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## **CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage: A Promising Technology**

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# Introduction

- Fossil energy is expected to remain the predominant source of energy to meet growing world demand
  - Fossil fuels have been a driving force behind economic development
  - Over 1.6 billion people in the world today have no access to electricity, and over 2 billion don't have modern fuels for cooking and heating
  - Provision of modern energy, including fossil energy, is necessary to achieve Millennium Goal of poverty reduction
- Impact of GHG emissions on climate change has not yet gained wide undisputable scientific acceptance. However, the precautionary principle is often invoked.
- Technologies must continue to be developed to reduce GHG emissions from energy use.
- Sustainable development: Balance between economic growth, social progress, and environmental protection.



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## **Global CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions by Sector in 2000**



Source: World Energy, Technology, and Climate Policy Outlook, European Commission, 2003

## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage Potential Contribution to Atmospheric Stabilization



Sources: Dolf Gielen, IEA/EET Working Paper, "The Future Role of CO2 Capture and Storage: Results of the IEA-ETP Model, 2003; EU World Energy, Technology, and Climate Policy Outlook, 2003;

IPCC Greenhouse gas emissions scenarios.



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- CO<sub>2</sub> storage in oil reservoirs can substantially increase oil production and recovery through an enhanced oil recovery (EOR) process.

OPEC/WPC Workshop On CO<sub>2</sub> Capture, Storage and EOR; and Gas Flaring Reduction

- OPEC and the World Petroleum Congress see carbon dioxide and storage as a promising technology
- Workshop convened experts to discuss technology, current applications, future potential, and areas for cooperation
- In the end of each day, including:
  - CCS technology state-of-the-art and R&D programmes
  - > Case studies on  $CO_2$  storage in saline aquifers and  $CO_2 EOR$
  - > Policy, legal, and financing aspects of CCS and gas flaring reduction
  - Gas flaring reduction initiatives

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OPEC Member Countries activities highlighted



# CO<sub>2</sub> Capture & Storage Challenges

- The cost of CO<sub>2</sub> capture needs to be further reduced
  - Technologies have been available for years to remove CO<sub>2</sub> from sales gas streams, but these are costly
  - > If installed at a power plant, efficiency is reduced
- ✤ Issues related to geologic storage require more research
  - Technical issues related to monitoring, verification of storage and leak remediation
  - Legal aspects related to liability and long term ownership of storage sites
- Absence of commercial incentives
- Public awareness must be increased
- These are being addressed by various R&D programmes



## **CO**<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage State of the Technology (1)

Capture is the largest component of the cost of CCS

- Power plant post-combustion capture costs \$40 to \$100 per tonne of avoided emissions
- More concentrated CO<sub>2</sub> is less costly to capture but the technology is immature

Processes such as pre-combustion de-carbonization and oxygen burning promise to reduce costs

- R&D is expected to bring down the costs of all methods of capture. Three major programmes:
  - CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Project
  - > IEA Greenhouse Gas Reduction Programme
  - > US DOE carbon sequestration R&D



# **CO**<sub>2</sub> **Capture and Storage State of the Technology (2)**

- Transportation and injection of CO<sub>2</sub> is relatively low cost
  - CO<sub>2</sub> has been transported by pipeline for many years in N orth America
  - CO<sub>2</sub> can be shipped in low pressure LPG vessels
  - Infrastructure requirements for large scale CO<sub>2</sub> capture and transport to geologic storage sites could be substantial
- For storage in geologic formations, monitoring, verification and long term storage are being addressed through technology development and demonstration projects
- However; the potential is huge





Comparative potentials at storage costs of up to \$20/t CO<sub>2</sub>

Source: John Topper, IEA Greenhouse Gas Reduction Programme, presentation to the OPEC/WPC workshop 8th June 2004



# **Sleipner West Gas Field (1)**



- Natural gas contains 4 to 9.5% CO<sub>2</sub>
- Sales gas must contain less than 2.5%
- Large-scale offshore CO<sub>2</sub> capture



