

Carbon Capture Plant FEED Study for Cement Manufacturing

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DE-FE0032220 : Carbon Capture Plant FEED Study for Cement Manufacturing



- Complete FEED study for CO₂ capture from cement flue gas using RTI's non-aqueous solvent (NAS) with 95% capture efficiency
- Develop AACE Class 3 cost estimate for a commercial 1,600,000 t-CO₂/year scale CO₂ capture system integrated with a cement facility

- Project Funding:

US DOE	\$3.68 MM
Cost-share	\$0.92 MM
TOTAL	\$4.60 MM

- Period of Performance (21 months)

April 14, 2023 – Jan 13, 2025



Breakdown of the Thermal Regeneration Energy Load

$$q_R = \left[\frac{C_P(T_R - T_F)}{\Delta\alpha} \cdot \frac{M_{sol}}{M_{CO_2}} \cdot \frac{1}{x_{sol}} \right] + \left[\Delta H_{V,H_2O} \cdot \frac{p_{H_2O}}{p_{CO_2}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_{CO_2}} \right] + \left[\frac{\Delta H_{abs,CO_2}}{M_{CO_2}} \right]$$

Reboiler Heat
Duty

Sensible
Heat

Heat of
Vaporization

Heat of
Absorption

Heat of vaporization of water becomes a negligible term to the heat duty

Sensible heat term is decreased due to lower heat capacity, higher loadings, and higher amine concentration relative to baseline

NAS - formulation of hydrophobic amine, an organic diluent and water (0-10 wt.%)

Negligible heat of vaporization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Lowers specific reboiler duty (SRD ~ 2.3-2.4 GJ/t-CO₂)
Low heat capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Lowers SRD▪ Requires intercooling of the absorber▪ Larger lean/rich heat exchanger
Regeneration temperature < 100 °C	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Use of lower quality steam
Higher pressure regeneration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ leading to elimination of the 1st stage of CO₂ compression lowering OPEX and CAPEX
Lower corrosion compared to aqueous solvents	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Use of lower cost materials of construction leading to lower CAPEX.
Faster CO ₂ absorption kinetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Reduces column height lowering CAPEX
Commodity scale production of NAS components	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ready for scale-up and commercialization

Technology Overview – NAS Technology Development Path



**Lab-Scale
Development &
Evaluation
(2010-2013)**

Solvent screening
and lab-scale
evaluation

0.0015 t-CO₂/day

TRL 2-3



**Large Bench-Scale
System (RTI facility)**

(2014-2016)

Demonstration of key
process features (\leq
2.3 GJ/t CO₂) at
bench scale

0.11 t-CO₂/day

TRL 4



**Pilot Testing at Tiller
Plant Norway,**

(2015-2018)

Demonstration of all
process components
at pilot scale

1.0 t-CO₂/day

TRL 5



**Pilot Testing at
SSTU, NCCC**

(2018)

Degradation,
emission, corrosion
characterizations
under real flue gas

1.1 t-CO₂/day

TRL 5



**Engineering-Scale
Validation,
TCM, Norway**

(2018-2022)

Pre-commercial
demonstration at
TCM, Norway (~12
MWe)

220 t-CO₂/day

TRL 6

Summary of SOPO Tasks

Task 1 - Project Management and Planning

✓ Task 2 - Project Design Basis Definition

✓ Task 3 - Basic Design Package (BDP)

