A High Efficiency, Ultra-Compact Process For Pre-Combustion CO₂ Capture

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Presentation Outline

- Project Overview
- Technology Background
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Project Overview

Performance Period: 10-01-2015 – 3-31-2019

Project Budget: Total/\$1,909,018; DOE Share/\$1,520,546; Cost-Share/\$388,472

Overall Project Objectives:

- 1. Prove the technical feasibility of the membrane- and adsorption-enhanced water gas shift (WGS) process.
- 2. Achieve the overall fossil energy performance goals of 90% CO_2 capture rate with 95% CO_2 purity at a cost of electricity of 30% less than baseline capture approaches.

Key Project Tasks/Participants:

- 1. Design, construct and test the lab-scale experimental MR-AR system.----USC
- 2. Select and characterize appropriate membranes, adsorbents and catalysts.----M&PT, USC
- 3. Develop and experimentally validate mathematical model.-----UCLA, USC
- 4. Experimentally test the proposed novel process in the lab-scale apparatus, and complete the initial technical and economic feasibility study. .---- M&PT, UCLA, USC

Conventional IGCC Power Plant



MR-AR Process Scheme



- □ Use of Partial Pressure Swing Adsorption based regeneration allows CO₂ recovery at high pressures.
- □ The MR-AR process overcomes the limitations of competitive singular, stand-alone systems, such as the conventional WGSR, and the more advanced WGS-MR and WGS-AR technologies.

Key Innovation:

• Highly-efficient, low-temperature reactor process for the WGS reaction of coal-gasifier syngas for pre-combustion CO₂ capture, using a unique adsorption-enhanced WGS membrane reactor (MR-AR) concept.

Unique Advantages:

- No syngas pretreatment required: CMS membranes proven stable in past/ongoing studies to all of the gas contaminants associated with coal-derived syngas.
- *Improved WGS Efficiency:* Enhanced reactor yield and selectivity via the simultaneous removal of H₂ and CO₂.
- Significantly reduced catalyst weight usage requirements: Reaction rate enhancement (over the conventional WGSR) that results from removing both products, potentially, allows one to operate at much lower W/F_{CO} (K_{gcat}/mol.hr).
- Efficient H_2 production, and superior CO_2 recovery and purity: The synergy created between the MR and AR units makes simultaneously meeting the CO_2 recovery/purity targets together with carbon utilization (CO conversion) and hydrogen recovery/purity goals a potential reality.

Field-Testing of CMS Membranes

M&PT test-unit at NCCC for hydrogen separation



CMS membranes and modules



Long-Term Stability Testing in Gasifier Off-gas [NCCC]



A New Generation of CMS Membranes



Original Project Targets: H_2 _Permeance (350 – 500 GPU); H_2 /CO>80 (Equivalent to He/N₂>100)

He/N₂ used as H₂/CO surrogates in routine permeation tests. He and H₂ permeances within 5-10% from each other (H₂, typically, faster). CO permeance, typically, 15-20% larger than N₂

| Part ID | He [GPU] | N2 [GPU] | H ₂ [GPU] | CO2 [GPU] | H2/N2 [-] | H ₂ /CO ₂ [-] |
|---------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------------------|
| HMR-61 | 578 | 2.5 | 550 | 1.0 | 219 | 558 |
| HMR-67 | 450 | 1.6 | 581 | 2.8 | 354 | 211 |
| HMR-68 | 591 | 3.0 | 675 | 2.7 | 227 | 248 |
| MR-70 | 445 | 1.5 | 502 | 0.7 | 344 | 738 |
| HMR-72 | 500 | 1.7 | 602 | 2.5 | 359 | 246 |
| HMR-104 | 542 | 1.5 | 540 | 2.0 | 361 | 270 |

Adsorbent Preparation and Characterization



Pressure (bar)

