

# GLOBAL STATUS OF CCS

# 2019

## TARGETING CLIMATE CHANGE





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IS REQUIRED TO  
ACHIEVE CLIMATE  
CHANGE TARGETS**  
**CARBON CAPTURE  
AND STORAGE  
IS VITAL**

# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

## ABOUT US

The Global CCS Institute (the Institute) is an international think tank whose mission is to accelerate the deployment of carbon capture and storage (CCS), a vital technology to tackle climate change.

As a team of almost 40 professionals, working with and on behalf of our Members, we drive the adoption of CCS as quickly and cost effectively as possible; sharing expertise, building capacity and providing advice and support so CCS can play its part in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Our diverse international membership includes governments, global corporations, private companies, research bodies and non-governmental organisations; all committed to CCS as an integral part of a net-zero emissions future.

The Institute is headquartered in Melbourne, Australia with offices in Washington DC, Brussels, Beijing, London and Tokyo.

## ABOUT THE REPORT

CCS is an emissions reduction technology critical to meeting global climate targets.

The Global Status of CCS 2019 documents important milestones for CCS over the past 12 months, its status across the world and the key opportunities and challenges it faces.

We hope this report will be read and used by governments, policy-makers, academics, media commentators and the millions of people who care about our climate.

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## ACRONYMS

- BECCS Bioenergy with CCS
- CCS Carbon Capture and Storage
- CCUS Carbon Capture Utilisation and Storage
- COP Conference of the Parties
- DAC Direct Air Capture
- DACCS Direct Air Capture with Carbon Storage
- EC European Commission
- EOR Enhanced Oil Recovery
- ESG Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance
- ETS Emissions Trading Scheme
- EU ETS European Union's Emissions Trading System
- EU European Union
- FEED Front-End Engineering Design
- GHG Greenhouse Gas
- Gt Gigatonne
- GW Gigawatt
- IPCC Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
- LCFS Low Carbon Fuel Standard
- MMV Monitoring, Measurement and Verification
- Mtpa Million Metric Tonnes Per Annum
- MW Megawatt
- NDC Nationally Determined Contribution
- OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
- R&D Research and Development
- SDS Sustainable Development Scenario
- SMR Steam Methane Reformation
- SOE State Owned Enterprise
- TWH Terrawatt Hour
- UNFCCC United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
- UK United Kingdom
- US United States of America
- US DOE United States Department of Energy

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As if the world needed any more evidence that the effects of climate change are with us now and getting worse, 2019 bore witness to unprecedented catastrophic events that go well beyond weather variability and cannot be explained away as simply extreme events that happen from time-to-time. Fires of devastating proportion and impact – in many cases more severe and widespread than ever previously experienced – have wrought havoc in countries as disparate as the United States (US), France, Greece, Portugal and Australia. Elsewhere, extreme storm events have been experienced. Think Typhoon Hagibis in Japan during the Rugby World Cup, prolonged monsoons in India, Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas and Typhoon Lekima in China to name but a few, all with devastating loss of life and property. Meanwhile droughts worsen and deepen in many parts of the world, including in essential food production areas.

The climate science has been clear for many years. Now we are experiencing first hand the impacts of unabated greenhouse gas emissions.

Time is not on our side to achieve the necessary targets agreed at the historic COP 21 in Paris in 2015. We have in the recent past had highly credible analysis of options and pathways to achieve the 2°C and 1.5°C targets along with net zero carbon emissions by mid-century. Indeed, the IPCC 1.5°C Special Report makes it clear that all technologies, and especially CCS in various applications, are necessary along with reaching net zero emissions around 2050. The 4 pathways offered by the IPCC all demand urgent and unprecedented levels of

action. It is possible to get there but it requires policies that mobilise enormous sums of capital to deliver an unprecedented transformation of the global energy system. It is hard but it can be done.

The recurring theme of many deeply analytical and credible reports is that we need all technologies to win this wrestle. We can no longer afford to have confected competitions between technologies with prejudices that serve to compromise our ability to rapidly reduce emissions.

Against this background we have seen exciting new developments in the energy transformation during 2019. For the second year in a row the CCS facility pipeline has grown. The flexibility, applicability and increasingly positive economics of applying CCS to a range of emission sources is coming to the fore. As this report reveals, positive policy intentions and settings are apparent in many parts of the world and especially the US, the UK, Norway and the Netherlands leading to more projects being added to our globally comprehensive database. CCS is also to the fore in the plans and policies of the EU while Japan continues to make impressive strides forward. It is also notable that China continues to attach importance to CCS and has established a new professional committee to broaden the advice and support to government on CCS policy and actions.

2019 will also be celebrated for the commencement of injection at the world's largest geological storage facility – Gorgon – offshore NW Western Australia.

Ramping up over time to capture and store between 3.4 and 4.0 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per annum, Gorgon puts Australia on the CCS facility map and is a credit to the determination and persistence of the joint venture partners led by Chevron and including prominent Institute members Shell and Exxon Mobil.

Hydrogen as a vital new energy source in the decarbonisation race was also to the fore in 2019. In Europe, Australia, Japan, South Korea and an increasing number of other countries, hydrogen is receiving policy attention not seen for several decades. The difference this time around is that the need for a zero-emission energy dense fuel is vital and the technology to produce and deliver the hydrogen has advanced substantially in the intervening period. As is noted later in this report, the most technologically proven, economical, at-scale process for producing clean hydrogen is through steam methane reforming or coal gasification, both with CCS. The potential market for clean hydrogen is substantial and early stage investment in production facilities, evidenced for example in the Japanese/Australian joint venture of building a coal gasification pilot plant, is the harbinger of a growing industry as are plans in the UK and in Europe.

Perhaps the most compelling development in the last 12 months though is that increasingly, CCS is the stand out technology to genuinely deliver a just transition for many fossil fuel-based communities. Dealing with the associated emissions for extracting, processing and using fossil fuels and perhaps more significantly

developing the new energy economy based on clean fuels like hydrogen, is dependent on CCS deployment. And as CCS is deployed, many communities that otherwise may have a less prosperous outlook in a carbon-constrained world become a positive part of the transition.

But we have much more work to do. Few clean energy technologies are on track to be deployed at the scale required to meet the Paris climate targets. CCS is resurgent but still lagging while emissions again rose in the past year. Now is the time to rally for greater policy support and for capital to be allocated to build on the positive CCS progress of the past two years.



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The effects of climate change are already raging across the world with wild fires, droughts, and rising sea levels. Bad as it is already, we risk far worse. Failure to mitigate climate change is deeply dangerous; we owe it to future generations to tackle this global and urgent problem. The faster we can reduce emissions in the near-term, the better our chance of preventing the worst impacts of climate change.

For this, we need to change the way we think about this global challenge. Turning towards a new form of sustainable economic growth and looking at investment in innovation would also yield strong societal and economic returns. The Global Commission on the Economy and Climate has shown that bold climate action could deliver returns of trillions of dollars per year in the period to 2030 and create more than 60 million good jobs.

We need to invest in all opportunities for emissions reductions while radically changing how we work, live, and consume. Living and consuming more efficiently is the first step, along with a massive growth in renewable and clean energy. Yet, we must not forget that we will need to completely transform the economy for it to become carbon neutral and deploy a portfolio of measures and technology solutions to accelerate the clean energy transition.

One of the opportunities that we have at hand, carbon capture, use and storage, will play a vital role as indicated by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's Report on Global Warming of 1.5 °C. The diversity of its applications is immense; from direct air capture delivering negative emissions, to the ability to prevent infrastructure emissions lock-ins by abating existing infrastructure in the industrial and power sectors, capturing, using and storing carbon will be a vital instrument in reaching net-zero emissions goals.

As is the case for many abatement options, effective actions and policy to accelerate the deployment of a wide-range of carbon capture use and storage technologies across many sectors of the economy, and especially those that are hard to decarbonise, are urgently needed.

As a society, we have a responsibility towards future generations to mitigate climate change. Investment in mitigation and innovation will undoubtedly offer large returns and great value, while improving our ability to tackle climate change through sustained action. Time is short, but we have in our hands a different model of development. It is the sustainable and inclusive growth story of the 21st century.

**“CARBON CAPTURE, USE AND STORAGE, WILL PLAY A VITAL ROLE AS INDICATED BY THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE’S REPORT ON GLOBAL WARMING OF 1.5°C.”**

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Polar explorer



Together, we are all part of the human species.

Separating us are just divisions of our own making – such as religious beliefs, borders drawn on maps, concepts of race, money, and gender.

Debates about saving our planet from global warming are misplaced.

Planet Earth doesn't need saving - it will recover long after we have wiped ourselves and all other life out - this is about the survival of the human species.

But... what if? What if we could focus more on this great threat to humanity and why we need to work together, rather than focus on what spreads us apart?

If we can make this shift, we could learn to relate as one great tribe of humans, learn to respect our common home, and ultimately save the future of all life on Earth, including our own.

At just 18, I am no expert on the science of global warming, but I am likely the only person on the planet of my generation to have the privilege of first-hand experience in Earth's three main polar regions. Journeys that saw me cover a total of around 1,300km in 80 days.

I now feel a deep emotional connection with our planet Earth and a responsibility to play my part in the protection of these incredibly beautiful and fragile environments.

My polar expeditions confirmed for me that global warming is an undeniable truth.

That is why I call on the political and business leaders to stop arguing and start taking massive action. It's not about choosing the best technology – it's about supporting ALL viable technologies and ideas, including carbon capture and storage – that together create a web that seeks to hold global temperature rise to under two degrees Celsius (if that is even still possible).

My generation will inherit this great threat of global warming and the political decisions of today's leaders. Please give us a platform from which we can still achieve a positive outcome.

I am confident that my generation will have the technology, the passion and the unified movement to make a meaningful difference, but it is up to current world leaders to make sure we still have a fighting chance.

Please, give us that fighting chance.

**“IT’S ABOUT SUPPORTING ALL VIABLE TECHNOLOGIES & IDEAS, INCLUDING CARBON CAPTURE & STORAGE”**

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I often hear that lower cost solar and wind power along with the emerging breakthroughs in energy storage mean that these sources will be enough to get us to a carbon-free power grid. But because the world must balance the need to eliminate carbon emissions with economic growth, we should also consider what solutions would be most affordable. A recent study from researchers at MIT found that supporting renewable energy with a mix of clean energy solutions— including nuclear and carbon capture and storage (CCS)— would make carbon-free electricity up to 62 percent cheaper than using renewables alone.

Another way we can get zero-carbon electricity is carbon capture, utilisation, and storage, which separates and permanently stores CO<sub>2</sub> pollution from an energy plant's exhaust to keep it out of the atmosphere. This technology is especially important in places where there isn't good renewable energy potential, or where it would be too costly to retire and replace existing power plants.

**“ANOTHER WAY WE CAN GET ZERO-CARBON ELECTRICITY IS CARBON CAPTURE, UTILISATION, & STORAGE”**

Bill Gates  
GatesNotes.com,  
May 14, 2019

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**CCS IS VITAL TO ACHIEVE CLIMATE CHANGE TARGETS**

Despite both the urgent need for action to mitigate climate change, and the rapid take-up of renewable energy over the past 20 years, progress in curbing emissions has been slow. Approximately 80 per cent of primary energy is supplied by fossil fuels, the same as 50 years ago. Global energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are on an upward trend again—having temporarily stabilised for a few years, they rose by 1.7 per cent in 2018<sup>1</sup>. Government commitments do not bridge the gap between current emissions and the remaining global carbon budget.

Analysis by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and International Energy Agency (IEA) has consistently shown that CCS is an essential part of the lowest cost path towards meeting climate targets. The IPCC’s Fifth Annual Assessment Report (AR5) showed that excluding CCS from the portfolio of technologies used to reduce emissions would lead to a doubling in cost - the largest cost increase from the exclusion of any technology.

The Special Report on Global warming of 1.5°C<sup>2</sup> (IPCC SR15) reinforced the important role of CCS in avoiding dangerous climate change. It underlined that reducing emissions alone is no longer enough. To limit global temperature rises to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels, the world must reach net zero emissions by around 2050. Most modelling scenarios show that this will require significant deployment of negative emissions technologies. Bioenergy with CCS (BECCS) is one of the few available that can deliver to the necessary scale.

As the IPCC SR15 report outlined, it is possible to construct emissions abatement models that limit global warming to 1.5 without CCS, but extensive near-term reductions in energy demand would be necessary. To accommodate rising population and income, extreme societal and behavioural changes would be necessary. Experience to date suggests such radical changes are extremely challenging and highly improbable.

**CCS IS A PROVEN AND WELL UNDERSTOOD TECHNOLOGY**

CCS prevents carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) from being released into the atmosphere. The technology involves capturing CO<sub>2</sub> produced by large industrial plants, compressing it for transportation and then injecting it deep into a rock formation at a carefully selected and safe site, where it is permanently stored.

CCS is proven and well understood. Since the 1930s, carbon capture equipment has been used commercially to purify natural gas, hydrogen and other gas streams in industrial settings. CO<sub>2</sub> was first injected underground in commercial-scale operations in 1972. Over 260 million tonnes (Mt) of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from human activity (anthropogenic sources) has already been captured and stored. The global capture and storage capacity of projects currently operating or under construction, stands at around 40 million tonnes per annum (Mtpa).

CCS reduces emissions from industrial processes vital to the global economy; like steel, cement and chemicals production. Paired with bioenergy used for power generation or biofuel production, it is one of few technologies that can deliver negative emissions on a large enough scale to limit temperature rises to 1.5°C. It can be applied to coal and gas fired power plants to help provide low emissions generation capacity, complementing increased use of intermittent renewables; and in the production of low carbon hydrogen for fuel, heat and transport.

**THE NEED FOR AND BENEFIT FROM URGENT ACTION**

The IEA’s *World Energy Outlook 2019* describes the measures necessary to deliver its Sustainable Development Scenario (SDS), a future where the United Nations energy related sustainable development goals for emissions, energy access and air quality are met. This scenario is consistent with a 66 per cent probability of limiting global temperature rise to 1.8 degrees Celsius without relying on large scale negative emissions.

As shown in Figure 1 under this scenario:

- Carbon capture utilisation and storage (CCUS)<sup>i</sup> provides 9 per cent of the cumulative emissions reduction between now and 2050
- The average mass of CO<sub>2</sub> captured and permanently stored each year between 2019 and 2050 is 1.5 billion tonnes per annum

- The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> captured and permanently stored in 2050 reaches 2.8 billion tonnes per annum
- The mass of CO<sub>2</sub> captured is split almost equally between the power sector and industry sectors including iron and steel production, cement production, refineries and upstream oil and gas production.

The deployment of CCS is not happening quickly enough for it to play its role in meeting emissions reductions targets at the lowest possible cost. The IEA’s ‘Tracking Clean Energy’ progress indicator, provides a status snapshot of 39 critical energy technologies needed to meet a less than 2°C target under its Sustainable Development Scenario (SDS). Only seven of the technologies assessed are “on-track”. Critically CCS in power, and in industry and transformation, are “off-track”.

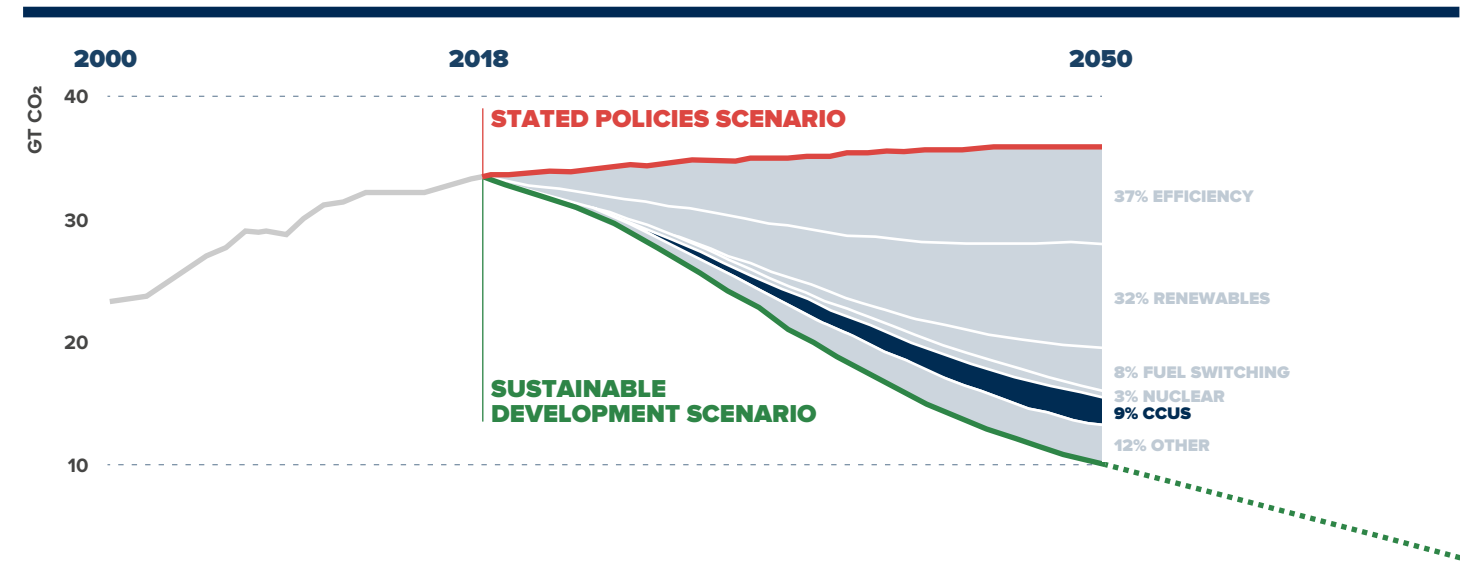
To achieve the levels outlined in the SDS, the number of industrial scale facilities needs to increase a hundredfold, from 19 in operation now to more than 2,000 by 2040.

To rapidly scale up the technology in a smooth and steady way, urgent action is required. Governments have a pivotal role to play, by providing a clear, stable and supportive policy framework for CCS.

The good news is that CCS provides a wealth of benefits in addition to its primary role in reducing emissions. It enables a just transition to new low emissions industries for communities currently reliant on emissions intense employment. It can protect people from the severe economic and social disruption that otherwise results from closing local industries. On top of this, CCS:

- supports high paying jobs;
- reduces total system costs of electricity supply by providing reliable, dispatchable generation capacity when fitted on flexible fossil fuel power plants;
- can utilise existing infrastructure that would otherwise be decommissioned, helping to defer shut-down costs; and
- provides knowledge spillovers that can support innovation-based economic growth.

The time available to limit temperature rises to 1.5°C is running out. Widespread use of CCS technology is critical to meeting these goals. We need to scale up deployment now.



**FIGURE 1 EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS IN THE IEA'S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT SCENARIO (SDS)<sup>3</sup>**  
 Note: CCUS (carbon capture utilisation and storage)



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### CLOSING THE AMBITION GAP AND GETTING ON WITH THE INEVITABLE

When I was a teenager growing up in Northern California, we had a big wildfire every 10 years or so. Shockingly, thousands of homes would be lost and many more people displaced. Now huge wildfires happen every year. As I write this, one hundred kilometers north, 77,000 acres are burning, casting a haze of smoke across the state. Those once-rare and extreme events like wildfires, floods, droughts, extreme heat, and intense hurricanes happen much more frequently now, with enormous societal cost and personal suffering. Climate change is no longer abstract or something we need to worry about in the future. I am worried now.

Over the last 20 years, the role of carbon capture and storage has evolved from “nice to have,” to “necessary,” and now, CCUS is inevitable. We need Gt\* scale CCUS now.

We are using up our carbon budget so quickly, that at some point in the not-to-distant future we are likely to begin scrubbing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere. But this is much less efficient than capturing CO<sub>2</sub> directly from point sources. So why aren't we doing more to scale up CCUS from point sources when we could stop these emissions now?

Of course, there are many reasons why we aren't doing more. At the top of the list is lack of the carrots or sticks that would motivate action and justify the investment. But perhaps even more important than this, we have an ambition gap between the rate that CCUS is growing today – about 10 per cent a year, compared to the rate needed to reach a Gt/year by 2040. If we could just double scaleup rate to 20 per cent per year, and sustain that to 2040, bingo, we reach 1 Gt/year by 2040. Let's do it.

**“OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS, THE ROLE OF CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE HAS EVOLVED FROM ‘NICE TO HAVE,’ TO ‘NECESSARY,’ AND NOW, CCUS IS INEVITABLE.”**

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\*Billion tons of CO<sub>2</sub> captured and stored per annum

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# 3.1 GLOBAL CCS FACILITIES UPDATE

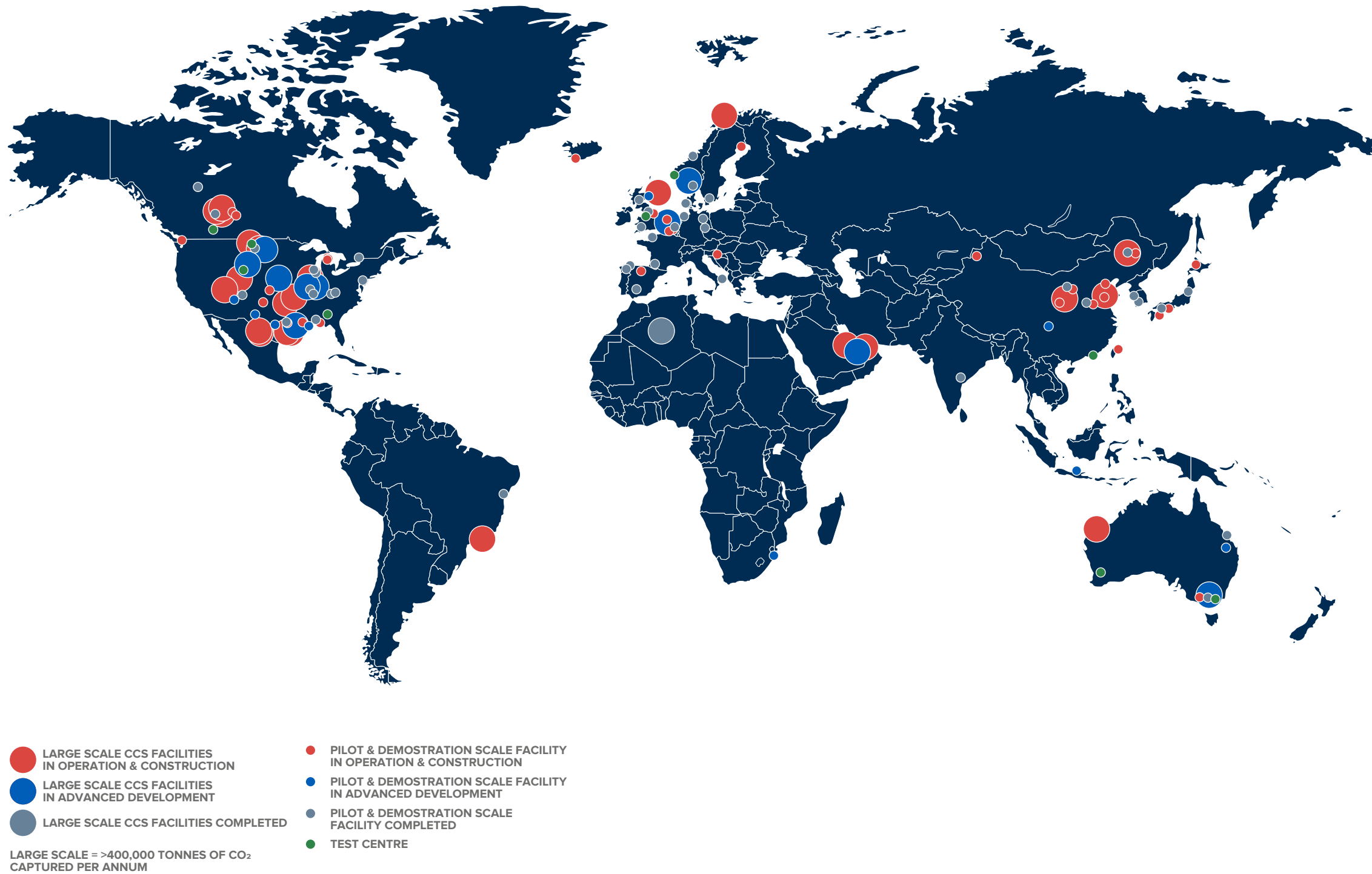


FIGURE 2 CURRENT CCS FACILITIES AROUND THE WORLD<sup>11</sup>

Over the past year the global development and deployment of CCS continued to gather pace. The world map on these pages shows the growing presence of CCS around the globe. In 2019, the number of large-scale CCS facilities increased to 51<sup>4</sup>.

Of these:

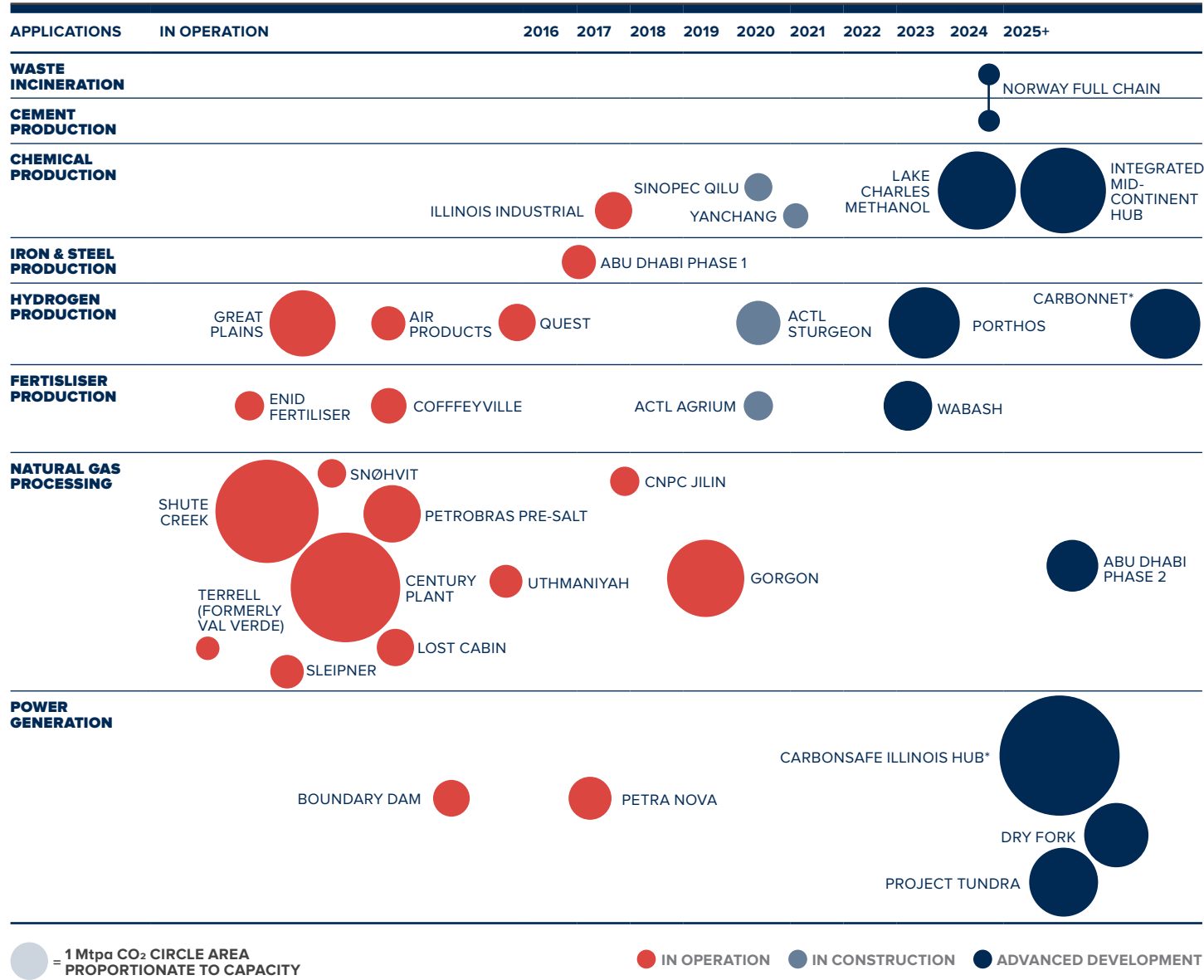
- 19 are operating;
- four are under construction;
- 10 are in advanced development using a dedicated front end engineering design (FEED) approach; and
- 18 are in early development.

Right now, those in operation and construction have the capacity to capture and permanently store around 40 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> every year. This is expected to increase by about one million tonnes in the next 12-18 months. In addition, there are 39 pilot and demonstration scale CCS facilities (operating or about to be commissioned) and nine CCS technology test centres.

### MAJOR STRIDES IN 2019 FOR CCS

In 2019, more than 25 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> from the power and industrial sectors was permanently stored using CCS. Two new facilities commenced operation and others reported the achievement of significant cumulative CO<sub>2</sub> storage milestones:

- **CO<sub>2</sub> injection commenced at the Gorgon natural gas processing plant** on Barrow Island off the coast of Western Australia in August 2019. This will be the world's largest dedicated geological CO<sub>2</sub> storage facility when it ramps up to full capacity storing up to 4.0 Mtpa CO<sub>2</sub> a year<sup>5</sup>.
- **The Alberta Carbon Trunk Line (ACTL)**, a 240-kilometre CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline, expected to come online in 2020, will offer CO<sub>2</sub> transport services to industry in Alberta, Canada. North West Redwater Partnership's Sturgeon refinery and the Agrium fertiliser plant will jointly supply around 1.6 Mtpa of CO<sub>2</sub> via the pipeline to EOR operations in central Alberta.
- **100 million tonnes** – Shute Creek gas processing plant in Wyoming US, with a 7 Mtpa CO<sub>2</sub> capture capacity, has cumulatively captured more than 100 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> from natural gas processing operations for use in enhanced oil recovery<sup>6</sup>.
- **38 million tonnes** – Great Plains Synfuels plant in North Dakota US, captures CO<sub>2</sub> from the coal (lignite) gasification process, producing syngas (hydrogen and carbon monoxide) for energy use and chemical production. It has delivered around 38 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> for EOR in the Weyburn and Midale fields in Canada since it commenced operation since 2000<sup>7</sup>.
- **22 million tonnes** – On the Norwegian continental shelf, Sleipner CO<sub>2</sub> storage and Snøhvit CO<sub>2</sub> storage facilities have cumulatively captured and stored around 22 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub><sup>8</sup>. Sleipner was the world's first large scale dedicated CO<sub>2</sub> geological storage facility, storing CO<sub>2</sub> from natural gas processing since 1996.
- **10 million tonnes** – Petrobras Santos Basin CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR facility in offshore Brazil, reached a milestone of 10 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> captured and reinjected in the natural gas processing industry<sup>9</sup>. Petrobras is continually expanding the capacity of its floating production storage and offloading (FPSO) units, aiming to cumulatively reinject more than 40 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> by 2025.