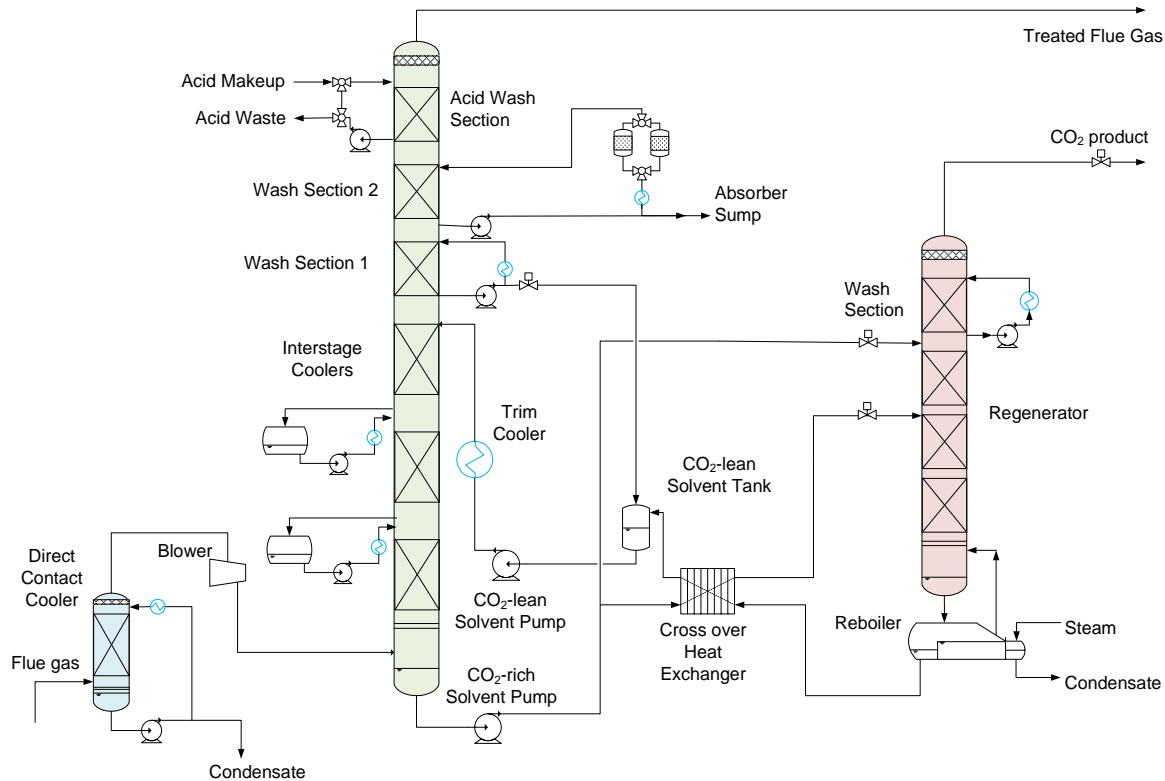
Task 4 - Front-End Engineering Design Study

Task 5 - Tech to Market

Host site – Balcones Plant

- Host site - CEMEX Balcones plant Located in New Braunfels, TX
- 2 cement kilns with combined design capacity of 6,725 tons clinker/day.
- Selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR) to reduce NO_x
- Dry sorbent injection (DSI) to reduce SO_x
- Fabric filter baghouse to reduce particulate matter (PM)
- CO_2 emissions of 1.5 MM tonnes per year.
- 11-12% CO_2 in the flue gas.
- SO_2 is < 5 ppm, NO_x is 20-230 ppm.
- capture 95% of cement plant emissions + emissions from the natural gas steam boiler
- Limited water availability

NAS Process Flow Diagram



- DCC for flue gas conditioning
- Absorber intercoolers
- Kettle / Forced recirculation reboiler
- Reboiler temperatures $<120\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- CO_2 regeneration up to 4.5 bar
- Emissions Control
 - Dual water wash
 - Activated carbon beds
 - Acid wash for treated gas polishing, demonstrated at engineering scale at TCM

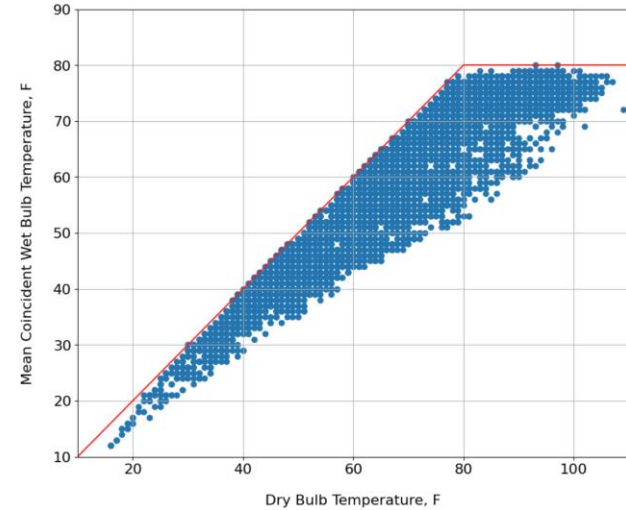
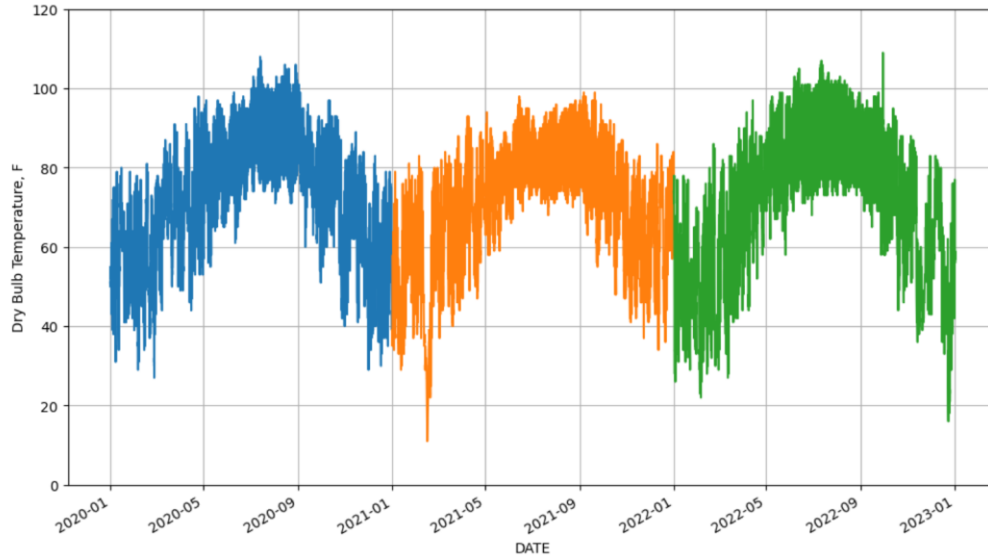
Task 2: Site Data and Design Basis Document