Before correcting

After correcting

Lab-Scale Experimental Set-Up



Data Acquisition System

Lab-Scale Experimental Results and Analysis

<u>Co-Mo/Al₂O₃ Sour-Shift Catalyst Characterization</u> Global Reaction Kinetics- Empirical Model and Comparison with Microkinetic Models



| $A[mol/(atm^{(a+b+c+d)} \cdot h \cdot g)]$ | 18957 |
|--------------------------------------------|-------|
| E [J/mol] | 58074 |
| a | 4 |
| b | -1.46 |
| С | 0.13 |
| d | -1.44 |

$$-r_{co} = A \ e^{-\frac{E}{RT}} p^a_{co} p^b_{H_2O} p^c_{co_2} p^d_{H_2} \ (1-\beta)$$

$$\beta = \frac{1}{K_{eq}} \frac{(P_{CO_2} \cdot P_{H_2})}{(P_{CO} \cdot P_{H_2O})} K_{eq} = \exp\left(\frac{4577.8}{T} - 4.33\right)$$

| Root-Mean-Square Deviation (RMSD) | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|--|--|--|--|
| Direct oxidation | 3.38 | | | | |
| Associative | 5.12 | | | | |
| Formate intermediate | 8.04 | | | | |
| Empirical model | 3.32 | | | | |

Lab-Scale Experimental Results and Analysis, Cont.

Experimental Conversion vs. W/F_{CO} for MR and PBR



Conversion of MR and PBR with three different steam Conversion of MR a

sweep ratios (300 °C, feed pressure of 15 bar, CMS#1)

Conversion of MR and PBR with no sweep (250 °C, feed pressure of 20 and 25 bar, CMS#2)

$$X_{CO} = \frac{n_{COO}^F - (n_{CO,exit}^F + n_{CO,exit}^P)}{n_{COO}^F}$$

Lab-Scale Experimental Results and Analysis, Cont.

Experimental Results of MR-AR Performance



CO in the AR and total MR-AR conversion, and species molar flow rates. (Left Top) AR I, first cycle, (Right Top) AR II, first cycle, (Left Bottom) AR I, second cycle, (Right Bottom) AR II, second cycle. Temp.=250 °C, pressure=25 bar, H₂O/CO ratio=2.8, W/F_{CO}=55 g·h/mol.

Lab-Scale Experimental Results and Analysis, Cont.



AR pseudo-steady conversion after adsorbent saturation for various regeneration protocols, as shown on the Figure. Temp.=250 °C, pressure=5 bar, W_c/F_{CO}=121 g·h/mol, W_{Ad}/W_c= 6.9:1.

500-hr Integrated MR-AR Run

Evaluation of Membrane Stability



T= 250 °C, feed pressure of 25 bar with steam sweep (CMS#23).

500-hr Integrated MR-AR Run, Cont.

MR Subsystem Conversion – An Indicator of Catalyst and Membrane Stability



T=250 °C, feed pressure=25 bar, permeate pressure 3 bar, with steam sweep, W_c/F_{CO} = 66 g·h/mol, air-blown gasifier model syngas (CMS#23).

Multi-Scale MR-AR Model for Process Scale-Up

Membrane Reactor (MR)/Adsorptive Reactor (AR) Sequence



Multi-Scale MR-AR Model for Process Scale-Up – MR System

Pellet-scale Model Equations & Boundary Conditions

Constitutive laws

Continuity Equation:

$$\overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\varepsilon_{A}^{p} c_{f}^{p} \overrightarrow{v_{f}^{p}} \right) = \sum_{j=1}^{n_{s}} \left(1 - \varepsilon_{v}^{p} \right) \rho_{s}^{p} \sum_{k=1}^{n_{k}} R_{k} v_{jk}$$

Component mass conservation:

$$\overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\varepsilon_A^p x_j^p c_f^p \overrightarrow{v_f} \right) + \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\varepsilon_A^p \overrightarrow{n_j} \right) = \left(1 - \varepsilon_v^p \right) \rho_s^p \sum_{k=1}^{n_R} R_k v_{jk}$$

Energy conservation:

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_s} \varepsilon_A^{\,\rho} x_j^{\,\rho} c_f^{\,\rho} C_j^{\,\rho}\right) \overrightarrow{v_f^{\,\rho}} \cdot \left(\overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{\,\rho}\right) = \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\lambda \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{\,\rho}\right) + \left(1 - \varepsilon_{\nu}^{\,\rho}\right) \rho_s^{\,\rho} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n_s} -\Delta H_{R,k} R_k\right)$$

| $ \begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Initial Conditions:} & \textbf{Boundary Conditions:} \\ \hline \textbf{R}_{j}^{p} = 0 \\ \overrightarrow{n_{j}^{p}} = 0 \\ \overrightarrow{r^{p}} = T^{r} = T_{in} \\ p^{p} = 0 \\ \mathcal{Q}_{r} = -\lambda \overrightarrow{\nabla} T^{p} = 0 \\ \hline \textbf{for } t = 0, \ \forall r \ (30) \\ \textbf{for } t = 0, \ \forall r \ (30) \\ \textbf{for } t = 0, \ \forall r \ (1 - \varepsilon_{r}^{r}) \eta_{j} \rho_{s} \sum_{k=1}^{n_{s}} R_{k} v_{jk} = \overrightarrow{n_{j}^{p}} + x_{j}^{p} \varepsilon_{j}^{p} \overrightarrow{v_{f}^{p}} \\ -h(T^{r} - T^{p}) = \mathcal{Q}_{r} + \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_{s}} x_{j}^{p} \varepsilon_{j}^{p} C_{j}^{p}\right) \overrightarrow{v_{j}^{p}} T^{p} \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla} p^{p} = 0 \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla} p^{p} = 0 \\ \overrightarrow{\nabla} p^{p} = 0 \\ \hline p^{p} = p^{r} \end{array} \right\} for \ r = r^{p} $ | | - |
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| | $\left. \begin{array}{l} x_{j}^{p} = 0 \\ \overline{n_{j}^{p}} = 0 \\ T^{p} = T^{r} = T_{in} \\ p^{p} = 0 \\ Q_{r} = -\lambda \overline{\nabla}T^{p} = 0 \\ \overline{\nabla}p^{p} = 0 \end{array} \right\} for \ t = 0, \ \forall r \ (30)$ | $\begin{aligned} \overline{n_{j}^{p}} &= 0\\ Q_{r} &= -\lambda \overline{\nabla} T^{p} &= 0\\ \overline{\nabla} p^{p} &= 0 \end{aligned} \begin{cases} for \ r &= 0\\ (1 - \varepsilon_{r}^{r}) \eta_{j} \rho_{s} \sum_{k=1}^{n_{s}} R_{k} v_{jk} &= \overline{n_{j}^{p}} + x_{j}^{p} c_{j}^{p} \overline{v_{j}^{p}}\\ -h(T^{r} - T^{p}) &= Q_{r} + \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_{s}} x_{j}^{p} c_{j}^{p} C_{j}^{p}\right) \overline{v_{j}^{p}} T^{p}\\ x_{j}^{p} &= x_{j}^{r}\\ p^{p} &= p^{r} \end{aligned} \end{cases} $ |

Reactor-scale Reaction Zone Model Equations & Boundary Conditions

Bulk Gas Constitutive laws

Continuity Equation:

$$\overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\varepsilon_A^r c_f^r \overrightarrow{v_f} \right) = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \beta_{cat} \left(1 - \varepsilon_v^r \right) \eta_j \rho_s^r \sum_{k=1}^{n_k} R_k v_{jk} - \frac{2}{R_{mem}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} J_j^{perm}$$

Component mass conservation:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\varepsilon_A^r x_j^r c_f^r \overline{v_f^r}\right) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\varepsilon_A^r \overline{n_j^r}\right) = \beta_{cat} \left(1 - \varepsilon_v^r\right) \eta_j \rho_s^r \sum_{k=1}^{n_g} R_k v_{jk} - \frac{2}{R_{mem}} J_j^{per}$$

Energy conservation:

$$\begin{cases} \left(\varepsilon_A^r \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} x_j^r c_j^r C_j^r \right) \overline{v_f^r} \cdot \left(\overline{\nabla} T^r \right) - \overline{\nabla} \cdot \left(\lambda' \overline{\nabla} T^r \right) + \frac{A^{SM}}{V^r} J_j^{perm} \left(H_j^r - H_j^{perm} \right) = \\ a_{cat} h_{cat} \left(T^r - \left(T^{cat} \right)^s \right) + a_{qua} h_{qua} \left(T^r - \left(T^{qua} \right)^s \right) - \frac{A^{SM} U'}{V'} \left(T^r - T^{perm} \right) + \frac{4U}{d_t} \left(T^{fur} - T^r \right) \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

