# Update on National Carbon Capture Center (FE0022596)

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#### **National Carbon Capture Center**



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2014 -<br/>2020DOE & Industrial Sponsors<br/>80/20 \$187.5 million -<br/>Continue CO2 Capture R&D<br/>for Cost Reduction

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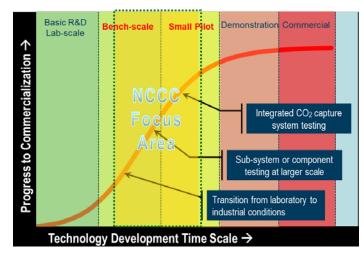
Power Systems Development Facility

Post-Combustion Carbon Capture Center (PC4)

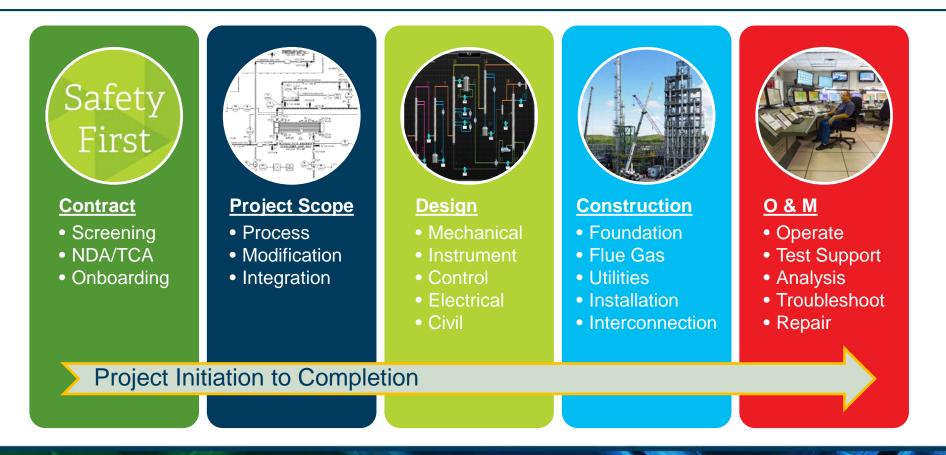
#### **Benefits of NCCC**

- Serve as centralized R&D facility
  - Reduce redundancy
  - Conduct multiple testing simultaneously
- Make available realistic flue gas for performance verification
  - Flexible in capacity and process conditions
  - Effective performance comparison between technologies tested
- Leverage existing infrastructure and onsite expertise
  - Power plant, process engineering and integration, design, construction, and O&M areas
- Provide independent data acquisition and analysis for developers as needed
  - → Accelerating CO<sub>2</sub> capture technology development and commercialization

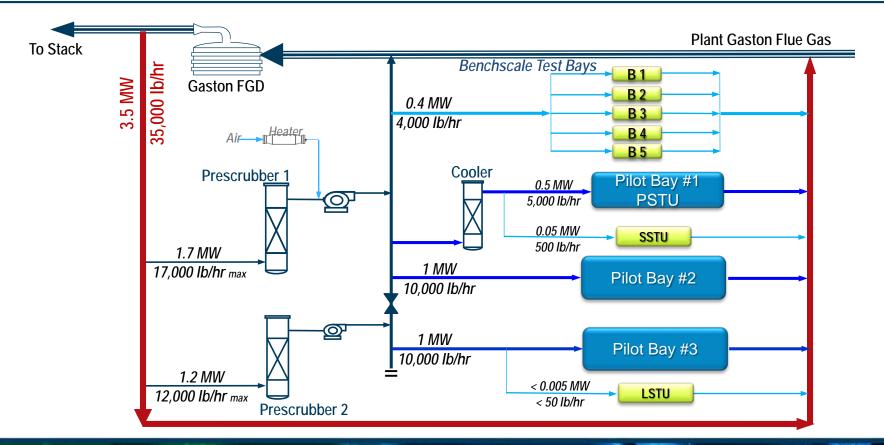




#### **Project Development and Implementation**



#### **PC4 Configuration**

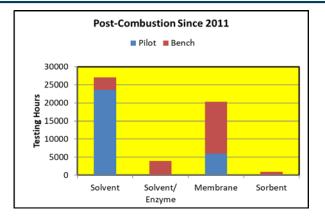


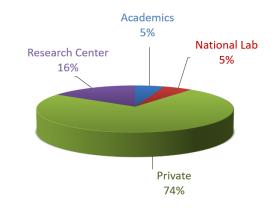
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### **PC4 Testing Accomplishments since Inception**