- ✓ Host site data
- ✓ Ambient conditions
- ✓ Detailed flue gas composition and flow conditions (T,P)
- ✓ CO₂ design specifications
- ✓ Applicable codes and standards for engineering design
- ✓ Design margin and sparing philosophy
- ✓ NAS Basis of Design

Task 3 – Basic Design Package

- ✓ Develop a BDP of the proposed CO₂ capture plant that will later be refined into the FEED package
 - ✓ Integration points with the cement plant
 - ✓ Process Flow Diagrams (PFD)
 - ✓ Heat and Materials Balance (HMB)
 - ✓ Sized Equipment List
 - ✓ Required Utilities
 - ✓ Identify areas for detailed evaluation
 - Cooling strategy and sourcing of makeup water for cooling towers
 - CO₂ product polishing to meet pipeline specifications

New Braunfels – Ambient temperature conditions, 2020-2022



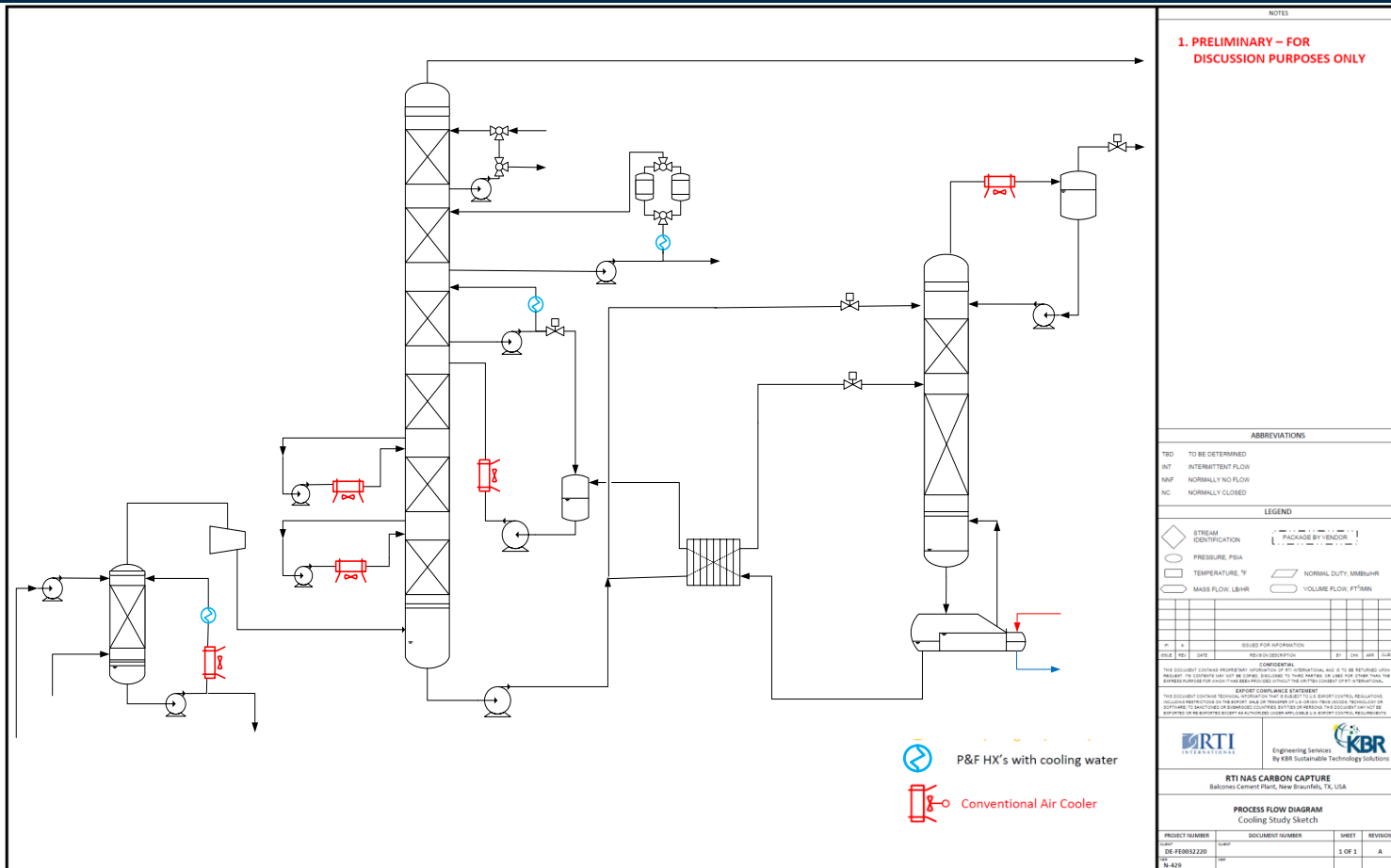
- MCWB of 80 °F allows for process temperatures of 95 °F
 - 9 °F / 5 °C approach T for heat exchangers
 - 6 °F / 3.5 °C approach T for cooling tower
- Combination of air cooling and water cooling to control flue gas dew point and water wash temperatures, and to maintain water balance

