




# DC2

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On behalf of Biomason, Blue Planet Systems, Brimstone, CarbonBuilt, Chement,  
Fortera, Minus Materials, Queens Carbon, Sublime Systems, and Terra CO2

## ABOUT US

DC<sub>2</sub> is a coalition of innovative companies at the forefront of the global effort to reduce carbon emissions from cement and concrete. Our ten current members—Biomason, Blue Planet Systems, Brimstone, CarbonBuilt, Chement, Fortera, Minus Materials, Queens Carbon, Sublime Systems, and Terra CO<sub>2</sub>—are pioneering North American venture- and private-sector-backed climate technology companies dedicated to delivering ultra-low carbon, carbon-neutral, and carbon-negative cement and concrete solutions. Collectively, our technologies rethink production processes and feedstocks, introduce novel materials, and utilize or sequester CO<sub>2</sub> directly in concrete—all with a goal of decarbonizing the cement and concrete sector.



No members engage in collusive or anti-competitive activities, including but not limited to discussions of pricing, market allocations, etc.



## SHARED OBJECTIVES

### LOW-CARBON FUTURE

To build future infrastructure with low-carbon cement & concrete

### LOCAL JOBS, LOCAL SUPPLY

To create new American jobs, bolster US competitiveness and reinforce local economies and local supply chains

DECARBONIZED CEMENT AND CONCRETE  
WORKING GROUP (DC2)

### INDUSTRIAL BASE CAPACITY

To scale up the low-carbon cement and concrete industrial *manufacturing* base

### ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

To promote co-benefit generation and environmental justice in designing the future of manufacturing

## SHARED POLICY LEVERS

### PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS

Per dollar per kg of CO<sub>2</sub> abated, low-carbon cement and concrete is one of the most efficient taxpayer investments in avoiding CO<sub>2</sub>.

### DEMAND SUPPORT

A well-constructed demand-side support strategy will unlock additional private financing to commercialize transformational solutions

### EARLY ADOPTER PLATFORMS

We will seek to use the power of the public sector to convene sandbox testing to build confidence

### LOW-CARBON GLOBAL STANDARDS

Ecolabeling is fraught with non-standard accounting.

### TRANSFORMATIONAL PROCUREMENT POLICIES

Procurement policies that are attempting to buy clean and accelerate innovation are blunted by incrementalist, or supply-limited product offerings

# THE GWP OF THE FINAL CONCRETE DRIVES EVERYTHING.

*Collectively, we are technology agnostic. More shots on goal = greater probability of success in avoiding, abating, capturing and storing carbon to net-zero success.*



## TECHNOLOGY

We have distinct technologies that will drive down GWP of the critical materials that comprise our modern society



## DEPLOYMENT

We are innovating, from displacing high GWP binders, to net-negative feedstocks, to alternative manufacturing, to mineralization of CO<sub>2</sub> (alone or in combination)



## ADOPTION

We live in a world built to suit. We have customers that prefer prescription, performance, and customer-determined applications



## IMPACT

Our success is not driven by innovation alone, but by the combination of adoption and net carbon reduction

# BIOMASON

*biomason.com*

TECH

Biocement® grows in ambient temperatures, building with carbon to create controlled, structural cement for products or applied services

DEPLOY

A bacterial process that enables concrete manufacturers to decouple from cement-based manufacturing for block plants and precast products

IMPACT

Uses carbon as an input, enabling carbon-negative pathways through the production of construction materials



# BLUE PLANET SYSTEMS

*blueplanetsystems.com*

TECH

Geomimetic mineralization technology uses CO<sub>2</sub> from any source as a feedstock to create ultra-low/carbon negative aggregate

DEPLOY

Commercial demonstration plant operating in CA to produce carbon-sequestering aggregate to be utilized in concrete as a replacement for virgin aggregate

IMPACT

Potential to store up to 1,120 lbs of CO<sub>2</sub> per cubic yard of concrete



# BRIMSTONE

*brimstone.com*

## TECH

Carbon-negative process that produces portland cement from a carbon-free calcium silicate rock instead of limestone

## DEPLOY

Portland cement from the Brimstone process is physically and chemically identical to conventional portland cement

## IMPACT

As reflected in a third-party LCA, the Brimstone process is carbon-negative across a range of energy-use scenarios.