- 52,000+ hours of performance data collected
- 33 technologies from 24 developers tested
  - 74% are private companies
- 7 technologies scaled up (or ready to) to 10+ MW
  - Aker, Carbon Clean Solutions, ION Engineering, Linde, MTR, RTI and Shell Cansolv
- International collaboration: 6 countries
  - Canada, Germany, India, Japan, Norway, UK







#### **NCCC International Collaboration**

- Support DOE goal of international cooperation
- Broad effort China, India, Middle East, Korea, Japan, EU, Australia, Canada, Norway
- Multiple paths for involvement
  - Partners, developers, network members, consulting services and workshops
- Ease of collaboration since intellectual property is not being shared – Extensive support from the NCCC
- Co-founded ITCN (International Test Center Network)
  - Share knowledges (construction, operation, safety, funding, analytical techniques) among test facilities around the world
  - Collaborate on one technical item per year

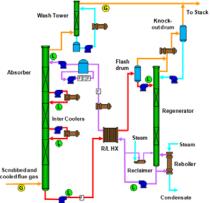


#### **Advanced Solvents and Processes @ NCCC**

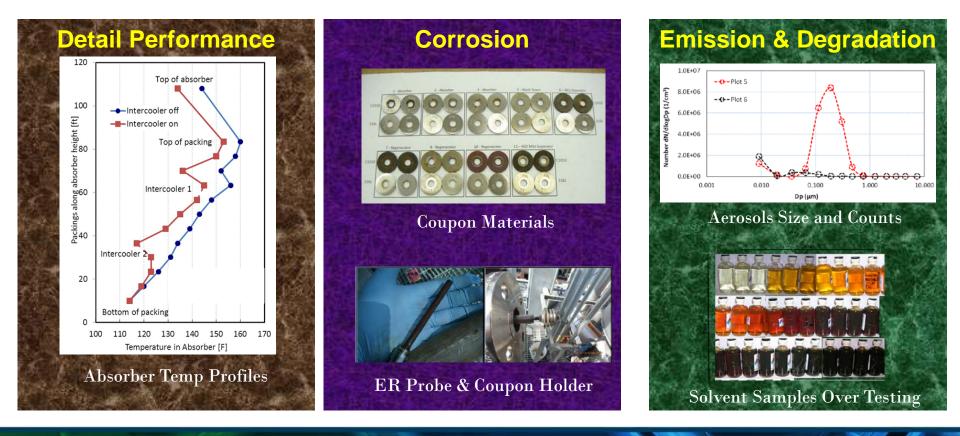
- Advanced Solvents
  - Adv. aqueous amines/blends
  - Enzyme-catalyzed
  - Water-lean
  - Non-aqueous
- Absorber
  - Intercooling configuration
  - Use of gravity force
  - Rich recirculation
  - Advanced contactors (e.g. packing, membrane)
- Regenerator
  - Flash regeneration
  - CSTR configuration
  - Gas stripping w/column heaters

- Advanced Process
  - Improved heat utilization
  - Adv. R/L HX, reboiler
  - High pressure regeneration
  - Flue gas blower location
  - Adv. process controls
  - Realtime solvent physical properties for control
- Emission/Degradation Reduction
  - High efficient packing
  - Proprietary Anti-Mist
  - Patented dry-bed wash
  - Induced aerosol growth
  - Advanced filters
  - Additives for NO<sub>2</sub> reduction
  - N<sub>2</sub> sparging for O<sub>2</sub> reduction
  - Low stripper sump hold-up





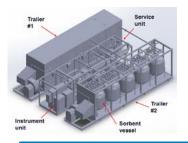
#### Solvent Performance Evaluation in PSTU/SSTU (Examples)