Cooling Options Summary

	Base Case	A	B	C	C.1	D	D.1	E	F
	Water	WSAC	Air/Water 99% ASHRAE	Air/WSAC 99% ASHRAE	Air/WSAC 98% ASHRAE	Air/Heat Pump 99% ASHRAE	Air/Heat Pump 98% ASHRAE	Air/CWT/ Heat Pump 98% ASHRAE	Air/Water 80F Ambient Design Temp
Heat Loads (Fractional)									
Air Cooling	0	0	24%	24%	32%	24%	32%	32%	84%
Water Cooling	100%	0	76%	0	0	0	0	15%	16%
WSAC Cooling	0	100%	0	76%	68%	0	0	0	0
Heat Pump	0	0	0	0	0	76%	68%	53%	0
Meets Water Constraints	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Electrical Consumption *	1.0	0.2	1.3	0.7	1.3	10.6	9.4	7.7	2.5
Indicative Capex, TDC*	1.0	7.2	2.9	7.7	8.1	5.4	5.9	6.0	5.7
Footprint	0.4	1.8	1.7	3.1	2.9	4.2	3.6	4.0	4.1

* Normalized values

Cooling Options – Air Cooling / Water



CO₂ Compression – Heat-integrated Integrally Geared Compressor



Illustration Of compressor train with integrated Carbon Capture Heat Recovery (CCWHR) technology
(Image courtesy of MAN Energy Solutions)

CCWHR Technology

- Heat of compression recovered as steam generation.
- Heat removed after 3rd and 5th stage
- Dehydration occurs after 3rd stage
- Can provide up to 30% of steam required for solvent regeneration
- Reduces need for cooling water
- Higher shaft power due to higher interstage temperatures.

Task 4 – Front-end Engineering Design (FEED) Study

✓ Task 4.1 – Engineering Design
Package

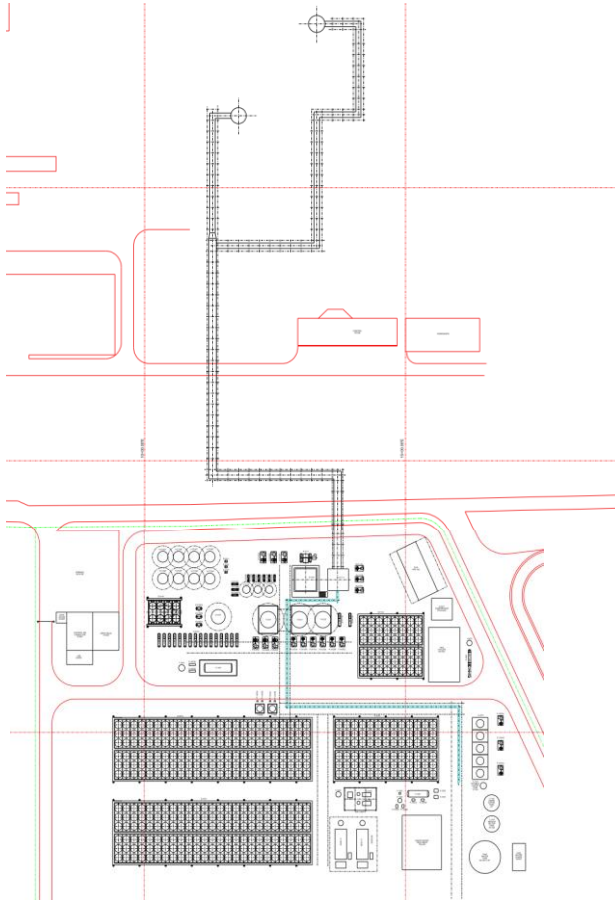
Task 4.2 – Integration and Utilities Design