| Initial Conditions: | Boundary Conditions: |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $ \begin{cases} x_j^r = 0 \\ T^r = T_{in}^r \\ p^r = p_{in}^r \end{cases} for \ t = 0, \ \forall z (35) $ | $ \left. \begin{array}{l} \overline{v_{f}^{r}} = \left(\overline{v_{f}^{r}} \right)_{in} \\ p^{r} = p_{in}^{r} \\ \overline{x_{f}^{r}} = \left(\overline{x_{f}^{r}} \right)_{in} \\ T^{r} = T_{in}^{r} \end{array} \right\} for \ z = 0 $ |
| | $\left. \begin{array}{l} \overrightarrow{\nabla}T^{r} = 0\\ \overrightarrow{n_{j}^{r}} = 0\\ \overrightarrow{\nabla}p^{r} = 0 \end{array} \right\} for \ z = L$ |

Multi-Scale MR-AR Model for Process Scale-Up – MR System

MR Reactor-scale Permeation Zone Model Equations

Bulk Gas Constitutive laws

Continuity Equation:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(c_f^{perm} \overline{v_f^{perm}} \right) = \frac{2}{R_{mem}} \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} J_j^{perm}$$

Component mass conservation:

 $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(x_j^{perm} c_f^{perm} \overline{v_f^{perm}} \right) = \frac{2}{R_{mem}} J_j^{perm}$

Energy conservation:

$$\begin{cases} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_{s}} x_{j}^{perm} c_{f}^{perm} \right) \overrightarrow{v_{f}^{perm}} \cdot \left(\overrightarrow{\nabla}T^{perm}\right) = \\ = \overrightarrow{\nabla} \cdot \left(\lambda'' \overrightarrow{\nabla}T^{perm}\right) + \frac{A^{SM}U'}{V^{perm}} \left(T^{r} - T^{perm}\right) + \frac{A^{SM}}{V^{perm}} J_{j}^{perm} \left(H_{j}^{r} - H_{j}^{perm}\right) \end{cases}$$

Initial Conditions:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_{j}^{perm} = 0 \\ T^{perm} = T_{in}^{perm} \\ p^{perm} = p_{in}^{perm} \end{array} \right\} for \ t = 0, \ \forall z \quad (47) \qquad \begin{array}{l} \overline{v_{f}^{perm}} = \overline{\left(v_{f}^{perm}\right)_{in}} \\ p^{perm} = p_{in}^{perm} \\ \overline{x_{f}^{r}} = \left(\overline{x_{f}^{r}}\right)_{in} \\ T^{r} = T_{in}^{perm} \end{array} \right\} for \ z = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla}T^{perm} = 0 \\ \vec{\nabla}p^{perm} = 0 \int for \ z = L$$

Dusty Gas Model



The Stefan-Maxwell Equation

$$\vec{\nabla}x_i = \sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \frac{x_i \ x_j}{D_{ij}^{eff}} \left(\frac{1}{\rho_j} \overrightarrow{J_j} - \frac{1}{\rho_i} \overrightarrow{J_i}\right) + \left(w_i - x_i\right) \left(\frac{\overrightarrow{\nabla}p}{p}\right) + \sum_{j=1}^{N_s} \frac{x_i \ x_j}{\rho_j D_{ij}^{eff}} \left(\frac{D_j^T}{w_j} - \frac{D_i^T}{w_i}\right) \left(\frac{\overrightarrow{\nabla}T}{T}\right)$$

Momentum Equation

$$\vec{\nabla}P^{r} = -K_{D}\vec{v_{f}^{r}} - K_{v}\vec{v_{f}^{r}}^{2} = \vec{\nabla}p^{r} = \left(-150\frac{\left(1-\varepsilon_{v}^{r}\right)^{2}}{\left(\varepsilon_{v}^{r}\right)^{3}d_{p}^{2}} - \mu_{f}^{r}1.75\frac{\left(1-\varepsilon_{v}^{r}\right)}{\left(\varepsilon_{v}^{r}\right)^{3}d_{p}}\rho_{f}^{r}\left|\vec{v_{f}^{r}}\right|\right)\vec{v_{f}^{r}}$$

