



# Engineering Design of a Linde-BASF Advanced Post-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture (PCC) Technology at a Linde Steam Methane Reforming H<sub>2</sub> Plant

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## Project Overview



- Project cost \$1.969 MM: DOE funding \$1.5 MM; Linde cost share \$0.469 MM
- Project duration: 18 months (October 2020 to March 2022)
- Project participants:



## Project Objectives

- Engineering design of a Linde-BASF advanced post-combustion CO<sub>2</sub> capture technology at the H<sub>2</sub> Plant
- Site-specific engineering study to create a strong foundation to pursue a commercial project
  - Capture 90% of CO<sub>2</sub> from SMR flue gas and compress to 2200 psia
  - Estimate CAPEX and OPEX and perform technoeconomic analysis to determine CO<sub>2</sub> capture cost





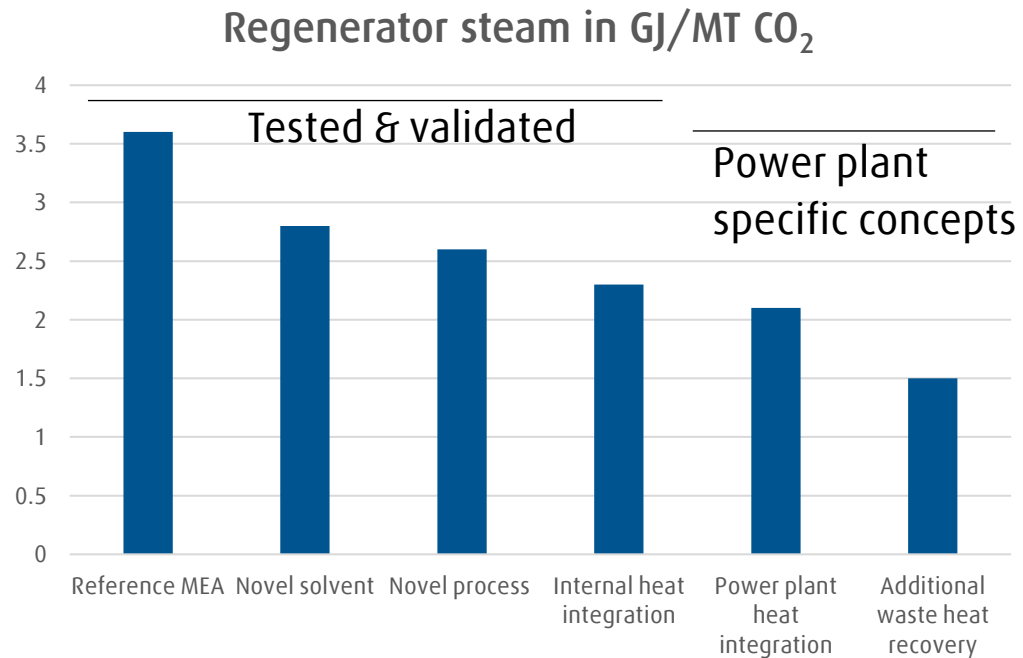
- OASE® blue solvent
  - Tolerance to O<sub>2</sub> and FG impurities
  - Favorable kinetics and reduced steam energy requirements
  - Demonstrated solvent stability
  - Lower solvent circulation rate
  - Minimal solvent losses
- Technology tested from 2009-2017 in two pilot plants
  - Different flue gas sources
  - Wide range of flue gas compositions and impurities
  - Achieved Technology Readiness Level of 6
  - Multiple process design improvements achieved
- Scale-up
  - 30 Ton/d demo at Wilsonville, AL on coal flue gas in 2015-16
  - 250 Ton/d to be built at U. of Ill. 10 MW coal power plant in Springfield, IL

