

# CCS: Challenges in Large-scale Carbon Storage

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#### Agenda

- Review of worldwide CCS projects status.
- 4 challenges to large-scale CCS projects
  - 1) Cost.
  - 2) Transportation and storage infrastructure.
  - 3) Perceived risks from stakeholders.
  - 4) Competition with other decarbonization technologies.
- Blue Flint CCS Injection (small scale, near site CCS example)
- Q&A

#### **Complex CCUS Value Chain**

#### From Capture to Transportation and Storage



#### World CCUS Project Status 2022-2023



COMMERCIAL CCS FACILITIES IN OPERATION & CONSTRUCTION COMMERCIAL CCS FACILITIES

 PILOT & DEMONSTRATION FACILITIES COMPLETED

OPERATION SUSPENDED

#### 2022 CCUS Projects by Type



#### Global CCS Project by Sector and Scale



#### CCS is Critical for Paris Agreement Goal

- Currently 2023:
  - 0.05 Gt/yr (in operation)
  - 0.36 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr (including early development)
- 2030: 0.8 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr in operation (16 times increase from 2023)
- 2050: 2.8 GtCO<sub>2</sub>/yr in operation (56 times increase from 2023)

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	CAPTURE FACILITIES	PIPELINES	STORAGE SITES		
OTAL IN 2050	MORE THAN 2,000	200,000 KM	400		
NNUAL BUILD ATE TO 2050	70 - 100	5,200 - 7,200 KM	10 - 30 I <del>C</del> O		

#### 2010-2019 CCS Project Pipeline



- Project: 129->52
- Operating: 7->19
- Boom and bust

cycle?

#### Challenge #1: Economics...improving but still tough



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#### CCS Cost Reduction: Solar PV and Wind Analogy

- Solar PV dropped 80%.
- Onshore wind dropped 50%
- Opportunity: CCS capture cost reduction of 50% in 10 years?
  - "Blue Oil" (Captured  $CO_2 EOR$ ).
  - Capture technology.
  - CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline network.
  - Economy of scale.

#### POWER GENERATION COSTS IN 2019 Costs continued to fall in 2019 for solar and wind power technologies



### Challenge #2: Source and Storage Distance

- Scattered low-cost
  small CO<sub>2</sub> sources.
  Isolated low-cost
- large CO<sub>2</sub> storage site.
- Long pipeline route challenges.
  - Sizing.
  - Permitting.
  - Cost.



#### Current CO<sub>2</sub> Pipeline

- Only ~5000 miles.
- Driven by EOR.
- Very few CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines outside of US.



### Hypothetical US CO<sub>2</sub> Pipeline Network



Princeton University: Netzero America Report

#### Challenge #3: Public Perception of Risk



Fatal Risk from Stored CO2 Leakage Appears Remote

Experience with natural seeps in Italy suggests that any CO2 leaking from proposed underground storage is unlikely to kill

By Christa Marshall, ClimateWire on September 14, 2011



Source: Navigator CO<sub>2</sub>, S&P Global Commodity Insights

## CO<sub>2</sub> Pipelines are safe.

- Nonflammable, Odorless, Colorless, and nonpoisonous.
- 40+ years of great safety record of 5150 miles of CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines in US.
- Safer than crude pipelines.
  - Since 2010, there have been 66 incidents on CO2 pipelines with no fatalities (PHMSA data).
  - 1.1 CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline incidents per 1,000 miles compared to 2.9 crude pipeline incidents per 1,000 miles (PHMSA data).
- Safer than electric transmission and distribution systems.

#### CCS Storage Sites are Safe

Store Type (Permit Awarded)	Description	Estimated worst-case amount as % of store capacity (125Mt CO <sub>2</sub> )						
Depleted Field Store	Leakage from all wells	0.070%	35 —	Injection period	Post-injection period			
	Leakage from all geological features	0.002%	arget) - 05		Energy Tra	nsition Completed?		aled
	Total leakage from storage complex	0.072%	ection t - 52 -		.1 % per y	ar		ated
1000 years	Total estimated contained mass at storage complex	99.928%	[ii] 20 - Jo %) 15 -		0	0.01 % per Je		ell-Regula
Fully or Partially Confined Saline Aquifer Storage Site	Leakage from all wells	0.064%	0 0 10 - pe				ale Pervent	shore W
	Leakage from all geological features	0.024%				0.9		
	Total leakage from storage complex	0.088%	10 <sup>0</sup>	10 <sup>1</sup>	10 <sup>2</sup> Years (log so	10 <sup>3</sup> ale)	10 <sup>4</sup>	
1000 years	Total estimated contained mass at storage complex	99.912%						

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# Challenge #4: Competition with Other Decarbonization Technologies

- Solar/Wind
  - Economy of scale.
  - Intermittence/Storage.
  - Location limit.
  - High land usage.
- Hydrogen
  - Clean.
  - New/unproven technologies.
  - No infrastructure.
  - High cost.
  - Blue hydrogen (CCS).

- CCS
  - Proven technology.
  - Cost.
  - No infrastructure.
- Geothermal
  - Location limit.
  - High cost.
- Renewable Fuel
  - High cost.
  - Feedstock limit.
    - Above all approach.

Selectively deploy technologies where it makes sense.



Sources: Survey of commercial banks that have evaluated hydrogen projects (45 respondents) and CCUS projects (14 respondents); BCG analysis.

## Blue Flint CCS

## (small scale, near site CCS, example)

#### Harvestone Low Carbon Partners Facilities

HarvestoneLCP.com

Blue Flint Ethanol ICM/Fagen – 2007 74 MGY Ethanol; 25 M Bu Corn

200 K Tons of CO<sub>2</sub>

#### Dakota Spirit AgEnergy

KFI/McGough – 2015 77 MGY Ethanol; 25 M Bu Corn 210 K Tons of CO<sub>2</sub>

#### Iroquois Bio-Energy Company ICM/Fagen – 2005 57 MGY Ethanol; 19 M Bu Corn 165 K Tons of CO<sub>2</sub>



#### Blue Flint CCS Video



#### Blue Flint Ethanol CCS (Oct 2023)





#### Blue Flint Ethanol CCS

- 200,000 TPA CO2 Injection Currently.
- Near site storage (3 mi pipeline).
- Broom Creek Formation ~4700 ft
- Underwood, North Dakota.
- Start injection on 10/28/2023.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Class VI injection in the US.



#### **Takeaway Points**

- Challenges
  - Economics.
  - Distance between source and sink.
  - Public perception of risk.
  - Competition from
    other decarbonization
    technologies.

- Opportunities
  - Blue oil (EOR).
  - Near site storage.
  - Capture Technology.
  - Pipeline network.
  - Economy of scale.
  - Educating the public.
  - Above all approach.





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