

Oxy-Combustion Pressurized Fluidized Bed with Carbon Dioxide Purification

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Phase II Oxy-fired Pressurized Fluidized AEROJET ME Bed Combustor (Oxy-PFBC) Overview

Description and Impact

Phase II Description

- •Advance Oxy-PFBC technology to TRL 6 through pilot testing
- •Budget: \$19.1M (\$12M DOE funding)
- •Period of Performance: 33 months (7/1/2014 - 3/31/2017)

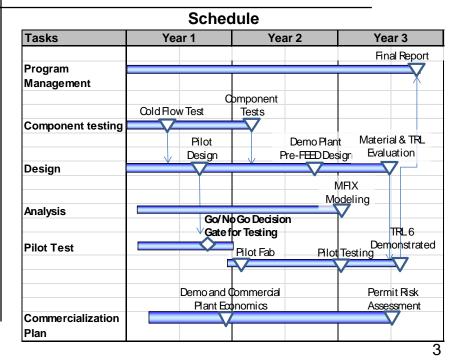
•Impact: Exceed DOE Goals of >90% CO₂ capture with no more than 35% increase in cost of electricity

Project Objectives

- •Assess the components of the system designed in Phase I to confirm scalability, performance, and cost
- •Test the system at subscale pilot facility to evaluate system performance and operability
- •Develop algorithms to model the components and system for scale-up
- •Use the validated models to predict commercial scale cost of electricity
- •Develop Phase III (Demonstration at 20-40 MW) project plan, risk mitigation status and TRL advancement, and identify partners and sites

Team Members and Roles

- Aerojet Rocketdyne (AR)– Lead, PFBC technology
- Linde, LLC Gas supply, CPU technology, HEX design
- CanmetENERGY Pilot plant test facility and test support
- Alstom PFBC design support and commercialization partner
- Pennsylvania State University (PSU) Fuel & limestone testing, MFIX physics model development
- Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) End user insight, review of process and cost modeling
- Utility End User TBD End user insight, demo plant site and demo plant design support





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Oxy-Pressurized Fluidized Bed Combustor (PFBC)

PRODUCT

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- Oxy-fired, pressurized fluidized bed combustor equipment for coal-fired power plants
- · Elutriated flow removes ash and sulfur prior to recycle

BENEFITS

- Produces affordable electric power with near zero emissions
- Produces steam for heavy oil recovery using low value feedstock (petcoke, coal, biomass)
- Produces pure CO₂ for Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR)

MARKETS

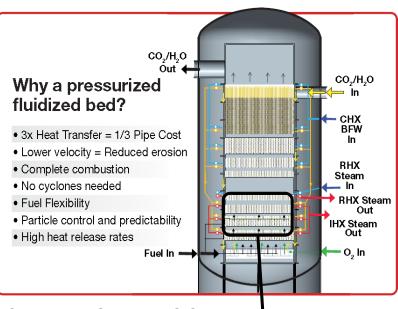
- Electric power generation with CO₂ capture
- Heavy oil production (once-through steam)
- Light oil production (CO₂ floods)

STATUS

- Long-life, in-bed heat exchangers demonstrated in 1980s Heat E
- Concept modified for oxygen-firing rather than air
- Technology development contracts with DOE

NEXT STEP

• Build & operate Pilot scale (1 MWth) plant

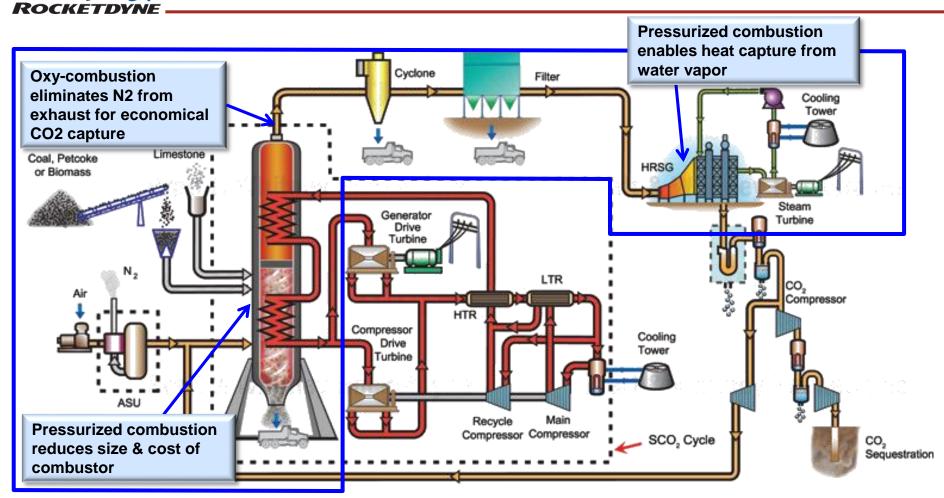


Commercial Scale PFBC Concept

Heritage Rocketdyne Test Facility that Demonstrated Long Life In-bed Heat Exchanger



