# Chevron natural gas carbon capture technology testing project

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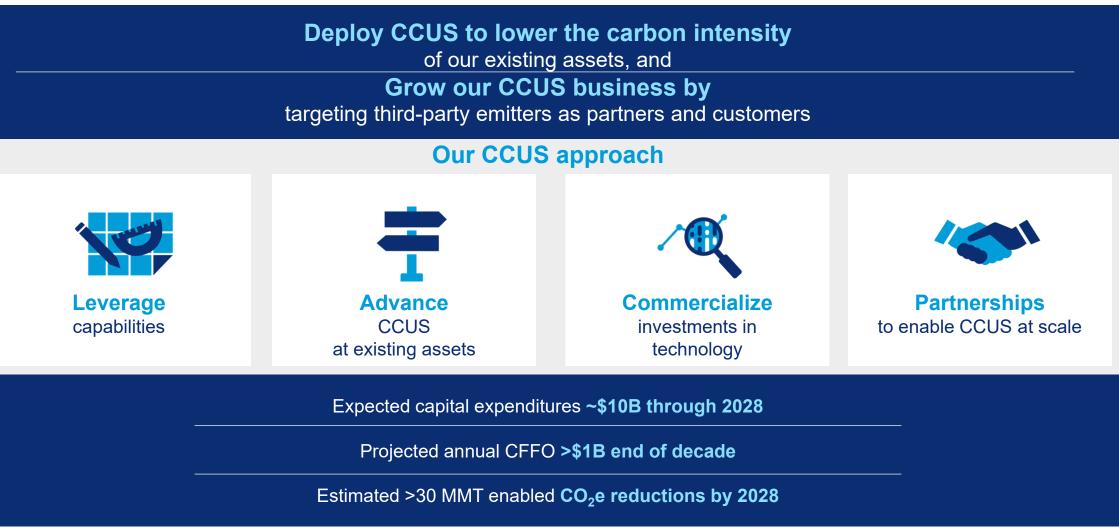
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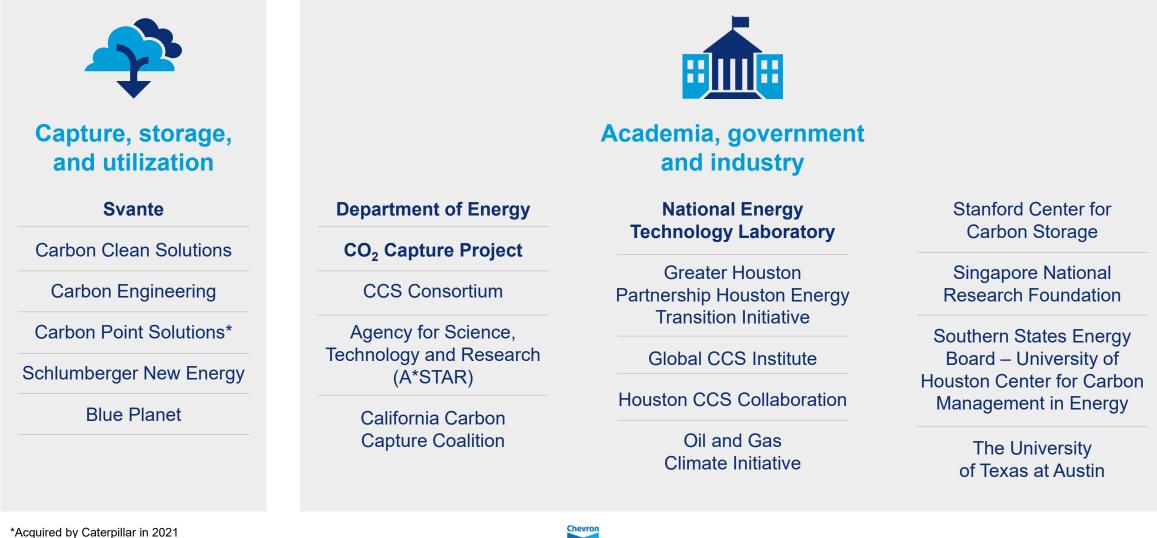
### **Our strategy to scale CCUS**

to generate higher returns and lower carbon





## Advancing CCUS through investments and collaborations





## **Project overview**

#### **Award Period**

• 10/01/2020 through 04/30/2023

#### **Project Funding**

- Total Funding: \$20,888,075.00
- Federal Funding: \$13,000,000.00
- Cost Share Funding: \$7,888,075 (Cash Contribution by Chevron)