**FIGURE 3 POWER AND INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS OF LARGE-SCALE CCS FACILITIES IN OPERATION, UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND IN ADVANCED DEVELOPMENT**

\*Size of the circle is proportional to the capture capacity of the facility. Indicates the primary industry type of the facility among various options.

- **5 million tonnes** – Air Products’ carbon capture plant on hydrogen in Port Arthur US, has mitigated more than 5 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> by coupling steam methane reforming (SMR) with CCS and has been in operation since 2013<sup>10</sup>.
- **4 million tonnes** – The Quest CCS facility in Canada, operating since the end of 2015, has been capturing CO<sub>2</sub> from the SMR process for hydrogen production. Shell Canada announced that 4 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> had been captured and safely stored, ahead of schedule<sup>11</sup>.
- **3 million tonnes** – Boundary Dam CCS, the first large-scale CCS facility in power generation, for Boundary Dam Unit 3 in Saskatchewan, Canada has been in operation since the end of 2014. The facility passed 3 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> captured in 2019<sup>12</sup>.

Investment in CCS is slowly gathering momentum. Figure 3 (above) shows CCS growth planned for the next five years and beyond.

Facilities that entered the advanced development<sup>iii</sup> stage for the first time in 2019 are summarised in the following paragraphs:

**Abu Dhabi Phase 2 natural gas processing plant**

Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) is developing its second CCUS facility in the United Arab Emirates. It will capture 1.9 to 2.3 Mtpa of CO<sub>2</sub> from its gas processing plant for EOR. Both the Abu Dhabi Phase 1 (CO<sub>2</sub> capture from the Emirates Steel Industries steel plant) and Abu Dhabi Phase 2 facilities will store CO<sub>2</sub> in the same reservoir.

**Wabash CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration**

Wabash Valley Resources LLC aims to develop an ammonia plant with near-zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions using a repurposed integrated gasification combined cycle (IGCC) plant in Indiana, USA. The facility will capture 1.5 to 1.75 Mtpa CO<sub>2</sub> for dedicated geological storage in the Wabash CarbonSAFE CO<sub>2</sub> storage hub.

**Project Tundra**

The Minnkota Power Cooperative is planning the retrofit of a 3.1 to 3.6 Mtpa CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant to the Milton R. Young coal-fired power station in North Dakota USA. Carbon dioxide will be captured from Unit 2 of the power station which generates 455 megawatts of electric (MWe). They are initially targeting dedicated geological storage sites. The North Dakota CarbonSAFE Storage Hub<sup>iii</sup> is studying the future potential for the utilisation of CO<sub>2</sub> from this facility for EOR.

**Dry Fork integrated commercial CCS**

The Basin Electric Power Cooperative aims to capture 3.0 Mtpa CO<sub>2</sub> from the 385 MW Dry Fork coal-fired power station in Wyoming, USA. They are targeting adjacent geological storage formations currently being studied by Wyoming CarbonSAFE<sup>13</sup>. The Cooperative is also considering EOR as a potential CO<sub>2</sub> storage pathway, utilising nearby CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline networks and EOR operations.

**CarbonSAFE Illinois hub - Macon County<sup>iii</sup>**

Building on learnings from Illinois Industrial CCS facility in the Archer Daniels Midland Ethanol plant, this project seeks to establish a 50+ million tonne commercial geological storage hub in Illinois USA. Adjacent power plants, such as Prairie State Generation (816 MWe, coal fired power plant, 10 Mtpa CO<sub>2</sub>) which has been awarded a full-scale FEED study<sup>14</sup>, and regional ethanol plants are potential CO<sub>2</sub> sources.

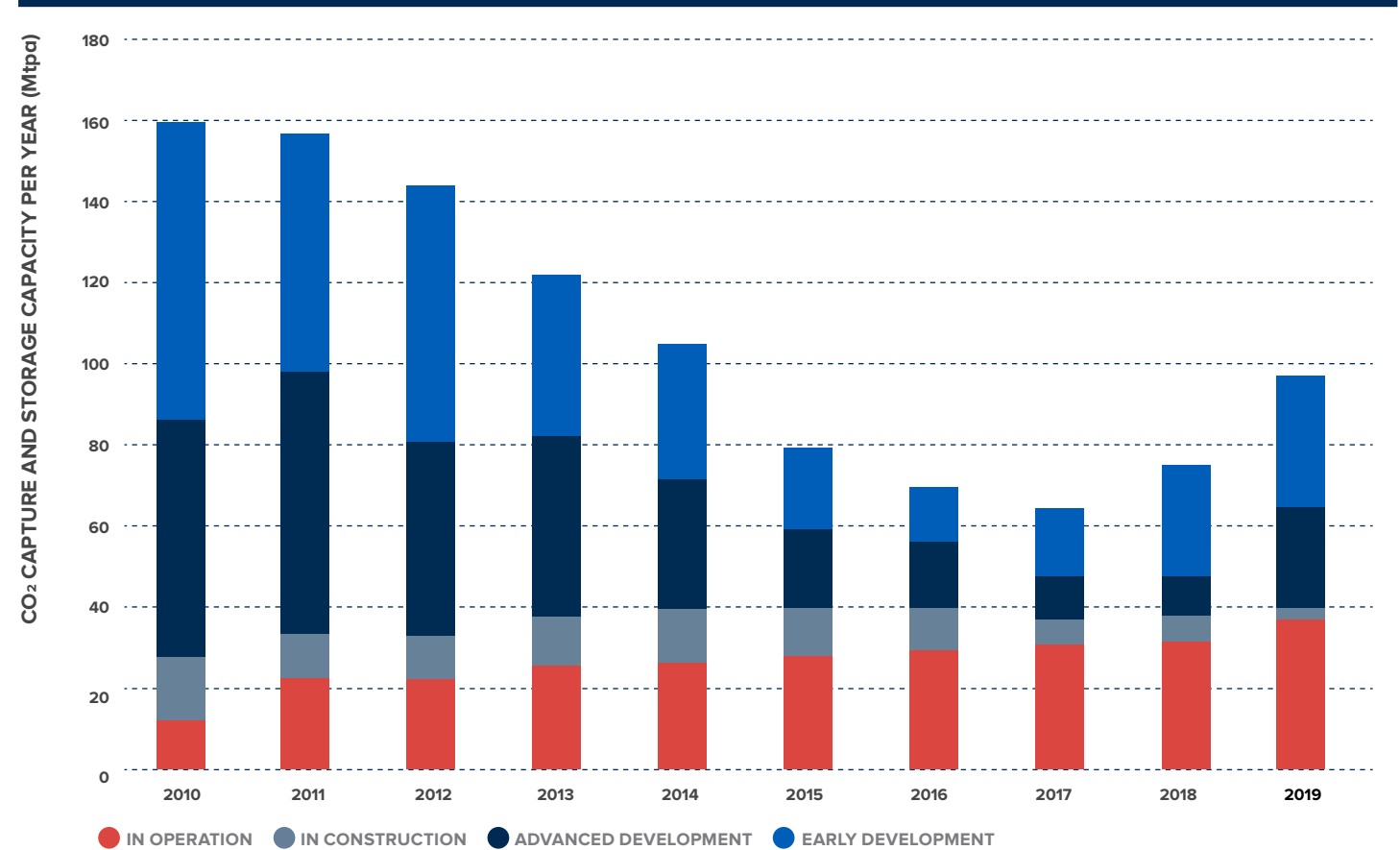
**Integrated mid-continent stacked carbon storage hub**

Storage infrastructure would be established in southwestern Nebraska and southwestern Kansas to enable collection of CO<sub>2</sub> from ethanol plants, power plants and refineries in the region. Ethanol plants producing 1.9-5 Mtpa CO<sub>2</sub> in the region could utilise this infrastructure. The Nebraska Public Power District’s Gerald Gentleman Station (coal fired) is another potential source of CO<sub>2</sub> for this storage hub. A FEED study on the retrofit of Ion Engineering’s non-aqueous ICE-21 solvent capture technology to the Gerald Gentleman Station is underway<sup>15</sup>.

**THE CCS PIPELINE IS REPLENISHING, BUT NOT FAST ENOUGH**

Figure 4 (below) shows how the CCS facility pipeline has developed over the past decade. It shows a continuous decrease in the number of facilities in the pipeline between 2010 and 2017 followed by year-on-year increases in 2018 and 2019. There are many possible explanations for this pattern and it is not possible to be definitive about the causes. However it is likely that the Global Financial Crisis (GFC) which started in mid 2007 and ran through 2009 contributed to the observed decline. The uncertainty in global markets and the economic downturn that accompanied the GFC focussed governments’ attention on short term economic recovery and focussed the private sector on survival. Action to mitigate climate change fell down the list of priorities and both public policy and private capital responded in-kind. Investment in CCS, which requires strong policy and significant capital, subsequently retreated. If data for 2007 to 2009 showed a peak in the project pipeline, that would lend weight to this hypothesis. However, this period was prior to the 2009 establishment of the Institute and the data therefore is unavailable.

The CCS industry has been regaining momentum since 2017 and there are roughly four times as many large scale CCS facilities operating today as there was in 2010. A number of factors have probably driven the increase in CCS project development observed in 2018 and 2019. The 2015 Paris Agreement established a clear level of ambition to limit global warming to well below 2°C and pursuing efforts to limit [it] to 1.5°C. This was supported by almost every nation of the world. This agreement refocused governments, the private sector and civil society on climate mitigation. This has supported examples of stronger climate policy from government (e.g. legislating net-zero emission targets), greater pressure from shareholders on



**FIGURE 4 PIPELINE OF LARGE-SCALE CCS FACILITIES FROM 2010 TO 2019: CO<sub>2</sub> CAPTURE AND STORAGE CAPACITY**



publically listed companies to reduce emissions, and accelerated the movement of capital away from high emissions assets to low emissions assets. The net result has been a more thorough analysis of how to deliver significant emission reductions necessary to achieve ambitious climate targets by governments, and an increased sense of urgency in the private sector to develop strategies to insulate themselves from future climate-policy risk. In both cases, CCS emerges as an essential part of the answer. Add to these drivers the significant reduction in the cost of capture observed over the past decade, and four years after the Paris Agreement, the CCS pipeline is replenishing.

The capture capacity of operating large-scale CCS facilities has increased from 31.2 Mtpa in 2017 to 39.2 Mtpa in 2019. The total capacity of all facilities at all stages of development in the pipeline has increased from 64.5Mtpa from 37 facilities in 2017 to 97.5Mtpa from 51 facilities in 2019. A growing number of these, as well as recently announced projects in the US, New Zealand and Qatar<sup>iv</sup>, that have not yet been added to the CCS pipeline have the potential to form the next global wave of CCS investment in the 2020s. Also significant is the broader application of CCS represented in the new facilities under study. They go beyond the “low hanging fruit” opportunities like natural gas processing, fertiliser and ethanol production to include less developed industries like hydrogen production and bio-energy CCS.

In the coal fired power sector, where the cost of CCS was once considered too expensive, the cost of CO<sub>2</sub> capture has reduced by half using only first-generation technology – down from over USD100 per tonne CO<sub>2</sub> captured, to around USD45 per tonne. The benefits of learning-by-doing from the first tranche of CCS facilities continues to drive costs down.

Whilst the recent uptick in investment in CCS is encouraging, it is far from sufficient to meet climate targets. If all facilities in the CCS pipeline now were operational in 2040 and no more entered the pipeline, CO<sub>2</sub> capture capacity would still be approximately a factor of 20 below what is required. There is an urgent need for stronger government policy to incentivise private sector investment in CCS.

### NEXT WAVE OF CCS: HUBS AND CLUSTERS

“Next wave” facilities based around CCS hubs and clusters have featured in 2019. Added to the Global CCS Institute’s database in 2016<sup>16</sup>, these facilities take advantage of the fact that many emissions-intensive facilities (both power and industrial) tend to be concentrated in the same areas. Hubs and clusters significantly reduce the unit cost of CO<sub>2</sub> storage through economies of scale, and offer commercial synergies that reduce the risk of investment. They can play a strategically important role in climate change mitigation.

Figure 5 (opposite) shows CCS hubs and clusters identified as having made significant developments in 2019, and summarises some of the features they share.

#### Key characteristics of hubs and clusters:

- Multiple industrial point sources of CO<sub>2</sub> connected to a CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage network.
- Access to large geological storage resources with the capacity to store CO<sub>2</sub> from industrial sources for decades.
- Studies of almost all potential hubs and clusters have been supported by government<sup>17</sup>.
- Economies of scale deliver lower unit-costs for CO<sub>2</sub> storage.
- Synergies between multiple CO<sub>2</sub> sources and the storage operator reduce cross chain risks and support commercial viability.

#### More information about some of these hubs and clusters:

- Petrobras Santos Basin CCS network was the first “CCS hub and cluster” in operation. It has a unique set up with 10 FPSOs anchored in the Santos Basin off the coast of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The captured CO<sub>2</sub> is directly injected into the Lula, Sapinhoá and Lapa oil fields for EOR.
- Supported by CAD485 million from the Alberta Government, the ACTL will transport up to 14.6 Mtpa CO<sub>2</sub> from Alberta’s Industrial Heartland for CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction. This is in addition to CO<sub>2</sub> transport from the Sturgeon refinery and Agrium fertiliser plant.
- Northern Lights is an open-access CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage hub, seeking to provide capacity for large CO<sub>2</sub> volumes across Europe<sup>21</sup>. This will move the operation beyond the current Norway full chain CCS facility from the Norcem and Fortum capture sites.
- Six of eight new facilities which emerged in the US are part of the United States Department of Energy’s Carbon Storage Assurance Facility Enterprise (CarbonSAFE) Initiative. This is focused on the development of a geologic storage complex for 50 plus million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> from industrial sources.
- CarbonNet is a CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage hub supported by the Victorian and Australian Governments. It will provide CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage services to potential capture projects in Australia’s Latrobe Valley. The Hydrogen Energy Supply Chain (HESC) project is constructing a pilot hydrogen production plant via coal gasification and will demonstrate the transport of hydrogen by ship to Japan. A decision on investment on a commercial hydrogen production plant with CCS is expected around 2025. If it proceeds, this plant could be the first customer of the CarbonNet CO<sub>2</sub> hub.
- Net Zero Teesside in the UK is a CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage hub for the Tees Valley.
- Other CCS hubs and clusters supported as Projects of Common Interest include Acorn Full Scale CCS, Ervia Cork, the Port of Rotterdam CCUS Backbone Initiative (PORTHOS) and the Amsterdam IJmuiden-CO<sub>2</sub> Transport Hub and Offshore Storage (ATHOS).
- The Net Zero Teesside, Northern Lights, PORTHOS, Xinjiang Jungger CCUS hub and the Gulf of Mexico CCUS hubs have been selected as kickstarters for the Oil and Gas Climate Initiative’s large-scale investment in CCS hubs and clusters<sup>18</sup>.

Further details about hubs and clusters are discussed in Section 4.0 of this report.

**Hubs and clusters significantly reduce the unit cost of CO<sub>2</sub> storage through economies of scale, and offer commercial synergies that reduce the risk of investment.**

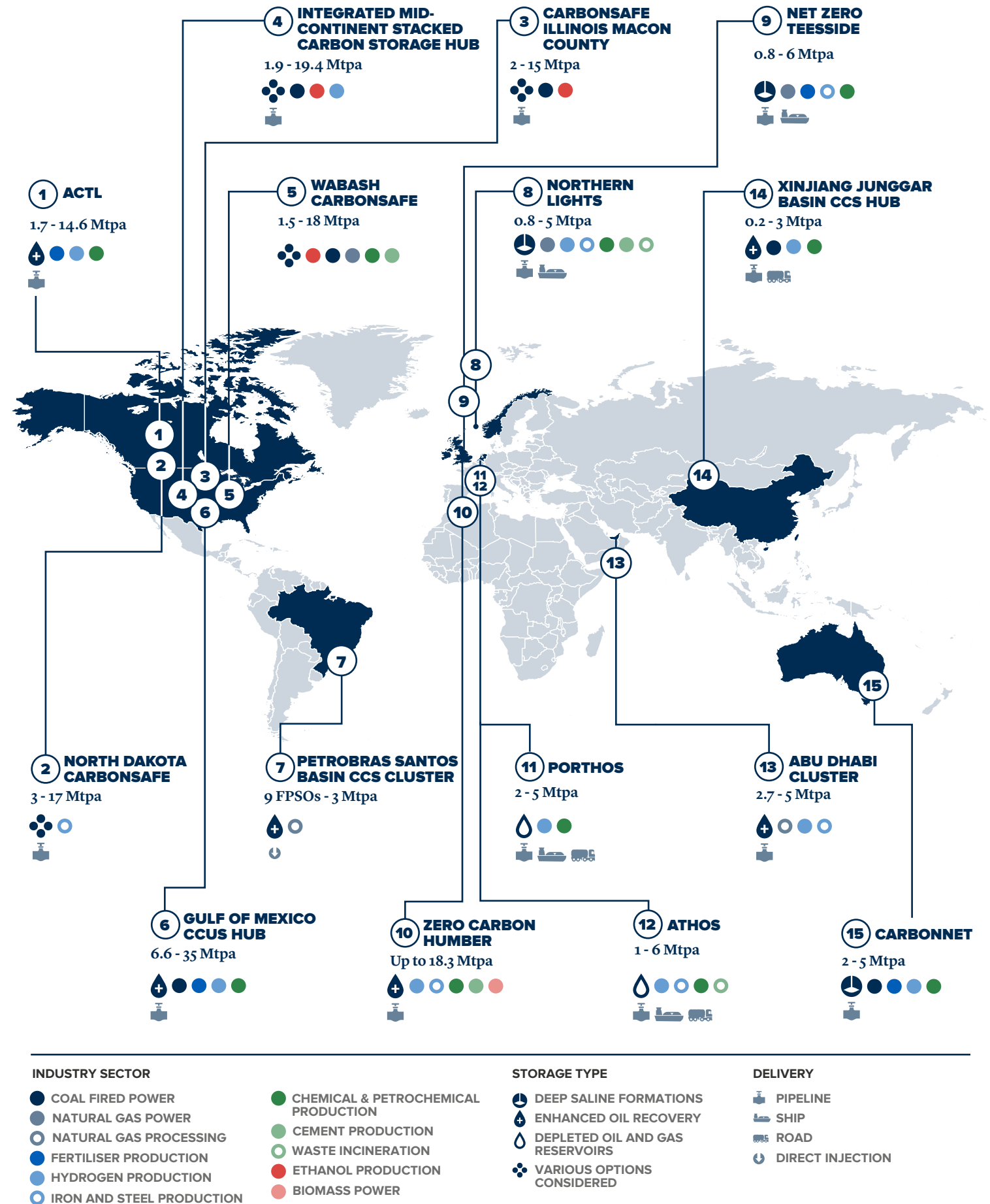


FIGURE 5 CCUS HUBS AND CLUSTERS GLOBALLY, WITH SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN 2019



# 3.2 POLICY LEVERS FOR ACCELERATING DEPLOYMENT

To meet climate change mitigation targets, an estimated 2000-plus large scale CCS facilities must be deployed by 2040, requiring hundreds of billions of dollars in investment. Today, there are 19 large scale facilities in operation and four under construction. Figure 6 shows that the business case for investment in each facility was underpinned by favourable commercial conditions and supportive policy. It demonstrates that the private sector will invest in CCS when the right incentives are in place.



FIGURE 6 CONDITIONS THAT ENABLED LARGE-SCALE FACILITIES  
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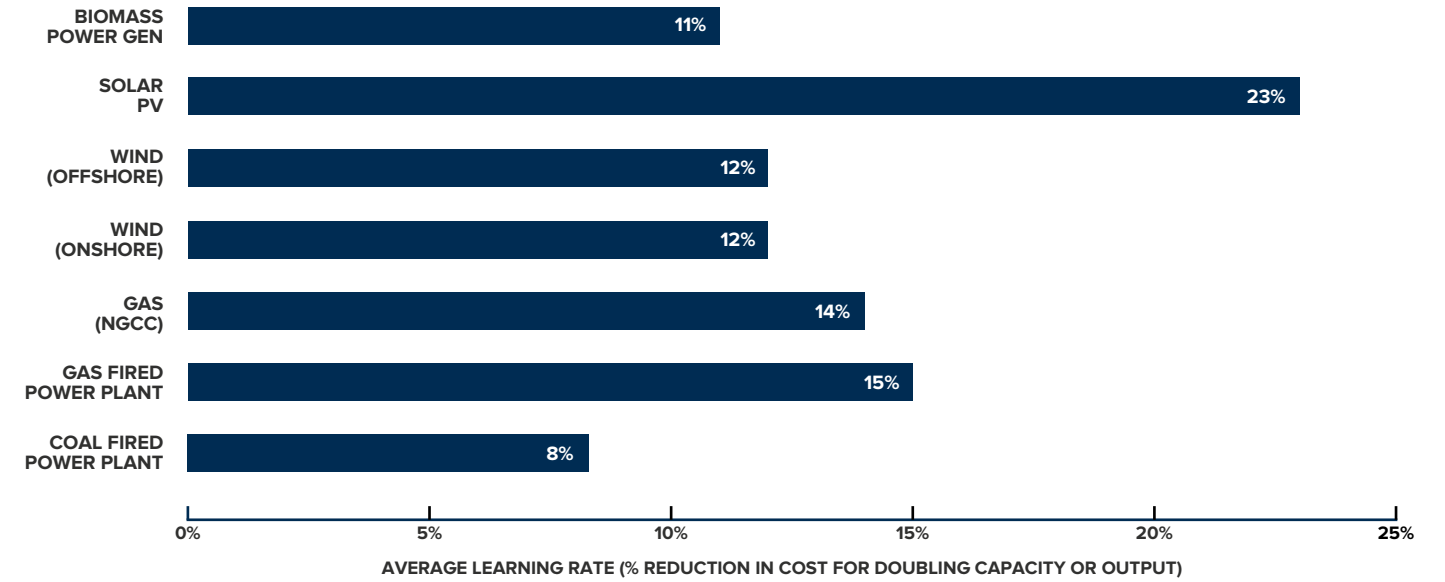


FIGURE 7 LEARNING RATES FOR DIFFERENT ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGIES (THE AVERAGE FOR ONE-FACTOR MODELS)<sup>17</sup>

Like all large infrastructure projects, the development and construction of CCS facilities is capital intensive. This influences the viability of projects and prices out potential investors. However, learning rates drive costs down as successive CCS facilities come online. For example, assuming a conservative learning rate of 8 per cent from Figure 7 (above), as facilities increase from tens to thousands by mid-century, the cost of capturing CO<sub>2</sub> falls by approximately half. It is imperative that investors are incentivised as much as possible in the early stages, to accelerate the learning rate and attract new projects.

There is strong evidence that capture costs have already reduced. Figure 8 (below) shows estimated costs from a range of feasibility and front end engineering and design (FEED) studies for coal combustion CCS facilities<sup>v</sup> using mature amine-based capture systems. Two of the projects, Boundary Dam and Petra Nova are operating today. The cost of capture reduced from over USD100 per tonne CO<sub>2</sub> at the Boundary Dam facility to below USD65 per tonne CO<sub>2</sub> for the Petra Nova facility, some three years later. The most recent studies show capture costs (also using mature amine-based capture systems) for facilities that plan to commence operation in 2024-28, cluster around USD43 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub>. New technologies at pilot plant scale promise capture costs around USD33 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub>.

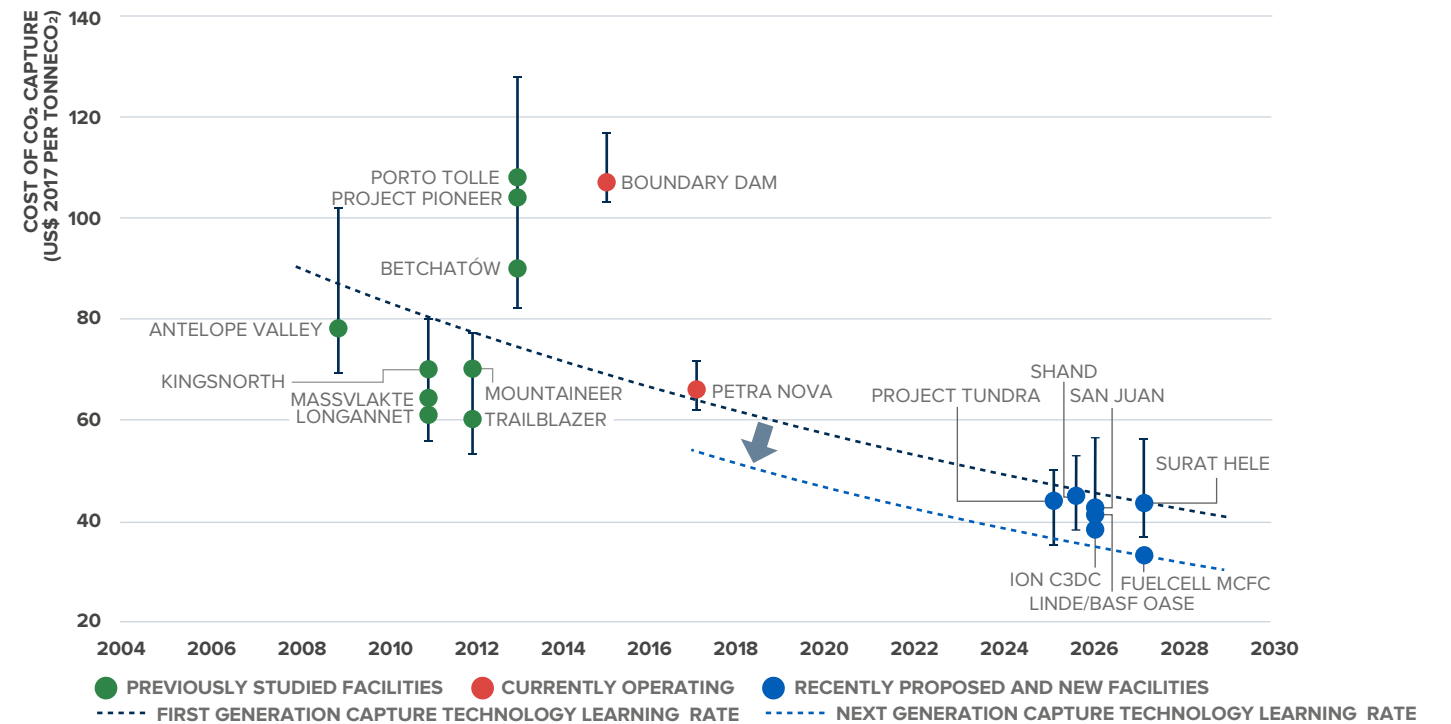


FIGURE 8 LEVELISED COST OF CO<sub>2</sub> CAPTURE FOR LARGE SCALE POST-COMBUSTION FACILITIES AT COAL FIRED POWER PLANTS, INCLUDING PREVIOUSLY STUDIED FACILITIES<sup>vii</sup>

The most obvious way to create incentives for investors is to place a material value on CO<sub>2</sub>. Policymakers can choose from options like tax credits, carbon tax or direct regulation as a condition of approval. The mistaken idea that CCS is too expensive compared to other climate change mitigation technologies is easily dispelled when a low value is placed on carbon. For example, the IEA has estimated that as much as 450 MtCO<sub>2</sub> could be captured, utilised and stored globally with a commercial incentive as low as USD40 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> by deploying CCS on the many low-cost opportunities available<sup>19</sup>. This value is at the bottom end of the USD40-80 range that the High-Level Commission on Carbon Prices recommended by 2020 to drive transformational change consistent with meeting Paris Agreement targets<sup>20, 21</sup>.

Compared to mature industries, there is relatively little experience developing commercial CCS facilities. As a consequence, potential investors and financiers apply risk premiums which drive up the cost of private capital (both debt and equity) to a level where investing is difficult. In fact, very few CCS projects have been funded through debt financing because prevailing risks—and perceived risks that arise from banks' lack of knowledge—make it difficult for them to qualify. Until risks are perceived to be well managed, banks are unwilling to qualify CCS projects for debt financing or offer competitive interest rates to project developers. By working collaboratively with the private sector—which is well placed to manage general project risks such as technical, construction and operational performance risks—governments can play a pivotal role in risk-sharing, enabling private sector investment.

Robust policy frameworks can address market failures that lead to hard-to-reduce risks, such as cross-chain, and long-term liability risks. Government can de-risk investments by taking on risks that cannot be borne by the private sector. While private sector investment in CCS is profit-driven, government is motivated to provide public goods. Government forgoes financial return on CCS investments, in exchange for efficient industry contributions towards emissions targets and a stable climate for constituents. Cross-chain and liability risks are therefore managed through the development of shared transport and storage networks, and robust legal and regulatory frameworks, respectively.

Figure 9 (below) shows how government policy and confidence in CCS can reduce the cost of debt over time. Initial CCS facilities are developed under high risk conditions, due to the existence of weak policy frameworks and few CCS facilities being in operation, so the cost of debt is at its highest.

As more facilities enter operation, and better policy frameworks evolve, the cost of debt is reduced. Eventually a low risk lending rate, representative of a mature industry, is reached.

To explore further detail on policy priorities for policymakers and how to stimulate investment in CCS, download our 2019 Thought Leadership Report Policy priorities to incentivise large scale deployment of CCS at [globalccsinstitute.com](http://globalccsinstitute.com)

### ESG AND DIRECTORS' DUTIES

A company's attitude towards environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG) factors, is an increasingly significant consideration for investors, shareholders and the wider public. There is closer scrutiny and reporting of ESG factors that are material to a business's core activities. While companies are increasingly willing to adopt more sustainable practices, their openness has also been driven by the rise of socially-conscious investment, the concept of the 'enlightened shareholder' and increased public activism surrounding environmental, social and governance issues.

In recent years, the 'environmental' aspects of corporate governance have increased in importance, with climate change and carbon risk exposure becoming the most pressing considerations. In organisations with a significant CO<sub>2</sub> footprint, investors and shareholders are offered detailed information about matters like exposure to climate change impacts and carbon risk, how these will be adapted to, strategies for addressing greenhouse gas and any new commercial opportunities that have been identified to reduce the business impacts.

Reporting against sustainability and environmental performance measures has moved from being largely voluntary to necessary.