ZEPS[™] Powerplant Concept Vision



This program's focus

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Enhanced efficiency and zero emissions

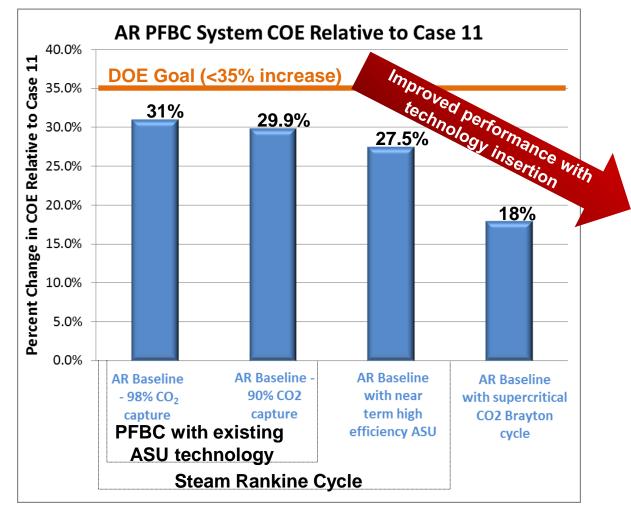
Program focused on Oxy-PFBC with steam-Rankine cycle

Supercritical CO2 Brayton can be utilized for added efficiency

ZEPS = Zero Emissions Power and Steam⁶

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Phase 1 Economic Analysis Results

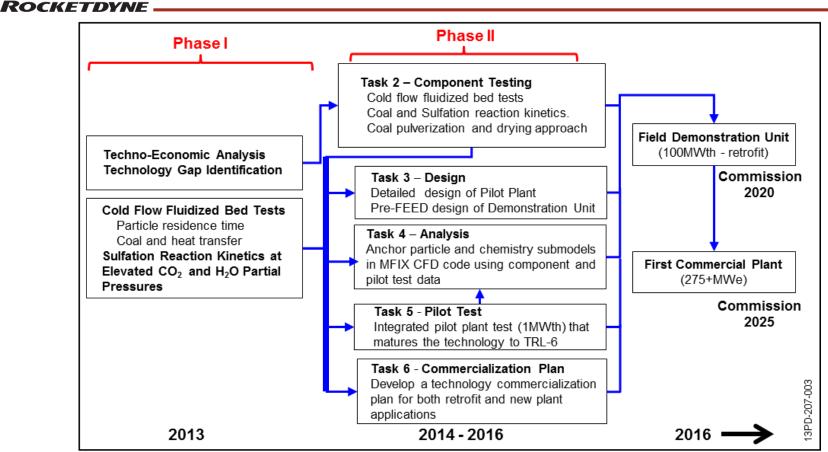


- PFBC system provides affordable COE with additional upgrade paths
- No net increase in COE for CO2 prices/credit > \$30/ton, or \$18/ton with SCO2