# Technology

## Progress of Continuous Improvements To Date

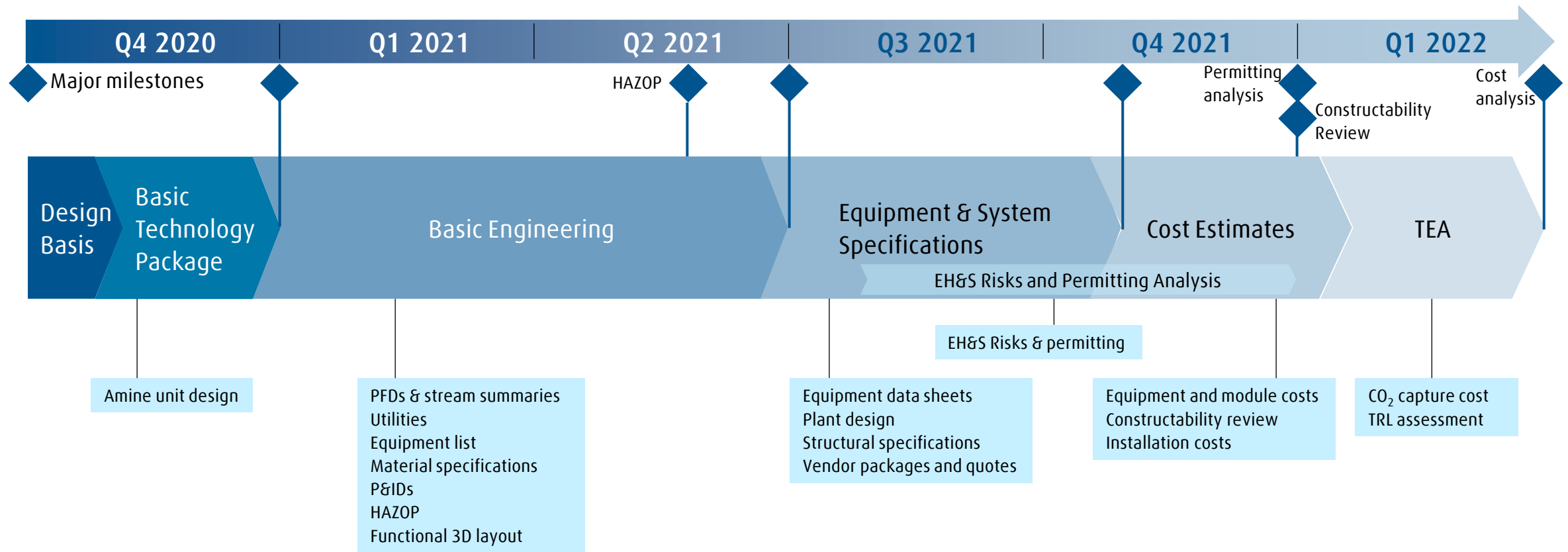


### Reducing low pressure steam consumption:



- Capex reduction:
  - High-capacity structured packing (smaller diameter absorbers)
  - Higher pressure regeneration (Reduced CO<sub>2</sub> compressor cost)
  - Novel lower cost equipment (e.g., reboiler, inter-stage heater)
- Electrical energy reduction:
  - CO<sub>2</sub> compression power by operating at higher regenerator pressure
  - Reduced solvent recirculation flow
- Other features for lower OPEX:
  - Reduced solvent inventory
  - Fast dynamics for load following

# Technical Approach & Major Milestones



## Project Success Criteria



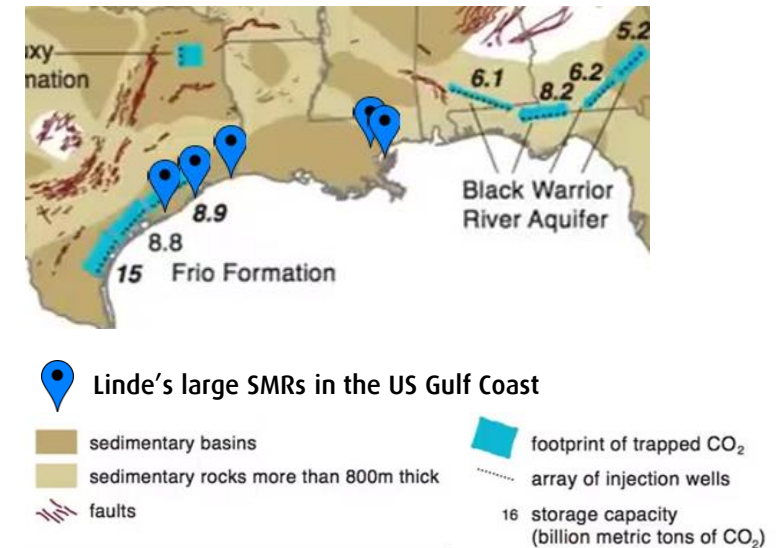
Decision Point	Date	Success Criteria
End of Project goal	03/31/2022	Cost estimate completed for CO2 capture and compression plant from SMR with accuracy of +/- 25%