ESG disclosures and investment decisions are increasingly part of financial reporting obligations. Some suggest there is now a clear link between a company's ESG performance and its ability to leverage capital, including the cost of that capital.

Experience shows that failure to adopt a pragmatic approach to environmental performance and climate change impacts, may result in direct and indirect risks for a company. The burgeoning divestment movement is one example, where the views of shareholders and the wider public have been made very clear to companies perceived as high-risk investments, or as failing to address their carbon footprint.

Potential harm to a company's reputation is an important consideration, but there may be more significant implications for organisations that don't meet expectations in regard to climate change mitigation. In recent years, resolutions have been brought against corporations by shareholder groups seeking to ensure that companies adapt their practices to the realities of a carbon constrained future. In some instances, shareholders even brought formal legal proceedings against company directors.

Adopting low-carbon technologies will be an important solution for many organisations seeking to address public and investor-led perceptions of their activities, and meet shareholder challenges.

CCS offers a potent opportunity for those with significant CO<sub>2</sub> exposure, to demonstrate their management of the issue and improve how they are regarded. Increasingly, major companies are choosing to invest in CCS technology, demonstrating commitment to CO<sub>2</sub> reduction as part of their long-term risk management strategies.

CCS is likely to play an increasingly large role in companies' ESG commitments.

### TASK FORCE CLIMATE-RELATED FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES (TCFD) – DEFINING A UNIVERSAL APPROACH TO DISCLOSING THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Formed by the Financial Stability Board (FSB) in 2015, the TCFD sought to develop a framework to help organisations disclose the financial impact of climate change on their operations. The FSB required the disclosures developed by the TCFD, to "promote more informed investment, credit [or lending], and insurance underwriting decisions" and, in turn, "enable stakeholders to understand better the concentrations of carbon-related assets in the financial sector and the financial system's exposures to climate-related risks."

The recommendations, published in 2017, should assist companies to identify and disclose key financial information that helps the wider finance and investment community better understand climate-related risks and opportunities. The recommendations focus on four areas:

- governance
- strategy
- risk management
- metrics and targets.

The TCFD's recommendations have been adopted by many organisations worldwide. In May 2019 Chair, Michael Bloomberg, reported that nearly 800 public and private-sector organizations now support the task force and its work. This includes global financial firms responsible for assets exceeding \$118 trillion.

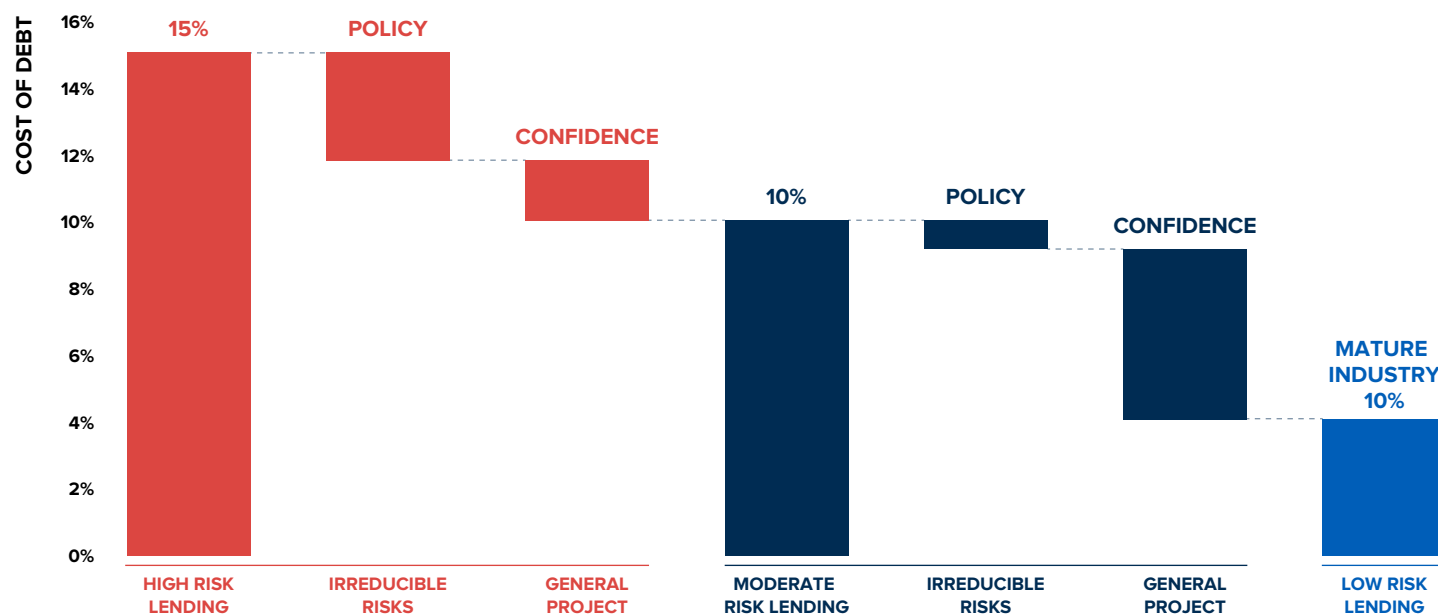


FIGURE 9 THE EVOLUTION OF ILLUSTRATIVE LENDING RATES WITH POLICY DE-RISKING AND INCREASED DEPLOYMENT RATES FOR CCS FACILITIES

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In order to meet the net-zero emissions ambition, a diverse set of clean energy technologies is required. CCS' crucial role to delivering emissions reductions has been underscored by the IPCC, the UK Committee on Climate Change, the IEA just to name a few.

With the need to scale up to more than 2,000 facilities by 2040 we also have no time to lose. While the flow of funding towards new low-carbon technologies is increasing, it is not happening at the pace that is needed. As with renewables when they were in early stages of deployment, targeted public sector signals of support for the industry would help accelerate the market for CCS.

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### 3.3 GLOBAL CO<sub>2</sub> STORAGE OVERVIEW

Global estimates show there are vast storage resources to meet the highest requirements for CCS to achieve climate change targets.

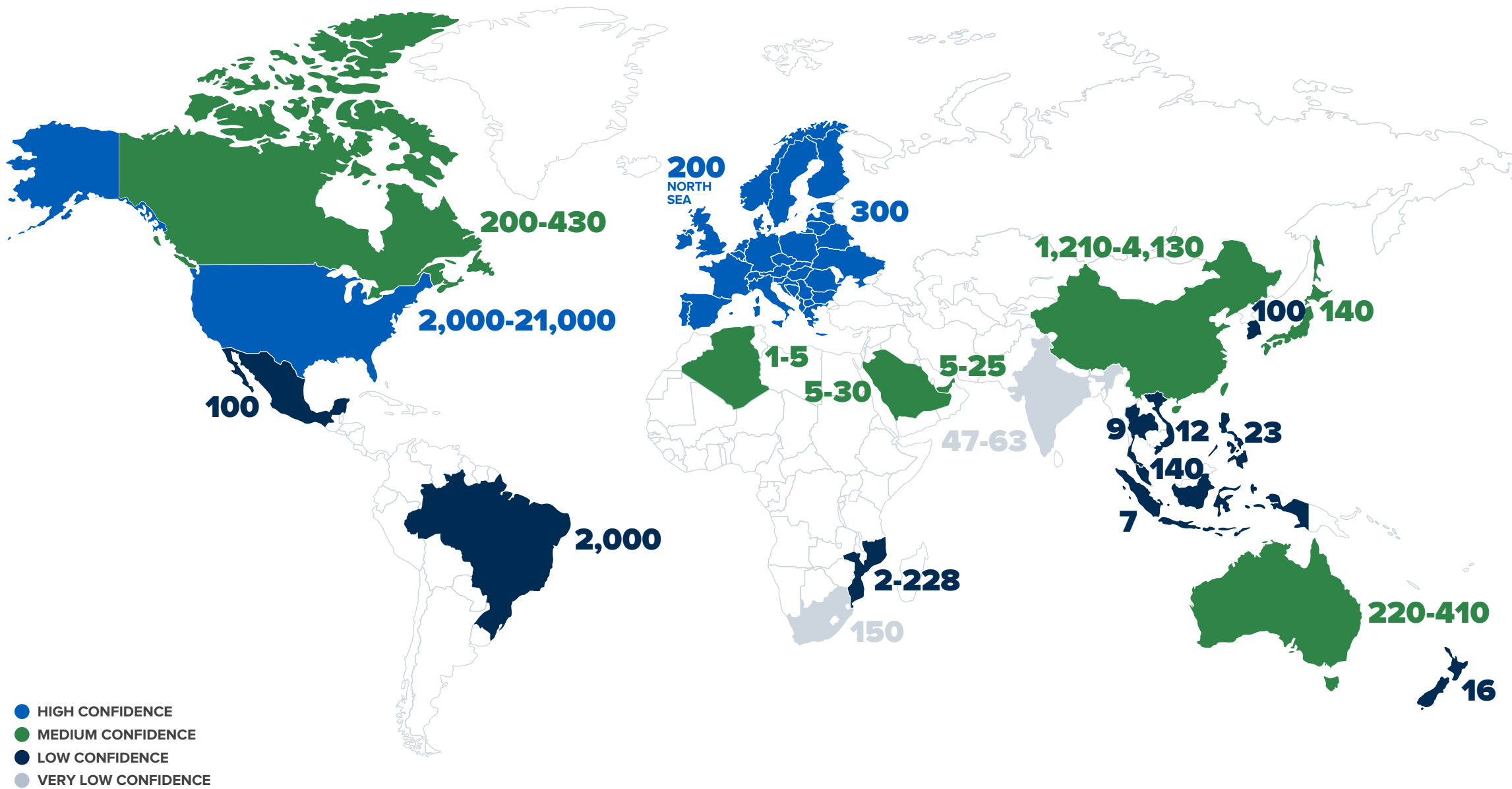


FIGURE 10 GLOBAL STORAGE RESOURCE ESTIMATES (GIGATONNE) AROUND THE WORLD<sup>22</sup>

#### TIME TO FOCUS ON GIGATONNE CO<sub>2</sub> STORAGE

To meet climate targets, the IPCC climate pathways model up to 1,200 Gt of CO<sub>2</sub> cumulatively stored by 2100<sup>23</sup>. There is high confidence that vast CO<sub>2</sub> storage resources are available globally to meet these scenarios. The IEA forecasts that 2.3 Gt of CO<sub>2</sub><sup>24</sup> must be stored each year, by 2060. It means a CCS deployment rate of more than double to that of the growth of the oil industry during the last century<sup>25</sup>.

To achieve multi-gigatonne annual CO<sub>2</sub> storage rates, the world will need to characterise, appraise and develop thousands of individual storage sites. The IEA Greenhouse Gas R&D Programme (IEAGHG)<sup>26</sup> estimates that approximately 30-60 storage sites need developing each year until 2050. Adding negative emissions storage, from 2050 and 2,100, that number could double. The good news is that the history of oil and gas shows what can be achieved when there is a business case. According to the IEAGHG:

- 350 gas and oil fields were developed annually in the peak development period (2000-2010)
- since 1940, commercial gas resources were discovered at a rate equal to the required rate of development for CO<sub>2</sub> storage resources
- the number of rigs (used to drill for exploration and CO<sub>2</sub> injection wells) required to develop CO<sub>2</sub> storage sites is only 20 per cent of the total rig count.

Recognising the importance of CCS to meeting emission reduction targets, several countries have implemented initiatives to identify CO<sub>2</sub> storage sites:

- The US is identifying a series of sites which could store 50Mt or more of CO<sub>2</sub>
- Norway and UK both completing significant public databases of CO<sub>2</sub> storage formations across the North Sea
- EU nations producing a storage formation-scale atlas
- Australia undertaking site-scale evaluations with seismic and core analysis around the country
- Japan completing an offshore drilling campaign to test CO<sub>2</sub> storage formations.



### MONITORING IS CRITICAL TO ENSURE THAT COMMUNITY EXPECTATIONS ARE MET

Monitoring, measurement and verification (MMV) play a vital role in ensuring CO<sub>2</sub> storage meets operational, regulatory and community expectations. CO<sub>2</sub> storage uses MMV technologies and the experience of the oil, gas, and groundwater industries. The key focus of a CO<sub>2</sub> MMV programme is tracking the CO<sub>2</sub>, pressure field, and the surrounding geology around the storage formation. Groundwater and surface monitoring are also common place in most MMV programmes.

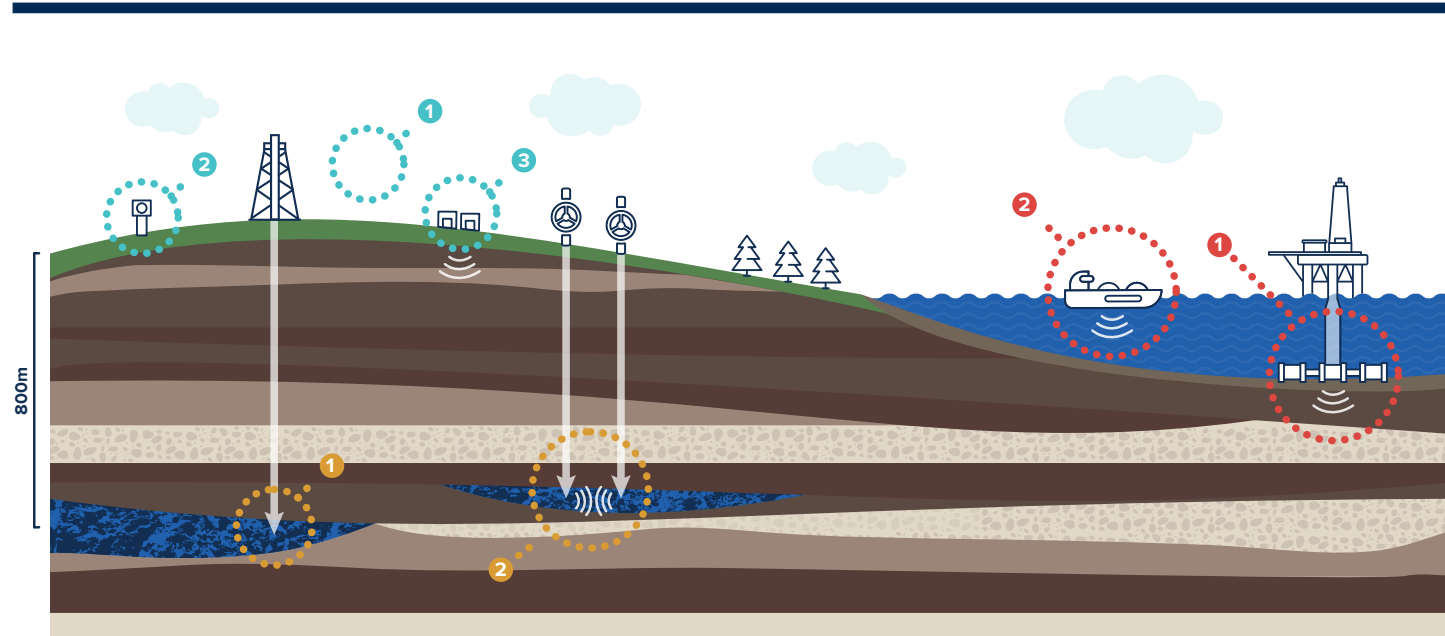
Seismic imaging is the most commonly used method to ensure the plume is behaving as expected. With repeated 3D seismic, under certain conditions, a plume can be tracked as it moves through the storage formation. Passive seismic and downhole seismic are increasingly being employed to minimise the footprint and cost of deployment and long-term monitoring.

Pressure monitoring is one of the oldest downhole-based technologies. By measuring the pressure of the formation, an operator can confirm the containment of CO<sub>2</sub>. Any shift in pressure may indicate a change in conditions. Also, monitoring the pressure of surrounding formations can rapidly detect if the CO<sub>2</sub> does move out of the storage formation. Along with pressure monitoring, a suite of geochemical testing,

such as tracers, and geophysical logging tools are also employed. Collectively, these downhole tools can provide high-resolution conformance and verification of the CO<sub>2</sub>.

The primary driver for surface monitoring is to meet community expectations. In an appropriate well-characterised site, the likelihood of CO<sub>2</sub> reaching the surface is diminishingly small. Hence, surface monitoring primarily focuses around boreholes (legacy or operational) that provide the only direct path from the storage formation to the surface. Geochemical analysis measures soil or surface water for elevated CO<sub>2</sub> levels. In the offshore, geochemical sampling is also employed, along with bubble detection systems and sonar to identify potential leaks. The automation of sampling is decreasing costs and the physical footprint of monitoring.

During the first wave of CO<sub>2</sub> storage operations, risk-assessment based MMV programmes demonstrated to regulators and stakeholders that CO<sub>2</sub> storage is predictable and permanent. In many cases, the number of tools operators use to prove conformance and verify the CO<sub>2</sub> is gradually being reduced. The cost of MMV is reducing as the community understand the low risk of CO<sub>2</sub> storage, and tools and techniques become more sophisticated.



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FIGURE 11 A SCHEMATIC OF SELECT MONITORING TECHNOLOGIES AVAILABLE FOR CO<sub>2</sub> STORAGE FACILITIES

### ENHANCED OIL RECOVERY PRODUCTION PERMANENTLY STORES CO<sub>2</sub>

Over 260 million tonnes of anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> has been injected and permanently stored to date—most through enhanced oil recovery (EOR). Increasing oil production this way is a standard, mature and routine global operation. It is important to emphasise that CO<sub>2</sub> - EOR is not suitable for every oil field. But where CO<sub>2</sub> is suitable to enhance oil recovery the process is as follows:

1. CO<sub>2</sub> is injected into the oil field's rock formations where it behaves as a solvent, swelling the oil and mobilising oil previously trapped in the rock's pore spaces.
2. A proportion of the CO<sub>2</sub> migrates through the formation as a CO<sub>2</sub> plume, known as free phase CO<sub>2</sub>. As more CO<sub>2</sub> is exposed to the rock, it dissolves into surrounding brine. Some becomes immovably trapped in the pore spaces—residual trapping. These same trapping mechanisms occur during dedicated storage.

3. A mixture of oil, brine, and other fluids brings the remaining CO<sub>2</sub> to the surface. The CO<sub>2</sub> is separated from these fluids, compressed and re-injected into the oil field with additional CO<sub>2</sub>, creating a closed loop with trivial fugitive emissions.

CO<sub>2</sub> is the most expensive operational cost of any CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR facility, so almost every molecule supplied is re-injected. The high cost of CO<sub>2</sub> means the gas is monitored at the surface and within the reservoir to ensure optimal use. Ultimately, all the CO<sub>2</sub> injected into an oil field for EOR remains trapped in the pore space that originally held the oil and other fluids.

The permanent storage of CO<sub>2</sub> through EOR delivers emissions abatement. The IEA estimates that during conventional EOR operations, there is an emissions abatement on a full lifecycle basis. This includes emissions from using the oil produced<sup>27</sup>. If policy incentives are put in place, industry will store even more CO<sub>2</sub> this way, beyond what the optimising process requires.

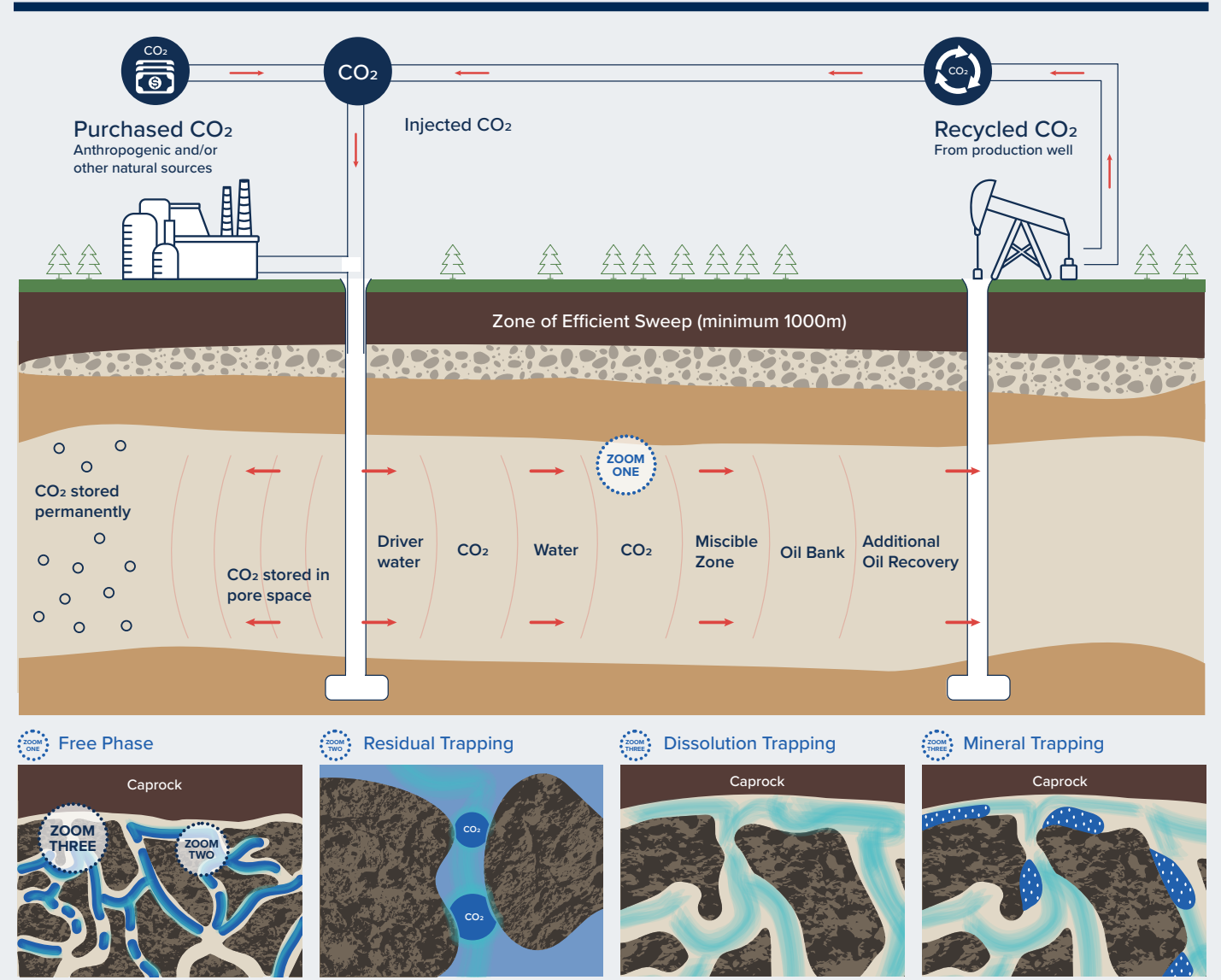


FIGURE 12 SCHEMATIC OF CO<sub>2</sub> EOR AND CO<sub>2</sub> TRAPPING MECHANISMS

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In the two years since the U.S. Congress passed a milestone CCUS incentive, 45Q tax credit, a number of projects have initiated development. In the same period, an interesting theme has emerged: states and utilities have set themselves goals to have carbon-free electricity.

States such as California and New York have committed to achieving zero-carbon power systems. Utilities that provide over 40 per cent of US electricity have committed to reducing their CO<sub>2</sub> emissions between 80 to 100 per cent.

CCUS will not only play an important role in fulfilling above commitments, but also help meeting even bolder goals that will include decarbonizing industrial emissions and leveraging zero-carbon fuels. This creates implications on federal and state governments to enact additional CCUS enabling policies.

First, we need cheaper capture technologies that are faster to build. This requires federal funding to support transformational technology research and development.

Second, we need financial incentives to commercially deploy CCUS. This will lead to multiple technology vendors providing standardized components, reducing custom engineering needs and banks that are familiar enough with CCUS to readily finance projects.

**“IF WE MEET THESE FOUR CATEGORIES OF CCUS POLICY GOALS, THEN WE WILL AT LEAST HAVE A CHANCE TO MEET OUR MID-CENTURY CLIMATE GOALS. THAT IS WHAT IS AT STAKE.”**

Third, we need to expand the network of CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines and storage sites such that CO<sub>2</sub> capture projects can easily connect to it, much like a commercial laundromat would connect to the existing water and sewage lines.

Finally, broader climate policies such as procurement mandates, emission caps and energy standards must embrace CCUS, promoting wide-scale deployment.

If we meet these four categories of CCUS policy goals, then we will at least have a chance to meet our mid-century climate goals. That is what is at stake.

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The report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change comparing worlds with 1.5 vs. 2.0 degrees Celsius increases on global average temperatures made it clear that a massive amount of carbon dioxide must be removed from the atmosphere if we are to avoid the worst impacts of climate change. Other recent reports have come to similar conclusions. Removing the carbon dioxide from the atmosphere is only part of the story, however. We must do something with it – either utilize it or sequester it.

Thus carbon sequestration is one essential component of addressing the climate crisis. While the ideal method is to reduce emissions, and everything possible must be done to achieve that, this still will not be enough. Moreover, there are several massive industries, such as cement and steel production, that emit carbon dioxide in massive amounts; until technological alternatives are developed and widely applied, it will be necessary to capture and then utilize or store the emissions from these industries as well.

Carbon sequestration poses numerous technological, financial, legal and logistical challenges; these must all be overcome if it is to proceed at the massive scale that is required.



### 3.4 LEGAL AND REGULATORY OVERVIEW

Policy makers and project proponents agree that practical, well-defined legislation and a strong global regulatory framework are necessary for CCS to reach its potential. The US state of California's CCS Protocol which accompanies the Low Carbon Fuel Standard (See section 4.2 Regional overview: Americas), has allowed the development of a regulatory model that addresses the requirements of operators, and wider public concerns. Generally though, progress continues to be slow. Several jurisdictions are yet to even examine their legal frameworks and in some existing regimes, movement is limited, continuing the uncertainty for those seeking to invest in CCS.

In recent months, the most notable legal and regulatory development is a proposal to address a key barrier found in international marine agreements. Article 6 of the London Protocol governs the Parties' export of wastes for dumping in the marine environment. An unintended consequence of this Protocol is that it effectively bans transboundary transportation of CO<sub>2</sub> for geological storage. The signatories to the London Protocol passed an amendment to resolve this issue in 2009, however two thirds of the Protocol's contracting parties must ratify the amendment for it to come into force. So far only Norway, United Kingdom, Netherlands, Finland, Estonia and Iran have done so. At the London Convention meeting in early October, the Parties of the London Protocol agreed to allow provisional application of the 2009 amendment of Article 6 to the London Protocol allowing for cross-border transport and export of CO<sub>2</sub> for geological storage in sub-seabed geological formations.

Adopting the resolution will not set a precedent and will only be binding upon those Parties that choose to be provisionally bound by the amendment. If the Parties accept the interim solution, there will be legal certainty about cross-border CO<sub>2</sub> transport for CCS climate emissions mitigation. Our analysis of potential 'hot-spots' for activity within the scope of Article 6, are set out in Figure 13 (opposite). The hot-spots represent locations where transboundary storage is likely because a nation has limited storage potential, but neighbouring jurisdictions can store CO<sub>2</sub> on their behalf. As seen from Figure 13, there are multiple opportunities for transboundary shipment of CO<sub>2</sub> worldwide, especially in Europe and Asia.

The current status of some forms of CO<sub>2</sub> transportation under European legislation, also remains uncertain. Amendments have been made to the European Union Emissions Trading Scheme (EU ETS) Directive to include CO<sub>2</sub> capture, transport by pipelines and the geological storage of CO<sub>2</sub> within its scope of activities. Covered installations are not required to surrender emissions allowances for the CO<sub>2</sub> they have successfully captured for subsequent transportation by pipelines and geological storage, and they can benefit from the EU ETS carbon price. The scope of the Directive, however, applies narrowly to CO<sub>2</sub> transport by pipelines and those installations that plan to transport CO<sub>2</sub> by other means, e.g. by ships or trucks, would still need to pay for these emissions. The legislation as it currently stands, therefore poses a regulatory barrier to those projects that wish to transport CO<sub>2</sub> through different means (e.g. trains and barges).

#### IS IT TIME TO ADOPT A NEW APPROACH TO LIABILITY?

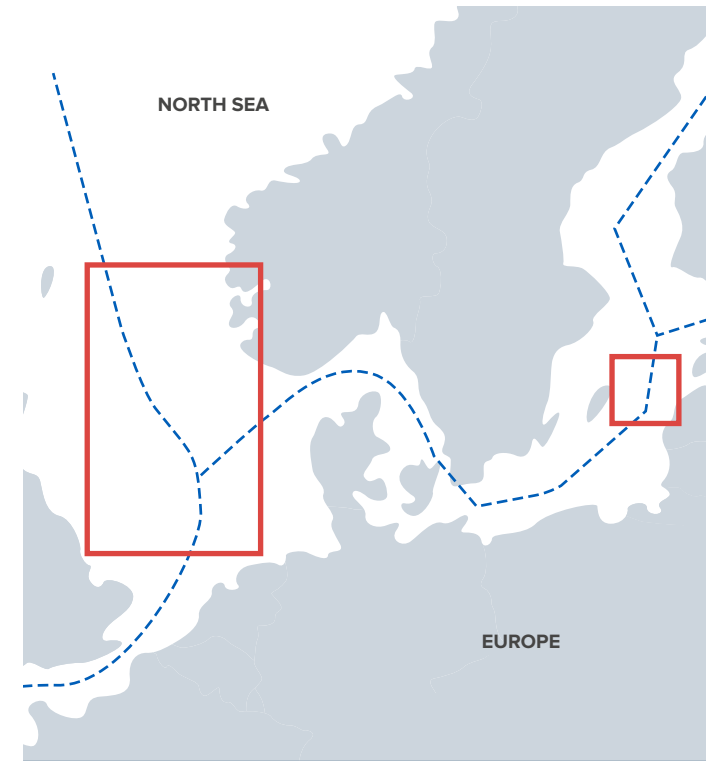
Liability is often raised by policymakers, regulators and project proponents as a potential barrier to widespread CCS deployment. It continues to be an issue globally, despite the adoption of various detailed CCS-specific frameworks in recent years. Our Thought Leadership Report examined the issue through policy and legislative analysis and interviews with policymakers, regulators, lawyers, project proponents and insurance sector representatives. The report — *Lessons and Perceptions: Adopting a Commercial Approach to CCS Liability* — concluded that effort must be made to dispel the widely-held view that liability could be a 'showstopper' for the technology, and to give the public and private sectors greater confidence that it can be managed. Adopting a more commercial approach will ultimately see a shift in focus from high-level concerns, towards identifying successful practices and models, as well as eliminating the remaining obstacles to more widespread deployment.