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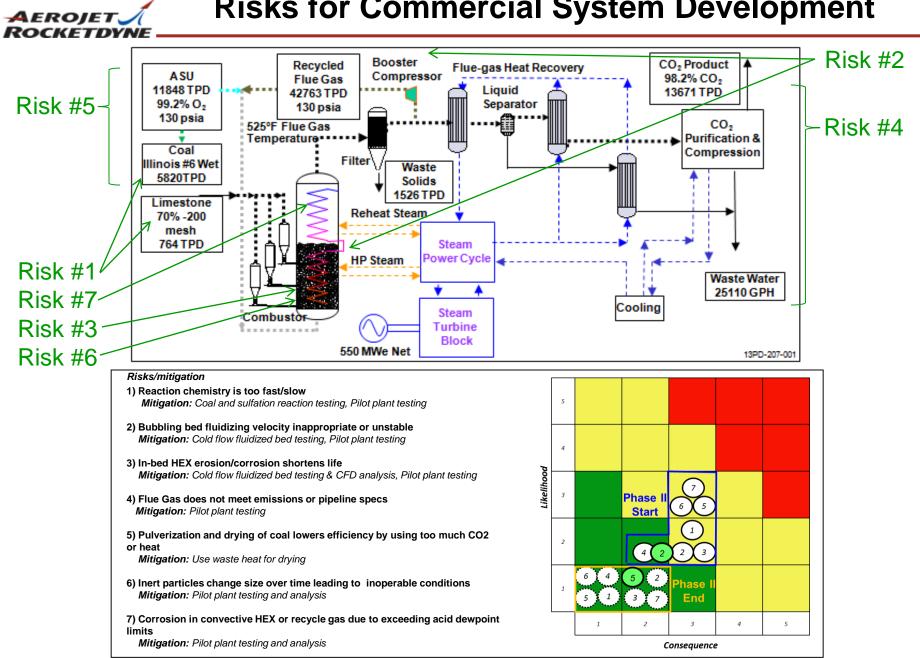
Technical Approach



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- Success Criteria: Provide knowledge for target operating conditions and design features for the demonstration and commercial scale units. Examples:
 - Use test data to calibrate models for combustion, bed stability and heat removal, enabling a trade of bed height and staging strategy for commercial plants
 - Pressurized staged oxy-combustion system operation is characterized to develop operability criteria and scaled-up system requirements

Risks for Commercial System Development





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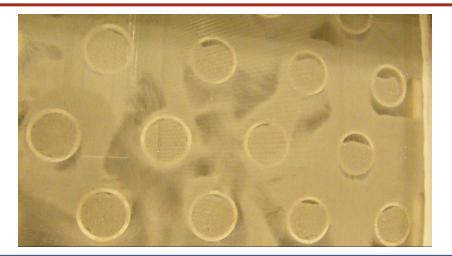
- Cold flow testing completed
 - Bed stability demonstrated
 - Heat transfer and elutriation rates characterized
- 9 limestone/dolomite and 7 coal reactivity tests completed at PSU
 - Limestone & dolomite reactivity characterized for incorporation into AR models. Indicates need for larger particle sizes.
- HAZOP events completed
- Completion of basic engineering at Linde and Canmet
- PFBC design/analysis tool automation 2 order of magnitude improvement in cycle time for more thorough design assessment
- Parametric combustor design developed that enables:
 - Multiple coolants simultaneously to tailor cooling
 - Change in in-bed HEX area during a run to enable more robust pilot operation and runtime flexibility
 - Future upgrade paths to SCO2 coolant or multiple fuel injection stages
- Facility construction started at CanmetENERGY
- Pressurized elutriation testing started at U of Ottawa
- Fabrication started

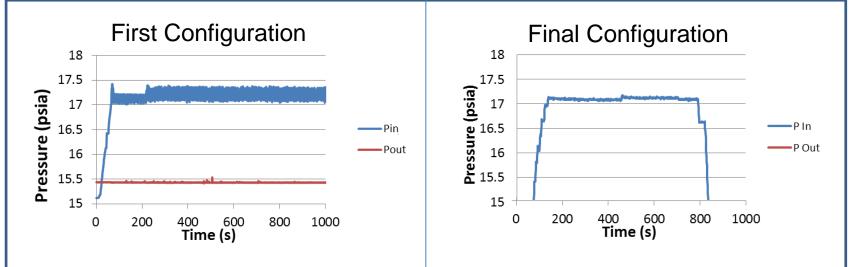
Cold Flow Test Setup AEROJET OCKET Instrumentation 2 Heaters 3 Static pressure ports 12 $\triangle P$ transducers 20 Thermocouples Limestone powder injection system Filters Bed Fill port Gas-Jet Solids Eductor Cyclone Bed Air Blower Catch drum Injector Plate

- Testing designed to solve complex fluid bed interactions
 - Data collected on heat transfer, elutriation rates and bed stability
 - Combustor section at full pilot scale, with heat exchanger tubes and spacing at full commercial scale