Component Mass Balances

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\varepsilon_{tot.gas}^{r} c_{j}^{r} \right) + \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\vec{v_{f}}^{r} c_{j}^{r} \right) = \varepsilon_{gas \cdot bed} \vec{\nabla} D_{z,i} \left(\vec{\nabla} c_{j}^{r} \right) + \left(1 - \varepsilon_{gas \cdot bed} \right) \eta_{j} \beta_{cat} \rho_{cat} R_{j} - \left(1 - \varepsilon_{gas \cdot bed} \right) \phi_{ad} \rho_{ad} R_{ad}$$
$$\beta_{cat} + \phi_{ad} + \phi_{aua} = 1$$

Energy balance:

 $\frac{\lambda_z}{\lambda_g} = \frac{\lambda_z^0}{\lambda_g}$ $\frac{\lambda_z^0}{\lambda_g} = \varepsilon_{tot.}^r$ $\frac{h_w d_t}{\lambda_g} = 2.$

$$\begin{cases} \left\{ \left(\left(1 - \varepsilon_{gas \cdot bed}\right) \beta_{cat} \rho_c^r C_c^r + \left(1 - \varepsilon_{gas \cdot bed}\right) \phi_{ad} \rho_{ad}^r C_{ad}^r + \left(1 - \varepsilon_{gas \cdot bed}\right) \varphi_{qua} \rho_{qua}^r C_{qua}^r + \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} \varepsilon_{tot.gas}^r c_j^r C_j^r \right) \frac{\partial T^r}{\partial t} + \\ \left\{ \left(\varepsilon_A^r \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} c_j^r C_j^r \right) \overline{v_f^r} \cdot \left(\vec{\nabla} T^r \right) \right\} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left(\lambda' \vec{\nabla} T^r \right) + \left(1 - \varepsilon_{gas \cdot bed}\right) \eta_j \beta_{cat} \rho_{cat} \sum_{j=1}^{n_s} H_j R_j - \left(1 - \varepsilon_{gas \cdot bed}\right) \phi_{ad} \rho_{ad} \Delta H_{ad} R_{ad} + \frac{4h_w}{d_t} \left(T_w - T^r\right) \right) \end{cases}$$



$$\left| \rho_{w}C_{w}\frac{\partial T_{w}}{\partial t} = \frac{d_{t}}{\left(w_{thick}\left(d_{t}+w_{thick}\right)\right)}h_{w}\left(T_{w}-T^{r}\right) - \frac{U\left(T_{w}-T_{fir}\right)}{\left(d_{t}+w_{thick}\right)\cdot\ln\left(\frac{\left(d_{t}+w_{thick}\right)}{d_{t}}\right)}\right)}{\frac{\lambda_{z}}{\lambda_{g}} = \frac{\lambda_{z}^{0}}{\lambda_{g}} + 0.75 \cdot Pr \cdot Re_{p}} \right| \\
\frac{\lambda_{z}}{\lambda_{g}} = \varepsilon_{tot,gas}^{r} + \frac{1-\varepsilon_{tot,gas}}{0.139\varepsilon_{gas,bed}} - 0.0339 + 2/3\left(\lambda_{g}/\lambda_{p}\right)}{\frac{1-\varepsilon_{tot,gas}}{\lambda_{g}}} \\
\frac{h_{w}d_{t}}{\lambda_{g}} = 2.03 \cdot Re_{p}exp\left(-\frac{d_{p}}{d_{t}}\right) \\
\end{array}$$
Momentum balance:
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Multi-Scale MR-AR Model for Process Scale-Up – AR System



Constitutive laws and other property equations.

$$\lambda' = \left(1 - \varepsilon_{v}^{r}\right)\beta_{cat}\lambda_{cat} + \left(1 - \varepsilon_{v}^{r}\right)\varphi_{qua}\lambda_{qua} + \left(1 - \varepsilon_{v}^{r}\right)\phi_{ad}\lambda_{qua} + \varepsilon_{v}^{r}\lambda_{g}$$

Thermal Conductivity of Pure Gases:

 $\lambda_i = A_i + B_i T + C_i T^2 + D_i T^3$

Thermal Conductivity of Gas Mixture:

$$\lambda_{g} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{s}} \frac{x_{i} \lambda_{i}}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_{s}} x_{i} \phi_{ij}}, \qquad \phi_{ij} = \frac{\left[1 + \left(\mu_{i} / \mu_{j}\right)^{1/2} \left(M_{j} / M_{i}\right)^{1/4}\right]^{2}}{8\left(1 + \left(M_{i} / M_{j}\right)\right)^{1/2}}$$

Specific Heat Capacity of Pure Gases:

$$C_{i} = a_{0,i} + a_{1,i}t + a_{2,i}t^{2} + a_{3,i}t^{3} + a_{4,i}/t^{2}, \quad t = \left(\frac{T}{1000}\right)$$

Specific Heat Capacity of Gas Mixture:

$$C_{p,g} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_s} \frac{x_i M_i C_{p,i}}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_s} x_i M_i}$$



Lab-Scale Experimental Results and Model Fits - MR

Experimental Conversion for Various Sweep Ratios and Model Predictions



Experimental conversion for the MR with different sweep ratios and the corresponding MR model fits using both the empirical and microkinetic models. (300 °C, feed pressure of 15 bar, CMS#1)

$$X_{CO} = \frac{n_{COO}^F - (n_{CO,exit}^F + n_{CO,exit}^P)}{n_{COO}^F}$$

Lab-Scale Experimental Results and Model Fits - MR

Experimental Hydrogen Recovery for Various Sweep Ratios and Model Predictions



Experimental hydrogen recovery and the corresponding MR model fits using both the empirical and microkinetic models. (300 °C, feed pressure of 15 bar, CMS#1)

$$Re_{H_2} = \frac{n_{H_{2,exit}}^{P}}{(n_{H_{2,exit}}^{F} + n_{H_{2,exit}}^{P})}$$

Lab-Scale Experimental Results and Model Fits - AR



Temperature = 250 °C, Pressure = 15 bar. (W_{cat}/F_{CO} =55 on MR)

Temperature = 250 °C, Pressure = 15 bar. (W_{cat}/F_{CO} =66 on MR)

Axial Profiles of Catalyst Effectiveness Factors in MR (Top) and PBR (Bottom)



Key Results

- Catalyst effectiveness factors in PBR and MR vary significantly along reactor length
- Catalyst pellets of same diameter exhibit different effectiveness factors
- Sweep gas pressure/temperature and membrane area have a significant impact on MR behavior
- The adiabatic MR gives higher conversion values as compared to the wall-isothermal MR for the same operating conditions

Preliminary TEA - MR-AR IGCC Process Scheme



Preliminary TEA - MR-AR IGCC Process

| Designs | Net Power Production (MWe) | CO ₂ Capture (%) |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Shell IGCC w/o CCS – 1-Stage Selexol | 622 | 0 |
| Shell IGCC w/ CCS – 2 Stage Selexol | 543 | 90 |
| MR-AR IGCC Plant | 593 | 92 |

Preliminary TEA - MR-AR IGCC Process

| | Conversion | Catalyst Amount (ft ³) | Adsorbent (kg) |
|-----------------------|------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| MR-AR Combined System | 99% | 4,064* (2,553**) | 606,912 |
| IGCC WGS Reactor | 97% | 6,246 | 0 |

| | % CO Conversion | % H ₂ Recovery | % CO ₂ Purity | % CO ₂ Recovery |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Target | >95 | >90 | >95 | >90 |
| MR-AR Realization | 99% | 99 | 99 | 92 |

*Initial Purchase Catalyst: Amount of catalyst needed to initially load all MR-AR reactors (which contributes to the catalyst capital cost) is 4,064 ft³

****Operating Purchase Catalyst:** AR is operated periodically and catalyst is not exposed continuously to reaction, and thus catalyst's lifetime is longer than baseline design. Amount of catalyst for replacement (which contributes to the catalyst operating cost) is 2,553 ft³