The following actions are central to a more commercial approach:

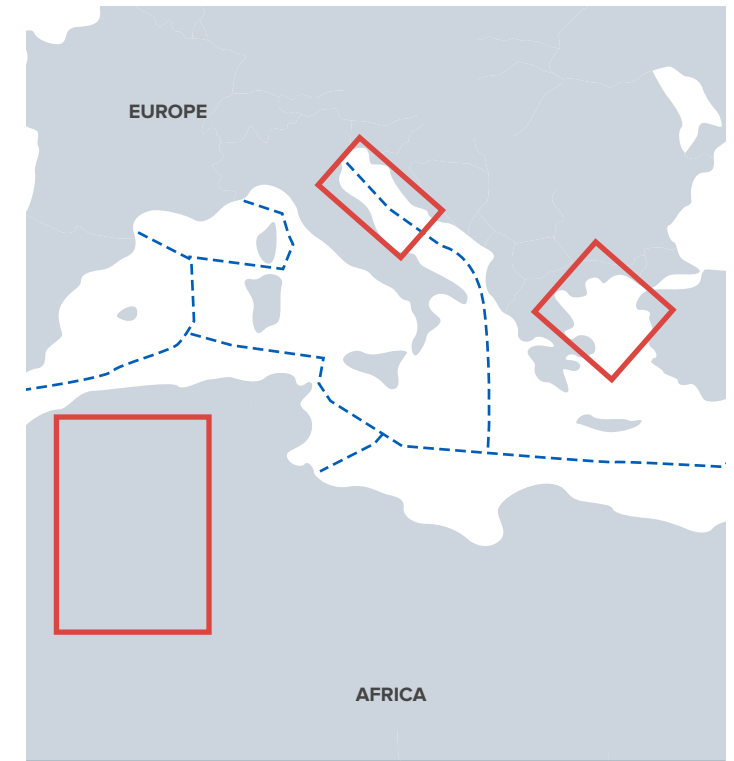
- Clearly determine what is meant by the term liability. While there are potentially a wide range of liabilities applicable to CCS operations throughout the project lifecycle, their impact differs greatly when considered individually.
- Examine options for addressing greenhouse emissions/climate liabilities, which present unique challenges to both operators and regulators alike.
- Consider the role of both government and the private sector in allocating and managing risks and consequently liability. Experience to-date reveals that there are options which may reduce parties' exposure and support project deployment.
- Renewed engagement with the insurance sector. Timely and more regular engagement will be necessary if insurers are to develop new products to assist operators manage their potential liabilities.
- Ensure a close and robust dialogue, between project proponents and regulators. Experience demonstrates that engagement has assisted both parties in determining the practical requirements of legislation, or where there is ambiguity in its application.

To download our report *Lessons and Perceptions: Adopting a Commercial Approach to CCS Liability* please visit [globalccsinstitute.com](http://globalccsinstitute.com)

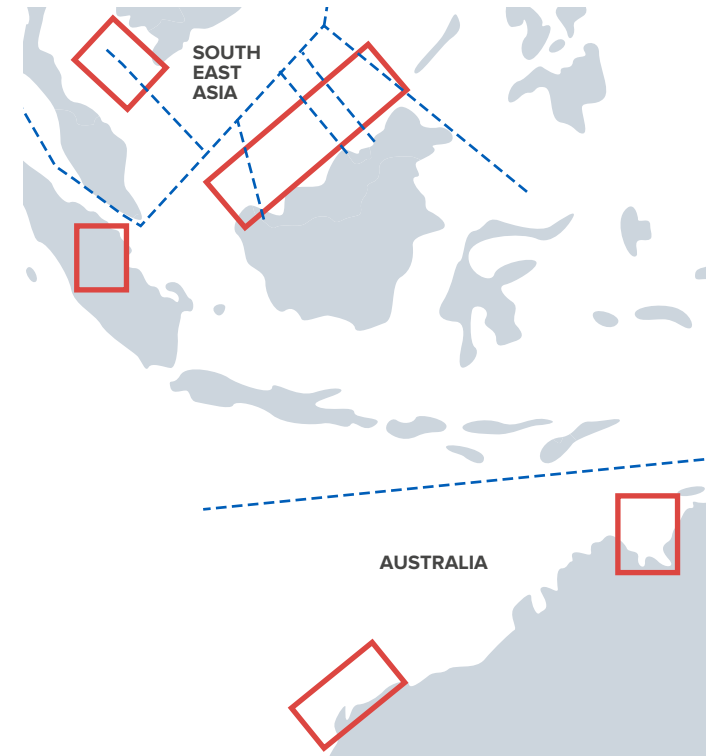
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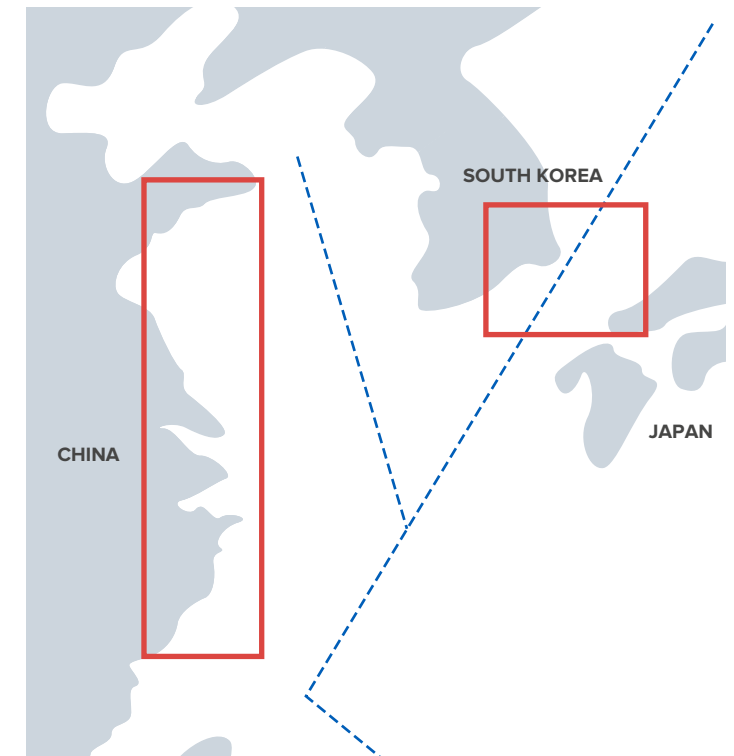
#### MEDITERRANEAN



#### SOUTH EAST ASIA & OCEANIA



#### EAST ASIA



**□** POTENTIAL STORAGE LOCATIONS. THESE AREAS HAVE BEEN CHARACTERISED AS SUITABLE FOR CO<sub>2</sub> STORAGE AND ARE IDEALLY LOCATED IN THE OFFSHORE OR ADJACENT TO THE COAST.

**- - -** INDICATIVE OF TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES

NOTE: THE IDENTIFIED STORAGE LOCATIONS ARE NOT EXHAUSTIVE AND DO NOT REPRESENT ACTUAL STORAGE BASINS

**FIGURE 13** LEGAL HOT SPOTS: LOCATIONS WHERE TRANSBOUNDARY STORAGE IS LIKELY

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# 4.1 SUPRANATIONAL CLIMATE POLICY OVERVIEW

The role of CCS in climate change mitigation is highlighted in the IPCC SR15 report and in a range of recent analyses and studies. Several ongoing international processes are poised to have an impact on CCS's wider, global deployment. These include the pledges and cooperative approaches under the Paris Agreement, Green Climate Fund (GCF) and carbon offsetting scheme for international aviation.

Under the Paris Agreement, Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) are the main opportunity for countries to highlight their commitment to using CCS technology. So far, ten countries (Bahrain, China, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Malawi, Norway, Saudi Arabia, South Africa and United Arab Emirates) have done so. CCS has near-term relevance<sup>28</sup> for an estimated 50-60 countries who are well-positioned to use it over the coming decades. Some of these countries have previously shown strong interest in CCS, but did not include it in their Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC). The Institute expects that many will over the next cycles.

Signatories to the Paris Agreement are invited to submit their long-term low-greenhouse-gas emission development strategies to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) by 2020. Ten out of the 13 strategies submitted as of August 2019, include CCS<sup>29</sup>. As more are submitted, the Institute will form a clearer picture of where CCS fits in the long-term emissions reduction planning of countries and regions.

Article 6 of the Paris Agreement offers countries another option to support wide scale deployment of CCS. Negotiations are underway around co-operation between nations to fulfil their pledges through joint action, which would also bring down compliance costs. With growing interest in CCS technologies, this approach may help to establish CCS projects in developing countries.

The UNFCCC increasingly sees technology transfer as one of the key mechanisms to achieve climate change mitigation and adaptation. Their Technology Executive Committee's work plan for the next four years includes the "role of emerging technologies". The Technology Mechanism will look at improving access in developing nations, and IEA has concluded that the largest deployment of CCS must occur in non-OECD countries<sup>30</sup>. The GCF listed CCS as one of the technologies to transform energy and industry, in their strategic programming for the first replenishment. The replenishment process has had an excellent start, with announcements from over a dozen of countries to double their pledges and the total amount of the first replenishment already exceeding the previous pledging conference in 2014.

The GCF is an excellent potential source of funding for new CCS projects in developing countries because it allows project developers to access significant levels of funding at more affordable rates than would otherwise be available.

The International Civil Aviation Organization is currently developing a Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSA). The scheme aims to stabilise the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of international aviation at 2020 levels. The rulebook is still being written, but airlines will need to offset their emissions by purchasing international credits from other sectors, or taking actions themselves. The CCS community will closely follow this industry because airlines may purchase carbon credits from CCS projects or even develop emission reduction projects of their own.

## CARBON, CAPTURE, UTILISATION AND STORAGE (CCUS) RECOGNISED BY G20 LEADERS IN JAPAN

June was a good month in politics for CCUS technologies. The first success was being included in Karuizawa's G20 Ministerial Meeting on Energy Transitions and Global Environment for Sustainable Growth communiqué, for the first time ever.

And then, the opportunities offered by CCUS technologies for the energy transition were recognised within the official G20 Osaka Leaders' Declaration, following Japan's hosting of the event. The admittance of CCUS, as well as hydrogen, into the Declaration marked another first.

The Declaration acknowledged, "the role of all energy sources and technologies in the energy mix and different possible national paths to achieve cleaner energy systems." It stated that all G20 Leaders:

*... recognise opportunities offered by further development of innovative, clean and efficient technologies for energy transitions, including hydrogen as well as, depending on national circumstances, the Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS), taking note of work on 'Carbon Recycling' and 'Emissions to Value'.*

Signatories reaffirmed that they will, "communicate, update or maintain our NDCs, taking into account that further global efforts are needed (by 2020)" and emphasized, "the importance of providing financial resources to assist developing countries with respect to both mitigation and adaptation in accordance with the Paris Agreement."

The Institute looks forward to more progress before the 2020 G20 summit in Riyadh.

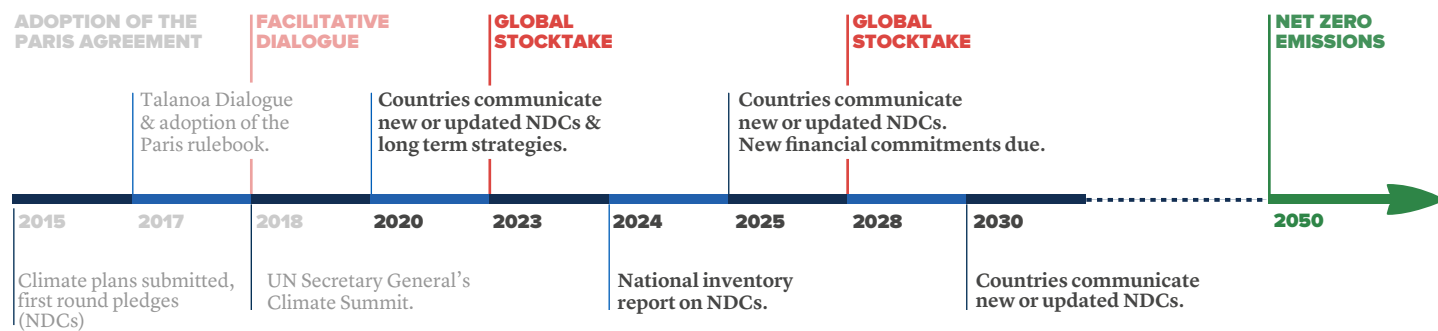


FIGURE 14 PARIS AGREEMENT AMBITION MECHANISM<sup>31</sup>

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The IEA has consistently highlighted that CCUS is critical to meeting our global climate goals. Last year, global energy demand accelerated at its fastest pace this decade, with fossil fuels meeting around 70 per cent of this growth and contributing to a historic high for energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. In fact, for more than 30 years, the share of fossil fuels in the world's energy mix has remained virtually unchanged at around 81 per cent. CCUS is a necessary bridge between the reality of today's energy system and the increasingly urgent need to reduce emissions. Not only can it avoid locking in emissions from existing power and industrial facilities, it also provides a critical foundation for carbon removal or negative emissions. But so far, the vast potential of CCUS remains largely unrealised.

**“CCUS IS A NECESSARY BRIDGE BETWEEN THE REALITY OF TODAY'S ENERGY SYSTEM AND THE INCREASINGLY URGENT NEED TO REDUCE EMISSIONS.”**

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When I was spending holidays in the Swiss Alps during the 60's, all the residents of the village were taking their garbage in their car to dump them in a valley where a little river was flowing. The waste would burn day and night and produced smoke with a horrible smell. But all this was completely legal. Why don't we do it anymore? Because today it's prohibited.

The result of stopping people from throwing rubbish into the valley and paying for its disposal was the creation of new industries - waste collection, energy recovery, recycling - that created jobs and profit.

Why is it then that companies can still dump as much carbon into the atmosphere as they wish? Why should it be treated differently?

Today, we must correct this market failure. Putting a price on carbon will provide incentives to capture, reduce or eliminate harmful emissions. Doing so is not adding a new tax, but merely correcting an old injustice, and will open the door to the market of the century - protection of the environment.



## 4.2 AMERICAS

### CCS FACILITIES IN THE AMERICAS

This region is home to **13 of the world's 19 large-scale operating CCS facilities.**



### CO<sub>2</sub> CAPTURE

These facilities combined capture **29.9 Million tonnes per annum (Mtpa) of CO<sub>2</sub>.**



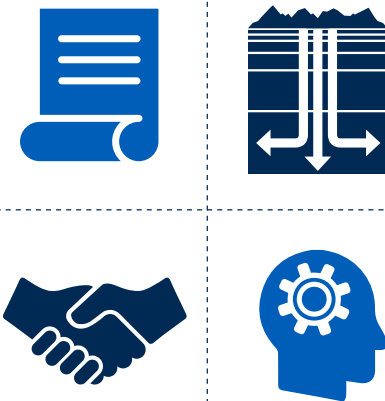
### NEW WAVE OF FACILITIES

In 2019 the Global CCS Institute added **8 new large-scale facilities in the Americas to our database.**



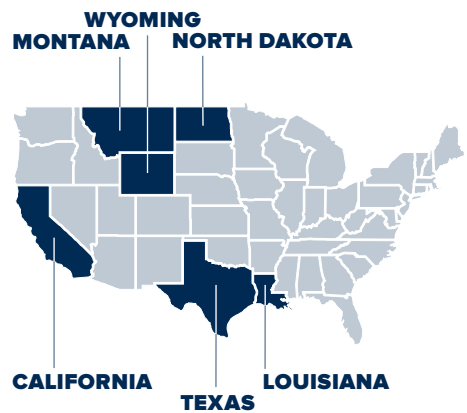
### ADVANCING CCS

In this region, CCS deployment is supported by **strong policy frameworks, abundant geological storage, diverse stakeholder support and a wealth of private-sector experience**

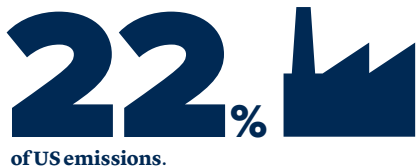


### ACTIVE STATES

In the US, states that are active in CCS incentives and progression are: **California, Montana, Texas, North Dakota, Louisiana and Wyoming.**



**Industrial sector** accounts for a further

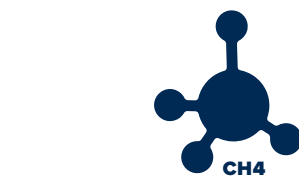


This includes **ethanol or ammonia production and natural gas processing**, where CO<sub>2</sub> capture is at the low end of the cost scale, ideal targets for CCS.



### US EMISSIONS PROFILE AND THE POTENTIAL FOR CCS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

**Power sector** accounts for **28% of the US's greenhouse gas emissions.** In 2019, the Institute added three power plant retrofits to our Institute database. When operational will capture up to a further **10.3 Mtpa of CO<sub>2</sub>.**



**Cement and steel production** represent further opportunities.



### KEY US POLICY

**Section 45Q** of the Internal Revenue Code establishes tax credits for storage of CO<sub>2</sub>.

Several **CCS supportive bills** were introduced in 2019 including the USE IT Act.

**California's LCFS** is a credit-based trading mechanism applies to CCS projects that lower the emissions intensity of fuels in the California market.



### REGIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

Clean Energy Ministerial held in Canada 2019. Canada invested \$25 million in Direct Air Capture (DAC).



**Brazil stored >3 Mtpa CO<sub>2</sub>.** Stakeholder interest in advancing CCS use; in coal, natural gas power plants, ethanol sector.



World Bank CCS Trust Fund funding **two CCS pilot projects in Mexico**; expected to proceed in early 2020.

The Americas are home to 13 of the world's large-scale operating CCS facilities<sup>32</sup>. The region has advanced thanks to supportive policy frameworks, abundant geological storage, diverse stakeholder support, and a wealth of private-sector expertise. Notably, the United States of America (US) Congress continues a reinvigorated push toward championing technology. In this environment which offers industry the confidence to invest, CCS projects continue to roll-out, cementing the region's global position.

This was a year of multiple milestones:

- The Shell Quest facility in Canada celebrated capturing its four millionth tonne of CO<sub>2</sub>.
- Eight new facilities in the Americas were added to the Institute's database of large-scale CCS facilities, creating a total of ten projects in various stages of development. There are many projects at conceptualization stage; several will progress in coming years.
- Occidental Petroleum and Carbon Engineering announced the first large-scale direct air capture with carbon storage (DACCS) project. With a capacity of 1 Mtpa, the project results from the policy confidence offered by the federal 45Q tax credit and a CCS-Amendment to California's LCFS.
- The Oil and Gas Climate Initiative (OGCI) indicated that it will invest in (what will be) the US's largest dedicated geologic storage project – an ammonia production facility by Wabash Valley Resources, storing 1.5 Mtpa of CO<sub>2</sub>.

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Section 45Q of the Internal Revenue Code establishes tax credits for storage of CO<sub>2</sub>. Congress extended and increased these in 2018 so they provide for USD35 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> permanently stored via enhanced oil recovery and USD50 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> stored geologically – if projects commence construction by 2024. Although seen as the world's most progressive CCS-specific incentive, Section 45Q is yet to be formally implemented, creating ambiguity about which projects are eligible. The Internal Revenue Service, tasked with implementation, sought comments from stakeholders in mid-2019 and a draft guidance is expected by early 2020 at the latest. Stakeholders are seeking an extension to the construction deadline.

The IPCC's Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C inspired a shift in lawmakers' discourse, progressing the climate conversation to one of debating solutions. Building on the passage of 45Q, several bills were introduced in 2019. The Utilising Significant Emissions with Innovative Technologies (USE IT) Act, a top priority for many CCS advocates, would provide further clarity on CO<sub>2</sub> infrastructure

permitting procedures and requirements. Other bills deal with matters such as addressing emissions from natural gas power plants and industrial facilities, and how to optimize incentive structures and R&D programs.

California's LCFS is a credit-based trading mechanism aiming for a 20 percent reduction in the intensity of the state's transportation fuels by 2030. Since January 2019, it has included a CCS protocol. Recently trading at an average of USD194 per tonne of CO<sub>2</sub>, the credit applies to CCS projects that lower the emissions intensity of fuels in the California market. DACCS projects anywhere in the world are included, in recognition of the fact that CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in the atmosphere is a transnational problem.

State-level action in the US has been plentiful. After California – historically regarded as the gold standard of climate policy – passed its zero-carbon electricity mandate and carbon-neutrality by 2050 goal, other states followed. Six states<sup>33</sup> now have 100 per cent carbon-free energy goals in their electricity markets. States like Montana, Louisiana, Texas, and North Dakota provide tax incentives for CCS deployment, while others like Wyoming, are aiming to substantially progress CCS.

The US, which leads the world in progressing CCS and looks set to continue in first place, has excellent opportunities for demonstrating the versatility of CCS applications in both power and in industry:

1. The power sector accounts for 28 per cent of the US's greenhouse gas emissions<sup>34</sup>. About half of total new generation capacity between now and 2050 will likely come from unabated fossil-fired power<sup>35</sup>. These assets, expected to operate over a lifetime of more than 30 years are risking to lock-in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions through mid-century. Gas fleets are also young and growing, and retiring nuclear, which provides more than 60 per cent<sup>36</sup> of carbon free power, will probably be replaced only partially by zero-carbon resources. An analysis of 45Q has shown that it could spur retrofits of coal and natural gas power plants; capturing 49 Mtpa<sup>37</sup> by 2030. CCS solutions in the United States will provide a blueprint for many other countries to follow. In 2019, the Institute added four power plant retrofits to our Institute database (CO2RE.CO).
2. The US industrial sector accounts for another 22 per cent of total emissions. Some of these emissions stem from sources such as ethanol or ammonia production, or natural gas processing, where CO<sub>2</sub> capture is at the low end of the cost scale<sup>38</sup>. These facilities could be ideal targets for low-cost CCS commercialisation and technology optimisation. Cement and steel production are also large CO<sub>2</sub> emitters, and represent further opportunities.

TYPE OF CO <sub>2</sub> STORAGE/USE	MINIMUM SIZE OF ELIGIBLE CARBON CAPTURE PLANT BY SIZE (ktCO <sub>2</sub> /YR)			RELEVANT LEVEL OF TAX CREDIT GIVEN IN OPERATIONAL YEAR (USD/tCO <sub>2</sub> )										
	POWER PLANT	OTHER INDUSTRIAL FACILITY	DIRECT AIR CAPTURE	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	LATER	
DEDICATED GEOLOGICAL STORAGE	500	100	100	28	31	34	36	39	42	45	47	50		
STORAGE VIA EOR	500	100	100	17	19	22	24	26	28	31	33	35	INDEX LINKED	
OTHER UTILISATION PROCESSES*	25	25	25	17	19	22	24	26	28	31	33	35		

\*Each CO<sub>2</sub> source cannot be greater than 500 ktCO<sub>2</sub>/yr. Any credit will only apply to the portion of the converted CO<sub>2</sub> that can be shown to reduce overall emissions.

FIGURE 15 45Q TAX CREDIT<sup>39</sup>

4.0 Regional Overviews

4.2 Americas

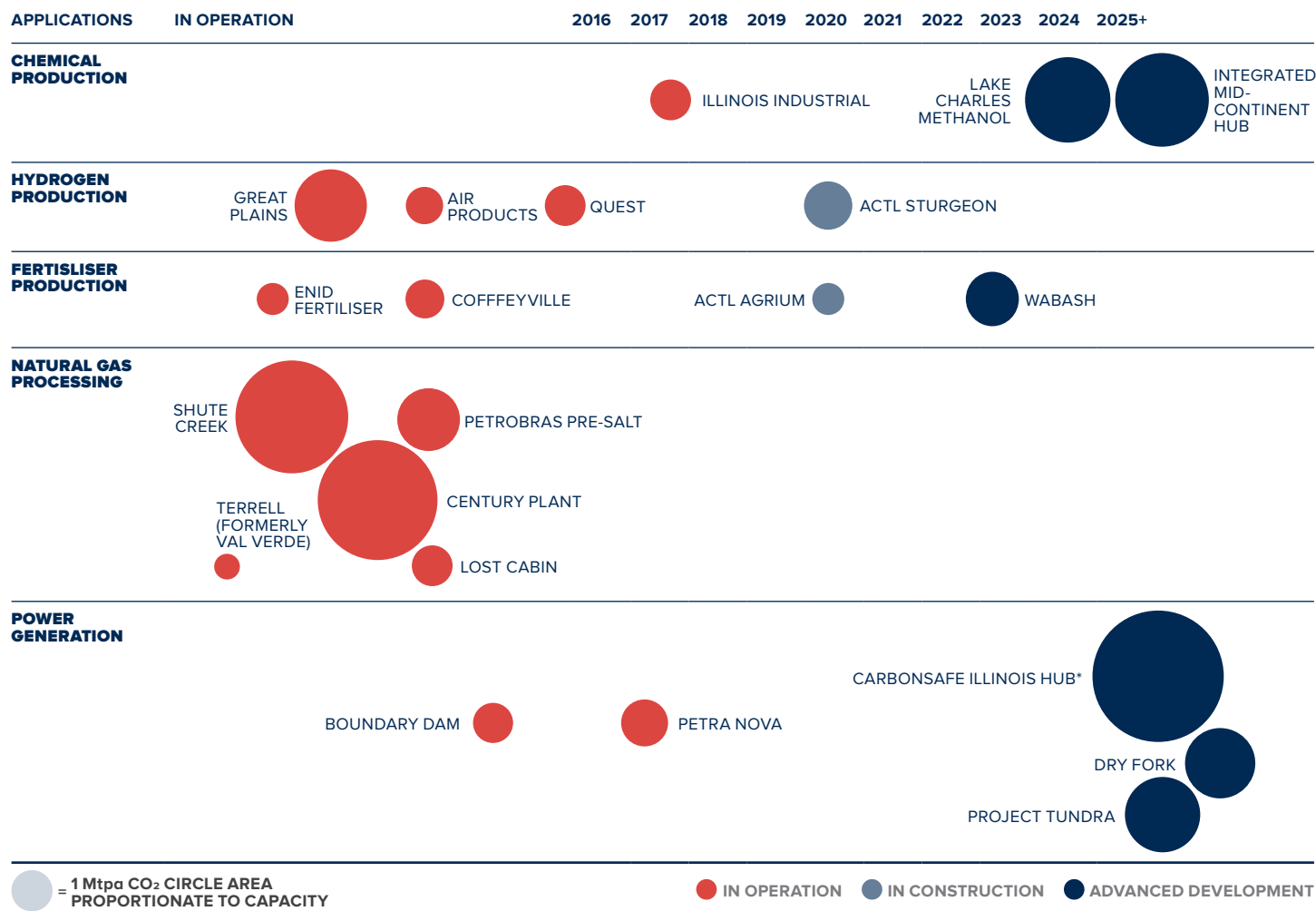


FIGURE 16 APPLICATIONS OF CCS FACILITIES: AMERICAS

\*Size of the circle is proportional to the capture capacity of the facility. Indicates the primary industry type of the facility among various options.

CANADA, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

Interest in accelerating CCS deployment remains strong across the Americas:

- Canada's Government joined the ranks of BHP, Occidental Petroleum and Chevron through investing \$25 million in the Canadian Direct Air Capture (DAC) company Carbon Engineering through Canada's Strategic Innovation Fund.
- In Brazil, the Petrobras Santos Basin Pre-Salt Oil Field CCS has been separating CO<sub>2</sub> onsite as part of natural gas processing since 2013 and is now storing 3 Mtpa. The captured CO<sub>2</sub> is injected direct into the Lula, Sapinhoá and Lapa oil fields for enhanced oil recovery. Stakeholders are keen to speed up CCS use; mainly in coal and natural gas power plants, but also in the ethanol sector.
- With funding from the World Bank CCS Trust Fund, two CCS pilot projects are progressing in Mexico. The CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Pilot Project (CCPP) and the CO<sub>2</sub> EOR and Storage Pilot Project (CESP). Significant planning and scoping have been completed and the projects are expected to proceed in early 2020.

The potential convergence of industry, transport and energy policies under the umbrella of comprehensive climate action, is driving government initiatives and policy innovation that supports CCS. The focus must now be on these policies, and their ability to deliver steel in the ground.



Above: Petra Nova Carbon Capture, United States of America; right: Quest Facility, Canada. Photo courtesy of Shell.

	DIRECT AIR CAPTURE PROJECTS	CCS AT OIL & GAS PRODUCTION FACILITIES	CCS AT REFINERIES PROJECTS	ALL OTHER CCS PROJECTS (E.G. CCS WITH ETHANOL)
LOCATION OF CCS PROJECT	Anywhere in the world	Anywhere, provided they sell the transportation fuel in California	Anywhere, provided they sell the transportation fuel in California	Anywhere, provided they sell the transportation fuel in California
STORAGE SITE	Onshore saline or depleted oil and gas reservoirs, or oil and gas reservoirs used for CO <sub>2</sub> EOR			
CREDIT METHOD	Project-based	Project-based under the Innovative Crude Provision	Project-based under the Refinery Investment Credit Program	Project-based or fuel pathway
EARLIEST DATE WHICH EXISTING PROJECTS ELIGIBLE	Any	2010	2016	Any
REQUIREMENTS	Project must meet requirements specified in the CCS protocol			
ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS	None	Must achieve minimum CI or emission reduction	None	None

FIGURE 17 DIFFERENT TYPES OF CCS PROJECTS THAT CAN QUALIFY TO GENERATE CREDITS UNDER THE CALIFORNIAN LOW CARBON FUEL STANDARD<sup>40</sup>

CCS Ambassador

NEWTON B. JONES

President, International Brotherhood of Boilermakers



**“[CCUS] IS THE ONLY SOLUTION THAT CAN TRULY MITIGATE CLIMATE CHANGE AND PROVIDE RELIABLE ENERGY PRODUCTION THROUGH A REALISTIC MIX OF RENEWABLES AND NATURAL RESOURCES.”**

CCUS is the global answer to climate change. It is the only solution that can truly mitigate climate change and provide reliable energy production through a realistic mix of renewables and natural resources—all while preserving and creating jobs, economic growth and social stability.

While CCUS is finally gaining limited awareness, we're not yet scratching the surface on the volume of mainstream attention needed to scale up support from legislators who can ensure government policies and incentives are in place to expedite industry CCUS investments.

The urgency to bring viable CCUS projects to life is now, and the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers is fully committed to raising our collective voices to advocate for CCUS as the bridge to a cleaner energy future and the right solution to save our way of life and our planet.