## CO<sub>2</sub> Membrane Test @ NCCC

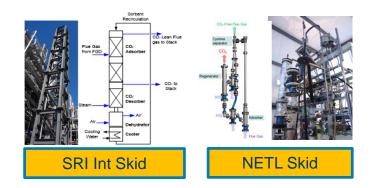
Scale	Pilot	Lab/Bench			
Company	MTR	Air Liquide	MTR	OSU	NETL
Material	Polymer	Polymer	Polymer	Polymer/ Hybrid	Hybrid
Design	S-W / Flat	HF	S-W	S-W	HF/ Flat
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OP Temp (°C)	30	- 40	30	57	40
Size	1 MW	0.3 MW	50 KW	< 1 KW	< 1 kW
Field Unit					

Scale	Pilot	Lab/E	Bench
Company	TDA	SRI Int.	NETL
Material	Alkalized Alumina	Carbon	Supported Amine
Design	Fixed-bed	Circulating	Circulating
T (°C) Abs/Reg	140/140	50/120	60/100
Size	0.5 MW	40 KW	< 5 kW





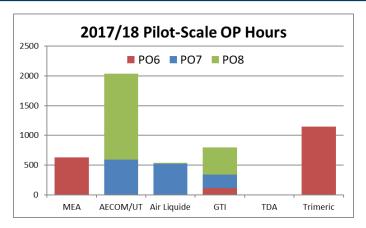
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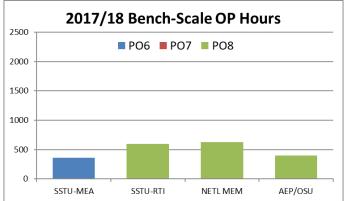


#### **Recent Test Campaign**

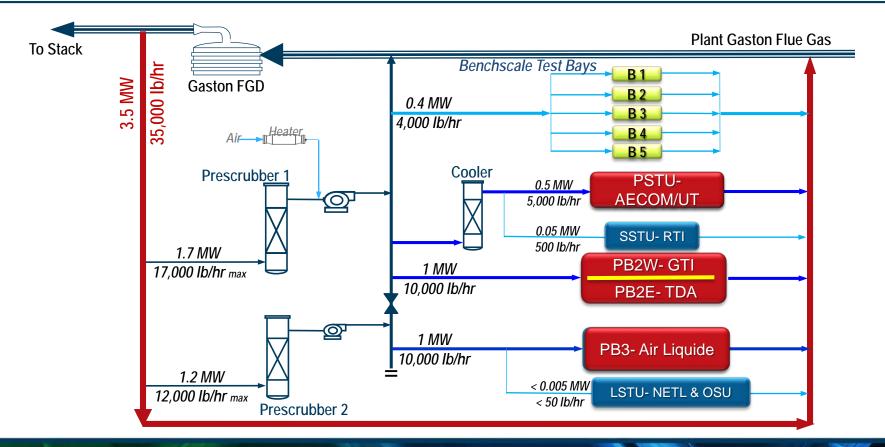
#### • PO-6 to PO-8 (June '17 – Aug '18)

- Pilot-Scale 5,136 hours
  - PSTU MEA DOE CCSI<sup>2</sup> (Carbon Capture Simulation for Industrial Impact)
  - PSTU AECOM/UT Piperazine (PZ) /AFS (Advanced Flash Stripper)
  - PB2W GTI aMDEA/membrane contactor
  - PB2E TDA sorbent
  - PB3 Trimeric/UT chemical additives for NO<sub>2</sub> reduction
  - PB3 Air Liquide cold membrane
- Bench-Scale 1,973 hours
  - SSTU MEA baseline
  - SSTU RTI NAS (Non-Aqueous Solvent)
  - NETL membrane
  - AEP/OSU membrane