#### **Project Participants**

- Chevron U.S.A. Inc., Prime Contractor, host site and cost share provider
  - Principal Investigator: Scott McLemore
  - Project Manager: Stan Cross
- Technology Provider: Svante, Inc.; Carbon capture technology provider
- ISBL Engineering, Procurement and Construction: Kiewit Engineering Group Inc (KEGI) and Kiewit Power Constructors (KPC)
- Program Administrator: Electricore, Inc.
- Plant Operation: Offshore Technology Services (OTS)

#### **DOE-NETL Team**

 Grants Officer: Lisa Kuzniar, Project Manager: Nicole Shamitko-Klingensmith, Contracting Specialist: Kelly Haught







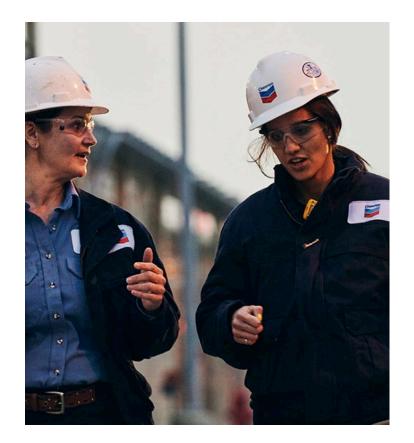




## **Project objectives**

The project will validate a transformational solid sorbent carbon capture technology at engineering scale under indicative natural gas flue gas conditions and continuous long-term operation at Chevron's Kern River oil field

- Successfully complete the design, construction, commissioning, and longterm testing of an engineering scale plant of approximately 25 tonnes per day (TPD) under steady-state conditions at varying flue gas carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) concentrations (~4–14%);
- Conduct a techno-economic analysis (TEA) on the VeloxoTherm<sup>™</sup> technology as integrated into a nominal 550 MW (net) natural gas combined cycle (NGCC) power plant;
- Conduct a comprehensive gap analysis addressing the current stage of VeloxoTherm<sup>™</sup> technology development for NGCC application; and
- Summarize the research, development, and demonstration requirements to close identified gaps to approach achievement of DOE's carbon capture performance goal of CO<sub>2</sub> capture with 95% CO<sub>2</sub> purity at a cost of \$30/tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> captured by 2030.





## Kern River carbon capture plant

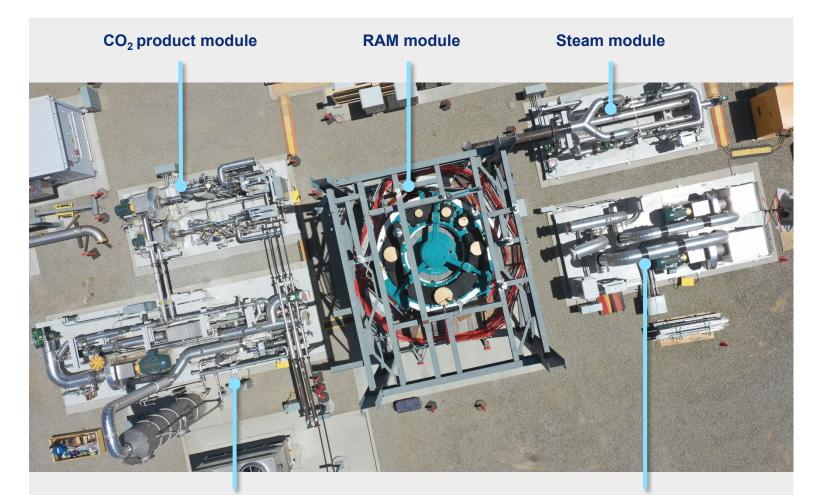
San Joaquin Valley, CA USA Natural gas-based flue gas testing