## 4.3 EUROPE

### CCS FACILITIES IN EUROPE

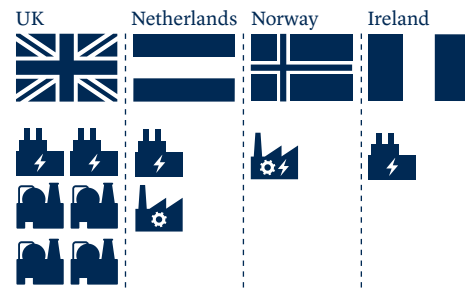
2 large scale CCS facilities in operation in Norway, capturing and storing 1.7 million tonnes per annum of CO<sub>2</sub>.

**1.7 Mtpa of CO<sub>2</sub>**

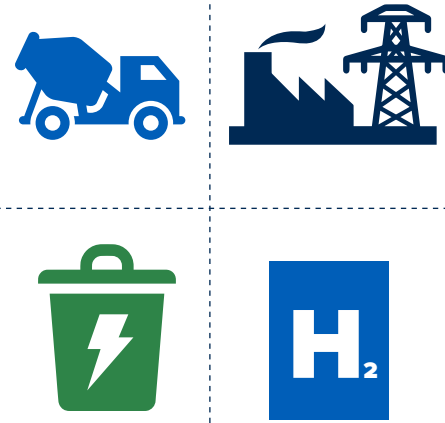


10 large scale CCS facilities in various stages of development (6 in the UK, 2 in the Netherlands, 1 in Norway, 1 Ireland). When operational, these facilities will capture:

**20.8 Mtpa of CO<sub>2</sub>**



CCS facilities in operation and development across cement, power generation, waste-to-energy and hydrogen production.



### STORAGE

Europe has over 300 gigatonnes (Gt) of CO<sub>2</sub> geological storage space available.\*

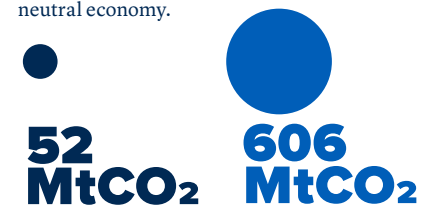


### POLICY

CCS is one of the seven building blocks in the European Commission's vision for a climate neutral Europe by 2050.



CCS contribution in strategy ranges from 52 to 606 MtCO<sub>2</sub> per year in 2050—a strong case for CCS in supporting Europe's path to a climate neutral economy.



### FINANCE

The Innovation Fund; largest fund available for financing CCS in Europe - 10 billion euros are hoped to be made available\*\*

**€10B**

EU taxonomy for sustainable investments can play an important role to advance CCS.



### HUBS AND CLUSTERS

Most CCS projects in Europe are now planned as hubs and clusters.



Capturing CO<sub>2</sub> from clusters of industrial installations, instead of single sources, and using shared infrastructure for the subsequent CO<sub>2</sub> transportation and storage network, will drive down unit costs across the CCS value chain.



\*High confidence  
\*\*Based on a €22 carbon price when 450 million EU Emission Trading System allowances are auctioned in 2020-30

In November 2018, the European Commission (EC) published its vision for a climate neutral Europe by 2050 in "A Clean Planet for all - A European strategic long-term vision for a prosperous, modern, competitive and climate neutral economy<sup>41</sup>." CCS is one of seven building blocks in the strategy, and in the various scenarios put forward, its contribution ranges from 52 to 606 MtCO<sub>2</sub> per year in 2050—a strong case for CCS in supporting Europe's path to a climate neutral economy. The strategy's scenarios rely on CCS mainly for industrial decarbonisation, delivering negative emissions through BECCS and producing low-carbon hydrogen.

Discussion around Europe's 2050 target has shifted from "if" to "how" climate neutrality will be delivered. This change has sparked renewed interest in CCS as one emission reduction technology needed in a portfolio of climate solutions. The EU's long-term strategy should be adopted in the coming months, before it is submitted to the UNFCCC in early 2020 as requested under the Paris Agreement.

Under the Governance of the Energy Union Regulation, EU Member States developed their draft National Energy and Climate Plans (NECPs) for 2021-2030. Each country took a close look at their energy and climate targets together, breaking down silos and mapping their pathway to meet the 2030 targets. While CCS is reflected in many NECPs, details about how, and on what scale, these technologies will be deployed, are often not provided. The final versions of NECPs, due by the end of 2019, should reflect all ongoing and/or planned activities, as well as highlighting where CCS ought to be used because of its strong potential to deliver emission reductions.

The latest EU ETS review, finalised in 2018, strengthened the Market Stability Reserve (the mechanism to reduce the surplus of emission allowances) and increased the pace of emissions cuts. The overall number of emission allowances will decline at an annual rate of 2.2

per cent from 2021 onwards, compared to 1.74 per cent currently. This review has delivered a stronger carbon price, which has been fluctuating around 25 EUR for most of 2019. Another element added during the 2018 revision, setting up the 10-billion EUR Innovation Fund, has been progressing well and several CCS projects will be ready to tap into its resources.

Aside from climate and energy policy, there is a major development in the field of sustainable finance in Europe, which can help direct financial flows towards wider deployment of CCS. The EU taxonomy for sustainable investments<sup>42</sup>, currently being negotiated between the Council of the EU, the European Parliament and the EC, will create a common language for all actors in the financial system, steering public and private capital toward sustainable investments. The technical report on EU Taxonomy<sup>43</sup> sets technical screening criteria for activities that can make an important contribution to climate change mitigation. CCS is highlighted under several activities. If the technical criteria and the outcome of political negotiations follows the current path, the taxonomy can become a strong driver for institutional investment in CCS across the EU and, potentially, globally.

Norway, United Kingdom and the Netherlands are already strong supporters of CCS, and the number of countries showing interest in these technologies continues to increase. Most notably, Germany is talking about CCS again with Chancellor Angela Merkel confirming in May 2019 that Germany must reach climate neutrality by mid-century. Three CCS facilities currently in development - Net Zero Teesside, UK; Port of Rotterdam (PORTHOS), Netherlands; and ATHOS (Belgium/Netherlands) - consider Germany to be one of their CO<sub>2</sub> sources in future expansion phases of their projects<sup>44</sup>.

### INNOVATION FUND

The Innovation Fund is the largest fund available for financing CCS in Europe. It finances innovative low-carbon technologies and processes in energy intensive industries, CCUS, renewable energy and energy storage projects. Ten billion euros are hoped to be made available, based on a €22 carbon price when 450 million EU ETS allowances are auctioned in 2020-30.

Innovation Fund grants can be combined with other funding sources; for example, with EU instruments like Horizon Europe or Connecting Europe Facility, with national programmes, or with private capital.

Up to 40 per cent of grant payments will be given in the project preparation phase, based on pre-defined milestones. The remaining 60 per cent, linked to innovation, are based on verified emissions avoidance outcomes and can continue for up to 10 years. The fund's simplicity, flexibility, increased synergies and streamlined governance are a result of lessons learned from its predecessor, NER300 programme.

The first call for proposals will be made in 2020, with regular calls expected thereafter. Several planned CCS facilities are already well positioned to submit proposals.

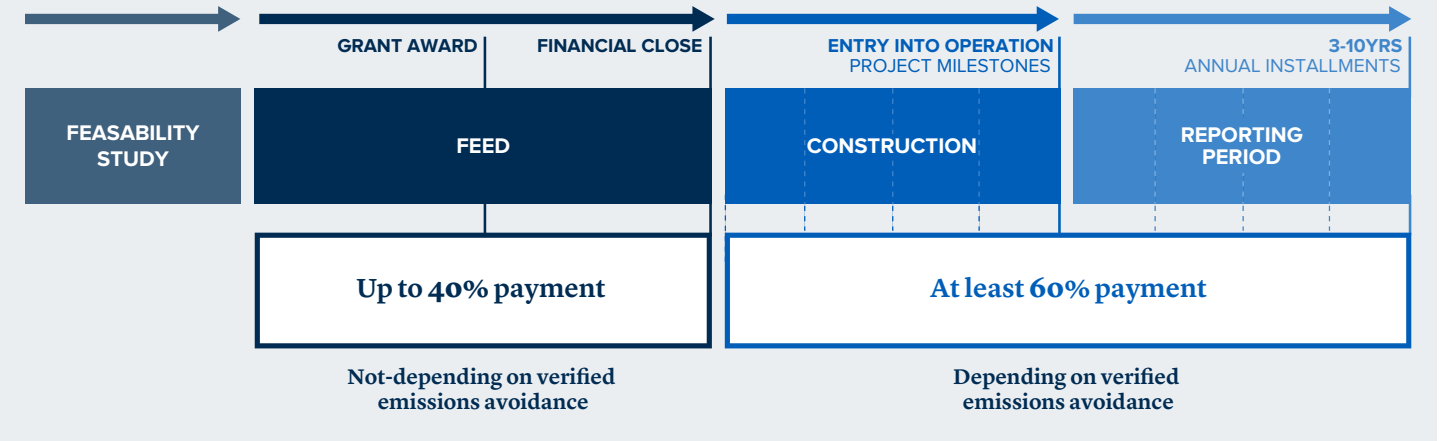


FIGURE 18 DISBURSEMENTS BASED ON MILESTONES<sup>45</sup>

Beyond the two operating projects in Norway, the full-scale project in Norway and Porthos in the Netherlands are the most advanced European CCS projects under development. Both are expected to reach final investment decision in 2020-21 and could operate as soon as 2023-24. They offer open access transport and storage infrastructure and, in the last year, had discussions with regional emitters with an interest to use this shared infrastructure. Third party CO<sub>2</sub> storage is an increasingly attractive business opportunity.

Other European projects are in varying stages of development:

- In October, the ATHOS project – a consortium of Gasunie, Energie Beheer Nederland B.V. (EBN), Port of Amsterdam and Tata Steel – finalised their feasibility study in the North Sea canal area. They showed that a CCUS network is technically feasible and that it could help companies in the area reduce their emissions by 7.5 MtCO<sub>2</sub> per year by 2030.
- The UK's Teesside cluster gained the support of OGCI Climate Investments. A commercial scale gas-powered power plant equipped with CCS, it is expected to be the anchor project for the cluster, now named Net Zero Teesside.
- Pilot testing of C-Capture's amine free capture technology was performed at the UK's largest 3.8GW power station, Drax<sup>46</sup>. By capturing emissions from biomass combustion, this important project could deliver negative emissions at scale. Drax, Equinor and National Grid Ventures announced in May 2019 that they plan to develop a net zero CCS and hydrogen cluster in the surrounding Humber region, called Zero Carbon Humber.

Existing and developing European projects rely on offshore CO<sub>2</sub> storage, avoiding public opposition to onshore storage. Several plan to re-use oil and gas infrastructure; improving project economics and utilising well understood geological features. The Ervia Cork CCS project in Ireland, for example, is expected to use the depleted Kinsale area offshore gas fields and infrastructure to store CO<sub>2</sub> produced by two combined cycle gas turbines and nearby industry.

Hydrogen is playing an increasingly important role in the strategies of European countries who want to decarbonise key sectors like transport, industrial processes and domestic heat. Several CCS projects incorporate the production of hydrogen through steam methane reforming of natural gas, while capturing and storing the associated CO<sub>2</sub>. The Acorn CCS and hydrogen project at the St Fergus Gas terminal in Scotland is a notable initiative. Around 35 per cent of all UK natural gas comes onshore at St Fergus, providing an ideal location for blending hydrogen into the national grid and decarbonising natural gas<sup>47</sup>.



Sleipner field drone 2019, Norway. Photo courtesy of Equinor.

### HUBS AND CLUSTERS IN EUROPE<sup>48</sup>

The way CCS projects are planned in Europe has changed considerably during the last decade. The focus used to be on building full chain solutions where one source of emissions would build their own transportation pipeline to their storage site. Now, most projects are planned as hubs and clusters.

Capturing CO<sub>2</sub> from clusters of industrial installations, instead of single sources, and using shared infrastructure for the subsequent CO<sub>2</sub> transportation and storage network, will drive down unit costs across the CCS value chain. Keeping a network open for third party CO<sub>2</sub> deliveries, increases economies of scale. Using a mix of transportation including pipelines and ships – but also trains and trucks – offers flexibility and accessibility to a wider range of CO<sub>2</sub> sources around the industrial clusters. Several major industrial regions are planning CCS cluster development:

- Netherlands – Port of Rotterdam and Port of Amsterdam
- Belgium – Port of Antwerp
- UK – Humber and Teesside.

The Ruhr industrial cluster in Germany is expected to benefit from the CCS projects developed across the border in the Netherlands.

A dedicated multi-partner ALIGN-CCUS project aims<sup>49</sup> to contribute to the transformation of six European industrial regions into economically robust, low-carbon centres by 2025. The project will create blueprints for developing low-emission industry clusters through CCUS and assess commercial models for CO<sub>2</sub> cluster developments, including public-private partnerships.

The regulatory barrier of non-pipeline CO<sub>2</sub> transport under EU ETS will need to be addressed in the next couple of years for Europe to fully benefit from the economies of scale offered by hubs and clusters (see section 3.4 for more information).



Port of Rotterdam, Netherlands. Photo courtesy of The Port of Rotterdam Authority.

### NORWAY CONTINUES TO ADVANCE ITS EUROPEAN CCS AMBITION

A leading country in CCS development globally, Norway has geologically stored more than 20Mt of CO<sub>2</sub> in the past 20 years. The Sleipner and Snøhvit projects were the first in the world to store CO<sub>2</sub> offshore and are the only operational large scale CCS facilities in Europe.

A planned full scale CCS project will involve capturing CO<sub>2</sub> at multiple industrial facilities, then transporting it for storage. Operated by Equinor with partners Shell and Total, the facility will uniquely use ship-based transport, thus enabling the storage of CO<sub>2</sub> for major sources across North West Europe. The transport and storage element of the project – Northern Lights – will be open access infrastructure.

The initial Norwegian sources of CO<sub>2</sub> – Fortum's Oslo Varme waste-to-energy plant and Heidelberg Cement's Norcem cement plant in Brevik – have performed FEED studies and site testing. A drilling campaign will start soon to study the suitability and capacity of the Johansen formation in the Norwegian Continental Shelf for storing CO<sub>2</sub>.

Based on its experience with CCS, the Norwegian Government hopes to use this project as the catalyst for wider deployment of CCS in Europe. The use of sea-based transport means industry across Western Europe can also store and transport their CO<sub>2</sub> through Northern Lights.

In September, the Norwegian Government hosted a high-level CCS conference in Oslo, together with the European Commission. During the event Equinor, on behalf of the Northern Lights partners, signed agreements to develop value chains in CCUS with:

- Air Liquide
- ArcelorMittal
- Ervia
- Fortum Oyj
- HeidelbergCement AG
- Preem
- Stockholm Exergi

The parties will cooperate on CO<sub>2</sub> handling and transport to Northern Lights.

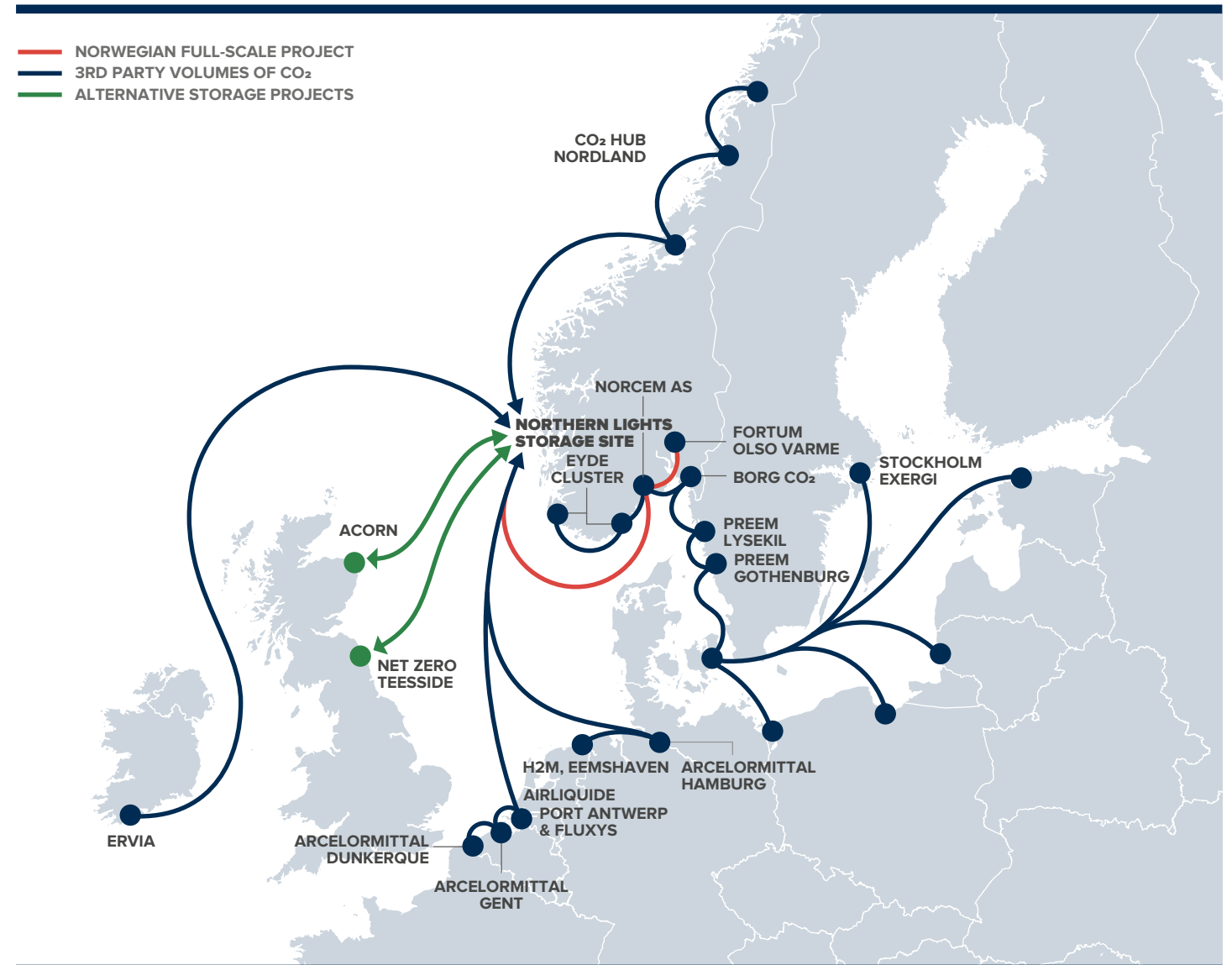


FIGURE 19 POTENTIAL SOURCES OF CO<sub>2</sub> FOR NORTHERN LIGHTS<sup>50</sup>



**CCS DEVELOPMENTS IN THE UK**

In November 2018, the UK Government released “UK Carbon Capture Usage and Storage Deployment Pathway: An Action Plan”. This year, following the UK Committee on Climate Change’s recommendations, the UK legislated a net zero target by 2050. The value of CCS was highlighted in the ‘Net Zero’ report, where the Committee on Climate Change describes the technology as “a necessity, not an option”.

The UK is working towards meeting the goals set out in its Action Plan and is on track to achieve its aspiration of deploying the UK’s first CCUS facility from the mid-2020s:

- In March a CCUS Advisory Group was established, drawing on experts from the industry, finance and legal sectors to consider challenges facing CCUS in the UK. The Group’s work culminated in a report – “Investment Frameworks for Development of CCUS in the UK”.
- A government consultation in July examined business models that could work for CCUS. The proposed models use different mechanisms to support capture from power, industry and hydrogen production separately, and transport and storage combined.
- Since many of the UK’S oil and gas assets are nearing the end of their economic lives, a second consultation looked at the potential to re-use their infrastructure. Infrastructure repurposing can defer decommissioning costs, while substantially reducing transport and storage costs. Several planned UK CCUS projects will take this option.

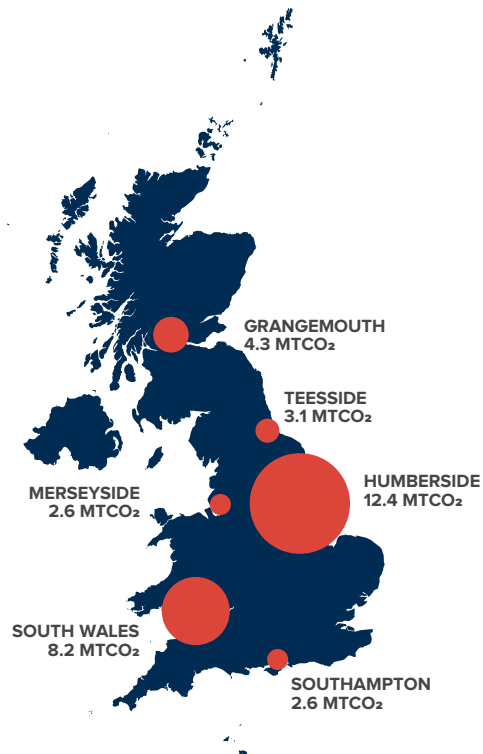
At the 2018 UN Climate Change Conference (COP 24) in Poland, the UK Government shared its world-leading ambition to develop the first ‘net-zero carbon’ cluster by 2040. Backed by up to £170m, the announcement is already stimulating UK clusters. Hydrogen production is a common feature:

- Net Zero Teesside plans to develop an industrial cluster in the North East of England. It is one of five global CCUS hubs supported by OGCI’s CCUS KickStarter initiative. Each year the cluster plans to capture up to 6 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> from a gas fired power plant and other industrial sources and could be fully operational by 2030.
- Zero Carbon Humber is a partnership to build a zero-carbon industrial cluster in England’s Humber region. Pilot testing for a BECCS project is underway at the UK’s largest power station, Drax, and there are plans for a hydrogen and CCS network in the surrounding area. Figure 21 shows the anticipated timeline for the project, culminating in over 10 Mtpa of CO<sub>2</sub> abated<sup>51</sup>.
- The Acorn project plans a major hydrogen and CCS hub at St Fergus in Scotland. Here, 35 per cent of all UK natural gas comes onshore, making it the ideal place to blend hydrogen directly into the grid. The project took a major step forward in late 2018 when it was awarded the first carbon dioxide appraisal and storage licence by the Oil and Gas Authority, the independent regulator and licensing authority for offshore carbon dioxide storage in the UK.

In parallel to these major projects, innovative UK companies continue to develop novel CCUS technologies. Two examples of success are:

- C-Capture has developed a non-amine based capture technology, now being tested at Drax.
- Carbon Clean Solutions was selected for the world’s largest cement-based carbon capture project in India, using its patented CDRMax technology.

With Scotland hosting COP 26, the year ahead is bound to be another where CCUS takes purposeful strides forward in the UK.



**FIGURE 20 UNITED KINGDOM INDUSTRIAL EMISSIONS HUBS AND CLUSTERS**



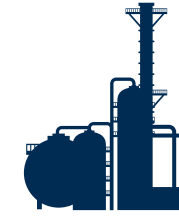
St Fergus Terminal, United Kingdom. Photo credit: North Sea Midstream Partners (NSMP).

**PHASE ONE: ANCHOR PROJECTS**



**2026**

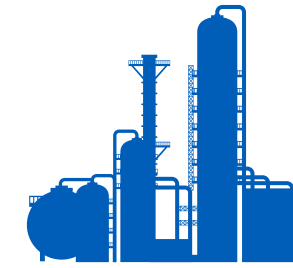
Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) demonstrator and test facility constructed in the Humber.



**2027**

Bioenergy carbon capture and storage (BECCS) technology installed on one Drax biomass unit.

**PHASE TWO: SCALE-UP OF BECCS & HYDROGEN**



**2028-35**

BECCS technology installed on all Drax biomass units, generating 16 million tonnes of negative emissions per year



**2028-40**

Hydrogen production scaled up to provide low carbon fuel to multiple industries across the region

**FIGURE 21 ZERO CARBON HUMBER PROJECT TIMELINE**

CCS Ambassador

**ALLARD CASTEILEIN**

CEO,  
Port of Rotterdam



**“BY 2030, WE EXPECT TO STORE BETWEEN TWO AND FIVE MILLION TONNES OF CO<sub>2</sub> EVERY YEAR.”**

In Rotterdam, work is being carried out on a unique CCS project. The concept of this project is based on a pipeline measuring approximately 30 km that runs through Rotterdam’s port and industrial area. This pipeline will serve as a basic infrastructure that a variety of industrial parties will be able to connect to in order to dispose of the CO<sub>2</sub> captured at their facilities. This CO<sub>2</sub> will be transported to an empty natural gas field 20-25 km off the coast under the North Sea. By 2030, we expect to store between two and five million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> every year.

Right now the planning is geared towards definitive agreements with a number of industries in Rotterdam in 2020. At the same time, the Dutch Government is developing a programme of subsidies to help level out the difference in costs between the EU ETS and CCS. The system is scheduled to be operational by the end of 2023, after which it will also be possible to connect CO<sub>2</sub> sources from outside Rotterdam. For instance from industry elsewhere in the Netherlands, Antwerp or the German Ruhr region.

This Rotterdam-based CCS project will serve two main objects: first, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions will be substantially reduced, and second, the investment climate in Rotterdam will be strengthened because companies will have the option of connecting to the CCS infrastructure.

## 4.4 MIDDLE EAST AND CENTRAL ASIA

### OVERVIEW

Capturing 1.6 Mtpa of CO<sub>2</sub>

Region has vast and accessible underground storage potential of 5-30 Gigatonnes\*

2 large scale CCS facilities in operation: 1 in iron and steel production and 1 in natural gas processing



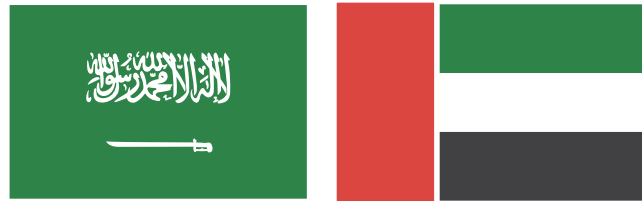
### HYDROGEN OPPORTUNITY

Low carbon hydrogen production, from natural gas with CCS, in the Middle East is estimated to cost only USD1.50/kg



### POLICY AND CCS MOVEMENT

Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates both members of Mission Innovation and the Clean Energy Ministerial.



Both countries have committed to doubling public investment in clean energy research and development and are participating in the Clean Energy Ministerial's CCUS initiative.



\*Medium confidence

### MIDDLE EAST

Natural gas demand is expected to continue to rise in the Middle East, driven by the growing industrial sector, power generation demands and the growing petrochemicals industry<sup>52</sup>. Countries in the region are increasingly aware of the need to decarbonise their oil and gas production and the importance of diversifying toward new energy economies. CCS can play an important role in the Middle East to support energy demand and the transition to cleaner energy sources. With vast and accessible underground CO<sub>2</sub> storage potential<sup>53</sup>, abundant cost-competitive gas resources<sup>54</sup> and hydrogen production facilities with excess capacity, the Middle East has potential to become a hub for CCS development and deployment. The region could also use its location and natural gas and pore space resources to develop a clean hydrogen export industry. Clean hydrogen production, from natural gas with CCS, in the Middle East is estimated to cost USD1.50/kg H<sub>2</sub><sup>55</sup>.

Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) lead this region's efforts, each hosting one large-scale CCS facility that is supported and operated by State Owned Enterprises. Abu Dhabi captures CO<sub>2</sub> from steel production and Uthmaniyah, Saudi Arabia from natural gas processing – both supply CO<sub>2</sub> for enhanced oil recovery.

Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) recently announced that it would be scaling up efforts to reduce its emissions 10 percent, by 2023. CCS will play a role<sup>56</sup>. In the next decade, ADNOC aims to scale-up CCS deployment six-fold, capturing five million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> by 2030. Emissions will be captured from either the Habshan-Bab complex, or the Shah plant<sup>57</sup>.

In October 2019, Qatar, now the second's largest exporter of LNG<sup>58</sup>, announced that it aims to capture and store five million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> from LNG facilities by 2025<sup>59</sup>. Qatar Petroleum has announced a facility at the industrial hub Ras Laffan with the potential to capture and store 2.1 million tonnes per annum, which could become the largest CCS facility in the Middle East and North Africa region<sup>60</sup>. The captured CO<sub>2</sub> will be used for EOR.

Saudi Arabia and the UAE are members of Mission Innovation and the Clean Energy Ministerial. The two nations have each committed to doubling public investment in clean energy research and development and are participating in the Clean Energy Ministerial's CCUS initiative.

### CENTRAL ASIA

In Central Asia, a growing population, rising living standards and urbanisation are creating rapidly increasing energy demands. These are largely met via abundant and inexpensive fossil fuel reserves. For many countries, such as Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan, energy production is a central part of the economy and they rely heavily on fossil fuel. Home to some of the most energy intensive economies in the world, decarbonising this region's energy system will be key to achieving global climate targets.

For several countries in the region, CCS could play a role in supporting efforts to decarbonise energy sources. In Kazakhstan for example coal, oil and gas contribute 98 per cent of the country's primary energy supply<sup>61</sup>. The country is interested in CCS, given its significant coal reserves and dependence on mining. Natural resources company, Eurasian Resources Group (ERG) is currently exploring how to use CCS to reduce emissions from its fossil fuel power generation fleet. Initial investigations are focused on the feasibility of retrofitting a coal fired power plant with a 2Mtpa CCS facility. If successful, ERG will construct and operate a pilot capture plant.

### CENTRAL ASIA

Rapidly increasing energy demands being driven by growing population, rising living standards and urbanisation that is largely met by fossil fuels.



Decarbonising the region's energy system is key to achieving global climate targets. CCS has a role to play.



**In the next decade, Abu Dhabi National Oil Company aims to scale-up CCS deployment six-fold, capturing five million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> by 2030.**



## 4.5 ASIA PACIFIC

### EMISSIONS PROFILE

Asia Pacific region is the source of just over **50%** of the world's total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions which is driven by fossil fuel reliance.



In 2017, Asia Pacific region was responsible for **72%** of the world's coal consumption.



Led by China and India, Asia Pacific economies also produce **more than half of the world's most emissions-intensive products**, such as steel and cement.

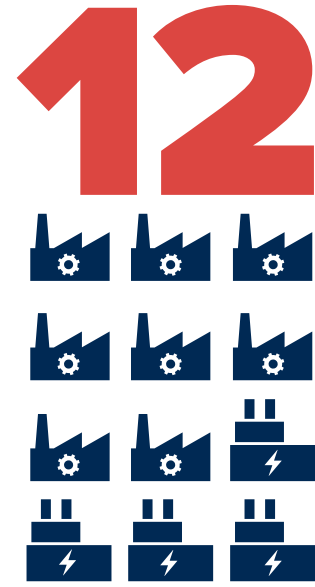


Currently **352 GW** of coal fired power plants under construction or in planning.



