum of scope split (e.g. CEMS, control system)
 - Example: Appropriate structural steel scope split.



Task 4: FEED – Civil/Structural Engineering

- Geotechnical investigation of the proposed project area used cone penetration testing in a grid pattern.
 - Testing indicated that augured cast-in-place piles (ACIPs) for deep foundations.
- Foundation design is balancing the ease of construction with required materials and necessary liquid containment.
- Structural steel design will conform to existing specifications to allow for modular construction.
- Original HRSG stack designer engaged for duct integration design.





Task 4 – FEED: Process/Mechanical/ICE Engineering OSBL



- Design underway for supplies of steam, process water, firewater from existing plant sources.
- Design of new infrastructure for cooling tower, instrument air, electrical supply, and expansion of DCS controls.



Challenges due to COVID-19:

• Travel restrictions eliminated the possibility of having in-person kickoff meetings, host site visits, and annual project team meetings.

-The team has continued to use virtual meetings for these efforts.

- No in-person HAZOP meeting was possible for the two engineering organizations.
 - -Travel restrictions were still in place.
 - -There is a 7-hour time difference between the Linde engineering team and the SCS engineering team.
 - -Linde team conducted HAZOP internally, and then SCS reviewed that HAZOP at a later date.



Summary

- Southern Company and Linde have assembled a diverse team to develop a FEED study with accompanying cost and schedule estimates.
- Despite major changes in work practices and plans due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the project team has adapted and continued the work.
 - -No in-person team kickoff, no Linde site visits, no in-person HAZOP.
 - All project team members have spent significant time teleworking, and many continue to do so.
- The project team is working hard per the revised project schedule to complete the FEED packages and turn that information over to estimating.



Questions?

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Project Organization Chart



Project Gantt Chart

				Budget Period 1 No-Cost Extension											
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		Planned End		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10		
Task 1.0 - Project Management & Planning Charles 1.1	1/29/2020		3/31/2021		_										
Subtask 1.1 - Project Management	1/29/2020		3/31/2021												
Subtask 1.2 - Project Administration	1/29/2020		3/31/2021												
Subtask 1.3 - Project Controls	1/29/2020	9/30/2021	3/31/2021												
Milestones:				•											
-Project kickoff meeting				◊	· ·										
-Updated Project Management Plan							808	_							
Task 2.0 - Scope Definition and Design Basis	1/29/2020		4/29/2020												
Subtask 2.1 - Requirements Definition	1/29/2020		4/29/2020											Originally	
Subtask 2.2 - Host Site Evaluation and Selection	3/1/2020	4/29/2020	4/29/2020											•••	
Milestones:														planned but	
-Host site evaluation and selection including design														not realized	
basis						\$									
Task 3.0 - Conceptual Design	4/15/2020		12/2/2020											Realized as	
Subtask 3.1 - Basic Design	4/15/2020		5/30/2020											planned	
Subtask 3.2 - Basic Engineering	5/15/2020	9/30/2020	12/2/2020											4	
Milestones:														Extended	
-Basic engineering complete								<u>ه</u>	>					Time	
Task 4. 0 - Front End Engineering Design Study	9/30/2020													Original	
Subtask 4.1 - Process Engineering	9/30/2020		8/31/2021											-	
Subtask 4.2 - Mechanical Engineering	9/30/2020	6/30/2021	8/31/2021											Milestone	
Subtask 4.3 - Instrumentation, Controls and														Time	♦
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Subtask 4.4 - Civil/Structural Engineering	9/30/2020	6/30/2021	10/31/2021												
Subtask 4.5 - Facilities Engineering	9/30/2020	6/30/2021	10/31/2021												
Milestones:															
-HAZOP complete								\diamond \diamond							
-Fronte-End Engineering packages complete										0		٥			
Task 5.0 - Cost and Schedule Estimation	1/1/2021	9/30/2021	3/31/2022												
Subtask 5.1 - Procurement and Fabrication Planning	1/1/2021	9/30/2021	3/31/2022												
Subtask 5.2 - Construction Management and															
Planning	1/1/2021	9/30/2021	3/31/2022												
Subtask 5.3 - Cost and Schedule Estimation	1/1/2021		3/31/2022												
Milestones:										***************************************					
-Finalized cost and schedule analysis										1	(•	\$		



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