

LARGE PILOT TESTING OF THE MTR MEMBRANE CAPTURE PROCESS

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DE-FE0031587 (FOA-1788) - Phase III Overview

Award Name: Large Pilot Testing of the MTR Membrane Post-Combustion CO₂ Capture Process

Phase III Project Period: 10/1/21 to 9/30/26

Phase III Funding: \$58,078,814 DOE + \$28,211,718 cost share = \$86,290,542 total

DOE-NETL Project Manager: Nicole Shamitko-Klingensmith

Project Team: MTR (prime), WITC (Host), Sargent & Lundy, Trimeric, Graycor

Overall Goal: To demonstrate the performance and abilities of MTR's membrane-based capture system through the operation of a Large Pilot as a final step of commercialization.

Project Plan for Phase III: Perform final design, then procure, fabricate, install and commission the Large Pilot plant at the WITC. Conduct long term operations of a 10 MWe fully featured membrane-based CO_2 capture plant.



MTR's Objectives for Large Pilot Project

- Demonstrate MTR's carbon capture technology at the small commercial scale
- Gain experience with dynamic operation of balance-of-plant equipment
- Determine fate of all minor flue gas species and quantify co-capture capabilities
- Characterize the water streams captured throughout the capture process
- Obtain long-term steady-state operational data under optimized process conditions



Wyoming Integrated Test Center (ITC)



- Dedicated post-combustion carbon capture test center; opened 2018
- Facility sponsored by the State of Wyoming; Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association; National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; and Basin Electric Power Cooperate
- DFS supplies the Large and Small Test Centers with a slipstream of flue gas
- Power, water, utilities and flue gas connections are in place











DE-CD000015 - Phase 1 Demonstration Project A Full-scale, Fully-integrated CCUS Project at Dry Fork Station







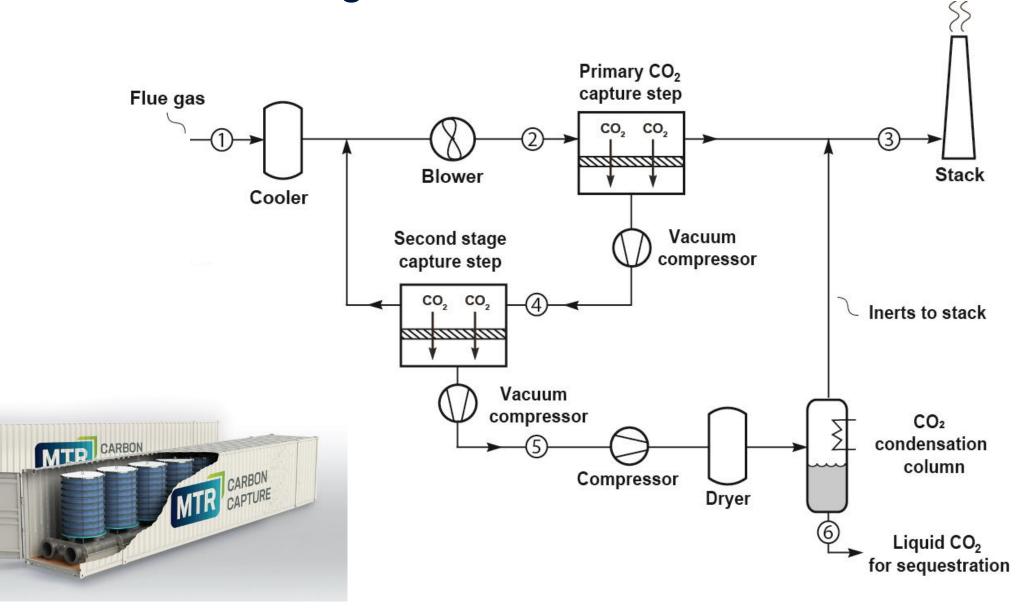
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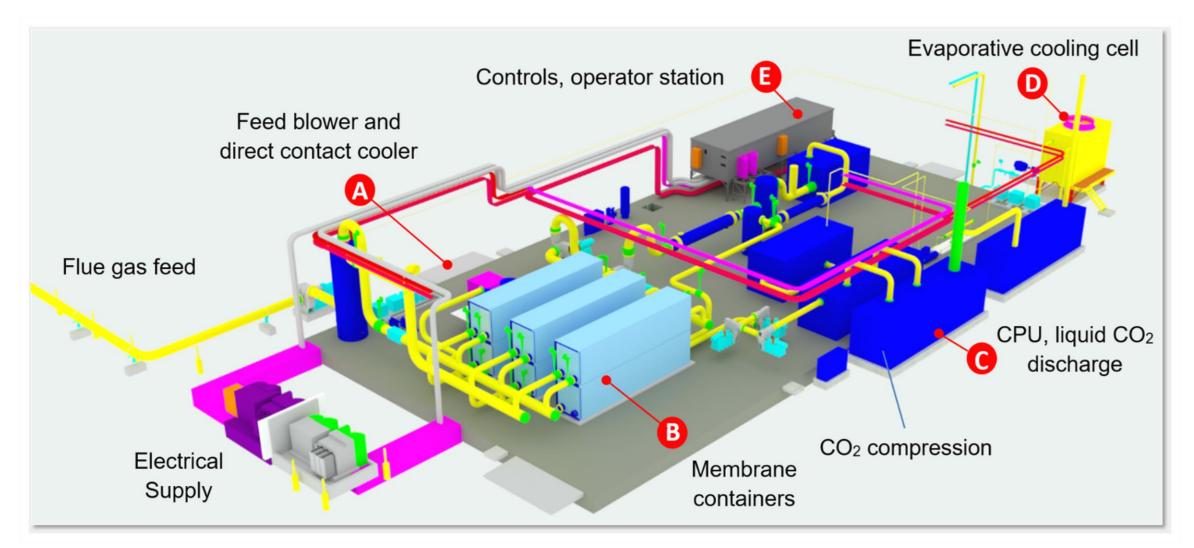
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Simplified Process Diagram