Cold Flow Test Results



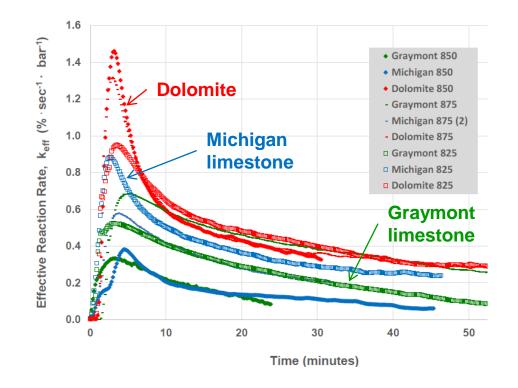


Validated design approach by achieving stable bed operation, sufficient coal particle residence time, and enhanced heat transfer for reduced cost HEX

Limestone Sulfation Kinetics Test Results

Test objectives

- Measure limestone sulfation reaction rate in pressurized combustion conditions
- Determine particle residence time requirements
- Limestone particle testing
 - Varied material, temperature
 - Measured calcium sulfation utility
 - Larger particle sizes are required, Dolomite performs best



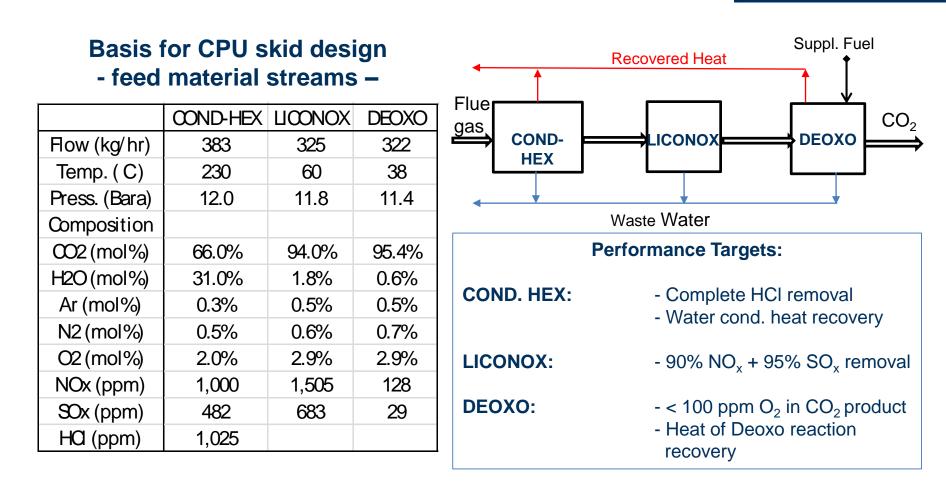
Reduced the risk of sulfation kinetics providing insufficient sulfur capture, and refined particle size and residence time requirements

Linde CO₂ Purification Unit (CPU) and Heat Recovery System

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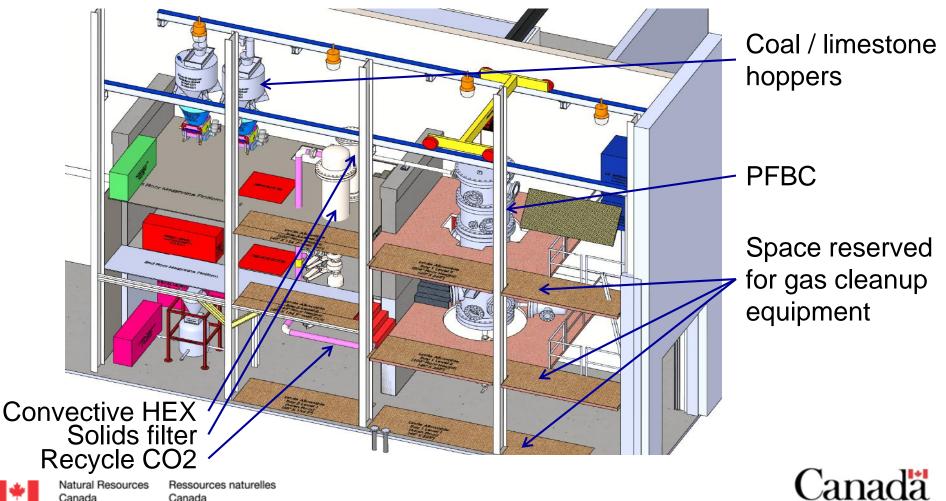


Linde CPU provides reduced CapEx and OpEx costs for CO₂ purification and heat recovery compared to traditional cryogenic CO₂ purification units

