Update on IGCC Technology and Projects

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Topics

- Update on operating IGCC plants
- IGCC technology design enhancements
- Status of new IGCC projects
- Environmental performance
- CO₂ capture for IGCC
- Hybrid IGCC technology



Coal-based IGCC Power Plants

	Company	Facility	Location	Feedstock	Gasifier Technology	MW, net
	Nuon	Willem- Alexander Centrale	Buggenum, Netherlands	coal/biomass	Shell	253
	SG Solutions	Wabash River	W. Terre Haute, IN	coal/coke	Conoco Phillips	262
	Tampa Electric	Polk Power Station	Mulberry, FL	coal/coke	GE Energy	252
	ELCOGAS	Puertollano	Puertollano, Spain	coal/coke	Prenflo	260-280
Gasifier G1/ST Gas clean-up	Multiple Japanese Utilities; MITI; CRIEPI	Clean Coal Power R&D Co.	Nakoso, Japan	coal	MHI	220



IGCC Plant Availability

- First generation of coal-based IGCC plants have only one gasification train
- 4-5 years of operation to reach availability goals
- Peak availability for one-train units is ~80%
- New IGCC designs: two 50% trains expected to provide ~85% availability for new fleet of IGCC units

- Achieve availability goals much sooner



Design Enhancements for New IGCC Fleet

- Improvements to gasifier refractory
- Better gasifier "burners"
- Use of more corrosion resistant piping (chlorides)
- Slag char recycle to improve overall conversion/efficiency
- Sparing and sizing of major systems
 - 2x50% size gasification trains
- Air integration between gas turbine and ASU
- Higher % sulfur removal
- Mercury removal
- Adaptation of CO₂ capture technologies to IGCC
- Hydrogen-fired gas turbines



Operating IGCC Plants in the U.S.





IGCC Projects Under Development in the U.S.



IGCC Project Status

Project	Project Developer	Gasification Technology	Location	Status
Cash Creek Generation	Green Rock Energy/GE Energy Financial/ERORA	GE	Owensboro, KY	Permits for hybrid IGCC issued but under appeal
Edwardsport IGCC	Duke Energy Indiana	GE	Edwardsport, IN	~40% construction completed (July 2010)
Hydrogen Energy California	Hydrogen Energy (BP and Rio Tinto)	GE	Tupman, CA	Applications under review by California Energy Commission and state/local agencies
Kemper County IGCC	Mississippi Power Co.	TRIG™	Liberty, MS	Air permit received Mar. 2010; approval of project cost target by MPSC.
Mesaba Energy Project	Excelsior Energy, Inc.	Conoco Phillips E-Gas™	Taconite, MN	Certification issued by state of Minnesota. Final EIS issued by DOE.
Sweeny IGCC	ConocoPhillips	Conoco Phillips E-Gas™	Old Ocean, TX	Air permit application submitted Feb. 2010
Taylorville Energy Center	Christian County Generation, LLC (Tenaska and MDL Holdings)	Siemens	Taylorville, IL	FEED study during 2009 for hybrid IGCC. New air permit application submitted for hybrid IGCC April 2010.
Texas Clean Energy Project	Summit Power	Siemens	Odessa, TX	Air permit application submitted April 2010. FEED started July 2010.



Duke Energy Indiana Edwardsport IGCC – Under Construction





NOx Emission Rate Comparison Gas Turbine Heat Input Basis





SO₂ Emission Rate Comparison Gas Turbine Heat Input Basis





Mercury Removal

- Pre-sulfided activated carbon beds
- >94% removal of vapor-phase mercury at Eastman Chemical
- Spent carbon disposed of in drums
- Proposed IGCC plants will use this technology



Source: Eastman Chemical



Byproducts





Ash is removed in molten form, then quench-cooled to form glassy, inert slag







Slag Use

- Used for making
 - Cement
 - Asphalt filler
 - Roofing shingles
 - Sand-blasting grit











Gasification Slag is Different

- It is <u>not</u> regulated as a "coal combustion byproduct"
 Gasification is <u>not</u> combustion
- It has a Bevill waste exemption from Subtitle C (hazardous wastes), as a "mineral processing waste"
 - Feedstock must be \geq 50% coal to qualify
- EPA's proposed "coal ash rule" <u>does not</u> apply to coal gasification slag/ash



Liquid Byproducts

Sulfur

- Recovered in molten form
- Transported by rail or truck

Sulfuric acid

- Various concentrations can be produced, depending on local markets
- Transported by rail or truck







CO₂ Capture Technology for IGCC

- IGCC does not "inherently" capture CO₂
- Capturing CO₂ requires extensive addition of equipment
 - increase in capital and O&M expense
 - decrease in unit output and efficiency
- Technologies proven in coal gasification plants will be applied to many new IGCC plants



CO₂ Capture - Water Shift Reaction

- Concentration of CO₂ in IGCC syngas is 2-14%
- By adding steam to the syngas, over a catalyst bed:
 CO + H₂O + CO₂
- The CO₂ can then be efficiently removed from the syngas prior to combustion in the gas turbine
- A commercially proven process used in refineries and chemical plants
- Resulting syngas has high H₂ content



Hybrid IGCC – an Option for IGCC with CO₂ Capture

- Produce "normal" syngas in gasification area
- Use water shift reaction to produce higher concentration of H₂
- Capture the CO₂ from the syngas
- Methanate the shifted syngas to SNG
- Combust SNG in conventional NGCC or send to pipeline for sale
- Compress the CO₂ for sequestration or use in enhanced oil recovery



Hybrid IGCC Projects

- Cash Creek Generation
 - GE technology



• Taylorville Energy Center – Siemens technology

Sources: Taylorville Energy Center; Cash Creek Generation







- 16 years of improving IGCC operating experience worldwide
- Lessons learned have become design enhancements for higher efficiency, higher availability and improved environmental performance
- New fleet of units in development and construction
- Environmental advantages for coal-based IGCC
- CO₂ capture technologies being applied to new IGCC units



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