### CCS

Region has **12 large-scale facilities either operating or in various stages of development.**



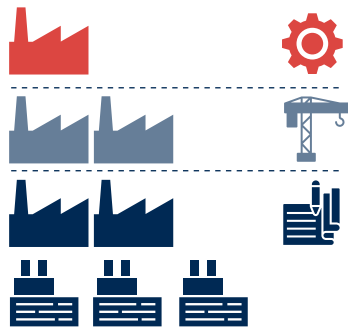
### CHINA

China contributes almost **one third of the world's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.**

China leads CCS activity across the Asia Pacific.



**1 large-scale facility in operation, 2 in construction and 5 in early development.**



### INDIA

In 2018, India's emissions rose by **4.8 per cent.**

**2018 4.8%**



IEA estimates that, by 2060, India will account for **20 per cent of global industrial CO<sub>2</sub> emissions being captured and stored.**

**2060 20%**



### AUSTRALIA

2019 commencement of the world's 19th large-scale CCS project, a first for Australia.

**WORLD'S 19TH LARGE-SCALE CCS PROJECT**  
**3.4-4 Mtpa**

When fully operational, Gorgon will be the world's largest dedicated geological storage facility.



### JAPAN

**5 pilot and demonstration CCS facilities.**



Policy: **ambition to become the world's leading emission free hydrogen society** and views CCS as a necessary part of achieving this.



The Asia Pacific region is the source of just over half of the world's total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. This heavy emissions profile is driven by large, rapidly growing and developing economies which rely on fossil fuels for power generation. Many countries, particularly those across South East Asia, have young fleets of fossil fuel power stations with decades of economic life, and are planning more. There are 352 GW of coal fired power plants under construction or in planning for the near-future.

In 2017, the Asia Pacific was responsible for 72 per cent of the world's coal consumption<sup>62</sup>. China made up nearly half of this; followed by South East Asia, Korea and Japan. Increasing coal power generation in Indonesia, Bangladesh, Philippines and Vietnam is driving future forecast demand.

Switching from coal to gas for industrial and residential uses, particularly in China, has increased demand for liquefied natural gas<sup>63</sup>. It is predicted to account for almost 60 per cent of total global energy consumption by 2024<sup>64</sup>. Led by China and India, Asia Pacific economies also produce more than half of the world's most emissions-intensive products, such as steel<sup>65</sup> and cement<sup>66</sup>.

These challenges – combined with inertia around developing low-carbon policy mechanisms and lack of legal and regulatory regimes to incentivise CCS investment – could create the assumption that there is little room for CCS technologies. But, with air pollution on the rise, CCS deployment cannot happen soon enough. Encouragingly, in the past year, the Asia Pacific has continued to strengthen its position as one of the most active CCS regions in the world, with 12 large-scale facilities either operating or in various stages of development<sup>67</sup>.

### CHINA

China leads CCS activity across the Asia Pacific with one large-scale facility in operation, two in construction and five in early development. China also contributes almost one third of the world's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and has the most urgent requirement to reduce them.

Following the 2018 restructure, the Chinese Government focused on a more coordinated approach to general environmental management, combining emissions reductions with air pollutant controls, to stimulate new industries and jobs. Their new National CCUS Professional Committee will provide government with direct support and advice on relevant industrial standards and policy-making, striving to enhance international cooperation on CCS.

In May 2019, the latest Roadmap for CCUS in China was published. It clarified the strategic position of CCUS and proposed mid to long-term targets and priorities for achieving low carbon transition through affordable, feasible and reliable CCUS technologies.

The Institute expects that these significant policy commitments to cut emissions and advance low carbon technologies will advance the deployment of CCS.

### INDIA

In 2018, India's emissions rose by 4.8 per cent, alongside a sharp increase in energy demand and a five per cent growth in demand for coal<sup>68</sup>. It has the world's third largest coal fleet<sup>69</sup>, with an average plant age of 16 years<sup>70</sup> and growing infrastructure demands which draw on energy intensive materials like steel and cement, of which India is the world's second largest global producer. Importantly, in its clean technology scenario, the IEA estimates that, by 2060, India will account for 20 per cent of global industrial CO<sub>2</sub> emissions capture and storage<sup>71</sup>. CCS can underpin a meaningful energy transition for this region, offering rapid decarbonisation for clean and sustainable economic development.

Indian company Dalmia Cement has committed to becoming carbon negative by 2040 and sees CCU as one of the solutions it needs to get there. In September 2019, the company announced plans for a large scale 0.5 Mtpa carbon capture facility in Tamil Nadu, in partnership with Carbon Clean Solutions who will provide the plant's technology. Dalmia is looking for multiple utilisation streams from the carbon capture plant.

### JAPAN

The Japanese Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) and Ministry of the Environment (MOE) continue to drive Japan's comprehensive CCS program. This program is multi-dimensional, addressing the full CCS value chain from the development, and demonstration of capture technologies, investigating effective regulatory models, exploring policy options for commercial deployment, identifying and characterizing storage reservoirs and CO<sub>2</sub> transport options, and understanding CCS business models. In June, the Japanese Government submitted its Long-Term Strategy under the Paris Agreement, to the UNFCCC. The strategy identifies CCS alongside other emission-reduction technologies, to deliver deep emission reductions to power generation and industrial processes including the production of clean hydrogen, and states the Government of Japan's intention to collaborate with the private sector and other governments on a range of initiatives designed to reduce barriers to CCS deployment.

The Hydrogen Energy Supply Chain project (HESC) is a significant example of Japanese government collaboration with the private sector and other governments to commercialise CCS. This project being developed by Kawasaki Heavy Industries (KHI), Electric Power Development Co. (J-Power), Iwatani Corporation, Marubeni Corporation, Sumitomo Corporation and AGL, with the support of the Governments of Japan, Australia and the State of Victoria, will demonstrate the production of hydrogen from coal in the Latrobe Valley of Victoria and the transport of hydrogen by ship from Australia to Japan. Construction of the gasifier commenced in November 2019 and first hydrogen production is expected by 2021. If this pilot is successful, an investment decision to construct a commercial scale clean hydrogen production facility with CCS in the Latrobe Valley, to supply Japan could be made in the mid 2020s.



Osaki CoolGen facility, Japan.

Other 2019 updates for CCS in Japan:

- With ongoing support from Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, CCS Co. Ltd's Tomakomai CCS facility, remains Asia's first full-cycle CCS hydrogen plant. In 2019, it reached a capture milestone of 300,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>, and continued intensive monitoring of storages.
- Construction continued at Toshiba Corporation's 49MW Mikawa power plant in the Fukuoka Prefecture for biomass (and coal) with carbon capture. Completion is expected in early 2020.
- A new CO<sub>2</sub> capture plant was established in August 2019, continuing progress at the Osaki CoolGen facility in the Hiroshima Prefecture. The JPOWER and Chugoku Electric Power Company's 166 MW oxygen-blown integrated gasification combined cycle (IGCC) facility will separate and capture CO<sub>2</sub> from the end of 2019. Solid oxide fuel cells will make up stage three.
- Toshiba's carbon capture and utilisation system at the Saga City Waste Incineration Plant continued operating, using captured CO<sub>2</sub> for algae culture.

## AUSTRALIA

If Australia is to contribute to global emissions reduction goals at the lowest possible cost, CCS is essential. It can also help decarbonise energy-intensive industries that depend on fossil fuels, enabling just transitions for many regional communities who rely on mining for economic and social sustainability. Australia is in a good position to embrace CCS, with a well-developed legal and regulatory framework, and moderate to high confidence that over 400Gt of geological storage capacity is available nationally.

In 2019:

- Gorgon commenced in August – the world's nineteenth large-scale CCS project and Australia's first. When fully operational, CO<sub>2</sub> injection at this natural gas processing facility will lead to CO<sub>2</sub> storage of around 3.4-4 Mtpa. It will be the world's largest dedicated geological storage facility.
- Momentum continued around the Hydrogen Energy Supply Chain (HESC) pilot project in the LaTrobe Valley. Construction of the pilot brown coal gasification plant, which will produce hydrogen, commenced in late 2019.
- Victoria's CarbonNet project continued to consider the potential for establishing a commercial scale CCS transport and CO<sub>2</sub> storage network. It included field investigation activities such as geophysical and geotechnical surveys.
- Advanced research by the CO<sub>2</sub>CRC continued, with stage three project work beginning at the Otway National CCS Research Facility.

The IEA's 2018 *Review of Australia's Energy Policies* stated that: "Australia is well placed to demonstrate cutting-edge technologies, including concentrated solar power, battery storage and carbon capture and storage."<sup>72</sup> The IEA urged Commonwealth and State Governments to step up support for technology R&D and commercialisation, including through the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA) and the Clean Energy Finance Corporation (CEFC).

To fully realise the opportunities offered by CCS, Australia will need a dedicated and expanded focus on creating supportive policy and addressing legal and regulatory barriers to deployment, across both State and Federal jurisdictions.

## CCS IN NEW ZEALAND: PROJECT POUAKAI

Project Pouakai is a clean power generation and clean hydrogen, ammonia and synthetic nitrogen fertiliser production complex, currently being established in New Zealand's Taranaki Region. It draws on exciting new technological developments that enable economical production of electricity and hydrogen, with full carbon capture. It could also produce enough urea to meet the needs of the whole New Zealand agriculture sector, and more.

Owned by 8Rivers, a US based infrastructure technology firm, the project is being developed by Pouakai NZ Limited Partnership ("Pouakai LP"), it is expected to come online by 2024. Once operational, the Pouakai facility will produce approximately 600 tonnes of zero-emissions hydrogen per day. It is expected to use, in one cohesive natural gas-fed facility, three process technologies:

- NET Power's Allam Cycle (see page 64) electricity generation.
- 8Rivers' 8RH2 hydrogen production technology.
- ammonia synthesis and synthetic nitrogen fertiliser production train consuming internally-produced feedstocks, all sharing a common air separation unit.

8Rivers has been developing Allam Cycle technology since 2008, including raising development capital through NET Power from Exelon, McDermott and Occidental Petroleum and NP. A successful 50MW reference plant exists in La Porte, near Houston, Texas. In combination with 8RH2 technology, it's expected to cut feedstock (hydrogen, power and nitrogen) input costs in ammonia and synthetic nitrogen-fertiliser production.

Project Pouakai will have a process approximately 25 per cent more efficient than leading fertiliser plants globally, while enabling high-efficiency baseload and peak power generation.

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The government of Japan approved "the Long-Term Strategy under Paris Agreement" at a cabinet meeting in June 2019. The Strategy holds a long-term vision of reducing GHG emissions by 80 per cent by 2050, proclaiming "a decarbonized society" as its ultimate goal, and aiming to accomplish it as early as possible in the second half of this century. Under this long-term vision, CCS is regarded as a technology contributing to substantial GHG emission reductions in the future.

So far, Japan has been working on a large-scale demonstration test at Tomakomai, Hokkaido, research and development on CO<sub>2</sub> separation and safety management technologies, and a study of suitable storage sites, aiming for the practical application of the CCS technology around 2020. Especially, the demonstration project at Tomakomai, which draws global attention, achieved the accumulative CO<sub>2</sub> injection amount of 280,000 ton as of the end of September 2019, having made successful progress in coordination with local stakeholders.

Meanwhile, in order to realize the future societal implementation of CCS in Japan, further reduction of CCS costs and availability of transportation from distant CO<sub>2</sub> sources to suitable storage sites with enough potential are issues needing to be addressed. Social acceptance of CCS needs to be ensured as well. Efforts are needed to proceed with the full chain of economic and safe separation and capture, transportation, and storage, under appropriate division of roles between the government and the private sector.

Looking at efforts in other countries, "the Long-Term Strategy under Paris Agreement" promotes to "seek international collaboration on research and development, demonstration, standardization and further rulemaking." Participating in the CEM CCUS Initiative and the IEA CCUS Summit among others so far, Japan has been actively promoting efforts for further deployment of CCUS, while supporting overseas operations of its private companies under bilateral cooperation with countries such as the US, Indonesia, and Saudi Arabia. Japan continues to seek for such multilateral and bilateral cooperation.

As a technology that is capable of reducing substantial CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, it is important not only for Japan but also for the entire world to put CCS into practical use and realize its commercialisation. I would like to extend my respect to activities of the Global CCS Institute, which is working to promote the worldwide deployment of CCS.

**"AS A TECHNOLOGY THAT IS CAPABLE OF REDUCING SUBSTANTIAL CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS, IT IS IMPORTANT NOT ONLY FOR JAPAN BUT ALSO FOR THE ENTIRE WORLD TO PUT CCS INTO PRACTICAL USE AND REALIZE ITS COMMERCIALISATION."**

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Since 2012, Japan CCS has been steadily accumulating numerous results and achievements in the Tomakomai CCS Demonstration Project, under the leadership of the Japanese Government and the warm support and cooperation of the people of Tomakomai City, led by Mayor Iwakura.

The Tomakomai CCS Demonstration Project is playing an important role of firstly to achieve the objective of demonstrating a full-chain CCS system comprising the capture, injection and storage from onshore into sub-seabed reservoirs of a cumulative amount of 300,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>, and further to resolve the challenges towards the practical use of CCS technology in Japan post 2020.

Reflecting on our trajectory towards this objective, we achieved 100,000 tonnes in November 2017, 200,000 tonnes in August 2018, and en route to achieving our objective by the end of 2019.

Our achievement of safe and secure operation of the Tomakomai Project in the vicinity of a large city, and in spite of major earthquakes and disasters has established that CCS is a safe and sound mitigation technology against global warming. Also, in conjunction with the demonstration of CCS technology, we have been active in fostering the acceptance of CCS by the local community, and have been steadily advancing our global warming efforts together with the local community.

Our efforts in Japan in countering global warming have been received very highly internationally, and we have widely promoted the storage of CO<sub>2</sub> into the offshore sub-seabed. Of particular note is our deep collaborative relationship with the Global CCS Institute, which has been instrumental in disseminating widely our achievements in the international scene. The trust that has been extended to us by the Institute has inspired us in our day-to-day activities has led us on a path towards contributing to the development of CCS in the world, for which we are truly grateful.

As has been pointed out in the IPCC SR15 report, the earth in which we live is experiencing serious consequences of global warming. In recent years, Japan has suffered extensive damage from heavy rains and giant typhoons caused by rising sea water temperatures, and many people are starting to witness firsthand the effects of the extreme changes in the global environment.

We consider our efforts in global warming countermeasures through the promotion of CCS to be our duty, and will continue our active engagement in international activities.

To this end, under the guidance of the Japanese Government, and in collaboration with the local and global community, we will endeavor towards the improvement of our technical capabilities and the large-scale deployment of CCS in Japan and abroad. While aiming to proceed to the next step in CCUS which takes into perspective the efficient use of CO<sub>2</sub>, we will continue our international activities in order that the achievements of the Tomakomai CCS Demonstration Project are shared and effectively utilised not only in Japan but also abroad as pioneering accomplishments in offshore sub-seabed CO<sub>2</sub> storage, and in doing so make a small contribution towards the mitigation of global warming.



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## 5.1 NATURAL GAS

### DECARBONISING POWER, INDUSTRY AND KICK-STARTING THE ENERGY TRANSITION

In 2018, demand for natural gas grew at its fastest pace since 2010, accounting for almost half of added global energy demand<sup>73</sup>. It is expected to grow at about 1.6 per cent per year through to 2024, largely because it is seen as a fix to worsening air quality in non-OECD countries, can replace retiring coal and nuclear in Europe, and is undercutting coal in the US<sup>74</sup>. The IEA's Sustainable Development Scenario<sup>75</sup> sees gas demand stabilising slightly below this forecast somewhere between the mid-2020s and 2040. While gas power generation produces half the carbon dioxide emissions of coal, at around 350 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/mega watt hour (MWh) for the most efficient combined cycle gas plant, it is not considered a low emissions technology. Natural gas production and processing also produce significant CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

Eliminating almost all greenhouse gas emissions along the natural gas value chain is necessary if we are to meet the target of net-zero emissions by mid-century. More than 700 Mtpa<sup>76</sup> of indirect CO<sub>2</sub> emissions – almost equal to the emissions of Germany in 2016<sup>77</sup> – could be eliminated from oil and gas operations through the application of CCS. Applying CCS at gas processing facilities costs around USD20-25 per tonne CO<sub>2</sub><sup>78</sup>. It is not only one of the lowest cost CCS-applications, but is already capturing 25 Mtpa<sup>79</sup> at ten of 19 operating large-scale CCS facilities<sup>80</sup>. Even so, roughly 150 Mtpa<sup>81</sup> of effectively pure CO<sub>2</sub> is still being vented from facilities around the globe. CCS can play a role in laying out a sustainable path for natural gas to become one of the preferred fuels of the future.

The liquified natural gas trade is forecast to grow by a quarter to 2024<sup>82</sup>. The SDS expects it to increase another 15 per cent in the period to 2040<sup>83</sup>. Natural gas usually contains CO<sub>2</sub> which has to be stripped to 0.0005 per cent CO<sub>2</sub> before liquefaction (compared to piped gas which usually has less than 0.5 per cent CO<sub>2</sub>), to comply with local regulations and protect equipment. Natural gas is already being decarbonised at these processing facilities:

- The Gorgon CCS project was established due to a condition of the project's approval—the gas field contains 14 per cent of CO<sub>2</sub><sup>84</sup>, which has to be stripped before liquefaction. The facility commenced CO<sub>2</sub> storage in August 2019 and is expected to store 80 per cent of reservoir CO<sub>2</sub> (or 3.4 to 4 Mtpa), reducing the facility's total emissions by 40 per cent. When operating at full capture capacity, it will be the world's largest dedicated geological storage project.
- A CCS project at the Snøhvit LNG plant in Norway has been operating since 2008, storing about 0.7 Mtpa in a depleted natural gas field, under the sea bed.

Natural gas power generation with CCS, and other low emission dispatchable power technologies, are an important complement to the increasing use of intermittent renewables—ensuring system reliability and resilience. Studies demonstrate that a grid consisting of firm low-carbon generation capacity reduces the cost of the energy transition and enhances energy security in decarbonisation scenarios<sup>85</sup>. The average age of the global natural gas fleet is only 19 years<sup>86</sup> and more than 130 GW<sup>87</sup> of unabated capacity is under construction globally, potentially locking in emissions for decades. CCS retrofits will be necessary so climate goals can be reached.

There are many opportunities already for CCS technologies to provide low cost emissions abatement in gas production and usage. It is a growing market.

### THE ALLAM CYCLE OPPORTUNITY

A new gas-based power generation technology is being developed by NetPower which offers the promise of electricity generation with carbon capture for the same cost as conventional natural gas combined cycle generation. The technology utilises the Allam Cycle. In a conventional natural gas combined cycle generator, the combustion gases from methane burnt in air drive a turbine which in turn drives a generator to produce electricity. The exhaust gases from the turbine then pass through a heat exchanger to heat water creating steam which drives a second turbine, also connected to the generator, producing additional power. The flue gases consist mostly of nitrogen (from air), carbon dioxide and water. Capturing the carbon dioxide from the flue gases of a conventional gas powered generator requires the installation and operation of a capture plant to separate the carbon dioxide, which makes up only about 10 per cent, from the other gases, mostly nitrogen. This adds cost and reduces the amount of electricity produced. In a conventional gas powered generator, the power required to run the carbon dioxide capture plant may reduce the overall efficiency of the generator by 10 to 15 percentage points.

The Allam cycle burns gas in an atmosphere of oxygen and carbon dioxide producing only carbon dioxide and water in the combustion gases, which then drive a turbine and a generator. The hot exhaust gases pass through a heat exchanger, condensing the water (which is removed), the remaining pure carbon dioxide is re-compressed and an amount equal to that continuously added from the combustion of methane is bled off at high pressure ready for transport and geological storage. The remaining carbon dioxide is re-heated in the heat exchanger and recycled into the combustion unit and turbine.

Even though significant power is required by the air separation unit necessary to produce the oxygen for the combustor, the efficiency advantages of the Allam cycle over conventional combined cycle generators produce equivalent over-all efficiencies (almost 60 per cent). However, the Allam cycle enjoys a very significant advantage over conventional gas power systems with respect to the capture of carbon dioxide as it requires no additional equipment or power to separate carbon dioxide from its flue gases, ready for geological storage. Thus there is no parasitic load, no loss of efficiency and no reduction in electricity produced.

## 5.2 HYDROGEN

### THE FOCUS ON HYDROGEN

Hydrogen regained the spotlight in 2019 as a multipurpose, clean fuel for a net-zero future, producing no greenhouse gas emissions when used. The breadth of regions, countries and cities with strategies and supportive policies for using and producing hydrogen, demonstrates global recognition of the fuel's potential to decarbonise economies<sup>88</sup>. In 2018 alone, the EU and 18 national governments made notable hydrogen announcements and by mid-2019 there were 50 incentives in place globally to support its use<sup>89</sup>. Hydrogen is expected to play a major role in decarbonising industrial processes, transport, domestic heating, and possibly electricity generation (see Figure 23 below).

Demand for clean hydrogen is expected to grow strongly. A briefing paper prepared for the Australian Commonwealth and State Governments on the development of a National Hydrogen Strategy envisages demand exceeding 530 Mtpa by 2050<sup>90</sup>, up from 70 Mtpa today<sup>91</sup>.

Currently, 98 per cent of global hydrogen production is from unabated fossil fuels, around three quarters<sup>92</sup> stemming from natural gas. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from its production are approximately 830 Mtpa<sup>93</sup>, equivalent to the annual emissions of the UK in 2018<sup>94</sup>. To meet climate targets, hydrogen must be produced via zero or very low emission pathways. The European Commission<sup>95</sup> and several countries have already directly identified CCS as a key consideration for achieving this<sup>96</sup>. Australia, New Zealand, Japan, China, the US and the Netherlands have also indicated its importance in their hydrogen policies (see Appendix 6.3 for details).

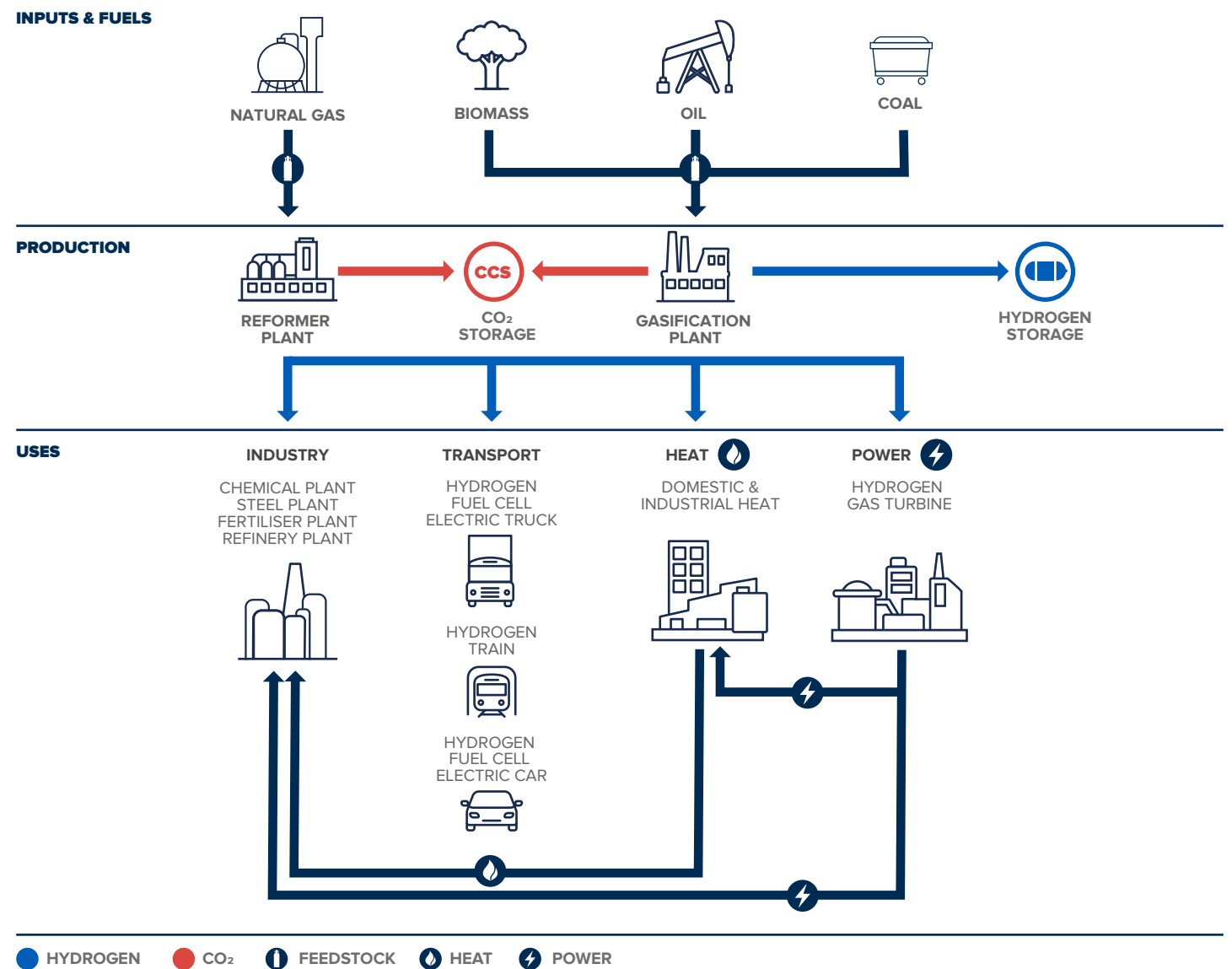


FIGURE 22 HYDROGEN PRODUCTION AND USE

### HYDROGEN PRODUCTION WITH CCS

The three main technologies used to produce low-carbon hydrogen are:

- gas reforming (mostly from steam methane reforming) with CCS;
- coal gasification with CCS; and
- electrolysis powered by renewables.

Each technology offers its own benefits and will play a role in the global energy transition<sup>97</sup>. The advantages of low-carbon hydrogen production through gas reforming and coal gasification with CCS, centre around the maturity of the technologies, scale and commercial viability.

### MATURITY

Low-carbon hydrogen has been produced through gas reforming and coal gasification with CCS, for almost two decades. For example, the Great Plains Synfuel Plant in North Dakota, US, commenced operation in 2000 and produces approximately 1,300 tonnes of hydrogen (in the form of hydrogen rich syngas) per day, from brown coal<sup>98</sup>. Hydrogen produced from coal or gas with CCS is the lowest cost clean hydrogen by a significant margin and requires less than one tenth of the electricity needed by electrolysis. Where renewable electricity is relatively scarce using renewable electricity to displace unabated fossil generation capacity in the grid may deliver more emissions reduction than using it to produce hydrogen in electrolyzers.

There are five low-carbon hydrogen production facilities with CCS operating globally and three under construction, with a total production capacity of 1.5 million tonnes<sup>99</sup>. Another three are in advanced development (see Figure 24 below).

### SCALE

For hydrogen to make a meaningful contribution to global greenhouse gas emission reductions, it will need to be produced in very large quantities to displace a significant proportion of current fossil fuel demand. Scaling up for low-carbon hydrogen production with CCS is currently far less challenging than scaling up the use of electrolysis. Commercial scale hydrogen production facilities with CCS that each produce around 1000 tonnes of hydrogen per day are already operating. Coal, methane and pore space for CO<sub>2</sub> storage are plentiful. When produced on a large scale, low-carbon hydrogen made with CCS is currently the lowest cost source available.

In contrast, production using electrolysis with renewables accounts for only 0.7 per cent<sup>100</sup> of the 70 Mtpa of dedicated hydrogen produced today<sup>101</sup>. If hydrogen demand reaches 530Mtpa by 2050, producing this via electrolysis would require about 25,000 terrawatt hours (TWh)<sup>vii</sup> of electricity from renewable or nuclear generation. This is approximately 2.8 times the total electricity generated from all renewable sources and nuclear combined in 2017<sup>102, viii</sup>. Creating enough renewable energy for both hydrogen production and low emissions electricity is extremely challenging.

### COMMERCIAL VIABILITY

Price will be a key decider of whether hydrogen plays a significant role in emissions reduction. Low-carbon hydrogen produced using gas reforming and gasification technologies with CCS is proven, operating at commercial scale and available for deployment right now. Hydrogen produced using coal or methane with CCS costs USD1.70-2.40 per kilogram<sup>103</sup> compared to USD7.45 for hydrogen produced via electrolysis<sup>ix</sup>. CCS hydrogen costs two thirds less.

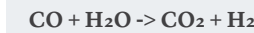
Action is required now to ensure hydrogen can play its role in the global energy transition, at the scale required to meet emissions reductions targets. Scaling up low-carbon hydrogen production with CCS will require capital grants or incentivising policies from governments<sup>104, viii</sup>, a value on carbon and market mechanisms to create demand.

### STEAM METHANE REFORMING (SMR)

Most of the hydrogen produced today is done using a chemical process known as steam methane reforming (SMR). SMR involves mixing methane with steam and heating the mixture in the presence of a catalyst in a chemical reactor called a methane reformer. A chemical reaction produces hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) and carbon monoxide (CO):



The reformer output stream, known as synthesis gas or syngas, is fed to a second reactor called a water-gas shift reactor to generate more hydrogen and convert some of the CO to carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>):



A hydrogen purifier separates high purity hydrogen from the stream leaving the shift reactor. The remaining gases (unreacted methane, CO and CO<sub>2</sub>) are used as fuel for heating in the reformer to provide additional heat and to destroy the carbon monoxide.

The SMR process produces high purity hydrogen. It generates CO<sub>2</sub> from the chemical reactions and from combusting fuel to heat the reformer.

