

# Texas “Monster” DAC

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# Teras DAC: Project Overview



- DE-FOA-0002735 TA-1 Feasibility Study
- Project budget **\$3.70M** (\$2.95M Federal and \$0.75M Cost Share)
- Overall Project Performance
  - planned start September 2024 and planned end May 2025
- Project Participants include
  - **Siemens Energy** (prime) – DAC and energy system technology provider
  - **Carbon TerraVault** – Land access, CO2 storage development, and community benefits
  - **UC Berkeley** – Overall life-cycle analysis and CO2 conversion technologies
  - **Battelle Memorial Institute** – CO2 transport development and CO2 storage development support



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- Overall project objective is to determine DAC Hub Feasibility
  - Down select project location, planned ownership structure, site development plan including permitting
  - Preliminary engineering and life-cycle analysis on the DAC plant including BOP and integration with CO2 geothermal energy system
  - Community benefits plan based on down selected project location
  - Preliminary business plan including off-take
  - Complete plans for next steps including financing of Phase 1 and high-level plans for Phases 2-4



# Teras DAC: Current Status of Project

Project Location – Illinois

- Project Location – California
- Updated CBP strategy required

Energy System – Existing Nuclear

- Energy System – New build CO2 geothermal from Siemens Energy
- Potential energy cost increase, but strong additionality & synergy with DAC

CO2 Storage – no previous geologic storage development work

- CO2 Storage – geologic storage sites in permitting process
- Reservoir conditions appear adequate for CO2 geothermal
- Supplementary CO2 storage planned

**NOTE: Project changes shown are pending DOE review and approval**

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# Teras DAC: Technology Background

## Siemens Energy's DAC technology will anchor the hub

- Solid sorbents with amine functionalization in temperature-pressure swing batch process
  - Flexible design can be altered for sorbents with different kinetics/capacities
- Low temperature (below 90C) desorption allows use of heat pumps or low-quality heat integration
- Radial design with central swing arm for reduced rotating mass and circular contactors for simplified sealing
- Desorption via steam heating simplifies product gas separation



# Teras DAC: Technology Background

## Demonstration

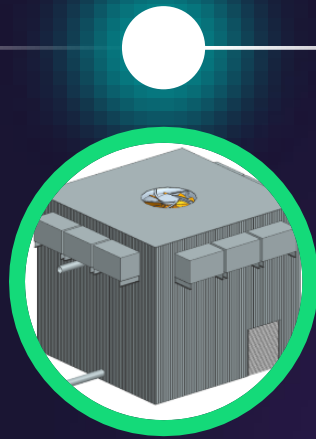
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- First CO<sub>2</sub> capture May 24
- Process demonstration and validation
- Structured sorbent performance and durability testing
- Customer demonstration unit FAT completed CY24

## Piloting

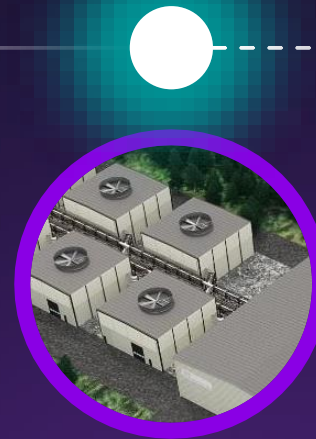
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- Validation of economic viability and de-risking
- Initial feasibility studies completed for medium scale pilot.
- RFDS/FEED study for single pilot unit plant in CY24

## Commercialization

50,000 + tpa



- Conceptual design completed.
- DAC Hub feasibility study to advance plant engineering and economics
- Megaton Hub targeted as next step.

