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Black River Net-Zero Lime Kiln & Carbon Removal Facility

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Project Overview

• Award Period: 7/27/2023 through 01/26/2025

Project Funding

• Total Funding: \$1,875,000

• Federal Funding: \$1,500,000

• Cost Share Funding: \$375,000

• DOE-NETL Team

• Project Manager: Sai Gollakota

• Contracting Officer: Lisa A. Kuzniar

• Award Administrator: Davina Reed

• Project Objective

Execute and complete the initial design of a commercial-scale, oxyfuel fired flash calciner lime kiln with carbon capture system that:

- separates CO₂ with 95% capture efficiency from process flue gas streams;
- utilizes sustainably sourced biomass (SSB) alone or in combination with natural gas;
- maximizes utilization of SSB (up to 90% thermal substitution);
- captures and permanently sequesters 400,000 metric tonne per year (TPY) of CO₂ producing a net zero product and net negative emissions from operations





Project Partners

Electricore: Prime Contractor and program administration

Carmeuse: Host site and project developer

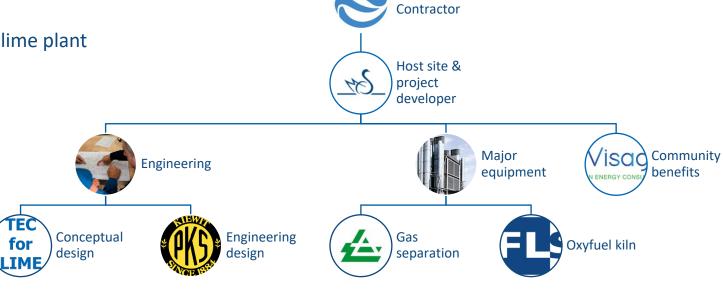
 Carmeuse Technologies: Conceptual design of the lime plant and technical advisor

• **Kiewit:** EPC partner

• FLSmidth: Oxyfuel kiln design

 Air Products: Air separation and CO₂ purification unit design

• Visage Energy: Community benefits



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Carmeuse has ambitious GHG reduction Targets: Carbon neutral for our scope 1 emissions by 2050

Pathways to Decarbonization

Efficiency
Improvements /
Asset
Modernization

Low Carbon
Alternative Fuels

Carbon Capture,
Utilization and
Sequestration

The Black River Net Zero Pre-Feed Study seeks to better understand the feasibility of implementing these pathways with a new modern Oxy-fired Gas Suspension Flash Calciner, utilizing low carbon fuels and sequestering CO2 emissions within known onsite geological storage

Site Selection

Carmeuse Black River Plant in Butler, KY

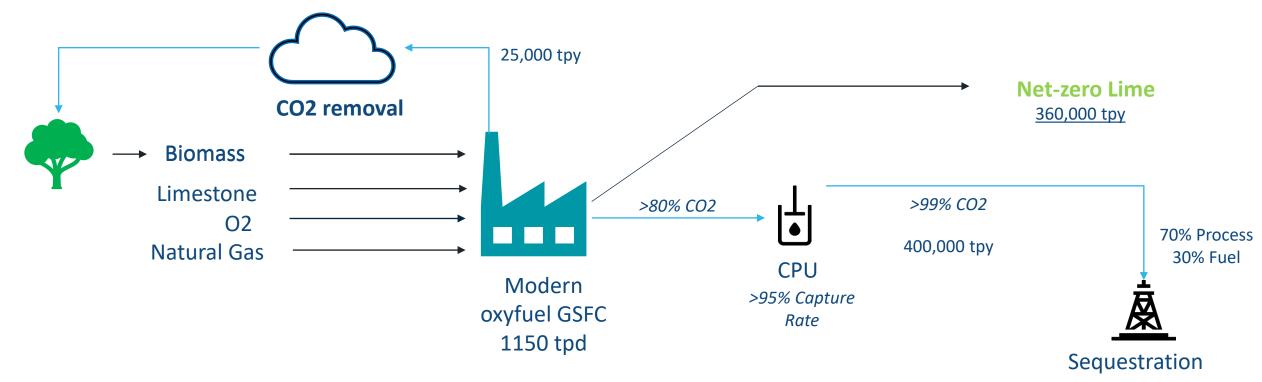
- 5 kilns, 3 long rotary kilns, 2 pre-heater rotary kilns
- Favorable geology for on-site carbon sequestration within the Mt Simon formation
- Ability to ship via truck, rail and marine distribution to market
- Raw material reserves

This project considers the installation of a 1150 tpd Gas Suspension Flash Calciner to replace capacity from the 3 long rotary kilns currently in operation.