Understand and measure capture plant performance on boiler, NGCC and SMR feed flue gas

Skid-mounted modular design of second-of-a-kind (SOAK) capture plant

New MOF sorbent beds

95% CO<sub>2</sub> product purity and lower steam ratio compared to conventional solvent technology

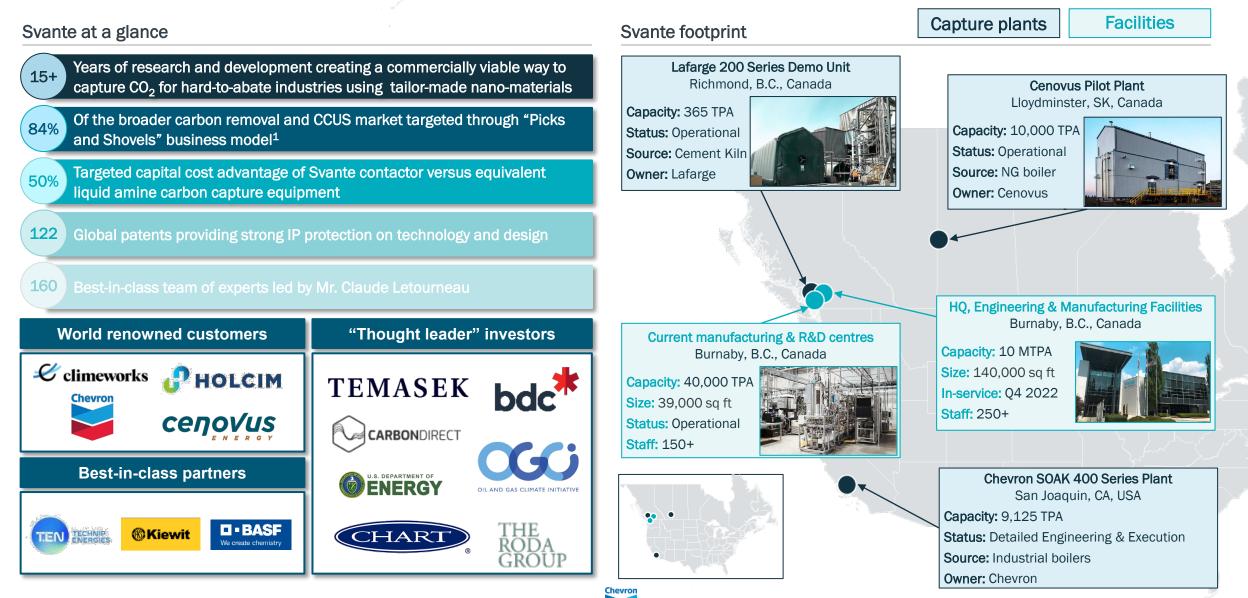


Flue gas module

**Conditioning module** 



## Svante has a 15-year first mover advantage...



## **Svante carbon capture technology**

Svante's technology for the separation of CO<sub>2</sub> from gas streams using solid state technology is comprised of a rapid cycle adsorption process using structured adsorbents (active adsorbent materials formed into a parallel passage contactor), and includes the following critical technology elements:

- 1. Proprietary adsorbent mat
- 2. Design and formation of adsorbents into structured adsorbent contactors
- 3. Design of the dynamic process cycle for performing the gas separation, structured filters with thin-film technology enable rapid cycles of <60 seconds
- 5. Machine design for carrying out the process cycle and delivering streams to and from the structured adsorbents
- 6. The overall design, integration and optimization of the entire CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant that goes around the machine and process cycle (items such as fans, heat exchangers, vessels, pre-treatment and post-treatment, use of electricity, steam and waste heat, cooling, management of discharge and effluents, etc..)