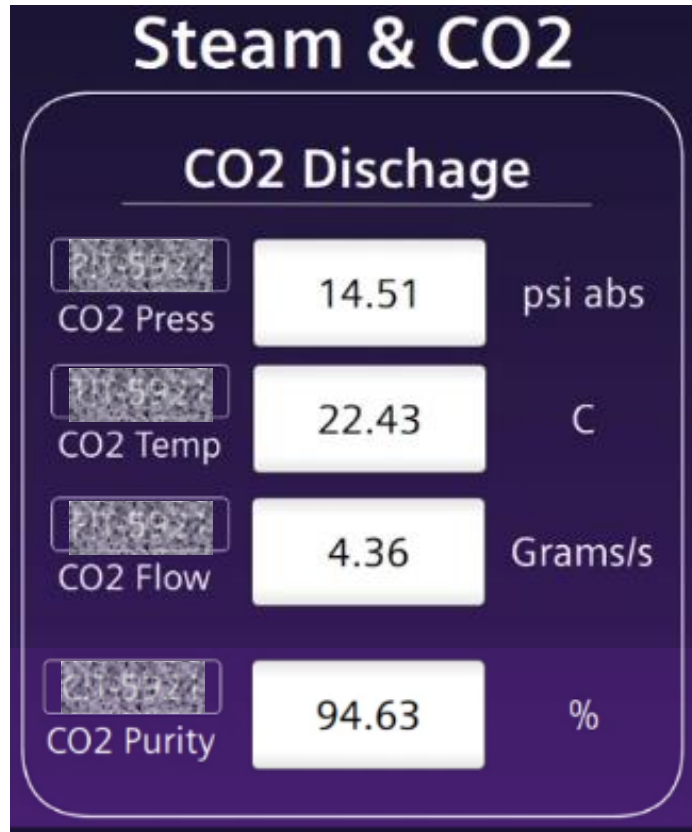
## Next Gen:



tpa – tonnes per annum    FAT – factory acceptance test    CY – calendar year

RFDS – research feasibility and design study    FEED – front end engineering and design

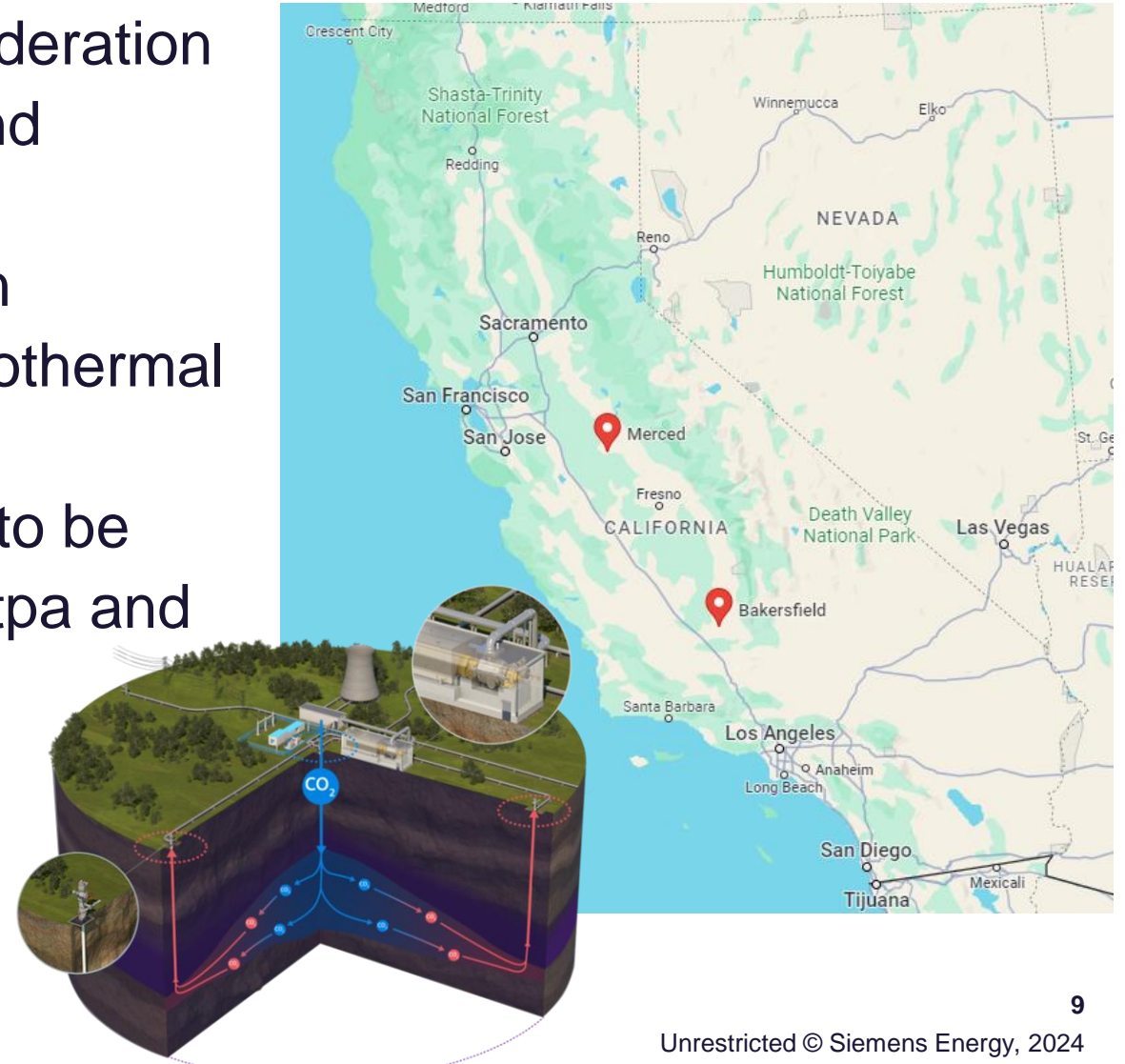
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# Teras DAC: Project Location