General Arrangement of Process Equipment





Construction Progress - Activities During This Time Last Year



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Pouring Foundations for the Capture Plant







Process Equipment Begins to Arrive and Assembly of the Capture Building Begins



Process Equipment arrives – Flue gas blower



Steel members for the building are erected





Placing First Pieces of Process Equipment & Building Dry-In





Direct Contact Cooler

Large Pilot Capture Building



Arrival and Placement of First Skidded System; the CPU



Compression and Dehydration



CO₂ Liquefaction and Distillation





Large- and Small-Bore Pipe Spools Arrive & Cooling Tower Placed







Evaporative Cooling Tower



DCC Placed and Auxiliary Steel (Pipe Racks) Installed



Direct Contact Cooler - Feb



Direct Contact Cooler - April



Installing process piping





First and Second Stage Vacuum Fans



Permeate Vacuum Fans



Flue Gas Tie-in to the ITC and Duct Run to the Capture Building



Duct run from ITC tie-in to the flue gas blower



ITC tie-in and transition section





Electricians Installing Cable Trays and Preparing for the PDC Building



Electrical cable trays and piers for the PDC building



Cable tray waterfalls and penetration towards PDC building





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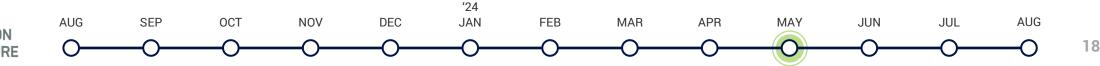


