Southeast Regional Carbon Sequestration Partnership

CO2 Capture Activities at Plant Barry, Alabama, USA



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SECARB Phase III Anthropogenic Test



- 25 MW CO₂ capture unit at Alabama Power's (Southern Company) Plant Barry.
- 12 miles CO₂ pipeline transport from Plant Barry to Citronelle.
- CO₂ injection of 100-300 thousand metric tons into deep saline Paluxy Formation over 2-3 years.
- 3 years of monitoring after injection and then close the site.















CO₂ Capture - Key Concerns

- Not commercially proven on large utility boilers; R&D and scale-up efforts ongoing
- Very high capital cost estimates (75% increase over no capture case)
- Large footprint required for equipment
- Operational concerns
 - High energy penalty for CO₂ stripping and regeneration of solvent (up to 30%)
 - Solvent degradation (from SO₂, NO₂)
 - Reliability (corrosion and foaming)







Courtesy: Southern Company

Capture Unit at Alabama Power's Plant Barry

MHI advanced amine capture unit

- 25 MW post combustion slip stream
- Fabricate off-site and barge to Plant Barry
- Compress CO₂ to 1500 psi
- Scheduled start up during summer, 2011
- Actual start up June 2011





Simplified CO₂ Scrubbing Process (Amine)



Key Points: needs >99% SO₂ removal; consumes process steam

Groundbreaking Ceremony: Capture Unit

Alabama Power's Plant Barry, April 14, 2010, Bucks, Alabama







Site Progress Photos (7-28-10)



Modular Transportation Photos (9-23-10)



Site Progress Photos (10-8-10)



CO₂ Capture Facility – Process Island



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Integrated CCS Demo – Current Status

• Capture Plant

- Groundbreaking Ceremony; April 2010
- Gas In: June 2011
- Compressed Gas: July 2011

Transportation

Start Pipeline Construction: August 2011

Injection/Storage/MVA

- Drill Characterization/Observation Well: January 2011
- Site-Specific Geologic Characterization:
 Ongoing
- Environmental Assessment Completed;
 Finding of No Significant Impact
- UIC Class V Injection Well Permit Pending

















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QUESTIONS?

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