- Two California site locations under consideration
  - Adequate land use rights for capture and geothermal energy system
  - Preliminary review of geologic condition favorable for CO<sub>2</sub> storage and CO<sub>2</sub> geothermal development
  - Supplementary CO<sub>2</sub> storage expected to be adequate for initial powering of the 50ktpa and 1,000ktpa DAC hub deployments



ktpa – killo-tonnes per annum

# Teras DAC – Project Scope (part 1 of 3)

## Business Development And Management

### Phase 0A

- Preliminary Hub Ownership
- Preliminary CO2 capture site
- Preliminary CO2 storage site
- Preliminary CO2 convers. Site
- Preliminary CO2 transport

## Engineering, Procurement, Construction, and Operations

- Select DAC anchor technology(s)
- DAC TMP meets min. TRL
- CO2 conv. TMP meets min. TRL
- Finalize DAC plant design
- Initial hub BOP design

### Phase 0B

- Finalize Hub Ownership and site locations including 12y of transport and storage
- Finalize Financial Plan for Phase 1 (FEED study)
- Finalize Business Plan
- Finalize Phase 1-4 plan
- DAC TRL 5 (with sup. Data)
- DAC Hub TPC Class 4 (+/-30%)
- Finalize hub BOP conceptual design (Pre-FEED)
- Finalize storage field development plan (12y) and/or CO2 offtake agreement
- Finalize capacity build out plan

# Teras DAC – Project Scope (part 2 of 3)

## Phase 0A

### Safety, Security, and Regulatory Requirements

- Safety history and culture description (for construction)
- OSHA 300A
- Hub Cybersecurity plan
- Preliminary permitting workflow overview
- Federal, State, and Local

## Phase 0B

- Finalize permitting workflow overview
- Construction and Operation
- Environmental, Health, and Safety analysis

### Risk Analysis and Mitigation

- Develop a Risk Management Plan
- Technical, commercial, resource, and management risks

- Finalize Risk Management Plan
- Develop project Risk Register

# Teras DAC – Project Scope (part 3 of 3)

## Technical Data and Analysis

### Phase 0A

- Finalize CO2 capture Data Tables
- Preliminary CO2 conv. Data Tables
- Preliminary Life-Cycle Analysis
  - Net-CO2 removal
  - ISO 14040 and 104044

### Phase 0B

- Update CO2 capture Data Tables
- Finalize CO2 conv. Data Tables
  - Min capacity 1 TPY CO2
- Finalize Pre-LCA

## Community Benefits

- Develop a Community Benefits Plan Development Proposal
  - Labor engagement, American workforce investment, advancement of DEIA

- Finalize Full Community Benefits Plan

# Teras DAC: Community Benefits Plan



- Form consortium of local community members (e.g. labor, academia, government, non-profits, veteran organizations, and youth organizations)
  - Quarterly meetings between the Team and community stakeholders
- Work with local schools to offer information sessions and tours
- Local labor studies and skills training programs (including potential internship/co-op opportunities)
- Diversity training for project team
- Perform community surveys to collect broader feedback for community needs
- Target local SMOB for relevant equipment, material, or service supply

# Teras DAC: Summary & Lessons Learned

- Securing high capacity factor, low/no CO2 emissions, relatively low-cost electricity is critical to maximizing the cost effectiveness of DAC equipment
- Things do not always go according to plan, but the DOE and NETL in our case, are a part of the team!
- The Teras DAC team is moving forward with the rescope and is looking forward to examining the feasibility of the proposed capture, storage, and energy production DAC hub concept

# Thank you. Questions?

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