# Why CCUS is Essential to Net-Zero

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# Introduction



### What is CCS?

#### Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) is:

The capture of carbon dioxide  $(CO_2)$ which would be emitted to the atmosphere and transporting it to a suitable location for permanent storage.

#### Carbon Capture and Utilisation

The capture of  $(CO_2)$  which would be emitted to the atmosphere and using it to create a saleable product.

CCS and CCU are often grouped together as "CCUS".



https://www.slideshare.net/globalccs/hagen-13735499

## Introduction - Speaker Background

- My generation grew up learning about Rio Accord in school then the Kyoto Protocol as current news
- Studied Chemical Engineering to help design solutions to climate change
- Joined Foster Wheeler from University, now Wood, an Engineering Contracting firm working in the oil & gas / energy industry
- Moved to CCS area in 2006
  - Involved in studies and design of projects in this area for most of the last 13 years



# CCS Technologies



## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture using a liquid solvent



Image from Humber Zero Project

# CO<sub>2</sub> Capture using a liquid solvent



## Post Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

- Capture of CO<sub>2</sub> after combustion has taken place
- Most proven technologies are solvent based and have been in successful and safe operation for decades.
- > Near atmospheric pressure stack gases contain 3.5 to >20 vol%  $CO_2$





Image of SaskPower's Boundary Dam Power Plant https://www.saskpower.com/Our-Power-Future/Infrastructure-Projects/Carbon-Capture-and-Storage/Boundary-Dam-Carbon-Capture-Project

# Pre-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

- Capture of CO<sub>2</sub> before combustion has taken place
- Includes removal of CO<sub>2</sub>, sometimes all carbon species, from a potential fuel stream
- High partial pressure streams containing no oxygen
- Most existing CO<sub>2</sub> removal units vent a nearly pure CO<sub>2</sub> stream to atmosphere
- A more complex route to power





# Oxy-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

- Combustion with oxygen instead of air
- Exhaust gas comprises mostly CO<sub>2</sub> and water, since nitrogen is removed in an ASU
- Recycle of exhaust gas is required to moderate combustion temperature
- Designs appear competitive and demonstrations in progress
- Promising option for FCC units



Image of Net Power's Allam Cycle Oxy-Combustion Technology https://www.bbc.com/news/business-24225901



Image of The Compostilla Project Oxy-CFB https://ieaghg.org/docs/General Docs/OCC2/Presentations/2 OXYCFB300 Compostilla OCC2 ML.pdf

# Applications of CCS



# Pre-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

Already applied for CO<sub>2</sub> removal in:

- Gas Treating Plants
- LNG Liquefaction Plants
- Hydrogen Production Units
- Ammonia Production Plants
- Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle power plants

These units only need add CO<sub>2</sub> compression and connection to a CO<sub>2</sub> store often a **lowest cost route to emissions reduction from existing assets** 

Also provides a route to decarbonisation of fuel gas systems:

- Oil Refineries
- Steel Plants
- Domestic gas grids

### Example - Gorgon CO<sub>2</sub> Injection Project (Chevron)

#### Gorgon Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Injection Project:

- world's largest CO<sub>2</sub> injection plant
- A storage capacity of 4 MTPA, accounts for 40% of the Gorgon total projected emissions.
- The  $CO_2$  injection system can handle 250 MMSCFD of high purity  $CO_2$ .
- Key concern is ensuring control of the corrosion rates during operations.

**Virtuoso** Wood's Flow Management Tool (FMT): being deployed to provide online monitoring and offline simulation functionalities to help in the operations management.



# Post-Combustion CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

#### Already applied as a CO<sub>2</sub> source in:

- Coal Power Plants
- Fertiliser Plants

# Bolt-on-the-back solution that can be highly effective >95% CO<sub>2</sub> capture and applied to **any exhaust gas**:

- Baseload & grid responsive thermal power plants (fossil fuel / biomass / energy from waste)
- Combined heat and power units
- Industrial fired heaters
- Refinery FCC units
- Hydrogen production plant flue gases
- Cement and lime production flue gases
- Glass production line flue gases

NSG's Float glass process https://www.slideshare.net/rjmitson/flat-glass-productsfloat-manufacture2007



Image of Aker's Just Catch technology https://www.akercarbonca pture.com/technology/pr oducts-and-solutions/

The chemistry of glass manufacture results in unavoidable CO<sub>2</sub> emissions as well as fuel consumption



NSG's Float glass lines in St Helen's UK (google earth)

# CCS based GHG Removal Technologies

 $CO_2$  capture applied to any bio-derived  $CO_2$  stream has the potential to result in net-negative  $CO_2$  emissions:

- Direct Air Capture (DACCS)
- Bioenergy with CCS (BECCS)
- CO<sub>2</sub> capture from biomass fed hydrogen production (gasification or reformation)
- CO<sub>2</sub> capture from biofuels production
- CO<sub>2</sub> capture from Energy from Waste of Waste to synfuels processes
- CO<sub>2</sub> Capture on other biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> streams currently vented
  - Brewing and other fermentation based processes
  - Bio-ethanol production
  - Biogas production



BECCS Animation by Drax https://www.drax.com/press\_release/world-first-co2-beccs-ccus/

### Global Greenhouse Gas Emissions Context



### **Global Context**

▶ IPCC 1.5°C Report published in 2018:

- Limiting global warming to 1.5°C is possible
- Requires deep emissions reductions
- Rapid, far reaching and unprecedented changes in all aspects of society

▶ We must decrease net emissions by 45% by 2030

We must reach net-Zero by 2050

## Global Warming of 1.5°C

An IPCC special report on the impacts of global warning of 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels and related global greenhouse gas emission pathways, in the context of strengthening the global exposes to the threat of climate change, sustainable development, and infinits to orializate powerty.



## **Global Context**



- Electricity and heat: burning coal, oil and gas for heat and power
- Industry: burning fossil fuels for energy AND emissions via process chemistry
- Agriculture and deforestation does not include the CO<sub>2</sub> removed by ecosystems
- Transportation: road, rail, air and marine
- Buildings: space heating, water heating and cooking

Source: IPCC 2014

## **UK Emissions by Sector**



Figure 17: Projected UK emissions (with existing measures)<sup>247</sup>

2018 Total UK emissions were 458 tCO2e

Electrification using renewable or nuclear energy - with energy storage - can decarbonise many **but not all** emissions sources

### Minimum CCS requirements for Net-Zero

Some production processes cannot be decarbonised any other way:



### Other very handy uses of CCS

- CCS can reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from (existing or new) demand responsive fossil fuel power stations by >90%.
- CCS applied to natural gas for large scale hydrogen production can decarbonise domestic heating and vehicles at greater scale and lower cost sooner than via renewably powered electrolysis.
- CCS processes can capture CO<sub>2</sub> directly from the air, using energy to directly reduce CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in the atmosphere.
- CCS applied to biomass (or biogenic waste) combustion power generation can produce carbon negative electricity.

CCS gives us many more routes and options to decarbonise and the ability to achieve Net-Zero

# Questions & Answers