# Progress Update

## Host Site Selection



- Selected one of the largest SMR plants from Linde's Gulf Coast fleet
  - Sufficient space available adjacent to existing SMR
  - Sufficient capacity for additional utilities
- 400+ miles of pipeline network connects multiple plants and customers
  - Includes H<sub>2</sub> storage cavern
- Proximity to CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration sites
  - Saline aquifers
  - Depleted oil and gas fields
  - Large storage capacities for >20 years operation







- Plant concept
  - Single train design with one DCC (direct contact cooler), single train amine unit with one absorber and one regenerator, one CO<sub>2</sub> compression train
  - Minimal impact on SMR operation due to integration of PCC
- CO<sub>2</sub> capture capacity is ~1.4 million tonnes/year

### Feed - SMR Flue Gas

Temperature, F	~320
Pressure, psia	14.7
Composition (mol%)	
N <sub>2</sub> + Ar + O <sub>2</sub>	~62%
CO <sub>2</sub>	~18%
H <sub>2</sub> O	~20%
Trace impurities	< 100 ppm

### CO<sub>2</sub> Product Specifications

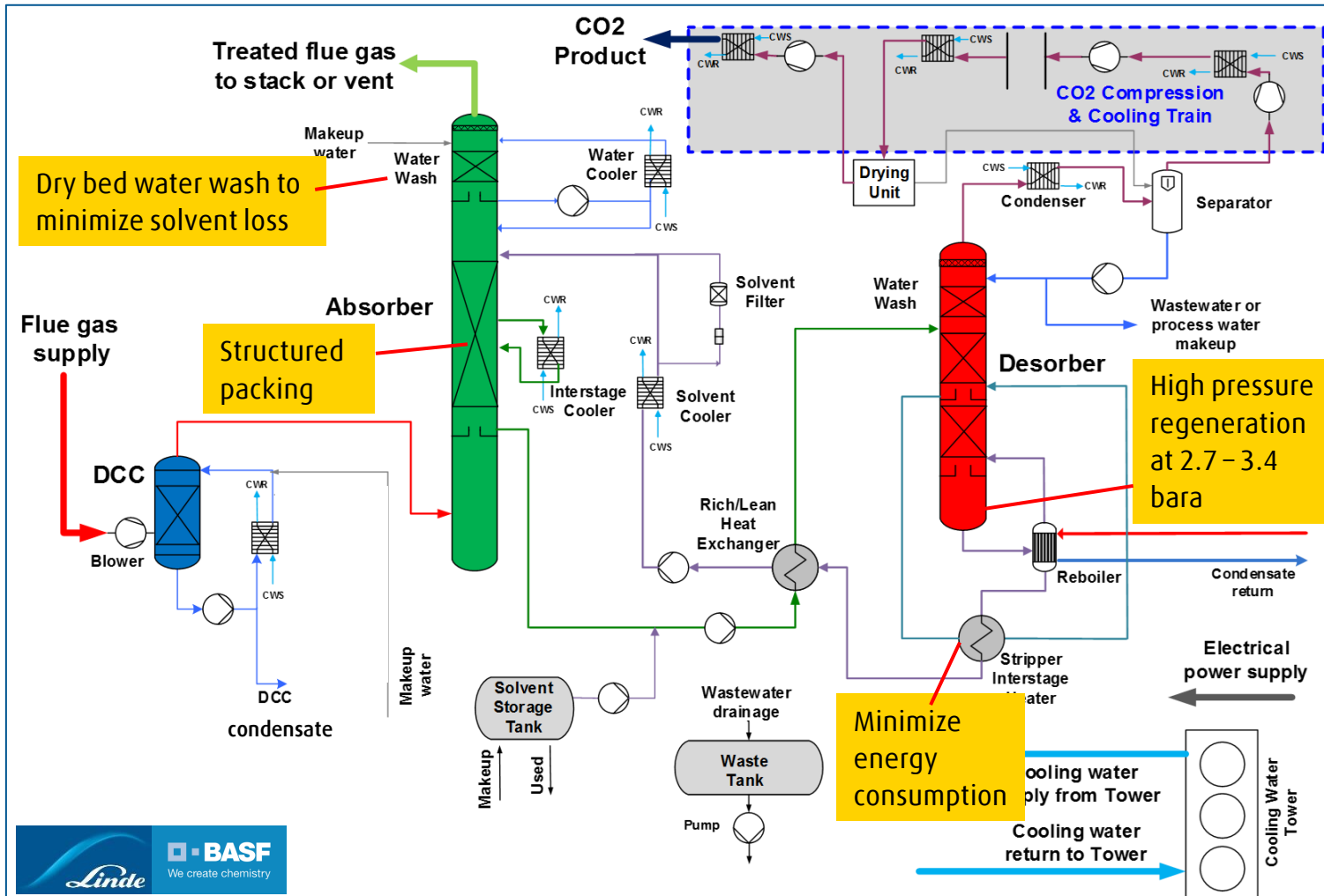
CO <sub>2</sub> purity	>95%
Temperature, F	<120 F
Pressure, psia	2200
Water	< 630 ppm
Oxygen	<10 ppm
Nitrogen	<4%