Preliminary TEA - MR-AR IGCC Process

| | Capital Cost (\$/1000) | Variable Operating Cost (\$) | Net Power (MWe) | N ₂ Product (ton/h) | COE (No N ₂ sale/ N ₂ Sale) (\$/MWh) | % COE reduction vs Baseline (No N ₂ sale/ N ₂ Sale) |
|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| IGCC CCS | \$1,840,115 | \$46,580,032 | 543 | 0 | 135.4 | 0 |
| MR-AR Realization | \$1,539,820 | \$47,672,487 | 593 | 619 | 113.1 / 86.3 | 16.4% / 36% |

| | Net Power (MWe) | COE (No N ₂ sale/ N ₂ Sale) (\$/MWh) | CO ₂ Captured Cost (No N ₂ sale/ N ₂ Sale) (\$/tonne) |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| IGCC CCS | 543 | 135.4 | 63.2 |
| MR-AR Realization | 593 | 113.1 / 86.3 | 39.3 / 5.1 |

Sensitivity Analysis for Critical Technology Parameters

| Sensitivity Analysis – Membrane Reactor Lifespan | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--|--|
| | Consum | otion | | | Cost (\$) | | |
| | Initial Fill | Per Day | Per Unit | Initial Fill | Annual Cost | | |
| | | 10-` | Year MR Lifesp | an | | | |
| Membrane Packs (m ²) | w/equip | n/a | \$650 | \$0 | \$535,780 | | |
| Total Variable Cost: | | | | \$16,547,652 | \$47,672,487 | | |
| Total COE: | | | | | 86.3 | | |
| | | 5-Y | ear MR Lifespa | an | | | |
| Membrane Packs (m ²) | w/equip | n/a | \$650 | \$0 | \$1,071,560 | | |
| Total Variable Cost: | | | | \$10,074,435 | \$48,208,277 | | |
| Total COE: | | | | | 86.5 | | |
| 2-Year MR Lifespan | | | | | | | |
| Membrane Packs (m ²) | w/equip | n/a | \$650 | \$0 | \$2,678,900 | | |
| Total Variable Cost: | | | | \$10,074,435 | \$49,815,607 | | |
| Total COE: | | | | | 86.8 | | |

- MR Lifespan utilized in TEA is 10-year lifespan
 - A 5-year lifespan increases total COE by 0.2%
 - A 2-year lifespan increases total COE by 0.6%

Sensitivity Analysis for Critical Technology Parameters

| Sensitivity Analysis – Nitrogen Sale Price | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------|--|--|
| | Consump | otion | | | Cost (\$) | | |
| | Initial Fill | Per Day | Per Unit | Initial Fill | Annual Profit | | |
| | \$30/ton Nitrogen Price | | | | | | |
| Nitrogen (tons) | 0 | 14,591 | \$30 | \$0 | \$111,228,000 | | |
| Total COE (\$/MWh) | | | | | 86.3 | | |
| | | \$1/t | on Nitrogen Pri | се | | | |
| Nitrogen (tons) | w/equip | n/a | \$1 | \$0 | \$3,707,600 | | |
| Total COE (\$/MWh) | | | | | 112.2 | | |
| \$414/ton Nitrogen Price | | | | | | | |
| Nitrogen (tons) | w/equip | n/a | \$414 | \$0 | \$1,,534, 946, 400 | | |
| Total COE (\$/MWh) | | | | | -255.8 | | |

- Baseline COE 135.4 \$/MWh
- $A N_2$ sale price of \$30/ton reduces COE from the baseline by 36.3%
- $A N_2$ sale price of \$1/ton reduces COE from the baseline by 17.1%
- A N₂ sale price of \$414/ton yields a negative COE

Compact Process Advantages

- Simultaneous CO conversion and H₂ and CO₂ separation
- *MR-AR Compression Work:* <20% of IGCC w/CCS compression work
- *Catalyst Amount*: <50% of IGCC w/CCS catalyst amount
- High-Purity Hydrogen Product
- Low-Grade Quality Nitrogen Product
- CO₂ capture cost (\$/ton)
 - IGCC w/CCS Baseline: 63.2
 - MR-AR with no N₂ Sales: 39.3
 - MR-AR with N_2 Sales (30\$/ton) : 5.1
- COE Reduction target approached/met
 - Target: Proposed Technology COE 30% lower than IGCC w/CCS COE
 - No N₂ Sales: MR-AR COE 16.5% lower than IGCC w/CCS COE
 - N₂ Sales (30\$/ton) : MR-AR COE 36% lower than IGCC w/CCS COE

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