✓ Task 4.3 – HAZOP Review

Task 4.4 – Schedule and Cost Estimation

✓ Task 4.5 – Constructability Review

Plot Plan with ducting to cement kilns



Carbon Capture and Cement Plant tie-ins

Discussions held with CEMEX on plant tie-ins.

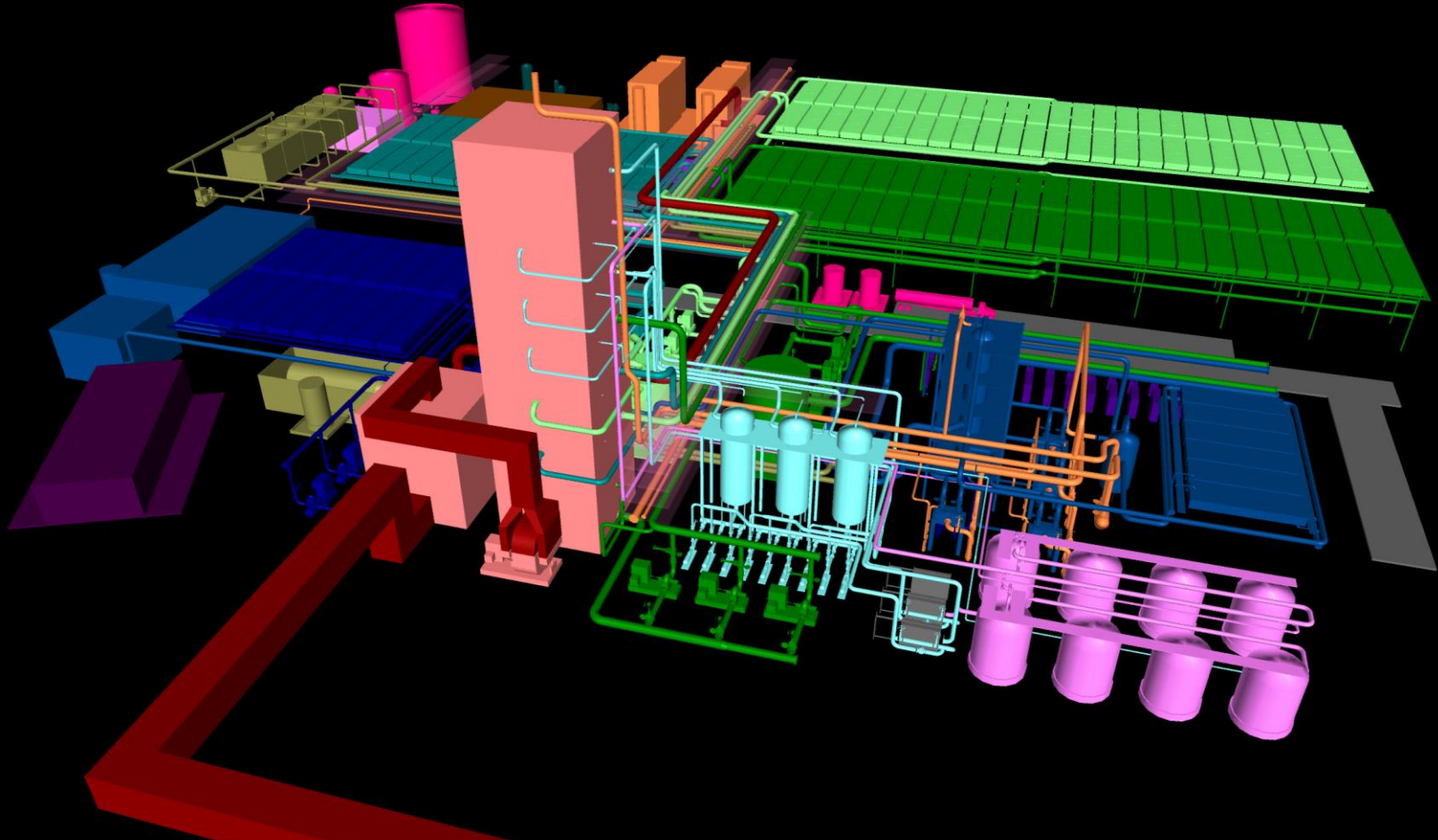
- Flue Gas Ducting Tie-Ins
 - Over rail spur and Wald Road
 - Under utility electric and communication along Wald Road
- Dampers
 - Slide guillotine style considered for isolation of CC plant from cement plant.
 - Multi-louver style for diverting flow to/from CC/cement plant.
- Vent stack
 - Stack on top of absorber tower for venting treated gas.
 - A 200 ft umbilical planned for CEMS monitoring of the treated gas.
 - Avoids having to re-duct the treated gas across the road to existing stack. Does add in the cost of additional CEMS.
 - Platform to be provided for annual stack testing
- Electric
 - New substation adjacent to existing Cemex substation
 - Connects directly to electric utility provider