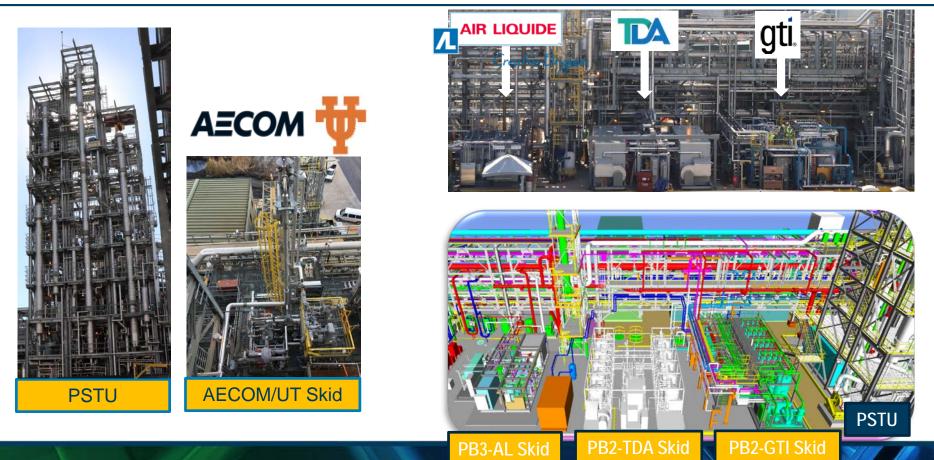


#### **Current PC4 Configuration**

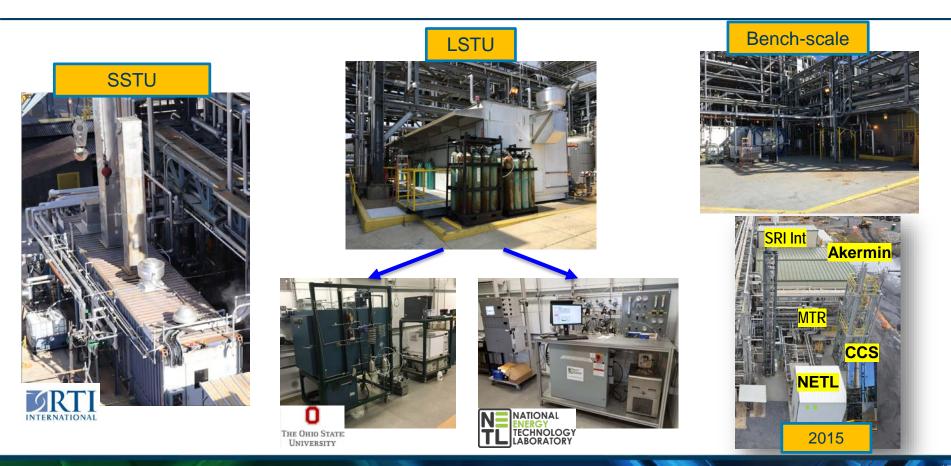


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#### **Current Pilot-Scale Layout**



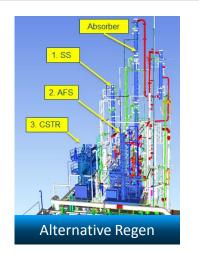
#### **Current Lab/Bench-Scale Layout**



#### **Continuous Expansion on NCCC Capabilities**

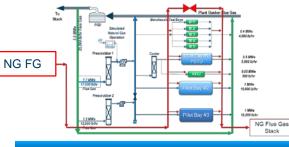
#### Alternative Regeneration

- 1. Simple Stripper (SS): Conventional
- 2. Advanced Flash Stripper (AFS): UT
- 3. Continuous Stirred-Tank Reactor (CSTR): GE
- Gas Injection System
  - NO/NO<sub>2</sub>
  - $-SO_2/SO_3$
- Natural Gas (NG) Flue Gas Source
  - NG boiler
  - Increase flue gas availability
  - Offer realistic flue gas from NG
- Analytical Support
  - Gas Chromatography (GC) for gas
  - Low NO<sub>2</sub>. (ppb) analyzer
  - ELPI®+(Electrical Low Pressure Impactor)
  - Amine/degradation products sampling





Gas Injection System



NG Flue Gas Infrastructure



New GCs

## **Prepare for Unexpected**



PSDF (12/8/2017) PC4 (1/17/2018)

## **Acknowledgements**























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