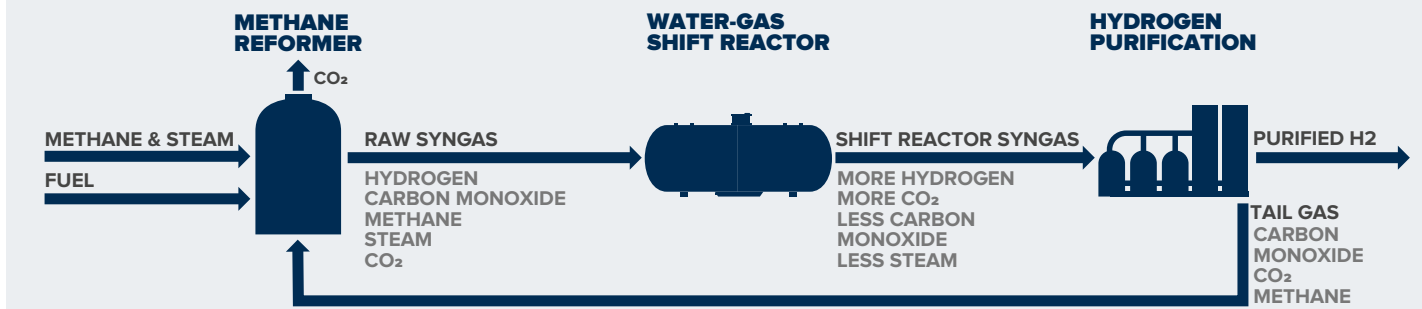


FIGURE 24 STEAM METHANE REFORMATION

### HYDROGEN AND CCS: FACILITATING A JUST TRANSITION FOR AUSTRALIA'S LATROBE VALLEY

In regions that largely rely on jobs producing or using fossil fuels, decisions to close energy intensive facilities often result in damaging economic and social disruption. Establishing a clean hydrogen production industry in these places, can protect and create skilled and high value jobs, delivering a just transition for people and their communities.

Existing brown coal fired electricity generating facilities in the Latrobe Valley of Victoria, Australia will close as they reach their economic life in the coming decades. They will not be replaced. The damage to the local economy of the Latrobe Valley when these generators close, and their supply chains are no longer required, will be severe.

However, the Latrobe Valley hosts coal and natural gas feedstock for hydrogen production using CCS, and is adjacent to a world-class CO<sub>2</sub> storage basin with several prospective storage sites. These existing

resources could be the anchor investment needed to establish a low emission industry hub. CO<sub>2</sub> transport and storage infrastructure, constructed to support the hub, could also be used by nearby high-emission industry sources, such as the Longford gas plant.

The requirements for reskilling the local workforce would be low. A successful clean hydrogen industry utilises all the skills currently employed in the extractive and chemical industries. A new clean hydrogen industry would also have a small footprint, confined mostly to the footprint of existing industrial facilities and mines.

Creating a low-carbon hydrogen industry based upon coal or gas with CCS in areas like the LaTrobe Valley that have all the necessary pre-requisites would deliver material emission reductions and create economic opportunities for the local community that might otherwise suffer economic decline.

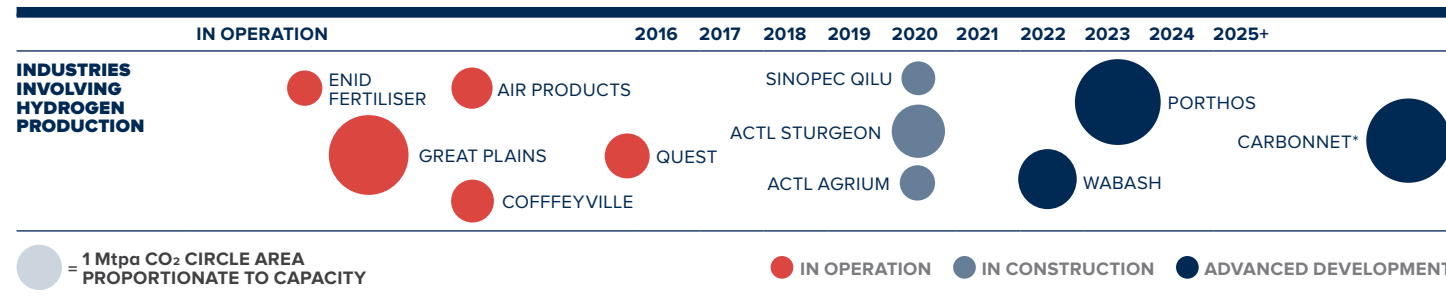


FIGURE 23 INDUSTRIES INVOLVING HYDROGEN PRODUCTION WITH CCS – GLOBAL FACILITY PIPELINE

\*Indicates the primary industry type of the facility among various options. Size of the circle is proportional to the capture capacity of the facility.



## 5.3 CCS IN POWER SECTOR

Most planned and active CCS projects are in industrial sectors where high concentration CO<sub>2</sub> is readily available and can be captured at relatively low cost. However, to enable sustainable economic growth and elevate living standards while achieving Paris Agreement targets, deep emissions reductions are needed across all sectors, especially the power sector. There are only two large-scale CCS facilities currently operating there<sup>8</sup>.

Rapid deployment of renewable energy has reduced the amount of dispatchable power required from fossil fuel sources, but the nature of wind and solar generation, mean renewables may create challenges for energy systems mostly not designed for intermittent generation<sup>105</sup>. High levels of intermittent energy may even substantially increase overall system costs<sup>106</sup>. Coal and gas fuelled power stations equipped with CCS delivers dispatchable low emissions electricity demanded by advanced economies, and requires no additional measures to ensure grid resilience and reliability of supply. As the penetration of intermittent renewable generation in a grid increases, additional investment in transmission augmentation, energy storage, demand side management and artificial inertia is also required. The lowest cost low emissions electricity grid will require dispatchable low emissions generators alongside intermittent renewable generation capacity.

According to the IEA, existing and under construction energy facilities account for around 95 per cent of the emissions 'budget' under its SDS<sup>107</sup>. Coal-fired power stations make up around one third of total energy-related emissions globally. To enable continued operation in a low-carbon world, asset owners need to conduct economic and technology feasibility assessments on retrofitting options. In developing countries, especially in Asia where coal fired power plants have an average age of eleven years<sup>108</sup> and decades of economic life, retrofitting CCS will be required to reduce emissions.

Under the IEA's SDS, it is expected that 350 MtCO<sub>2</sub> will be captured and stored from the power sector in 2030<sup>109</sup>. Since large-scale CCS projects in power have long lead times – in the range of 6-10 years – the power sector must take substantive steps now, to meet those targets in 10-20 years.



Boundary Dam, Canada.  
Photo Courtesy of SaskPower.

## 5.4 BIOENERGY WITH CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE (BECCS)

Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage (BECCS) is a promising class of technologies. The production of sustainable biomass is considered to be renewable energy, so integrating its combustion or fermentation with CCS technology, achieves negative emissions. Bioenergy is used to fuel vehicles (as bioethanol) and to provide electricity through biomass combustion, displacing fossil fuels as a source of thermal energy. It is considered one of the few scalable carbon dioxide removal options. BECCS is a feature of IPCC scenarios consistent with limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees<sup>110</sup>.

Despite its potential, there are some serious hurdles ahead of wide scale BECCS deployment:

- Productivity and resource requirements for different types of land and biomass vary significantly. Growing forest based residues uses 1-1.7 hectares for every tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> removed annually while purpose-grown energy crops need approximately 0.1-0.4 hectares<sup>111</sup>.
- Producing crops specifically for BECCS can involve land clearing, which may reduce or even reverse its carbon removal potential<sup>112</sup>.
- Wide scale deployment of BECCS could compete or overlap with land available for forest creation or food production, leading to significant changes in ecosystems<sup>113</sup>.
- Producing biomass at the scale required demands large amounts of water and fertiliser.

Apart from the IEA, several prominent organisations (Royal Society, Stanford University, Imperial College London and others) remain committed to BECCS, viewing it as an essential technology in the fight against climate change. Many private sector companies also see BECCS as a way to decarbonise and shelter themselves from carbon prices, or as a means to meet regulation requirements. In July 2013, UK based Drax power station converted the first of its six boilers to fire using biomass. Their decision was made in response to the UK Government's 2025 deadline for phasing out coal in the power sector. Drax initiated a CCS pilot project in 2018 which now captures 1 tonne of CO<sub>2</sub> per day. If successful, the pilot will pave the way towards negative emissions in the UK.

The other main application of BECCS uses fermentation to produce bioethanol. Bioethanol production produces a relatively pure stream of CO<sub>2</sub> gas which presents an opportunity for low cost capture and makes BECCS facilities a relatively low cost development. This could be especially relevant in developing countries, which are responsible for approximately 35 per cent of global ethanol production<sup>114</sup>.

The Institute regards the deployment of BECCS as a proven and important complement to CCS, so long as it uses sustainably sourced biomass. It cannot, however, be relied upon as the only form of CCS. It is one option in a suite of solutions.

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### OPPORTUNITIES IN CHINA

China's total annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are currently approximately 10 billion tonnes. Four major sectors: coal power, modern coal conversion, cement and the iron and steel industry account for more than two-thirds of total emissions. Technologies to capture and geologically store CO<sub>2</sub>, using China's vast storage resources, is predicted to significantly improve the range and affordability of options available to mitigate rising emissions from those four industries.

In addition, CO<sub>2</sub> geological storage and utilisation technologies can be applied to enhance the recovery of hydrocarbons, underground water, geothermal, and other resources to offset the high cost of CO<sub>2</sub> storage. Among these options, the capacity of CO<sub>2</sub>

EOR and gas (EGR) recovery, underground water (EWR), and coal-bed methane (ECBM) recovery have the highest potential. Also, CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR and CO<sub>2</sub>-EWR have sufficient technical readiness levels (TRL) and relatively low cost to deploy large, industrial-scale facilities today.

The total theoretical CO<sub>2</sub> storage resources in China can reach 2,500 gigatonnes (50 per cent probability) with very high variations, including resource availability, spatial distribution of suitable sites, TRL, and corresponding cost ranges of various CO<sub>2</sub> geological storage and utilisation options.

The theoretical CO<sub>2</sub> storage resources available in order of decreasing resource potential are: deep saline aquifers for EWR (2,471 GtCO<sub>2</sub>); coal-bed methane for ECBM (114 GtCO<sub>2</sub>); oil fields for EOR (4.76 GtCO<sub>2</sub>); and natural gas fields for EGR (4.02 GtCO<sub>2</sub>). The levelised cost of abatement in the order of increasing cost are EOR, EGR, and EWR, being the highest cost amongst the three technologies.

Systematic source-sink matching results show that the effective annual mitigation potential of CGUS and dedicated geological storage could reach 3.5 gigatonne per annum in China. The combined levelised cost of abatement is less than 60 USD/t CO<sub>2</sub> in those four major industry sectors above under current techno-economic conditions. Highly prospective regions include the North, Northeast, and Northwest of China.

**“THE TOTAL THEORETICAL  
CO<sub>2</sub> STORAGE RESOURCES  
IN CHINA CAN REACH  
2,500 GIGATONNES”**

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If we want to limit warming to 1.5°C, we need to halve global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in ten years compared to now, and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions need to be net zero in 2050. Every tonne and every year counts. Technological and cost developments in CCS are outpaced by those in renewable electricity. CCS is therefore only useful when fast implementation and environmental performance can be assured. This means in industry. CCS has a role there if it enables an industrial system transition and takes us out of the current carbon lock-in. If that can be done, we should get on with it.”



## 5.5 DIRECT AIR CAPTURE (DAC)

Direct Air Capture (DAC) is a modular technology that can capture CO<sub>2</sub> directly from the atmosphere using chemicals that bind or stick to it. CO<sub>2</sub> can then be stored or repurposed into CO<sub>2</sub> re-use applications, such as manufacture of construction aggregates, plastics and synthetic fuels.

There are two promising groups of DAC technologies:

- Large infrastructural DAC using water solutions containing hydroxides to extract CO<sub>2</sub> from the air. It requires high temperatures (greater than 800°C) for regeneration, which tends to be provided by burning natural gas.
- A modular technology based on amine materials bonded to a porous solid support. The process operates at 85°-120°C requiring far less heat energy. There is potential for future cost reductions through mass production.

Compared to other other forms of negative emissions (carbon dioxide removal i.e. trees), DAC facilities require little land. There are however, concerns about its requirement for large amounts of water and energy to extract low concentration CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere. Recent models estimate that if DAC was the only CO<sub>2</sub> removal method used to avoid a rise of 1.5°C in global average temperature by 2050, its energy requirements would represent approximately half of current global energy consumption<sup>115</sup>.

- Climeworks, a Swiss company utilising modular DAC technology, estimates its capture costs to be between USD500-700 per tonne CO<sub>2</sub> stored. It relies on support from individuals and companies, willing to purchase emissions reduction certificates for a higher price than they could get on a market like the EU ETS. Climeworks aims to bring the cost of storage down to approximately USD100 per tonne CO<sub>2</sub><sup>116</sup>, so that it can access a larger market and upscale the technology.
- Development of the world's largest DAC plant was recently announced by Oxy Low Carbon Ventures and Carbon Engineering Ltd in the US. They are working on the engineering and design of a facility that will capture an estimated 1 Mtpa of CO<sub>2</sub> from the atmosphere every year. The gas will be used for EOR and be permanently sequestered in the Permian Basin. Projected revenues from the EOR have made this large-scale DAC project commercially viable. In addition, the project is designed to be eligible for 45Q tax credits and the LCFS CCS Protocol (see Section 4.3).
- Global Thermostat in the US has built two pilot facilities, each with the capacity to remove 3,000-4,000 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per year<sup>117</sup>. They will use captured CO<sub>2</sub> to produce synthetic fuels.

The cost of DAC may reduce its appeal for wide scale deployment. Progress is being made though, and it is on its way to playing a role in combatting climate change.

## 5.6 CO<sub>2</sub> UTILISATION

In the next several decades, the geological storage of CO<sub>2</sub> will do the vast amount of work to meet climate goals. However, carbon utilisation has an important role to play. To illustrate, Mac Dowell et al estimate that up to 700 million tonnes per annum of CO<sub>2</sub> could be utilized by 2050<sup>118</sup>. Estimates by the IPCC of the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> that must be stored using CCS by the middle of this century to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees are around 5000 to 10,000 million tonnes per year<sup>119</sup>.

Carbon utilisation will expand investment in the testing and refining of capture technologies and can be used to permanently sequester CO<sub>2</sub> at locations where transportation pipelines are impractical or not economically feasible.

CCUS is the process of capturing CO<sub>2</sub> to be recycled for further use. Carbon utilisation's effectiveness as a positive weapon in the fight against climate change depends on how it is used. It can be 'substituted' for natural CO<sub>2</sub> in EOR, or be used as an input to the production of something of value. Interest and investment in converting CO<sub>2</sub> to a different form or substance is recently booming. In general terms, CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation delivers emissions abatement where:

- The CO<sub>2</sub> utilised would have otherwise been emitted to the atmosphere and it remains permanently stored (EOR) or bound in the product (eg concrete).
- The CO<sub>2</sub> utilised would have otherwise been emitted to the atmosphere and the product displaces a product of fossil fuel origin (eg production of synthetic liquid fuels displacing diesel).
- The CO<sub>2</sub> utilised would have otherwise been emitted to atmosphere, and it displaces CO<sub>2</sub> produced from a natural source solely for that purpose (eg greenhouse horticulture).

### CO<sub>2</sub> 'SUBSTITUTE'

Dutch waste recycling and waste-to-energy firm AVR is beginning construction of a large-scale CO<sub>2</sub> capture system in its Duiven plant. The pure CO<sub>2</sub> stream, once an industry by-product, will be transported by Air Liquide to greenhouse horticulture areas in the Netherlands. A similar project is occurring in Saga, Japan. Both projects will see enhanced plant growth through the addition of extra CO<sub>2</sub>, while avoiding the use of natural CO<sub>2</sub> or natural gas for cultivation.

### REPURPOSED CO<sub>2</sub>

Other companies have developed technologies to permanently store CO<sub>2</sub> in building materials and chemical products:

- CarbonCure, Blue Planet, and Solidia Technologies have various sized concrete and aggregates projects underway worldwide, many in North America.
- BluePlanet bubbles waste gases from California's largest power plant at Moss Landing through seawater, collecting CO<sub>2</sub>. Around 90 per cent is removed and then combined with minerals in the water to create limestone.
- Lanzatech creates chemical products and fuels using emissions from industrial facilities, and has several projects around the globe.
- Cemvita Factory uses CO<sub>2</sub> as the feedstock for sustainable production of intermediate chemicals and polymers.

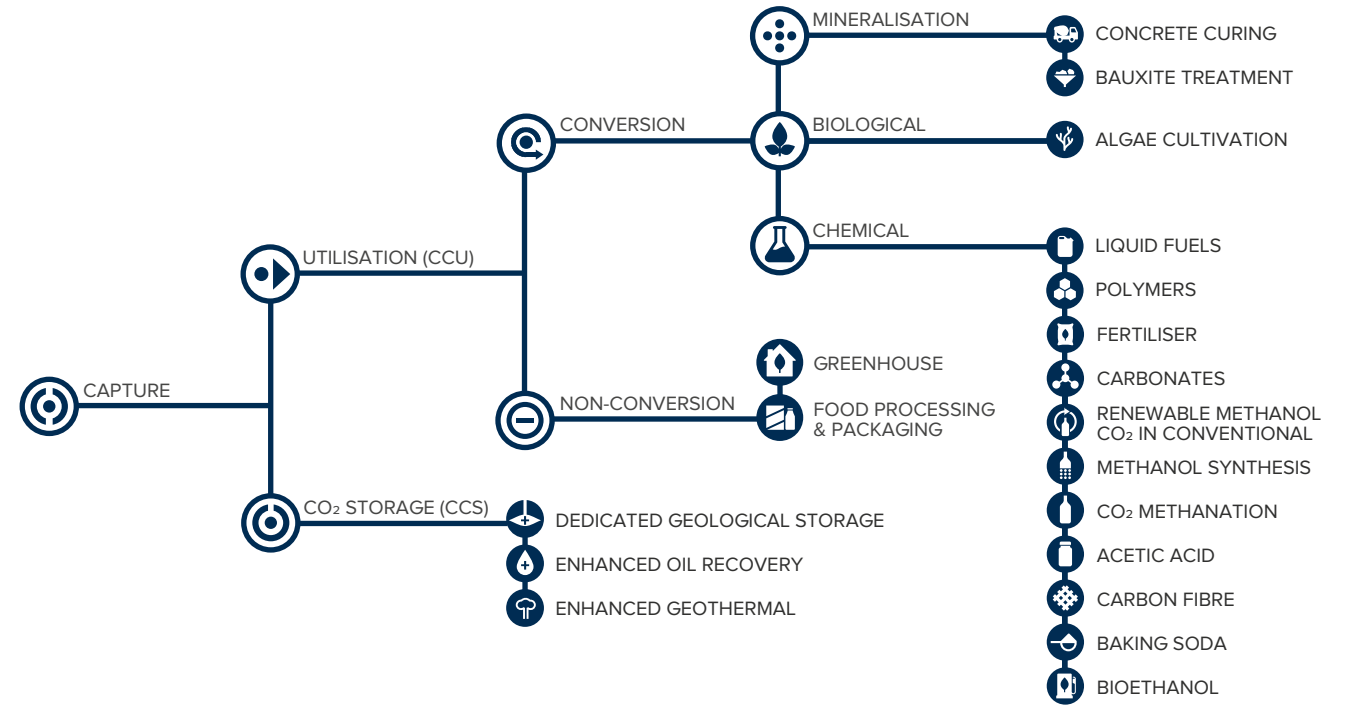


FIGURE 25 UTILISATION AND STORAGE PATHWAYS

Part of the appeal of carbon utilisation is that it allows businesses to think about single-use carbon as a thing of the past, and is a way to engage in the circular economy.

Commitment to a circular economy can be a key strategy for companies wanting to reduce their environmental footprint. It's attractive to many large consumer brands who intrinsically understand that their future marketing strategy needs to cover how they are addressing climate change. Consumer brands are beginning to look at carbon as a viable feedstock for the chemicals, polymers, and other materials that go into their products and supply chain executives are engaging with utilisation companies. Given their marketing prowess, these companies have the potential to drive a consumer pivot to low carbon goods, supporting the whole CCU space.

There are some significant but (relatively) easily faced challenges to overcome before scaling up CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation technologies:

- policy and regulatory environments need to be more supportive;
- lifecycle greenhouse gas emissions must be appropriately accounted for, including energy inputs, to determine net carbon reductions; and
- costs need to keep coming down.

However, it must be stressed that whilst the emissions abatement that can be delivered through CO<sub>2</sub> utilisation is valuable, their contribution to the emissions abatement challenge is limited.

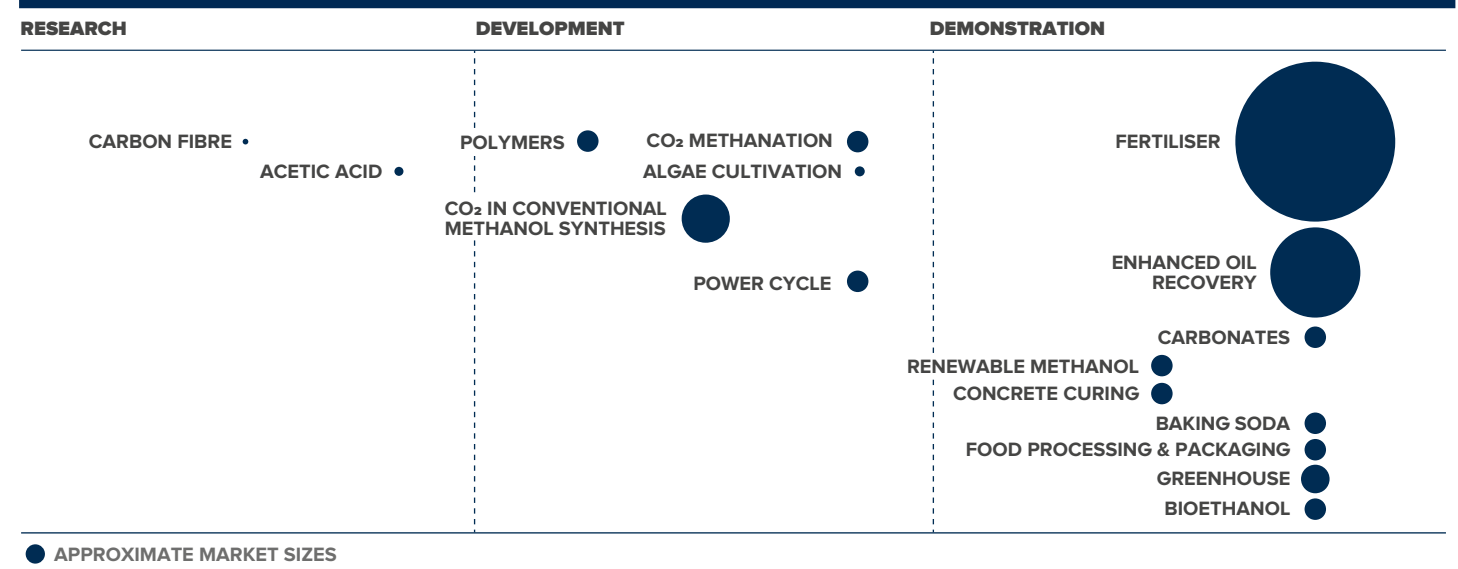


FIGURE 26 CURRENT TECHNOLOGY READINESS AND MARKET SIZE OF UTILISATION TECHNOLOGIES BY VOLUME

## 5.7 CCS INNOVATION

Carbon dioxide capture has been an essential part of industrial processes for 90 years, either through chemical absorption (amines, since 1930<sup>120</sup>), physical absorption, adsorption or a membrane or cryogenic distillation-based separation process. In natural gas processing and urea fertiliser production, CO<sub>2</sub> separation is an inherent part of the production process, so the cost for capture is very low<sup>121</sup>. In other industries like hydrogen, iron and steel and cement production, and in waste-to-energy, CO<sub>2</sub> capture has been proven at commercial scale but not yet widely deployed.

In the power sector, CO<sub>2</sub> capture has only recently been applied at two commercial facilities – both coal fired generators – Boundary Dam since 2015 and Petra Nova since 2017<sup>122</sup>. The extra costs of capture and the absence of policies to justify investment are primary barriers to large-scale deployment of CCS in power generation. However, good progress has been made to reduce the cost of carbon capture and to optimise performance through project learning. Next-generation capture technologies have also emerged to drive costs down.

### PROJECT LEARNING

Providers of goods and services compete to reduce costs and to improve the utility of their products in pursuit of market share. As a market grows, economies of scale and scope and learning-by-doing deliver cost reductions. Innovation happens and can only be protected from competitors for a finite time until knowledge leakage inevitably spreads developments throughout an entire industry. Demand increases until market saturation occurs. The net result is the familiar pattern of technology costs reducing over time, in real terms. This is exactly the pattern observed in relation to renewable energy technologies this century, driven by very strong and sustained policy support.

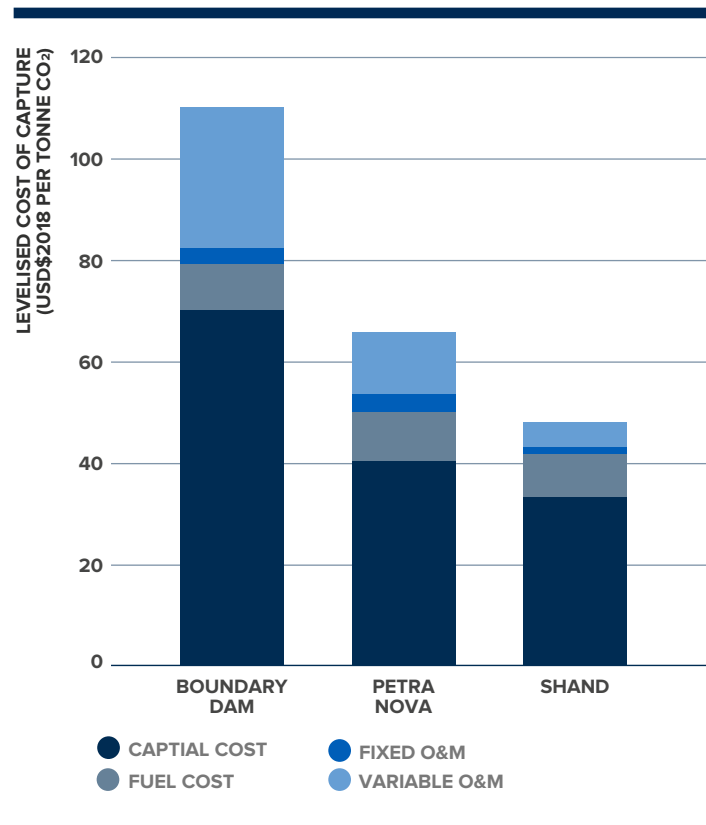
The process of cost reduction is only just beginning in the global CCS industry. Boundary Dam<sup>123</sup> and Petra Nova demonstrate how cost innovation is happening, even in the absence of a strong competitive market. Altering design, construction and operations can reduce costs for future carbon capture facilities:

- SaskPower reported in 2015 that, based on project learning from Boundary Dam, they could cut costs by up to 30 per cent on new CCS power projects. Their CCS feasibility study for SaskPower Shand power plant, was based on a 67 per cent reduction in capital costs and a levelized capture cost of USD45 per tonne CO<sub>2</sub> (prefeasibility level +40/-25%)<sup>124</sup>. Shand is significantly cheaper than their first-of-a-kind facility.
- In 2018 NRG Energy showed that, based on their learnings, their next CO<sub>2</sub> capture retrofit will be at least 20 per cent cheaper, reaching a levelised capture cost of USD47 per tonne CO<sub>2</sub><sup>125</sup>.

Valuable project learning is leading to real improvements for large-scale capture plants<sup>126, xi</sup>. Figure 28 (right) shows that the cost of carbon capture in the power industry reduces through its evolution from the Boundary Dam CCS facility, to Petra Nova Carbon Capture facility, and the proposed Shand CCS facility. First-of-a-kind plants are expected to have substantially higher financial risks and costs for design and construction, but provide experience and knowledge for cost reductions in subsequent CCS plants.

### WHAT HAS BEEN LEARNED?

- Modularising previously large-scale capture plants has reduced the price of design and construction – improving reliability and quality control through shop fabrication, lower front-end costs, and increased flexibility to add more capture units when required.
- Operating expenses have been reduced through the development of advanced solvents with lower regeneration energy and high degradation resistance –
  - the energy required for amine regeneration applied to coal combustion flue gas has significantly improved from values around 5.5 GJ/t CO<sub>2</sub> to 3.0 GJ/t CO<sub>2</sub> for advanced amines, and to below 2.5 GJ/t CO<sub>2</sub> in the latest enhanced solvent technology; and
  - high degradation resistance means reduced demand for the makeup of the capture solvent.
- Process optimisation using inter-cooling, lean vapour recompression, split flow arrangement and stripper inter-heating can further drive costs down.
- Heat integration and the amount of steam/cooling water needed, also affect operating costs. Finding the right steam supply method, maximising steam extraction efficiency at nominal and partial loads and recovering waste heat for use in the plant steam cycle are now seen as very important in new generation carbon capture plants.



**FIGURE 27 BREAK DOWN OF LEVELISED COST OF CAPTURE (LCOE) FOR BOUNDARY DAM, PETRA NOVA AND SHAND**<sup>127, xiii</sup>

First-of-a-kind plant would be expected to have substantially higher financial risks and extra cost for design and construction, but it provides experience and knowledge for the cost reductions in the subsequent CCS plants.

GCCSI Analysis based on 8% discount rate, 30 years project life, 2.5 years construction time, capacity factor of 85%. Cost data are normalised to 2017 values. Expected accuracy range: Boundary Dam and Petra Nova: -10% to +15%, Shand: -25% to +40%.

## 5.8 INDUSTRY'S TRANSITION TO A NET-ZERO FUTURE

Industry is the basis of our modern society and is an essential source of economic growth, bringing financial benefits and job opportunities to communities around the world. While creating this wealth, industry uses about one-third of global energy and produces nearly a third of global greenhouse gases. To limit global warming to 1.5°C, the IPCC estimates that these direct and indirect emissions must fall by 75-90 per cent by 2050, relative to 2010 levels<sup>128</sup>. Under net-zero emission targets, industry must become carbon neutral. It will require a portfolio of mitigation options including: improved energy efficiency, electrification via renewable energy, innovation in production processes, materials and feedstocks, and CCS.

CCS is essential to industrial decarbonisation. It can provide clean growth opportunities and help ensure a just and sustainable transition for industrial regions and communities. There is a strong case for arguing that without CCS, the necessary deep decarbonisation of industry is simply not possible. CCS essential to industrial decarbonisation. It can provide clean growth opportunities and help ensure a just and sustainable transition for industrial regions and communities. Today, the vast majority of CCS projects are in industrial application.