Carbon Capture Plant – 3D Model



Carbon Capture Plant – 3D Model



Task 5 – Tech to Market

In Progress

Task 5.1 – Technoeconomic Analysis

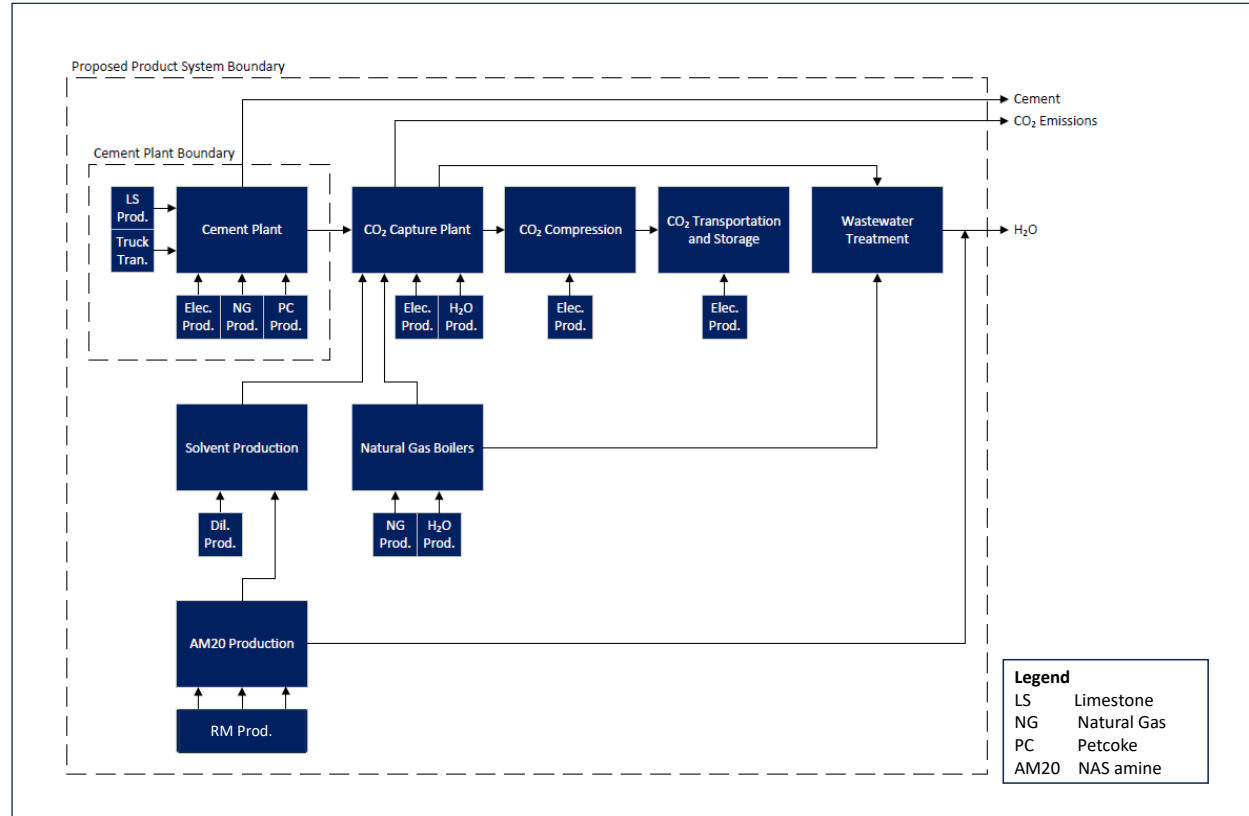
Task 5.2 – Business Case Analysis

Task 5.3 – Lifecycle Analysis

Task 5.4 – Environmental Health & Safety Risk Analysis

Task 5: Lifecycle Analysis

- Currently In Progress
- Being developed using OpenLCA with NETL LCI and Ecoinvent databases
- Functional Unit is 1MT of cement



Technology Maturation Plan

Process Development:

- Amine recovery from acid wash
- Amine reclamation process

Reducing cost of capture

- Use of rotating packed beds for CAPEX reduction
- DOE-EERE project to demonstrate NAS process at 1 TPD scale at CEMEX cement plant, Victorville, CA
- ARPA-E project on flexible CO₂ capture for NGCC using RPBs.

