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Following Developments on CO2 capture, Monitoring and Risk Assessment

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Greenhouse Gas R&D IA



A collaborative research programme founded in 1991 as an IEA Implementing Agreement fully financed by its members

Aim: Provide members with definitive information on the role that technology can play in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Scope: All greenhouse gases, all fossil fuels and comparative assessments of technology options

Focus: On CCS in recent years

Producing information that is:

- Objective, trustworthy, independent
- Policy relevant but NOT policy prescriptive
- Reviewed by external Expert Reviewers
- Subject to review of policy implications by Members



GHG R&D IA Activities



- Task 1: Evaluation of technology options
 - Based on a standard methodology to allow direct comparisons and are peer reviewed
- Task 2: Facilitating implementation
 - Provision of "evidence based information"
- Task 3: Facilitating international cooperation
 - Knowledge transfer from existing, laboratory, pilot and commercial scale CCS projects globally
- Task 4:To disseminate the results as widely as possible.

Focus on Task 3



- International Collaborative research networks
- Aim to promote international collaboration
- Help to collate information on new developments in key areas
- Small interactive meetings (50-80 people)
- Open to all

International research networks



CO2 Capture

- Post combustion capture network (PCC)
- Oxy fuel Combustion network (OCC)
- Solid looping research network (HTSLN)

Cross Cutting

- CCS Costs
- Social Research on CCS

Geological Storage

- Monitoring of Injected CO2
- Modelling of injected CO2
- Well bore integrity network
- Risk Management
- Environmental Impacts network

Learning's from recent meetings



- CO₂ capture post combustion capture
- PCC-1, Yas Hotel, Abu Dhabi
- 17th 19th May 2011





What was learnt?



- A number of pilot plants have established mass transfer and energy performance.
- Energy required for CO_2 capture from coal is settling into a range of 200-250 kwh/tonne CO_2 .
 - KS-1, piperazine, AMP/PZ, MDEA/PZ are some of the superior solvents.
- Two issues of secondary environmental impact are receiving major attention:
 - Nitrosamines are made from NO₂ in flue gas, but are probably limited to accumulation in the solvent.
 - Unexpected losses of volatile amine through the water wash as aerosols must be addressed.



- Steady technical progress over 11 yrs
- A number of large pilot plants providing good scale up data but still no integrated CCS demonstration using post combustion capture in power sector
- 2nd Generation Technologies coming on but not clear about process economics
- No perceived technical show stoppers, and environmental impacts being addressed

n.b. Issues around finance, regulation, public acceptance same as for other CCS routes but not discussed at what was a very technical event

Learning's from recent meetings



- CO₂ capture Oxyfuel
 - OCC-2 Capricorn Resort, Yeppoon, Australia
 - 11th 16th September 2011







Key Messages from OCC2...

 Industry would need the demonstration projects to proceed in order to sustain the RD&D investment.

• We can't afford to lose the momentum of the past 10 years of RD&D efforts.



Takeaway Messages

- Tremendous Technical Progress over 6 yrs
- Four substantial large pilots; 2 operating; 2 in commissioning
- 3 large burner testing facilities
- Oxy CFB making good progress
- No perceived technical show stoppers
- 2nd generation in development e.g. Chemical looping combustion
- Issues around finance, regulation, public acceptance



Learning's from recent meetings



- CO₂ capture Solid looping
 - 4th High Temperature Solid Looping Cycles Network Meeting, Xijiao Hotel, Beijing
 - Hosted by Tsinghua University
 - 20th August 21st August 2012
 - 48 delegates





Challenges and next steps



- Techno-economic performance figures
- Demonstration of extended operating times
- Addressing emissions/environmental impacts
- Sorbent design/tailoring and cyclic stability
- Identifying first commercial opportunities
- Scale-up to commercial size (> 50 MW)

Monitoring Network

- Potsdam, Germany, 1-3rd June 2011,
- Theme: EU criteria for transfer of responsibility : Actual behaviour of the injected CO₂ conforms with modelled; No detectable leakage
- Actual behaviour of the injected CO₂ conforms with modelled
- Seismic detection limits discussed for real projects.
- Will always be the case that the models improve with more info.
- Combinations of tools can reduce overall uncertainty. Results from pilot sites are key for understanding and demonstrating processes



Monitoring Network



- No detectable leakage
- Traditional techniques include soil-gas and atmospheric monitoring as well as monitoring of shallow water. Very important to capture the full natural variation of CO₂. A 2 step approach to first locate the leak, then quantify it.
- New process based approach to soil monitoring.
- Use of risk assessments to define monitoring programmes
- Results from monitoring at the Ketzin project
- Visit to Ketzin project.

Learning's from recent meetings



Monitoring injected CO2

Large developing tool kit of monitoring techniques



Risk Assessment Network Meeting



- Pau, France, 21-23rd June 2011
- Induced seismicity lessons from other activities
- Understanding potential groundwater impacts: In-situ CO₂water-rock interactions may not be as important as migrated brine interactions; Buffering and scavenging processes may control trace element mobility
- Microbial activity can have both physical (e.g. porosity) and chemical impacts (e.g. catalysis of mineral reactions)
- Shell, BP, TOTAL updates on projects' risk assessments combing several risk assessment techniques and driving monitoring programmes

Risk Assessment Network Meeting



- Key recommendations:
 - monitoring programmes should be risk-based;
 - the need for benchmarking of outputs of methodologies;
 - community asset values being included;
 - investigation into microbial influences;
 - consideration of induced seismicity for larger projects;
 - the importance of baseline data;
 - further work on the evolution of risk through time.

Overall Outcomes



- Improvements in application and understanding of techniques
- More real experience and results from projects (particularly monitoring)
- Real examples of projects' risk assessments integrating all network disciplines
- Monitoring programmes should be based on risk assessments
- Each considered relevant issues from UNFCCC Cancun Decision, fed into Abu Dhabi workshop.

Meetings in 2013

- Joint Modelling/Risk Assessment meeting, June, Trondheim, Norway
 - Dates to be confirmed
- OCC-3. September 9th -13th, Leon Spain
 - Includes visit to Ponferrada oxy CFB plan
- PCC-2. September 17th -20th, Bergen, Norway
 - Includes visit to Mongstad TLM
- Joint Monitoring/Environmental Impacts meeting, October, Canberra, Australia
 - Dates to be confirmed
- 5th HTSLN University of Cambridge (UK)
 - Dates to be confirmed



How to participate



- Go to IEAGHG home page: <u>www.ieaghg.org</u>
- Register and choose option to receive updates on networks of interest.
- Small admin. fee for each meeting
- Costs of travel/accomodation covered by delegates

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