The Energy Transitions Commission states that achieving net-zero emissions in hard-to-abate sectors without CCS “will probably be impossible, and certainly more expensive.” It describes CCS as the most cost-effective route to decarbonising chemicals, steel and hydrogen production<sup>129</sup>. The IEA estimates that CCS can contribute 28 gigatonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reductions in industry from 2017 to 2060<sup>130</sup>. The IEA's Clean Technology Scenario, places CCS as the second most important lever for deep emissions cuts, accounting for 38 per cent in the chemical sector, 17 per cent in cement and 15 per cent in iron and steel<sup>131</sup>. CCS is currently a key option available for deeply decarbonizing cement, steel and iron production.

### CEMENT

The cement industry contributes 8 per cent of global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions<sup>132</sup>. Heating the kiln for calcination of limestone and then the calcination reaction itself, produces almost all the emissions from clinker production. Around 90 per cent of the CO<sub>2</sub> can be captured and stored using CCS, as long as engineering design is optimised. This is already happening:

- The LEILAC project recently demonstrated that direct separation (removing CO<sub>2</sub> from limestone as it is being heated) could capture more than 95 per cent of CO<sub>2</sub> process emissions<sup>133</sup>.
- Calix is piloting this new, efficient and cost-competitive direct separation technology.
- Norway's Norcem project, which is part of a larger Northern Lights project, aims to use post-combustion technologies to capture CO<sub>2</sub> from a cement plant.

### STEEL AND IRON

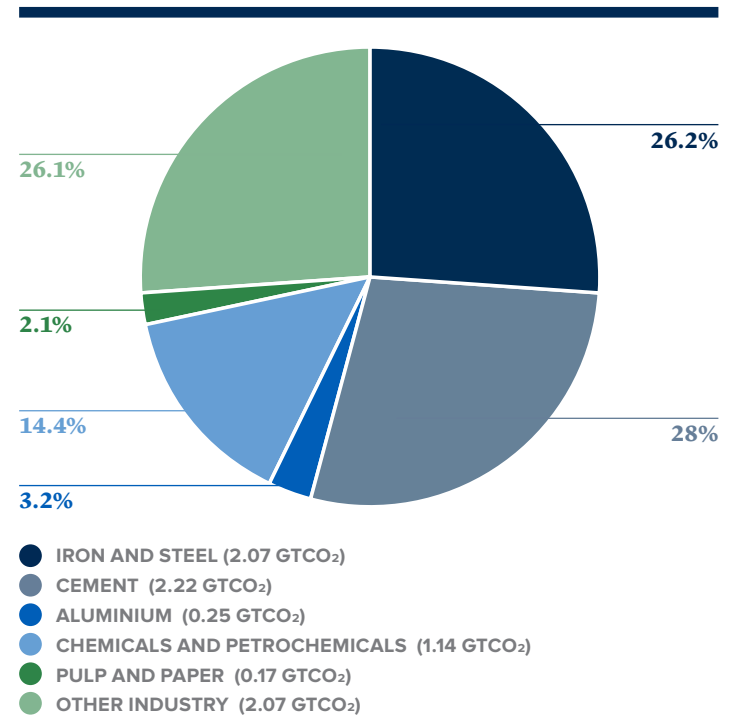
Steel and iron production is reliant on coal, as both a feedstock and a fuel, and the industry produces almost as much CO<sub>2</sub> every year as cement production<sup>134</sup>. Unlike cement though, emissions arise at different points in the production process. CO<sub>2</sub> must be captured during heating and from the blast furnace when iron is being reduced to make steel. Recent innovations include:

- An alternative to hot metal production and conventional blast furnaces—the smelting Reduction HIsarna Process has the potential to capture 80 per cent of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from steelmaking when deployed together with CCS<sup>135</sup>; and
- The launch of the “3D” project (for DMX™ Demonstration) in Dunkirk — a consortium of European stakeholders is piloting the capture of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions at ArcelorMittal's facility.

### CHEMICAL INDUSTRY: ETHYLENE AND AMMONIA

The chemical industry, which produces products like plastic, is the industrial sector's third-largest emitter<sup>136</sup>. CCS has not been applied at commercial-scale in this sector. Some possibilities are:

- Ethylene, used mostly as a base for plastics, is made from various hydrocarbons that are ‘cracked’ in pyrolysis furnaces. Known as steam cracking, most CO<sub>2</sub> is generated when fuel heats the furnaces. Capturing CO<sub>2</sub> from furnace exhaust gases is already a proven CCS application in the power and iron and steel industries.
- Ammonia, used as a base ingredient for fertilisers and explosives, is a critical input for the agriculture and mining sectors. It is derived from either coal or natural gas, and its production emits a mixture of hydrogen and nitrogen, as well as a large, near-pure, stream of CO<sub>2</sub>. Two large-scale CCS facilities already compress, transport and use (for EOR) pure stream CO<sub>2</sub>.



**FIGURE 28 INDUSTRIAL EMISSIONS BY SECTOR BY IN 2017**<sup>137</sup>

**CAPTURE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION**

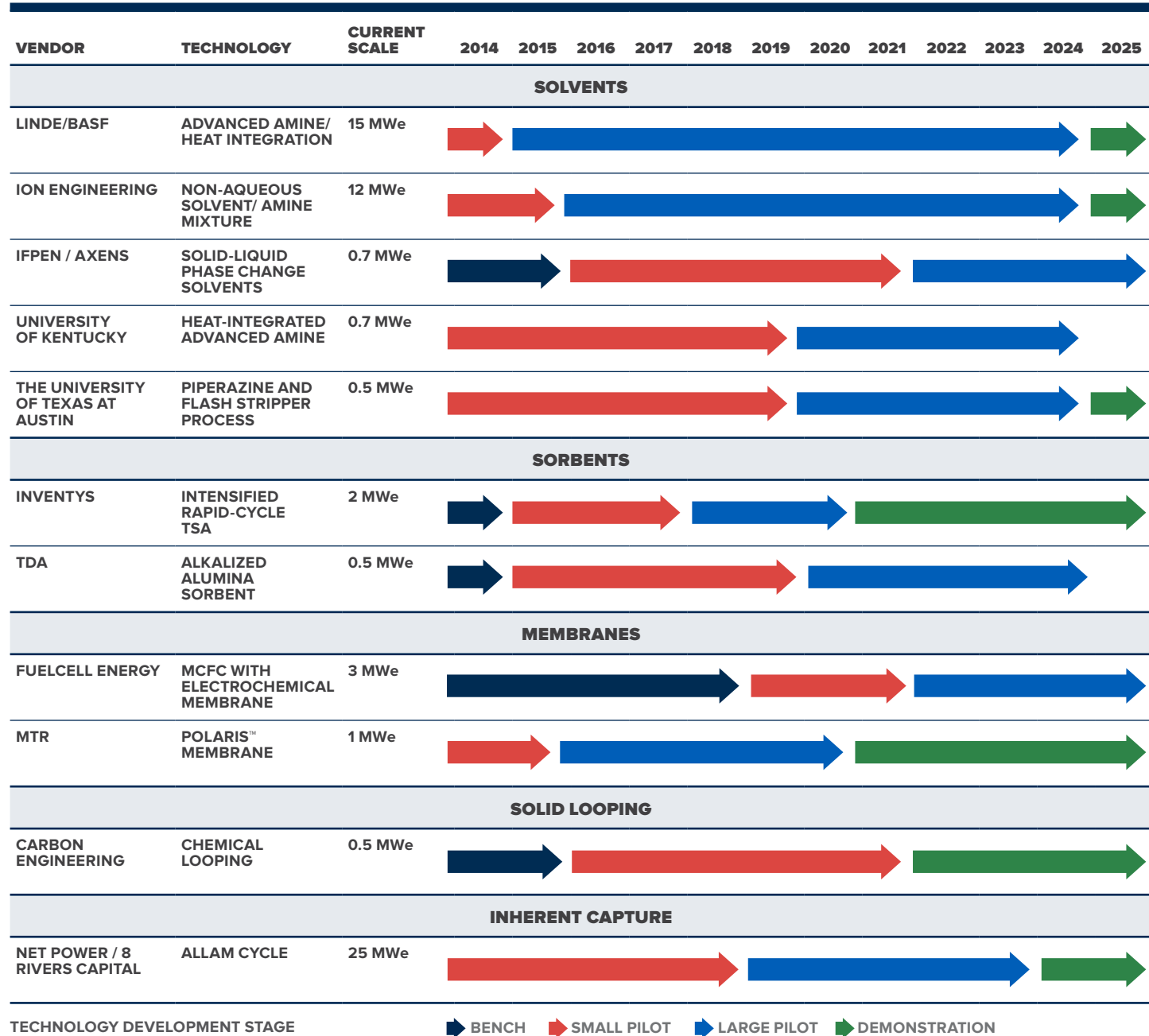
Next-generation capture technologies have unique features – either through material innovation, process innovation and/or equipment innovation – which reduce capital and operating costs and improve capture performance. (See Figure 29 below).

Some of these technologies are already being considered in engineering studies for CCS facilities. They are:

- Ion Engineering's non-aqueous ICE-21 solvent – selected for a Front-End Engineering Design (FEED) study, retrofitting to Nebraska Public Power District's Gerald Gentleman Station.
- Membrane Technology and Research's Polaris™ membrane system – selected for a FEED study at Basin Electric's Dry Fork Station.

- Mitsubishi Heavy Industries' new KS-21™ solvent – selected for a FEED study retrofitting to Prairie State Generating Company's Energy Campus.
- Linde-BASF's lean-rich solvent absorption/regeneration cycle technology – selected for a FEED study at Southern Company's natural gas-fired power plant.
- The University of Texas's piperazine advanced stripper (PZAS) process – selected for a FEED study at the Mustang Station of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative<sup>138</sup>.

Next generation technologies are helping to drive down CCS development costs and shorten deployment timelines. Assisted by industry improvements that result from learning-by-doing at facility operation and project management level, these developments are edging CCS closer to widespread deployment.



**FIGURE 29** SELECTED NEXT-GENERATION CAPTURE TECHNOLOGIES BEING TESTED AT 0.5 MWe (10 T/D) SCALE OR LARGER WITH ACTUAL FLUE GAS<sup>139</sup>

**CO<sub>2</sub> CAPTURE RATES CAN APPROACH 100 PER CENT**

Carbon dioxide capture rates from low concentration gas streams such as a power station flue gas, have historically targeted 90 per cent. This capture rate has almost become the default target however, as described below, there is no technical reason why capture rates in the high nineties can not be delivered. Notwithstanding what is technically feasible, both of the first retrofits of CCS to coal fired power stations adopted the 90 per cent capture target.

The Boundary Dam CCS retrofit has not achieved an overall capture rate of 90 per cent since it commenced operating due to down time required for maintenance and process improvements. As a first of a kind plant, it is not surprising that operational difficulties were encountered. However these lessons only need to be learned once and the operators of Boundary Dam, SaskPower, make all of their operational data available to share those learnings.

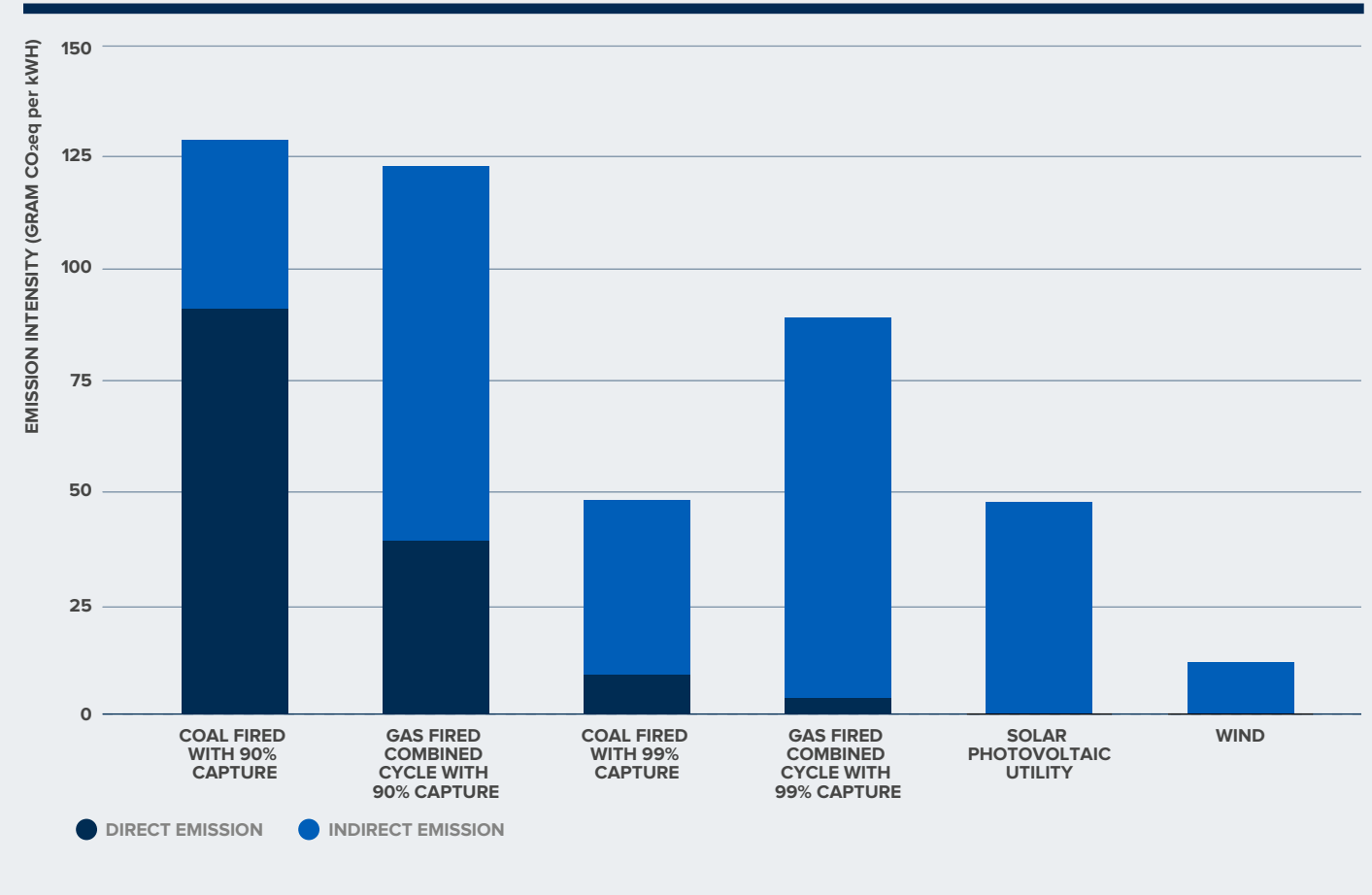
The Petra Nova facility, which is the second retrofit of CCS to a coal fired power station, has avoided similar difficulties. Petra Nova captures 90 per cent of the CO<sub>2</sub> (approximately 1.4 million tonnes per year) from a slip stream of flue gas equivalent to that produced by a 240MW power station. The capacity of the capture plant was determined by the demand for CO<sub>2</sub>. If there was sufficient demand, there is no reason why Petra Nova could not have treated all of the flue gas produced by the power station, at a capture rate of 90 per cent or more.

A 2019 techno-economics analysis by CSIRO<sup>140</sup> and IEAGHG<sup>141</sup> looked at the cost of achieving 99 per cent CO<sub>2</sub> capture in fossil fuel-fired power plants, compared to achieving 90 per cent. Excluding transport and storage, cost went up by three per cent in an ultra-supercritical coal plant and by eight per cent in a natural gas combined cycle.

Figure 30 (below) shows that emissions with CCS can be reduced to:

- 48 grams CO<sub>2</sub>eq / kWh (9 grams CO<sub>2</sub>eq/kWh direct emissions) in a coal fired plant; and
- 89 grams CO<sub>2</sub>eq / kWh (4 grams CO<sub>2</sub>eq/kWh direct emissions) in a gas fired plant.

There is no technological barrier to capturing 99 per cent of direct CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in coal or natural gas-fired power plants.



**FIGURE 30** COMPARISON OF EMISSION INTENSITY IN FOSSIL-FUEL-FIRED POWER PLANT WITH 90 PER CENT AND 99 PER CENT CO<sub>2</sub> CAPTURE<sup>142</sup>

Note: Direct emission in a power plant refers to greenhouse gas emission from the on-site power production; indirect Emission in a power plant includes a variety of emissions from the supply chain, e.g. extraction and transport of fossil fuels, and/or infrastructure used.



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## 6.1 LARGE SCALE CCS FACILITIES IN OPERATION

NO.	TITLE	STATUS	COUNTRY	OPERATION DATE	INDUSTRY	CAPTURE CAPACITY (Mtpa)	CAPTURE TYPE	STORAGE TYPE
1	GORGON CARBON DIOXIDE INJECTION	Operating	Australia	2019	Natural Gas Processing	3.4 - 4.0	Industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage
2	JILIN OIL FIELD CO <sub>2</sub> -EOR	Operating	China	2018	Natural Gas Processing	0.6	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
3	ILLINOIS INDUSTRIAL CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE	Operating	United States of America	2017	Ethanol Production	1	Industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage
4	PETRA NOVA CARBON CAPTURE	Operating	United States of America	2017	Power Generation	1.4	Post-combustion capture	Enhanced Oil Recovery
5	ABU DHABI CCS (PHASE 1 BEING EMIRATES STEEL INDUSTRIES)	Operating	United Arab Emirates	2016	Iron and Steel Production	0.8	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
6	QUEST	Operating	Canada	2015	Hydrogen Production for Oil Refining	1	Industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage
7	UTHMANIYAH CO <sub>2</sub> -EOR DEMONSTRATION	Operating	Saudi Arabia	2015	Natural Gas Processing	0.8	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
8	BOUNDARY DAM CCS	Operating	Canada	2014	Power Generation	1	Post-combustion capture	Enhanced Oil Recovery
9	PETROBRAS SANTOS BASIN PRE-SALT OIL FIELD CCS	Operating	Brazil	2013	Natural Gas Processing	3	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
10	COFFEYVILLE GASIFICATION PLANT	Operating	United States of America	2013	Fertiliser Production	1	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
11	AIR PRODUCTS STEAM METHANE REFORMER	Operating	United States of America	2013	Hydrogen Production for Oil Refining	1	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
12	LOST CABIN GAS PLANT	Operating	United States of America	2013	Natural Gas Processing	0.9	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
13	CENTURY PLANT	Operating	United States of America	2010	Natural Gas Processing	8.4	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
14	SNØHVIT CO <sub>2</sub> STORAGE	Operating	Norway	2008	Natural Gas Processing	0.7	Industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage
15	GREAT PLAINS SYNFUELS PLANT AND WEYBURN-MIDALE	Operating	United States of America	2000	Synthetic Natural Gas	3	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
16	SLEIPNER CO <sub>2</sub> STORAGE	Operating	Norway	1996	Natural Gas Processing	1	Industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage
17	SHUTE CREEK GAS PROCESSING PLANT	Operating	United States of America	1986	Natural Gas Processing	7	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
18	ENID FERTILISER	Operating	United States of America	1982	Fertiliser Production	0.7	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
19	TERRELL NATURAL GAS PROCESSING PLANT (FORMERLY VAL VERDE NATURAL GAS PLANTS)	Operating	United States of America	1972	Natural Gas Processing	0.4 - 0.5	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery

## 6.2 LARGE SCALE CCS FACILITIES IN CONSTRUCTION, ADVANCED AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

NO.	TITLE	STATUS	COUNTRY	OPERATION DATE	INDUSTRY	CAPTURE CAPACITY (Mtpa)	CAPTURE TYPE	STORAGE TYPE
20	ALBERTA CARBON TRUNK LINE ("ACTL") WITH NORTH WEST REDWATER PARTNERSHIP'S STURGEON REFINERY CO <sub>2</sub> STREAM	In Construction	Canada	2020	Hydrogen Production for Oil Refining	1.2 - 1.4	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
21	ALBERTA CARBON TRUNK LINE ("ACTL") WITH AGRICULTURE CO <sub>2</sub> STREAM	In Construction	Canada	2020	Fertiliser Production	0.3 - 0.6	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
22	SINOPEC QILU PETROCHEMICAL CCS	In Construction	China	2020	Chemical Production	0.40	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
23	YANCHANG INTEGRATED CARBON CAPTURE AND STORAGE DEMONSTRATION	In Construction	China	2020 - 2021	Chemical Production	0.41	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
24	WABASH CO <sub>2</sub> SEQUESTRATION	Advanced development	United States of America	2022	Fertiliser production	1.5-1.75	Industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage
25	PORT OF ROTTERDAM CCUS BACKBONE INITIATIVE (PORTHOS)	Advanced development	Netherlands	2023	Various	2.0 - 5.0	Various	Dedicated Geological Storage
26	NORWAY FULL CHAIN CCS	Advanced development	Norway	2023-2024	Cement production and waste-to-energy	0.80	Various	Dedicated Geological Storage
27	LAKE CHARLES METHANOL	Advanced development	United States of America	2024	Chemical production	4.20	Industrial separation	Enhanced oil recovery
28	ABU DHABI CCS PHASE 2 - NATURAL GAS PROCESSING PLANT	Advanced development	United Arab Emirates	2025	Natural gas processing	1.9 - 2.3	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
29	DRY FORK INTEGRATED COMMERCIAL CCS	Advanced development	United States of America	2025	Power generation	3.00	Post-combustion capture	Dedicated Geological Storage or Enhanced Oil Recovery
30	CARBONSAFE ILLINOIS – MACON COUNTY	Advanced development	United States of America	2025	Power generation and ethanol production	2.0 - 5.0	Post-combustion capture and industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage and Enhanced Oil Recovery
31	PROJECT TUNDRA	Advanced development	United States of America	2025 - 2026	Power generation	3.1 - 3.6	Post-combustion capture	Dedicated Geological Storage or Enhanced Oil Recovery
32	INTEGRATED MID-CONTINENT STACKED CARBON STORAGE HUB	Advanced development	United States of America	2025 - 2035	Ethanol production, power generation and/or refinery	1.90	Various	Dedicated Geological Storage and Enhanced Oil Recovery
33	CARBONNET	Advanced development	Australia	2020's	Under evaluation	3.00	Under Evaluation	Dedicated Geological Storage
34	OXY AND WHITE ENERGY ETHANOL EOR FACILITY	Early development	United States of America	2021	Ethanol production	0.6-0.7	Industrial separation	Enhanced Oil Recovery
35	SINOPEC EASTERN CHINA CCS	Early development	China	2021	Fertiliser production	0.50	Industrial separation	Enhanced oil recovery
36	HYDROGEN 2 MAGNUM (H2M)	Early development	Netherlands	2024	Power Generation	2.00	Under Evaluation	Dedicated Geological Storage

NO.	TITLE	STATUS	COUNTRY	OPERATION DATE	INDUSTRY	CAPTURE CAPACITY (Mtpa)	CAPTURE TYPE	STORAGE TYPE
37	THE CLEAN GAS PROJECT	Early development	United Kingdom	2024-2025	Power generation	1.7 - 2.0	Post-combustion capture	Dedicated Geological Storage
38	CALEDONIA CLEAN ENERGY	Early development	United Kingdom	2025	Power generation	3.00	Post-combustion capture	Dedicated Geological Storage
39	OXY AND CARBON ENGINEERING DIRECT AIR CAPTURE AND EOR FACILITY	Early development	United States of America	2025	N/A	1.0	Direct Air Capture	Enhanced Oil Recovery
40	SOUTH WEST HUB	Early development	Australia	2025	Fertiliser production and power generation	2.50	Industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage
41	HYNET NORTH WEST	Early development	United Kingdom	Mid-2020's	Hydrogen production	2.00	Industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage
42	PROJECT ECO2S: EARLY CO <sub>2</sub> STORAGE COMPLEX IN KEMPER COUNTY	Early development	United States of America	2026	In Evaluation	3.00	In Evaluation	Dedicated Geological Storage
43	NORTHERN GAS NETWORK H21 NORTH OF ENGLAND	Early development	United Kingdom	2026 - 2028	Hydrogen production	1.5 - 2.0	Industrial separation	Dedicated Geological Storage
44	ERVIA CORK CCS	Early development	Ireland	2028	Power generation and hydrogen production	2.50	Under Evaluation	Dedicated Geological Storage
45	CHINA RESOURCES POWER (HAIFENG) INTEGRATED CARBON CAPTURE AND SEQUESTRATION DEMONSTRATION	Early development	China	2020's	Power generation	1.00	Post-combustion capture	Dedicated Geological Storage
46	HUANENG GREENGEN IGCC PROJECT (PHASE 3)	Early development	China	2020's	Power generation	2.00	Pre-combustion capture (gasification)	Under evaluation
47	KOREA-CCS 1 & 2	Early development	South Korea	2020's	Power generation	1.00	Post-combustion capture	Dedicated Geological Storage
48	SHENHUA NINGXIA CTL	Early development	China	2020's	Coal-to-liquids (CTL)	2.00	Industrial separation	Under evaluation
49	SINOPEC SHENGLI POWER PLANT CCS	Early development	China	2020's	Power generation	1.00	Post-combustion capture	Enhanced oil recovery
50	NET ZERO TEESSIDE	Early development	United Kingdom	2020's	Various	0.8 - 1.0	Various	Dedicated Geological Storage
51	ACORN SCALABLE CCS DEVELOPMENT	Early development	United Kingdom	End-2020's	Various	3.0 - 4.0	Under Evaluation	Dedicated Geological Storage

## 6.3 HYDROGEN STRATEGIES WITH CCS

COUNTRY	INCLUSION/DETAIL/IMPORTANCE OF CCS IN HYDROGEN STRATEGY
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	Consultations by the National Hydrogen Working Group to develop a National Hydrogen Strategy by the end of 2019 are already considering the production of hydrogen using fossil fuels and CCS. In addition, construction at the Hydrogen Energy Supply Chain (HESC) liquefaction and loading facility began in July 2019. The HESC is a project, supported by a consortium of government and industry partners from Australia and Japan, will look at the feasibility of turning brown coal from the Latrobe Valley into hydrogen to be shipped to Japan and using the CarbonNet CCS project to transport and store emissions in the nearby Gippsland basin.
<b>JAPAN</b>	Host of the 2019 G20, Japan used this important platform to highlight hydrogen. This included hosting the first Hydrogen Energy Ministerial meeting and, in the same month, adopted a carbon-neutrality strategy that includes innovation goals for both carbon capture and hydrogen and launched a Japan H <sub>2</sub> Mobility program which aims build 80 refueling stations by 2021 <sup>45</sup> .
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	The United States also showed progress in the development of hydrogen production with CCS with provisions added to the 45Q tax credit to incentivise the conversion of CO <sub>2</sub> and other products, and included conversion via combination with hydrogen <sup>44</sup> . In addition, the amendment of California's Low Carbon Fuel Standard to enable CCUS came into effect. This created a way for companies that produce hydrogen via SMR with carbon capture to generate credits, while also incentivising the roll-out of hydrogen-fuelling capacity - thus eliminating one of the barriers to adoption.
<b>UNITED KINGDOM</b>	In the UK, the majority of hydrogen production is expected to use natural gas with CCS and is being driven by the dedicated policies, reviews and investments in hydrogen as a low emissions technology to decarbonise transport and heat sectors, as well as industry <sup>45</sup> . For example, the H21 Leeds Citygate project, after a detailed economic and technical feasibility study conducted in 2016, has proposed to decarbonise the existing natural gas network in the UK city of Leeds by converting it to 100 per cent hydrogen. The project involves a process of hydrogen production using Steam Methane Reforming of natural gas; the associated carbon emissions will be sequestered under the North Sea.
<b>EUROPE</b>	The Hydrogen Roadmap Europe <sup>46</sup> was published in February 2019 by FCH JU, which consists of members representing the European Commission, Hydrogen Europe and Hydrogen Research Europe. With the aim of supporting research and development in fuel cell and hydrogen energy technologies, the study focuses on pathways for their large-scale deployment until 2050. The production of hydrogen from steam methane reforming processes is highlighted as an avenue for the decarbonization of the transport and industrial sectors. In particular CCS is recommended for companies as a proven method of producing very low carbon hydrogen on a large scale. The EU's 'Clean Planet for All' decarbonization strategy was published by the European Commission in November 2018. The strategy considers several pathways to reach decarbonization by 2050. The production of hydrogen from natural gas steam reforming using CCS, for energy storage purposes, energy carrier purposes in the transport, heat and industrial sectors and as a feedstock for industry is considered as a potential decarbonization strategy in these sectors.
<b>NETHERLANDS</b>	Outlines of a Hydrogen Roadmap <sup>47</sup> was drafted by TKI New Gas (Top Sector Energy) on behalf of the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy. Published in March 2018, the report explores decarbonisation pathways using hydrogen in the industrial and transport sectors. The report recommends exploring hydrogen production from natural gas with CCS (blue hydrogen) in order to accelerate large-scale application of hydrogen.



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- ii. Data from the Global CCS Institute CO<sub>2</sub>RE database as of November 2019 (Global CCS Institute 2019a).
- iii. The advanced development stage in a project's lifecycle means greater detailed investigation through front-end engineering design (FEED) is underway. This may involve steps like choosing the specific technology to use, examining design and overall facility costs, obtaining permits and approvals or assessing key risks to the development. Once this stage is completed, the project may be ready for a final investment decision (FID).
- iv. CO<sub>2</sub> Geological Storage Study funded by the US Department of Energy.
- v. The Institute is liaising with project developers and reviewing proposed CCS facilities with an eye to including them in our CO<sub>2</sub>RE database in early 2020.
- vi. Note that the cost of capture from more concentrated CO<sub>2</sub> gas streams, such as biofuel production or hydrogen production from gas or coal, are significantly lower.
- vii. GCCSI Analysis based on 8 per cent discount rate, 30 years project life, 2.5 years construction time, capacity factor of 85 per cent. Fuel prices were based on the reported data in the project feasibility and FEED reports. Cost data normalised to 2017 values.
- viii. Assuming 50kWh of electricity per kilogram of hydrogen produced.
- ix. Conversion from AUD to USD as of 26 November 2019.
- x. Estimated electricity generated in 2017 from Nuclear was 2637TWh, from all renewables combined was 6351TWh.
- xi. See p.71 for more detailed information about coal fired generators with CCS - Boundary Dam and Petra Nova.
- xii. Global CCS Institute analysis of public and GCCSI exclusive project feasibility and FEED reports, NETL 2018 Compendium of Carbon Capture Technology and presentations from NETL 2019 Carbon Capture, Utilization, Storage and Oil and Gas Technologies Integrated Review Meeting.
- xiii. Cost is adjusted to 2018 US\$ value calculated using the measure of cost used by (Rubin et al 2015). Cost of flue gas desulfurization process is included in Boundary Dam and Shand.

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