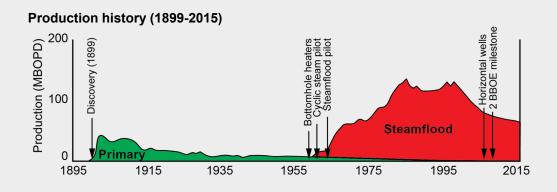




### **Project location — Kern River Oilfield**

Reducing the carbon intensity of our operations through scalable demonstration projects

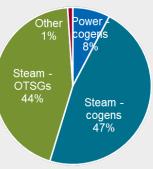
#### **2.3 BBOE cumulative production** 60% OOIP (3.7 BBOE)







## **SJVBU GHG emissions** 2021





## **Technical approach**

#### The project will be conducted in three (3) budget periods

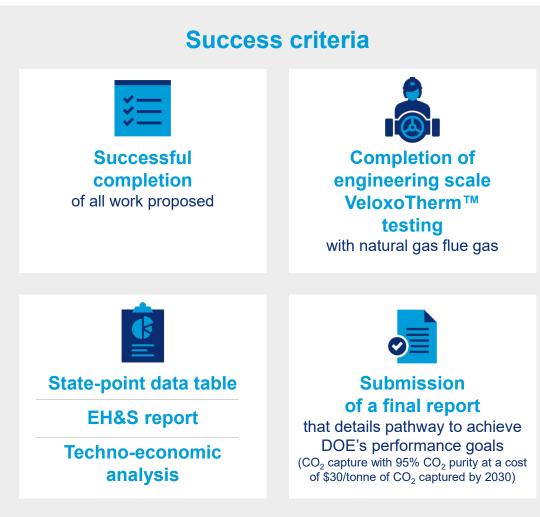
- ☑ Budget Period 1
  - Process Engineering
  - Design Criteria
  - ☑ Sorbent Certification

#### Budget Period 2

- ☑ Detailed Engineering
- ☑ Procurement, Fabrication and Installation
- Pre-Startup Safety Review, Commissioning and Test Planning, (In Progress)

#### Budget Period 3

- □ Engineering Scale Testing and Analysis
- □ Technology Assessment

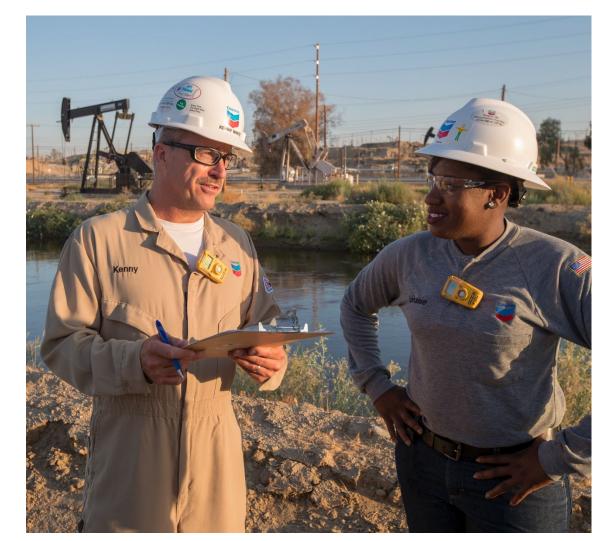




## **Progress and current status of project**

## Project has advanced well into late stage of construction:

- Detailed Engineering completed
- All ISBL skids received at site and set
- All ISBL/OSBL equipment received and installed
- RAM sub-assemblies received and erected
- Modules interconnection piping completed
- 1<sup>st</sup> set of SAB completed
- Commissioning beds completed
- Modules Electrical interconnection is complete
- System turnovers for Commissioning, with commissioning underway