Placement of PDC building



PDC building installed with stairs and walkways





DCC Placed and Auxiliary Steel (Pipe Racks) Installed



PDC Interior – electrical switchgear and motor controllers

Electricians terminating cables





Running Electrical Conduits/Cables to the Cooling Tower

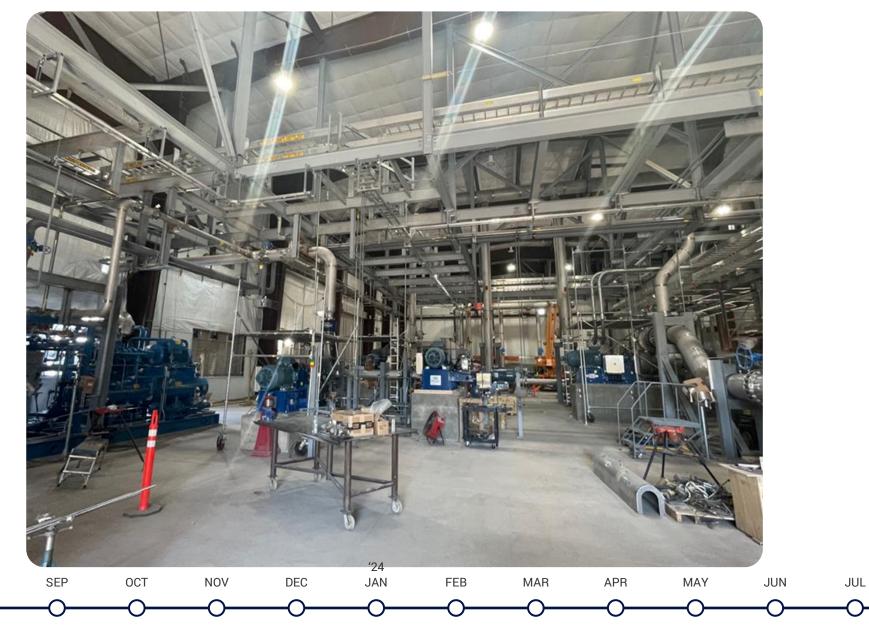


Electrical connections to the cooling tower





Interior of Capture Building Showing CPU and Rotating Equip.





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Interior of Capture Building Facing Permeate Flanges





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Delivery of Container #1 & ITC Showcase Event (May 8)





Delivery of first membrane container

Part of the ITC tours given during their May 8 Showcase event





Commissioning Schedule

Equipment	Vendor	Pre-Commissioning		Commission (Air)		Commission (Flue Gas)	
		Start	End	Start	End	Start	End
Instrument Air Compressor	###	28-Aug	30-Aug				
UPS	###	26-Aug	28-Aug				
Membrane A Fans	###	9-Sep	20-Sep	23-Sep	27-Sep	14-Oct	18-Oct
Membrane B Fans	###	9-Sep	20-Sep	23-Sep	27-Sep	14-Oct	18-Oct
Membrane A Compressor	###	9-Sep	20-Sep	23-Sep	27-Sep	14-Oct	18-Oct
Flue Gas Booster Fan	###	16-Sep	18-Sep	18-Sep	20-Sep	14-Oct	18-Oct
Direct Contact Cooler	###	18-Sep	20-Sep			14-Oct	18-Oct
VFD's (FGBF/CW Fans)	###	16-Sep	18-Sep			14-Oct	18-Oct
VFD's (Piller Fans)	###	16-Sep	19-Sep			14-Oct	18-Oct
CPU	###	14-Oct	18-Oct			24-Oct	25-Oct

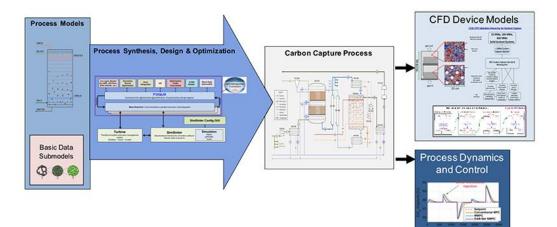




MTR Collaboration with Carbon Capture Simulation for Industry Impact (CCSI²)

- Regular meetings started earlier this summer
 - CCSI² team creating a reduced order membrane process model that will reduce uncertainty
 - MTR has provided input and output data from the MTR proprietary model under anticipated field test conditions
 - MTR providing process model assumptions
- CCSI² assisting parametric test plan by developing Design of Experiments framework
 - CCSI² providing feedback on draft parametric test plan
 - MTR and CCSI² team to have Large Pilot site visit on September 25







MTR Large Pilot Field Test Monitoring Capabilities

Extensive analytical characterization tools will be used to quantify co-capture potential

Emission Item	Characterization Capabilities	
Gas Composition	Rosemount Quantum Cascade Laser analyzer will continuously measure CO_2 , O_2 , H_2O , SO_2 , NH_3 , NO , NO_2 , and N_2 for all process streams for the duration of the field test	
Gas Composition	Extended gas composition analysis of various process streams will occur on a limited basis. Test will quantify minor species, such as HCl and speciated volatile hydrocarbons, sulfur compounds, or oxygenates	
Particulate Matter	EPA Method 5 & 202 test will quantify particulate matter amounts, size and concentration distribution of various process streams	
Water Quality Analysis	Water samples from 8 process locations will tested monthly	
Water Recovery	Water flow through 8 process lines will be measured and logged throughout the field test to quantify the water recovery rates within the capture plant	



Lessons Learned

Engineering / Design

• Involve your Constructor during the development of the 3D model

Procurement

- Evaluate the option to procure used or existing new-unused equipment
- Include schedule contingency for overseas shipments
- Negotiating terms and conditions with equipment OEMs is not straight forward nor fast

Construction

- Constructors can be quick to generate change orders but slow to identify credits
- A quality and experienced on-site construction project manager is critical
- Constructor should be a flexible, inventive, and creative scheduler



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