- BASF developed 90% and 95% CO<sub>2</sub> capture cases
  - Preliminary sizes of major equipment such as absorber, stripper, solvent pumps, heat exchangers were provided
  - Specific reboiler duties were estimated
- 95% capture case was selected based on the following
  - Incremental specific energy consumption was small at ~1.5% compared to 90% case
  - Both cases required single train design
  - Incremental absorber/stripper diameters for higher capture rate were minimal
  - Specific Capex per unit volume of CO<sub>2</sub> is likely lower due to economy of scale
- CO<sub>2</sub> purity of >99.9% (by vol. on dry basis) well exceeds the purity specification

# Progress Update

## Process Design



### Key features

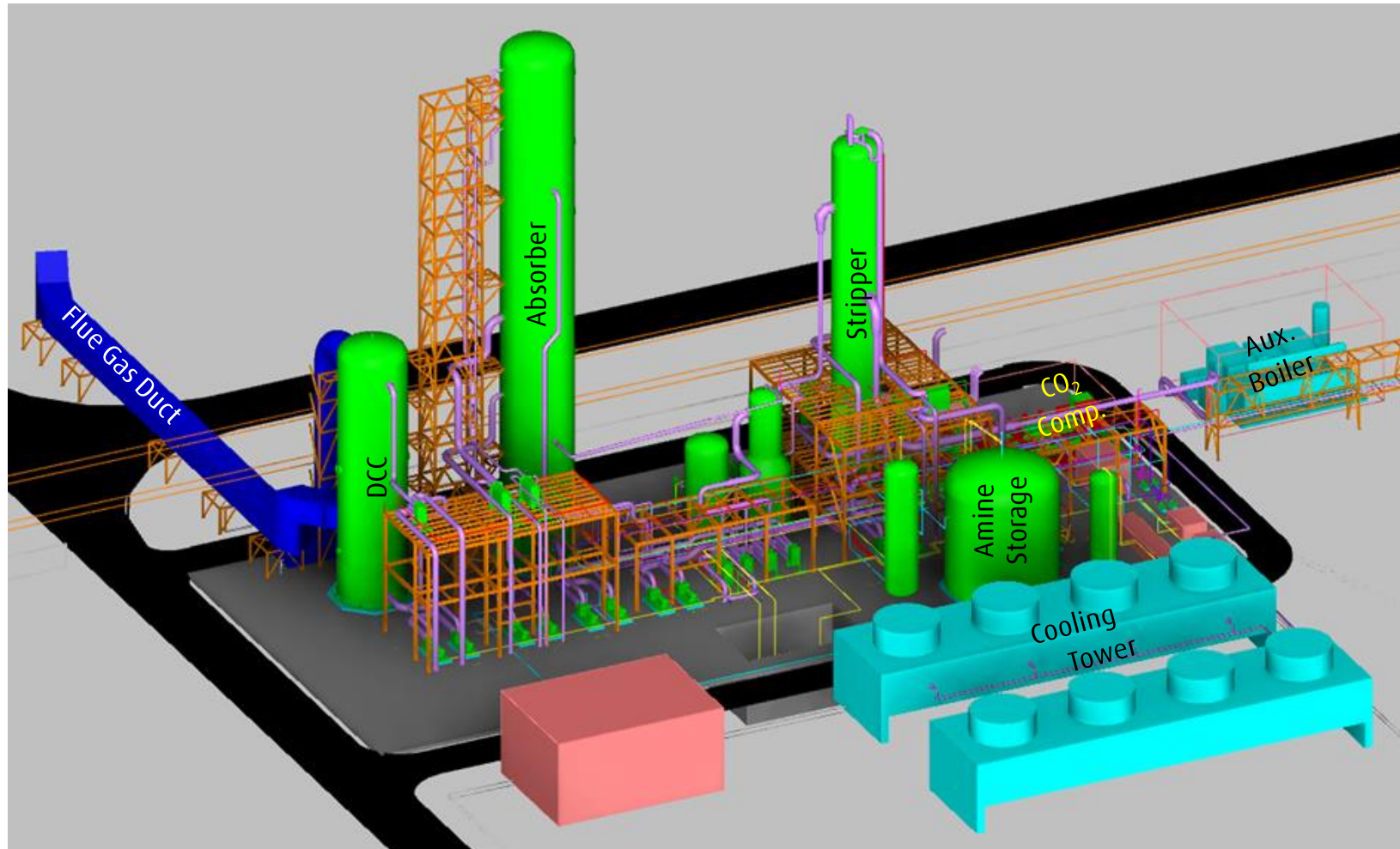
- 95% CO<sub>2</sub> capture rate
- Reboiler duty ~2.6 GJ/tonne
- Minimal solvent loss to atmosphere
- No amine disposal required with the use of reclaimer
- Structured packing in absorber
- Compression train with chiller to meet moisture specs
- Maximized wastewater recycle



- Completed Deliverables
  - Equipment list
  - Process data sheets
  - P&IDs
  - Analytical requirements
  - Electrical load list
  - Plant and environmental safety concept
  - Material specifications, and
  - Functional 3D layout of the plant
- HAZOP
  - No major design flaws were identified
  - Team identified several improvements to be incorporated into design to make it inherently safer
  - P&IDs have been updated based on HAZOP actions

# Progress Update

## Basic Engineering – 3D Layout





## Major Project Risks and Mitigations



Risks Addressed To Date	Mitigations
Host site initially proposed was unavailable	Alternative site from Linde's SMR fleet was identified and confirmed by Business as a suitable site
Integration with operations at SMR plant	Engaged internal experts intimately familiar with the selected SMR
Unavailability of utilities for capture plant	Host site confirmed capacity for providing additional utilities needed for the capture plant
Large volumes of process condensate from DCC	Identified suitable reuse within the plant
Safety issues arising from improper design	HAZOP was completed to make the design inherently safer
Little to no commercial opportunity for CO <sub>2</sub> offtake	Companies interested in CO <sub>2</sub> offtake have already been identified
Remaining Potential Risks	Mitigations
Permitting requirements add project complexity/ cost	Detailed permitting analysis is planned to determine cost and schedule for new permits as well as impact on existing permits
Cost/schedule risks	Frequent reviews of availability of resources and budget forecasts Proactive actions for alternative resources and cost efficiency