- Cost of injection facilities and well \$80 million
- One million tonnes per year injected into the Utsira Formation

Source: Mr. O. Kaarstad, Statoil, presentation to the OPEC/WPC workshop June 8, 2004



## **SLEIPNER WEST GAS FIELD (2)**



## Major R&D Results:

- EU-supported monitoring project (SACS)
- 3D Seismic indicates CO<sub>2</sub> is being contained in the reservoir
- Modeling studies used to predict future performance

Source: Mr. O. Kaarstad, Statoil, presentation to the OPEC/WPC workshop June 8, 2004



 Joint venture between Sonatrach (SH) and British Petroleum (BP).
Objective: Exploration, Appraisal, Development and Joint Marketing of ga produced from 7 fields of the region after its treatment.

The gas is treated by an Ethanol - Amine solution

The CO<sub>2</sub> is rejected by two amine regeneration trains

◆ The CO<sub>2</sub> is compressed through 4 compression stages up to a max of 200 bars

The CO<sub>2</sub> is injected into the Krechba aquifer
60 mmsdfd <=> 1.15 million tons/year
20 million tons of CO2 re-injected during the life of the project

Source: Ms. N. Boudjemaa, P.E., Sonatrach, presentation to the OPEC/WPC workshop June 8, 2004.



# **CO<sub>2</sub> Enhanced Oil Recovery**



## West Texas Permian Basin CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Projects

CO<sub>2</sub> Supply System

- CO<sub>2</sub> EOR projects have been in place for 30 years, using natural sources
- •About 1500 million ft<sup>3</sup> per day injected (42.4 million m<sup>3</sup>/day)
- More than 50 active floods which contribute 20% of regional production.



Source: Mr. Leamon Hood, Oxy, presentation at the OPEC/WPC workshop on CCS, June 8, 2004

# San Andres CO<sub>2</sub> Floods

## **Recovery Efficiencies (%OOIP)**

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## Weyburn CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Demonstration Project Saskatchewan, Canada

- The CO<sub>2</sub> is a purchased by-product from the Dakota Gasification Company's synthetic fuel plant in Beulah, North Dakota, USA
- CO<sub>2</sub> is transported through a 320-km pipeline to Weyburn.
- CO<sub>2</sub> injection into Phase 1A started
- September 15, 2000
  - 98 BCF (2776 M m<sup>3</sup>) CO<sub>2</sub> injected as of February 2004
  - Current CO<sub>2</sub> purchase is 105 mmscfd
  - 25 mmscfd of associated gas and CO<sub>2</sub> being recycled
- Incremental oil production 9000 bbl/day out of 22,000 bbl/day



#### Weyburn Unit Oil Production





# **CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Potential**

- I26 gigatonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> storage in EOR Projects (IEA estimate)
  - Includes major basins in N. America, Europe, Middle East, Western Siberia
  - > More potential if Africa, Latin America, and Asia are included
- Win-win scenario of increasing oil supplies while storing large quantities of CO<sub>2</sub>
- EOR can provide financial incentive for early implementation of CO<sub>2</sub> capture technologies, thus helping to bring down the costs
- Revenue from EOR can help support infrastructure investments necessary to transport CO<sub>2</sub> to other geologic storage sites

# Possible North Sea CO<sub>2</sub> Infrastructure

- 30 40 million t/year CO<sub>2</sub> stored from power stations and factories around N. Sea basin
- 100 million bbl/year incremental oil
- Field life extended for 10 – 30 years



Source: Hugh Sharman, consultant, presentation to the OPEC/WPC workshop June 8, 2004.