Technology Overview

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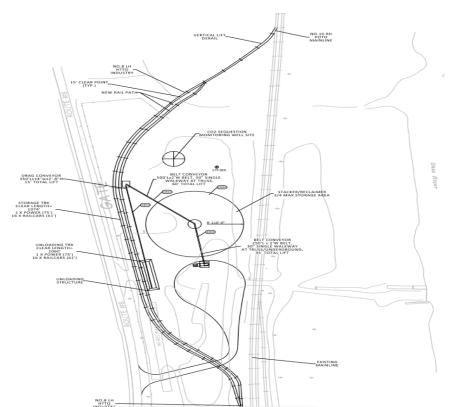
Oxyfuel Gas Suspension Flash Calciner design operates with pure oxygen for combustion avoiding nitrogen from air in the process, the CO_2 in flue gases exit the GSFC at >80% vol.(dry) and are concentrated and purified to >99% in the CPU for sequestration

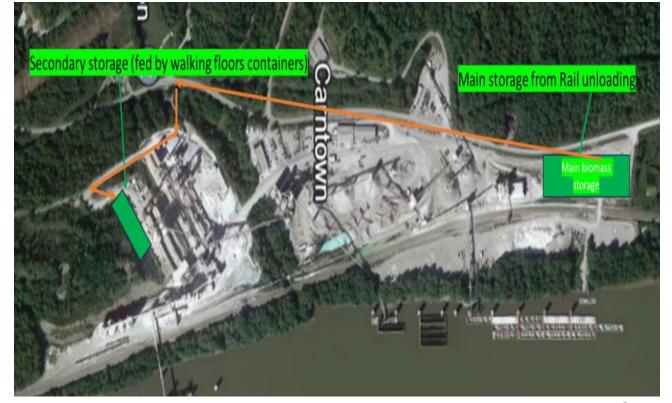
The capture and sequestration of the biogenic CO₂ from biomass fuels allows for net negative emissions (BECCS) where the Lime production facility operates as a carbon removal facility

Sustainably Sourced Biomass

2" wood chips (processed from railroad ties) delivered via rail

Biomass Rail Unloading and Storage









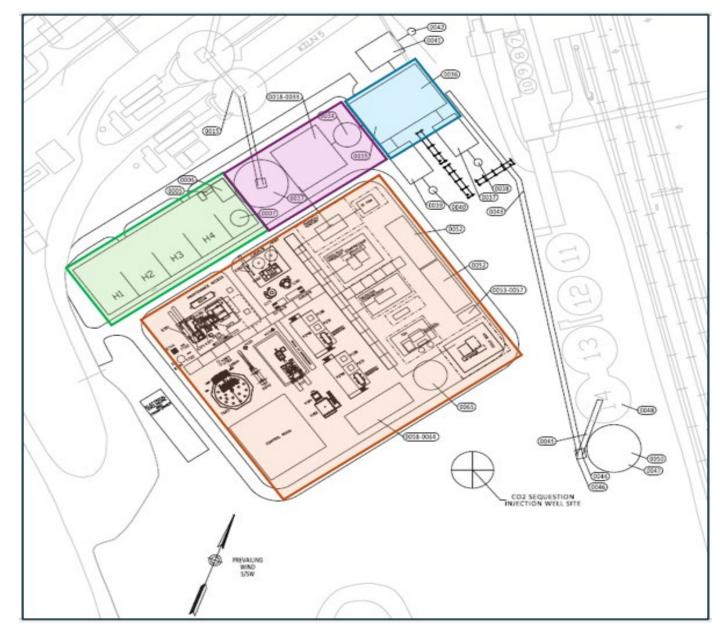
Plot Plan

Biomass Processing

Limestone Storage & milling

Gas Suspension Flash Calciner

ASU / CPU, WSAC, Water Tower, Emergency Generators

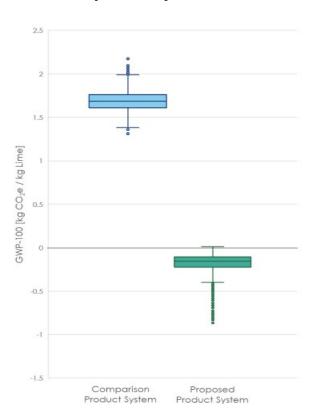




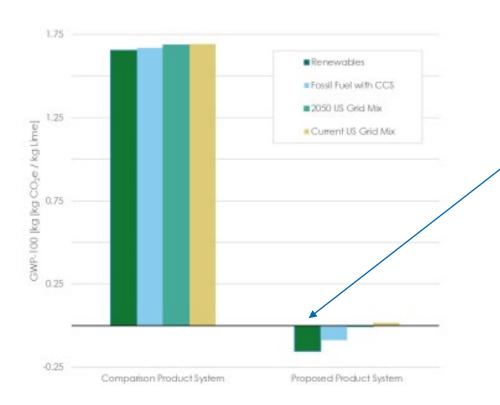


Preliminary LCA – Emissions Reductions

Monte Carlo simulation of Comparison and Proposed System GWP



GWP of Comparison and Proposed Systems under four electricity scenarios



TEA to assume procurement of Green Renewable Electricity achieving the negative emissions and accounting for the Scope 1 -> Scope 2 transition.