## Summary



- Host site selected with proximity to multiple sequestration sites
- Capture capacity of ~1.4 MM tonnes/yr
- Linde worked with BASF to develop the basic technology package
- 95% Capture case is selected for the engineering study
- Basic engineering has been completed
- Efforts are now focused on analyzing permitting requirements and developing EPC cost estimates
- Project remains on track for successful completion by Q1 2022

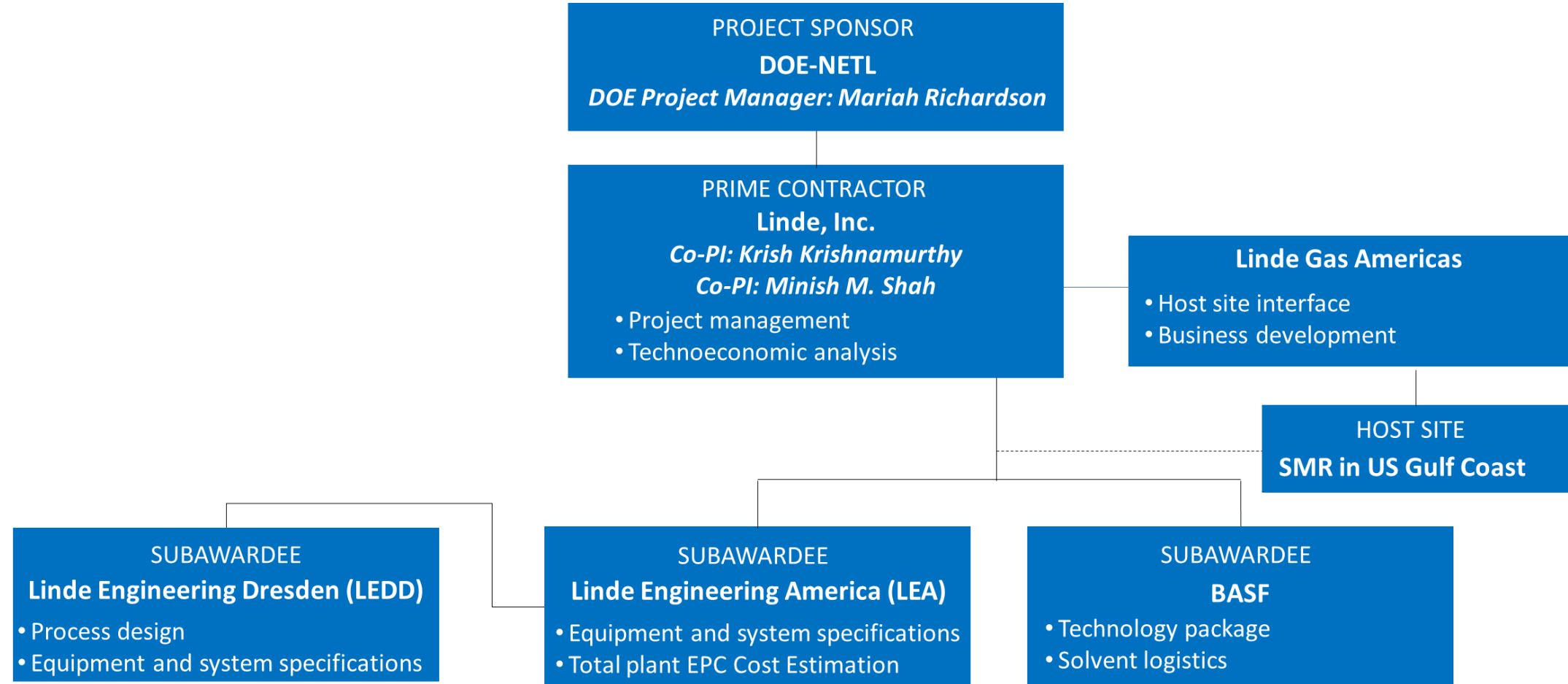


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# Project Organization Chart





# Project Gantt Chart