### **Progress and current status of project**



Field construction work is complete and now in commissioning

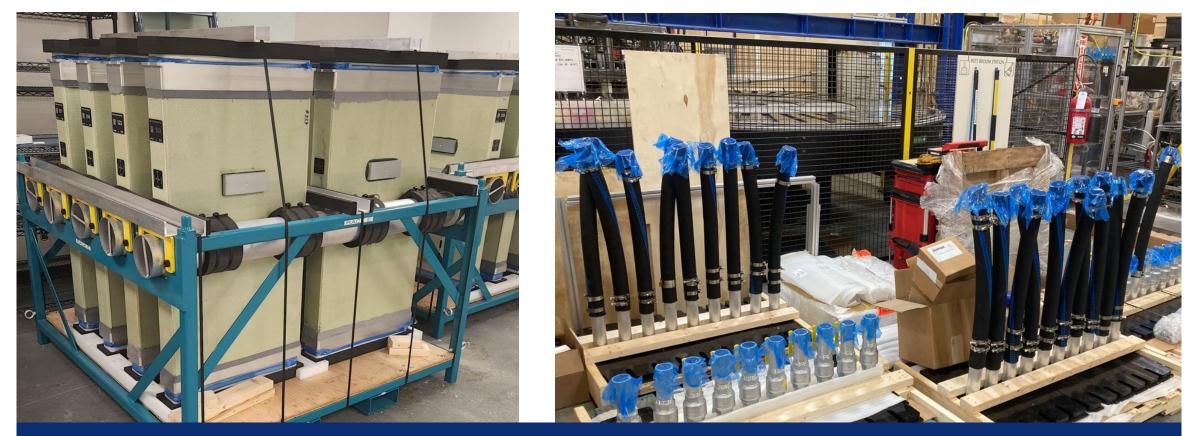


## **RAM erection at site with interconnection piping**





## Structured absorbent bed (SAB) manufacturing progress



1<sup>st</sup> set completed; being stored at Svante until needed on site Commissioning beds completed; on site



## Project milestones – budget periods 2 & 3

Milestone log					
Budget period	Task	Milestone description	Planned completion date	Actual completion date	Verification method
2	4.0	Detailed Engineering	12/31/2021	12/31/2021	RPPR File
2	4.1	Rotary Seal Validation Testing	07/26/2021	09/14/2021	Design Validation Test Report Submitted
2	5.1	Sorbent Procurement (Phase II)	12/31/2021	01/14/2022	Purchase Order and Receiving Report
2	5.3	SAB Manufacturing	09/30/2022		Hardware Shipment
2	5.4	Shop testing and inspection report	05/31/2022	05/31/2022	Shop testing and inspection report file
2	5.5	System Installation	08/18/2022		Turnover Package
2	6.1	Pre-Startup Safety Review (PSSR)	09/30/2022		Continuation Application
2	6.3	Test Plan	07/18/2022	07/19/2022	Final Test Plan
3	7.1	Start-up and operator hand-off	10/21/2022		RPPR File
3	7.2	Parametric testing and steady state operation performance report	07/18/2023		Updated Test Report
3	7.3	14% Indicative Coal Flue Gas Feed Testing	01/31/2023		Preliminary Test Report
3	7.4	4% Indicative NGCC Flue Gas Feed Testing	05/12/2023		Updated Test Report
3	7.6	System Decommissioning	06/30/2023		Final Report file
3	8.1	Technology EH&S Risk Assessment	07/18/2023		Topical Report and summary in Final Report
3	8.2	Techno-Economic Analysis (TEA)	07/18/2023		Topical Report and summary in Final Report
3	8.3	State-Point Data Table	01/31/2023		State-Point Data Table file
3	1.0	Draft Final Report	07/30/2023		Final Report file



## **Final test plan**

#### FINAL test plan covers the performance testing of SOPO objectives

- 1. Plant Start-up and Ramp-up –Includes operator training, commissioning and plant start-up to nameplate capacity based on an  $\sim 8\%$  CO<sub>2</sub> feed flue gas composition.
- 2. Base Performance and Steady State Testing –Includes base performance on an ~8% CO<sub>2</sub> feed flue gas composition under a steady state. This will be the basis of the acceptance test.
- 3. 14% Indicative Coal Flue Gas Feed Testing –Includes the indicative coal-fired flue gas feed testing by recycling part of the  $CO_2$  product back to the feed flue gas to increase the  $CO_2$  concentration to ~14% under a steady state.
- 4% Indicative NGCC Flue Gas Feed Testing –Includes the indicative natural gas-fired combined cycle (NGCC) flue gas feed testing by introducing air to dilute the feed gas CO<sub>2</sub> concentration to ~4% under a steady state.
- 5. Load Following & Intermittence Testing –Includes assessment of the project technology to provide quick start-up and shutdown capabilities, and simulated load following, and high turndown ratio performed on the slip stream of flue gas from the existing natural gas-fired steam generator at ~8% CO<sub>2</sub> concentration.



## Thank you

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## **Questions and answers**