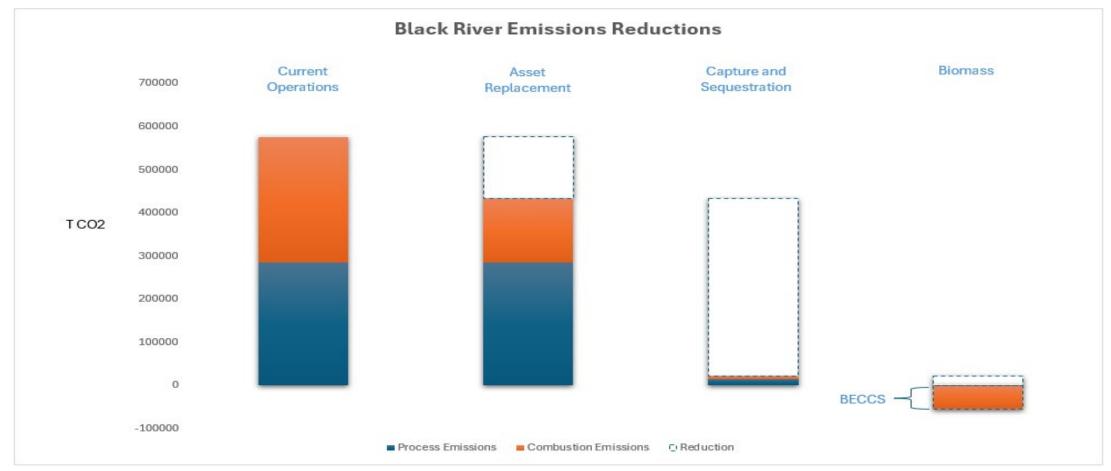




Completed NETL CO2U openLCA Results Contribution Tool



Net Zero Lime Kiln and Carbon Removal Facility (BECCS)







Decarbonized Summary Comparison

Decarbonized Net Zero Lime - KPI Comparison

Comparison Unit	Unit	Current	Proposed	variance	Notes:
Installed Power	MW	5	25	20	5X, ASU / CPU make up 70% of incremental load
Specific Power Consumption	kwh / T lime	56	420	364	7.5 X, TEA to consider green renewable electricity price premium via PPA or other
Fuel Consumption	mmbtu / T lime	9.3	4.8	-4.5	0.5 X
CO2 specific emission	T CO2 / T lime	1.6	-0.15	-1.75	With renewable green electricity
Headcount	# of Employee's	25	76	46	3.0 X





Lessons Learned

- Wastewater treatment of impurities has significant impact to CapEx / OpEx.
 - Impurities derived from Direct Contact Cooler / CPU effluent of Flue Gas Condensates
 - Waste water treatment considers water recycle to maximum feasible extent driven by current permitting requirements
- Green premium on net zero CO₂ products not yet mature
- Wash column for acid gas removal was required despite oxy-fuel combustion, derivative of biomass selection
- AP CPU + Membrane system benefits overall system performance
 - Increases capture rate from approx. 95% to >99%
 - Reduces overall system O₂ consumption by 5 to 10% through recycle





