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Sustainable steam cracker design Roadmap to net zero CO₂ emissions





Linde Roadmap to net zero CO₂ Emissions in Steam Cracking – Stepwise Approach



Linde Sustainable Olefin Technologies: The carbon management toolbox.





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Flue Gas CO₂ Capture Typical process concept







Process: BASF® OASE Blue Solvent

BASF® OASE Blue Characteristics:

- \checkmark Suitable for flue gases with low CO₂ concentration
 - 0₂ (4 16 v%) / CO₂ (4 25 v%)
- ✓ **Demonstrated technology** since 2009,
 - ${\sim}100.000$ hours of operation
- ✓ CO_2 removal rate ≥ 95%
- Very high stability of solvent resulting in low make-up rates
- Patented emissions reduction system and Nitrosamines management
- ✓ Minimum 20% reduction of regeneration energy against conventional amine
- ! High steam consumer

Flue Gas CO₂ Capture Required modifications ISBL cracker

- Flue gas ducting
 - Design and procure the required modifications
 - ✓ Implementation in regular plant turnaround
- Impact steam system, energy- and utility integration
 - ✓ Find the right solutions for (re)balancing
 - ✓ Offers opportunities in combination with compressor drive electrification
- System dynamics
 - Define sound control strategies to ensure continued stable and reliable plant operation also in upset scenarios



Relevance on Energy-integrated Systems Liquid cracker, >1000 kta ethylene and >500 kta propylene.





Typical boundary constraints

- World-scale liquid cracker, >1000 kta ethylene
- Methane-rich firing in furnaces (and auxiliary boilers)
- CO_2 concentration ~7-9 mol% (wet flue gas)
- Total CO₂ quantities of 150-200 t/h

Resulting selected design features

- Large single train design, absorber diameter 12-14 m
- Thermal energy demand ~2.5 GJ/ton of CO_2
- Cooling by air or cooling water
- Make-up below 0.4 kg amine / ton of CO_2
- Approx. plot ~5000 m² (in proximity of emitters)



Relevance on Energy-integrated Systems

Addition of flue gas carbon capture plus CO₂ compression (35 bar)







Relevance on Energy-integrated Systems Unintegrated heat supply to flue gas CO₂ capture







Relevance on Energy-integrated Systems LP steam for CO₂ capture from cracker, CO2-C electrified







Relevance on Energy-integrated Systems LP steam for CO₂ capture from cracker, CO2-C & C3C electrified







Flue Gas CO₂ Capture Summary

- Amine-based systems are the most mature technology for flue gas CO₂ capture, reaching CO₂ removal rates ≥ 95%
- The close development partnership between BASF and Linde ensures flawless project execution and process integration within cracker sites or overall industry complexes
- Operating companies benefit from a licensor having experience with the full chain from flue gas ducting, CO₂ removal & liquefaction and storage
- Energy integration opportunities of CO₂ capture and petrochemical units may drastically impact the business case
- Does your capital fired equipment generate a flue gas with "decently high" CO₂ concentration?
- Is your petrochemical site characterized by a surplus of low-temperature heat and/or large amounts of vacuum steam generation?

 \rightarrow flue gas carbon capture may be a promising solution







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Hydrogen Fuel Switching Technology selection based on boundary constraints







A fully integrated solution considers

- Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) optimisation, considering CAPEX, OPEX, availability and maintenance
- Highest reliability, integrating operational experiences
- Granting wrap-around guarantees & warranties

Hydrogen Fuel Switching Technology example 1: H_2/CH_4 separation (for ethane cracker) and selection criteria

"Bolt-on" design



- H_2 yield up to 90% (PSA) or 98% (PSA / HISELECT[®])
- Can be added later as "add-on"
- Can be centralized for more than one tail gases

Integrated design



- H_2 yield up to 99%
- More compact and CAPEX/OPEX optimized design





Hydrogen Fuel Switching Technology example 2: Reforming step and selection criteria



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Hydrogen Fuel Switching Technology example 3: CO₂ removal from syngas and selection criteria

Formunity of Practice



Conventional Amine



- Conventional technology
- Multiple amines available
- Requires thermal energy
- Less electrical power requirement

→ Suited for low thermal energy cost scenarios and/or where steam export is unappreciated

Adsorption-based HISORP[®] CC



- Entire H₂ plant avoids solvents
- Leverages on low-carbon electrical power
- No steam consumption; higher steam export
- Highly modular, supply as packaged units

→ Suited for low electrical energy cost scenarios and/or where steam export is appreciated

Dow selects Linde as partner for supply of clean H_2 and N_2 for its proposed net-zero carbon emissions site in CAN





MIDLAND, Mich., April 25, 2023 /PRNewswire/ -- Dow (NYSE: DOW) announced today it has selected Linde (NYSE: LIN) as its industrial gas partner for the supply of clean hydrogen and nitrogen for its proposed net-zero carbon emissions1 integrated ethylene cracker and derivatives site in Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, Canada. Final investment decisions for both the Dow and Linde projects are subject to approval by both companies' respective Board of Directors and various regulatory agencies. Final investment decisions are expected in fourth quarter this year for a potential startup of phase 1 in 2027.



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Under the parties' framework agreement, Linde will complete the design and engineering for a Linde-owned and operated worldscale air separation and autothermal reformer complex. This complex would be integrated with Linde's existing operations in Fort Saskatchewan.

"Linde's partnership is critical in enabling Dow to advance its plans to decarbonize our Fort Saskatchewan site while growing our business," said Edward Stones, Dow's business vice president, Energy and Climate. "Our customers are looking to Dow to help

lower the carbon footprint of their products, and this is an important step in that direction."

- Dow's proposed Fort Saskatchewan Path₂Zero expansion project will create the world's first net-zero carbon emissions integrated ethylene cracker and derivatives site with respect to scope 1 and 2 carbon dioxide emissions.
- Decarbonize approximately 20 percent of Dow's global ethylene capacity
- Produce and supply approximately 3.2 million metric tonnes of certified low- to zero-carbon emissions polyethylene and ethylene derivatives



CO₂ infrastructure

Decarbonizing World-scale Petrochemical Sites Summary

- Solutions for flue gas CO₂ capture ("post-combustion") and blue hydrogen fuel switching ("pre-combustion") are commercially ready
- For each solution, reduction of direct CO₂ emissions of
 95% can be achieved
- Solutions can significantly vary, depending on site- and client-specific as well as economic constraints
 - A multi-criteria decision process is required to identify the most promising solution(s)
 - Selection of suitable technology elements and integration of petrochemical and H₂/CO₂ processing facilities play a vital role





Volume & Concentration Carbon Capture % Emitter Distribution & Restricted Access Existing vs. new assets Economy of Scale Capital Allocation Impact on & suitability to existing assets Reliability & Flexibility aspects





Thank you for your attention

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