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# NATIONAL CARBON CAPTURE CENTER

### What's New at the NCCC



- Small-scale testing
- Capture from NG flue gas
- Active international collaboration

Safety First Unquestionable Trust Superior Performance Total Commitment

### **National Carbon Capture Center**

- **Sponsors:** U.S. Department of Energy and its National Energy Technology Laboratory
- **Partners:** Electric Power Research Institute, power and energy industry leaders
- Managed and operated by: Southern Company
- Location: Wilsonville, Alabama, USA





### **Major Accomplishments**

- More than 100,000 test hours for postand pre-combustion carbon capture and gasification projects
- Post-combustion operation about 50,000 hours and over 6,000 hours under natural gas conditions
- 30+ post-combustion projects: enzymes, membranes, sorbents, solvents and associated systems
- Supported commercial developers to scale-up and DOE's Carbon Capture Simulation Initiative
- Technology developers from the U.S. and six countries



### **Technology Development Process**



#### **Post-Combustion Pilot-Scale**



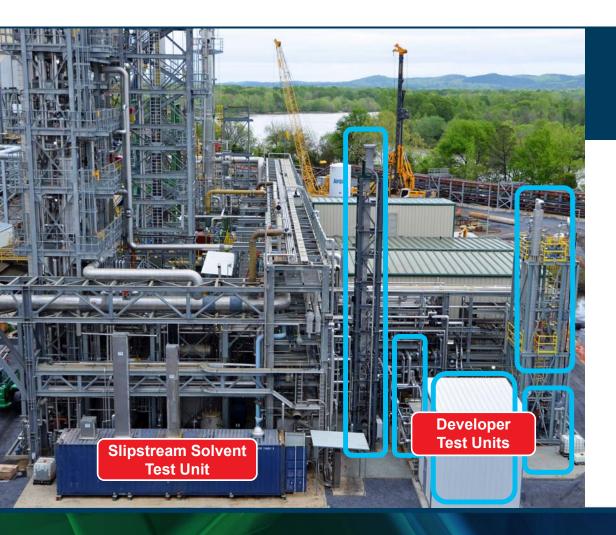
Simultaneous operation of developer test units and Pilot Solvent Test Unit (PSTU)

Three test bays from 0.5 MW up to 1.2 MW

PSTU offers flexible operation to match developers' planned commercial configuration

PSTU also supports solvent emissions and degradation studies

#### **Post-Combustion Bench-Scale**



Simultaneous operation of up to five developer test units

Slipstream Solvent Test Unit (SSTU) for testing of innovative solvents in early development

SSTU also used for solvent emissions studies and emission mitigation processes

Flue gas/utilities and gas analysis systems operate independently of post-combustion pilot-scale area

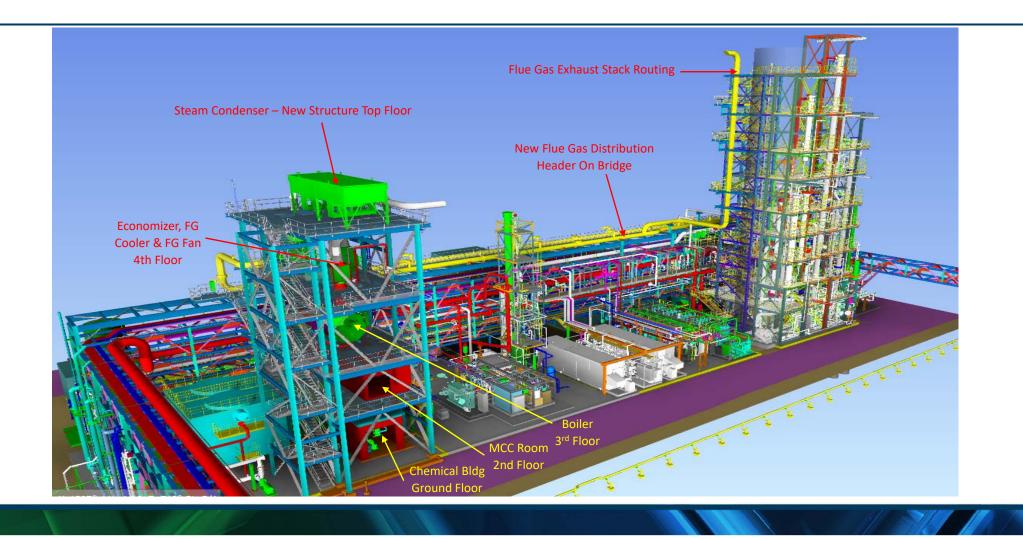
### Lab Scale Tests



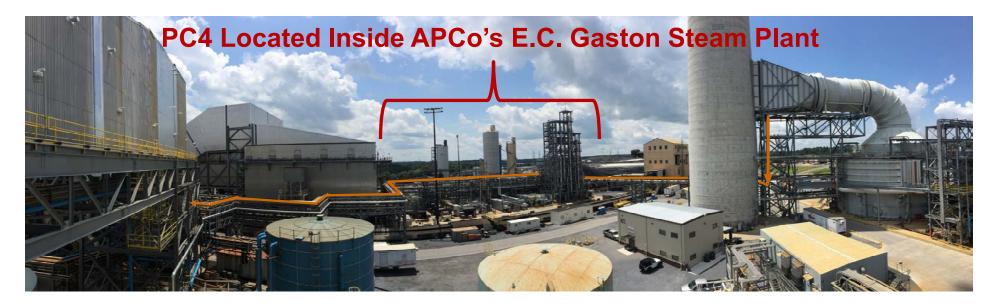




### **Addition of a Natural Gas Boiler**



### **Accommodating Divergent Interests**

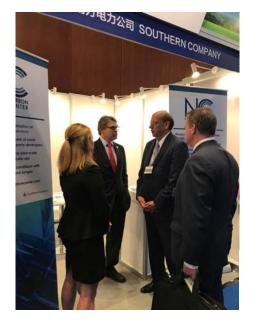


- Commercial operations and R&D
- Tech development for near commercial processes and low TRL step-change processes
- Domestic and international goals

### **NCCC International Collaboration**

### Carbon capture R&D is an international issue that requires international collaboration

- Support DOE goal of international cooperation
- Multiple paths for involvement; partners, developers, network members, consulting services and workshops
- Offer carbon capture support to budding commercial projects
- Broad NCCC effort China, India, Middle East, Korea, Japan, EU, Australia, Canada, Norway







# **International Test Center Network Members**



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- Share pubic knowledge with carbon capture test facilities.
  - Facility operations
  - Facility funding
  - Safety
  - Analytical techniques
- Collaborate on one technical item per year.
  - Amine carry-over and measurement techniques
  - Support advanced simulations and model development with a focus on reducing capital and operating cost and minimizing scale-up risks
  - Open access solvents

Share CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Knowledge to encourage global collaboration and accelerate technology development of cost-effective carbon capture processes



# **ITCN Benefits**

- CCUS R&D support is inconsistent. Maintain strong international cooperation to attenuated this swing.
- **Technology solutions** need to develop input for wider application
- **Support international initiatives** CSLF, IPCC, Bi-laterals, Conferences, Studies, White Papers, Policy Groups
- Support each other in funding proposals
- Facilitate partnerships for demos and commercial projects
- Encourage passionate participants in CCUS development to stay in the field.