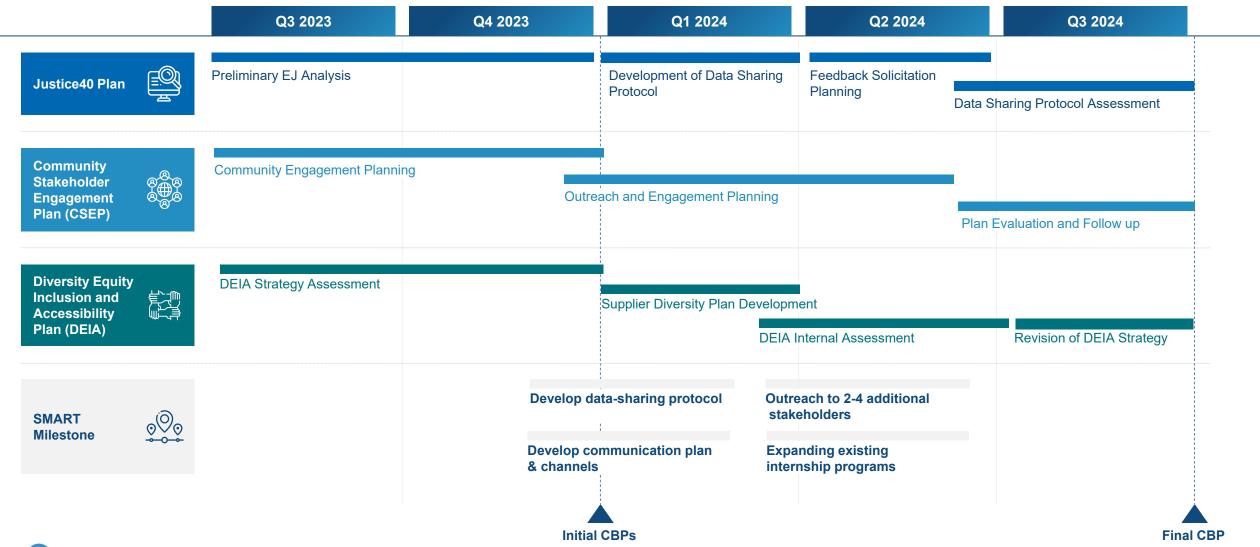
Plans for Future Testing / Development / Commercialization

- Oxy-fuel firing and the Carmeuse / FLS Gas Suspension Flash
 Calciner has promising technological advantages
 - Next step includes commercialization and deployment in a CCU project as an industrial demonstrator.
 - Identify synergies with GHG reduction potential in additional use cases
- Upon completion of final CapEX development (Class IV), review of significant cost drivers IE;
 - Biomass selection and associated impurities
 - Waste water treatment reduction
 - Acid gas removal reductions
 - Total LCA impacts from upstream treatment process of recycled railroad ties





Community Benefits Plan Roadmap







Work Plan

Task/ Subtask	Milestone Title & Description	Planned Completion Date	Actual Completion Date	Verification method
1.0	Kick-Off Meeting	10/02/2023	10/02/2023	Presentation File
1.1	Project Management Plan	08/25/2023	08/25/2023	Submitted PMP IAW Appendix G
1.2.1	Initial Technology Maturation Plan	10/25/2023	10/25/2023	Submitted TMP IAW Appendix J
1.2.2	Final Technology Maturation Plan	10/29/2024		Submitted TMP IAW Appendix J
1.3	Workforce Readiness Plan	10/29/2024		Submitted Workforce Readiness Plan IAW Appendix V
1.4	Data Management Plan	07/27/2023	07/27/2023	Submitted DMP IAW Appendix H
2.2	Preliminary Engineering Design Package	01/23/2024	01/23/2024	Submitted Preliminary Engineering Design Package
2.3; 2.4; 2.5	Final Engineering Design Package	10/29/2024		Submitted Final Engineering Design Package
2.6	Project Cost Estimate	10/29/2024		Submitted Project Cost Estimate IAW AACE Class 4
3.0	Business Case Analysis (BCA)	10/29/2024		Submitted Business Case Analysis (BCA) IAW Appendix S
4.0	Technology EH&S Risk Assessment	10/29/2024		Submitted EH&S Analysis IAW Appendix R
5.0.1	Initial Life Cycle Analysis (LCA)	11/24/2023	11/22/2024	Submitted LCA IAW Appendix P
5.0.2	Final Life Cycle Analysis (LCA)	10/29/2024		Submitted LCA IAW Appendix P
6.0	Environmental Justice Questionnaire	10/29/2024		Submitted Environmental Justice Questionnaire IAW Appendix T
7.0	Economic Revitalization and Job Creation Outcomes Questionnaire	10/29/2024		Submitted Economic Revitalization and Job Creation Outcomes Questionnaire IAW Appendix U
8.0.1	Initial Justice40 (J40) Initiative Plan	11/24/2023	11/22/2024	Submitted Justice40 (J40) Initiative Plan
8.0.2	Final Justice40 (J40) Initiative Plan	10/29/2024		Submitted Justice40 (J40) Initiative Plan
9.0.1	Initial Community and Stakeholder Engagement Plan (CSEP)	11/24/2023	11/22/2024	Submitted Community and Stakeholder Engagement Plan (CSEP)
9.0.2	Final Community and Stakeholder Engagement Plan (CSEP)	10/29/2024		Submitted Community and Stakeholder Engagement Plan (CSEP)





Success Criteria

Budget Period	Date	Success Criteria
BP 1	1/26/2025	 Initial engineering design completed for commercial-scale, advanced carbon capture system that separates CO₂ with at least 95% capture efficiency from process streams at an existing industrial lime facility All required deliverables are complete and acceptable





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