CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE WHAT ROLE FOR R&D IN DELIVERING COST-COMPETITIVE CCS PROJECTS IN THE UK IN THE 2020s

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Carbon Capture PACT facilities

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PACT facilities



• Specialist national facilities for R&D in advanced fossil-fuel energy, bioenergy and carbon capture technologies

- Pilot-scale platform for technology development and validation
- Supporting analytical facilities
- Process/system model development and validation
- Aim: Support and catalyse industrial and academic R&D to accelerate the development and commercialisation of novel low carbon technologies
- Objectives:
 - 1. Provide platform for cost reduction through R&D, Learning, KT
 - 2. Bridge gap between bench-scale R&D and industrial pilot trials
 - 3. Provide shared access to industry and academia
 - 4. Provide relevant capability for R&D
 - 1. technical feasibility and process evaluation
 - 2. technology validation and de-risking
 - 3. process integration and design concepts for scale-up
 - 5. Support development of operational experience



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PACT sites and capability

UKCCSRC PACT FACILITIES

PACT Edinburgh: ACTTROM

Transportable Mini-Lab for onsite, long-term capture media testing under real operating conditions



PACT Core Facilities

1 tCO₂/day Solvent-Based Capture Plant
250 kW air/oxy combustion rig for coal/biomass
330 kW Gas CHP Turbines
Gas Mixing Facility: synthetic/modulated flue/industrial process gas





PACT Nottingham Analytical Facilities: CCS and unconventional

gas

- •Solvent analysis •Thermal analysis: •Spectrometry and spectroscopy •Modular 800C, 100bar flow reactor
- Milling equipment with powders analysis

PACT Cranfield Facilities

- •150kW PF Air/Oxy Rig
- •CO₂ Transport Flow Rig
- •50kW Chemical Looping Facility
- •750kW Gas Turbine Burner with deposition probes
- •300kW Circulating Fluidised Bed Combustor/Gasifier



Combustion research

- Gas, Coal, Biomass
- Post Combustion Capture (coal/biomass/gas)
- Oxyfuel (coal/biomass)
- Fluidised bed combustion
- Chemical looping
- Industrial Carbon Capture
- CO2 transport
- State of the art analytical capability



PACT Office

•Admin & Business Centre of UKCCSRC PACT •Business and stakeholder engagement •Office for users accessing facility •Computer modelling facilities •CPD & training

Research projects



Combustion

•Coal and biomass combustion characterisation and emissions control strategies

Post Combustion Capture

PCC with coal/ biomass (impact of flue gas composition, trace gases, emissions mitigation strategies)
 Capture from Gas (conventional, EGR, Selective EGR, HAT)

 Alternative/ process bespoke solvent evaluation and benchmarking for: energy performance, solvent degradation; emissions and control; and corrosion

Flexible, transient operations through increased rich solvent inventory at peak times

Absorber turndown

Process modelling and validation

Process equipment efficiency: absorber packing , heat integration

Oxyfuel combustion •Oxy coal and Oxy-biomass •Combustion characterisation and modelling for scale -•Emissions characterisation



PACT 2 - future capability review



- Ensure **relevance** of facilities to current and future R&D needs
- Broaden capability to cater for a wider range of projects
- Introduce new technology pilot plants, e.g. high pressure oxy
- Provide test beds for new and existing PCC/other technologies with analytical, flue gas, other facilities
- Provide test beds CCU
- Evaluate role of CCS in integrated energy systems: Transient operations....
- Support for Industrial CCS



Outline concept for integrated power generation research



Thank you



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