Demonstration

- DOE-OCED project on building and operating a large CO₂ capture pilot (120,000 TPY) at International Paper's containerboard mill in Vicksburg, MS.

Commercial

- Technology licensed by SLB for joint development and commercialization

Milestone Log

Task or Subtask	Description	Planned Completion	Actual Completion	Verification Method
1.1	Project Management Plan (PMP)	May 14, 2023	May10, 2023	Submission of PMP
1.2	Initial Technology Maturation Plan (TMP)	Jul 14, 2023	Jul 14, 2023	Submission of initial TMP
2.0	Project Design Basis	Jul 31, 2023	Aug 29, 2023	Submission of Design Basis Definition Report
4.0	Initial Engineering Design Package	Oct 14, 2023	Oct 13, 2023	Submission of Initial Engineering Design Package
5.2	Initial Life Cycle Analysis (LCA)	Oct 14, 2023	Oct 14, 2023	Submission of initial LCA
4.5	Constructability Review	Feb 29, 2024	May 10, 2024	Summarized in Quarterly report
1.3	Initial Workforce Readiness Plan	Apr 14, 2024	Apr 14, 2024	Submission of Workforce Readiness Plan
4.3	HAZOP review	May 31, 2024	May 24, 2024	Summarized in Quarterly report
1.2	Final TMP	Oct 14, 2024		Submission of final TMP
1.4	Environmental Justice Analysis	Oct 14, 2024		Submission of Environmental Justice Analysis
1.5	Economic Revitalization & Job Creation Outcomes Analysis	Oct 14, 2024		Submission of Job Creation Outcome Analysis
4.0	Final Engineering Design Package	Oct 14, 2024		Submission of Final Engineering Design Package
5.1	Business Case Analysis (BCA)	Oct 14, 2024		Submission of BCA report
5.3	Final LCA	Oct 14, 2024		Submission of final LCA
5.4	Technology EH&S Analysis	Oct 14, 2024		Submission of EH&S Analysis
1.3	Updated Workforce Readiness Plan	Jan 14, 2025		Submission of Workforce Readiness Plan

RTI working with CEMEX, SLB and KBR to develop a FEED package for CO₂ capture from Balcones cement plant, with 1.6 MM t/year CO₂ capture at 95% capture efficiency.

Activities Completed:

- ✓ Design Basis Definition
- ✓ Limited cooling water availability has been addressed by use of hybrid cooling – combination of air and water cooling, and heat integrated CO₂ compressor.
- ✓ Preliminary Engineering work completed (BFD, PFD, P&IDs)
- ✓ Geotechnical and soil analysis
- ✓ HAZOP and Constructability Review.
- ✓ 3D model is nearing 30% completion.

Activities In progress:

- Plant cost estimation – Have started reaching out to vendors for cost-estimation.
- Technoeconomic Analysis
- Lifecycle Analysis
- Technology EH&S Risk Assessment
- Business Case Analysis
- Environmental Justice Analysis
- Economic Revitalization and Job Creation Outcomes Analysis