**Carbon Capture and Storage Financing and Policy Issues** 

- Supportive policies should be enacted and a legal framework developed
- Financial incentives for CCS are necessary
- The Clean Development Mechanism could facilitate early implementation of CCS in developing countries, if
  - It could accommodate large scale projects
  - It would recognize additionality and GHG reduction benefits of CCS



# **Gas Flaring Reduction**

- Global gas venting and flaring is around 100 bcm/ year
- The fraction of gas that is flared has been greatly reduced over the last 20 years
- Individual governments and companies have had successes in reducing flared gas, and significant investments in reduction projects are continuing.
- The World Bank Gas Flaring Reduction Initiative supports national governments' efforts to reduce flaring
  - Helps commercialize small gas volumes
  - Facilitates cooperation on gas infrastructure and markets
  - Promotes use of gas for poverty alleviation



Gas Flaring Reduction Algeria Example

- Invested over \$660 million to reduce gas flaring
- While volumes of produced associated gases have practically quadrupled the 33 last years, the rate of flaring of associated gas decreased from 80% in 1970 to 11% in 2003.
- **Less than 1% of the of dry (non-associated) gas is flared.**
- In terms of total associated and dry natural gas, the flaring rate is less than 3%.
- Medium-term objective is to recover 93% of produced associated gas by 2007 and 100% by 2010.
- \$200 million has been allocated to additional gas flaring reduction projects.

# Satellite Observation Showing Net Reduction of Flaring

## September 24th, 1992

## March 20th, 2002



Source : DMSP-OLS Observations of Gas Flares, Dr. Rabah Nadir Allouani, Sonatrach, presentation to the OPEC/WPC Workshop 9th June, 2004.



Gas Flaring Reduction Abu Dhabi Example

- Abu Dhabi rapidly reduced gas flaring after 1977 from 4000 mmfcd to < 500 mmcfd in the early 1980s, to < 300 mmcfd in the mid-1990s
- Since 1995 many new projects have been implemented to reduce flaring from 270 mmcfd to 70 mmfcd today. T his is only about 1% of the more than 6000 mmcfd gas production today
  - Reduced the number of flares
  - Re-injection of gas into oil reservoirs
  - Plants modified to recover gas
  - Zero flaring technology installed in some locations
- Flaring will be reduced to 30 mmcfd by 2007
- Goal is zero flaring



Source: Mr. Ihab Othamn Tarmoon, ADNOC, presentation to the OPEC/WPC workshop June 9, 2004



Gas Flaring Reduction Nigeria Example

- Over 40% of associated gas is flared
  - Down from 70% in 1996
  - The flared volume is enough to meet the electricity needs of sub-Saharan Africa
- Main challenge is limited domestic demand
  - Slow economic growth; underdeveloped local market
  - Lack of pipeline infrastructure
- Even so, domestic gas utilization has increased from 50 mmcfd in 2000 to 1000 mmcfd today.
- Gas gathering systems and use of associated gas to supply part of LNG feed are planned
- Policy is to eliminate gas flaring by 2008



## **Okpai Independent Power Project Overview**

<b>Category of the Project</b>	Gas Flaring Reduction
<b>Partners (Equity)</b>	NNPC (60%) - NAOC (20%) -CONOCO PHILLIPS (20%)
Investments	~ \$400 million USD
Start-up	January 2005
Project life	20 years + 5 years (possible extension)
<b>GHG reductions</b>	1.8 million tonnes $CO_2$ per annum
Will be submitted as a CDM Project	



Source: Mr. Vito Caruso, Eni, presentation to the OPEC/WPC workshop 9th June, 2004.



## Conclusions

- $\bullet$  CCS has enormous potential to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.
- CCS is one of the lowest cost near to medium term options in terms of cost per tonne of avoided emissions, and costs will be further reduced through R&D.
- CCS would allow people to continue to benefit from the use of fossil fuels.
- CO<sub>2</sub> enhanced oil recovery can increase oil reserves and extend plateau production in mature oil fields while storing CO<sub>2</sub>.
- Reduction or elimination of gas flaring can contribute to GHG reductions while bringing modern energy supplies to under-developed regions of the world.
- CCS, CO<sub>2</sub> EOR, and gas flaring reduction projects should be:
  - > Eligible for financial support, including CDM
  - Supported by appropriate legal and policy frameworks