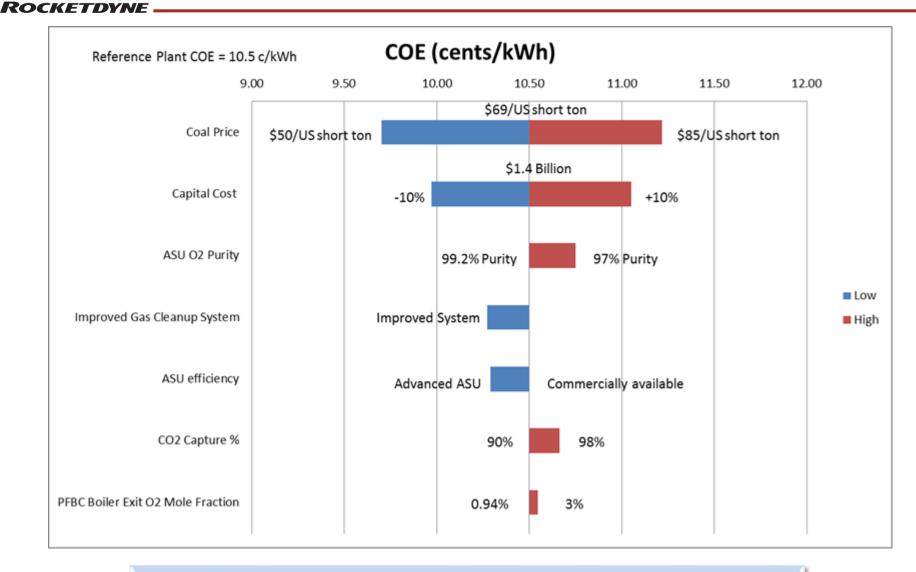
CanmetENERGY Test Facility Modifications Underway

- Preliminary plant layout complete
- Equipment structural support design started
- Facility construction started

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Commercial Plant Sensitivity Analysis



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Design options continue to be evaluated to drive the COE lower



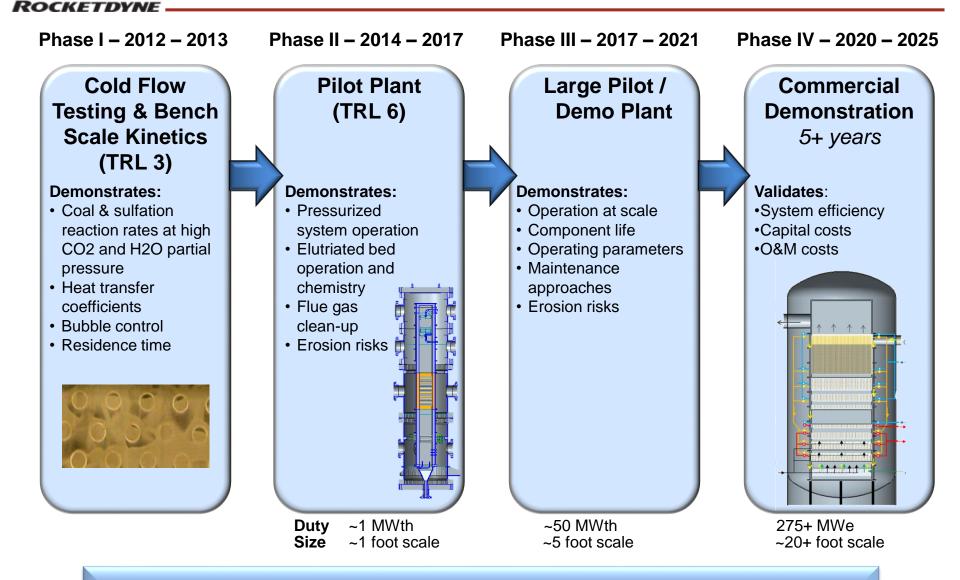
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- Phase II plans
 - Completion of the coal and limestone reactivity testing
 - Completion of the pressurized cold flow elutriation testing
 - Pre-FEED of the demo scale plant
 - Fabrication and testing of the pilot scale rig
 - Update performance and technoeconomic analysis
 - Material and TRL evaluation
 - Anchor analysis codes

PFBC Commercialization Plan

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Commercialization Plan leads to commercial scale demonstration by 2025

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