# CARBONBUILT

*carbonbuilt.com*

TECH

Retrofits of existing concrete masonry facilities with off-the-shelf equipment to enable ultra-low carbon concrete technology, including utilization of low-carbon raw materials and waste CO<sub>2</sub>.

DEPLOY

Commercially available concrete masonry units at CarbonBuilt's flagship retrofit in Alabama, with additional retrofits underway

IMPACT

70-100% carbon footprint reduction, through both avoidance and mineralization, compared to facility baseline



# CHEMENT

*chement.co*

TECH

Renewable electricity + CaO<sub>3</sub> to perform the chemical reaction with less energy and less CO<sub>2</sub> emitted + cheaper carbon capture

DEPLOY

Cement for cast in place concrete deployed via ready-mix concrete producers

IMPACT

- More efficient production
- No energy emissions
- Easier carbon capture



# FORTERA

*forterausa.com*

TECH

The Fortera ReCarbē process re-carbonates Calcium Oxide without losing its cementitious properties, resulting in a cementitious mineral that is rich in CO<sub>2</sub>.

DEPLOY

- SCM blend up to 35%
- 100%OPC substitute

IMPACT

- 70-100% Reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> per ton of cement
- Commercial Plant in Redding, CA



# MINUS MATERIALS

*minusmaterials.com*

TECH

Microalgae, sunlight, and seawater to capture and store carbon dioxide as biogenic limestone.

DEPLOY

Carbon-negative biogenic limestone that can help the cement industry achieve significant emissions reductions

IMPACT

Elimination of all mineral emissions during traditional cement manufacturing



# QUEENS CARBON

*queenscarbon.com*

TECH

Breakthrough ultra-low CO<sub>2</sub> manufacturing technology to produce cementitious materials from industry-standard raw materials

DEPLOY

Modular & scalable reactors that produce decarbonized SCM's at the cement plant

IMPACT

- Limitless, cost-competitive SCM supply
- 20-50% cement decarbonization



# SUBLIME SYSTEMS

*sublime-systems.com*

TECH

Clean, all-electric extraction of calcium and reactive silica from zero-carbon raw materials resulting in cement that exceeds performance and durability standards (ASTM C1157)

DEPLOY

Currently manufacturing by the ton: ultra-low-carbon cement for ready-mix concrete producers building cast in place structures

IMPACT

Independent third-party LCA (preliminary EPD) indicating >93% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub>



# TERRA CO2

*terra.co2.com*

TECH

Conversion of inexpensive, abundant, and local feedstocks from existing aggregate mines to high-performing and cost-competitive cementitious materials

DEPLOY

Supplement, blend, or replace Portland cement

GEO

Headquarters and pilot plant located in Golden, Colorado.



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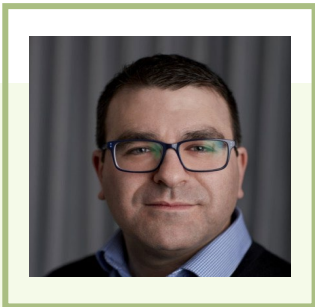
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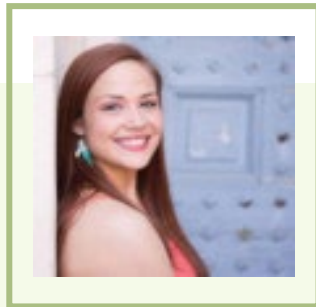
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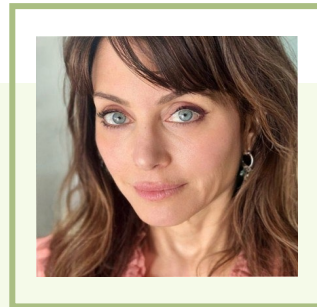
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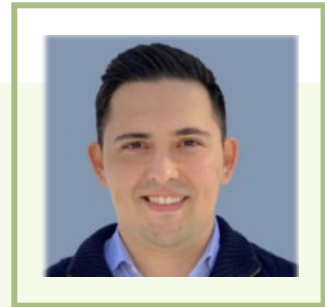
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## COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT

### MAKERS ARE THE FUTURE

Cement and concrete manufacturers built the modern world. Manufacturers will continue to be the future of our built environment.

### NO CRYSTAL BALL

The ultimate measure of success is \$ per CO<sub>2</sub> avoided or permanently stored + market adoption.

### INCREMENTAL IS DATED

We must address the climate crisis head-on, with transformational decarbonized materials.

THANK YOU

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