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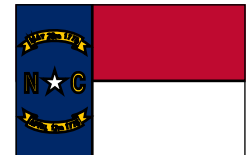
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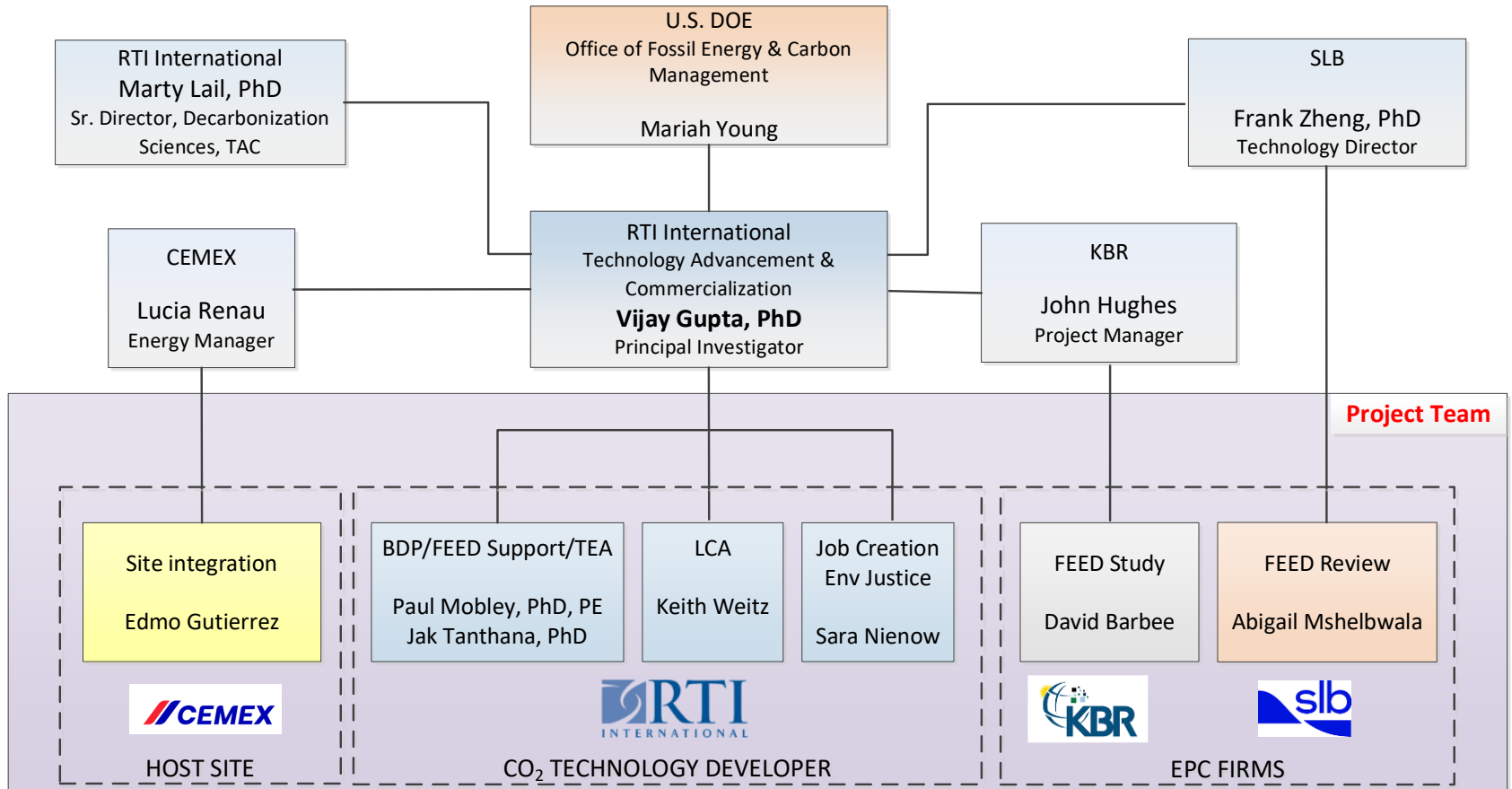


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APPENDIX SLIDES

Project Team



Project Timeline - Updated

Task	Task Description	4/14/2023	1/13/2025	Months after contract award												Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24			
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1.2	Technology Maturation Plan	5/1/203	01/13/25	[Light blue bar from month 2 to 24]																										
1.3	Workforce Readiness for Technology Development	07/01/23	01/13/25	[Light blue bar from month 4 to 24]																										
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2.0	Project Design Basis Definition	05/01/23	07/31/23	[Blue bar from month 2 to 4]																										
2.1	Host site review	05/01/23	07/31/23	[Light blue bar from month 2 to 4]																										
2.2	Permitting requirements review	05/01/23	07/31/23	[Light blue bar from month 2 to 4]																										
3.0	Basic Design Package	05/01/23	08/31/23	[Blue bar from month 2 to 4]																										
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5.3	Life Cycle Analysis	08/01/23	01/13/25	[Light blue bar from month 8 to 24]																										
5.4	EH&S Risk Analysis	01/01/24	01/13/25	[Light blue bar from month 12 to 24]																										
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Milestone Log	<i>(Table 3)</i>			A	B,C	D,E			F			G-M																		
Reporting / Deliverables	<i>(See footnote)</i>			Q			Q			Q			Q			Q			FR											
Project Meeting	<i>(See footnote)</i>			KM			PB			L			PB			PC														

Q = Quarterly report due 1 month after quarter's end; FR = Final report due 3 months after project end.
 KM = Project kick-off meeting; PB = Project briefing (annual); PC = Project closeout meeting