

# CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage as a Climate Change Mitigation Option

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### **IPIECA** in profile



- Founded 1974 Global Membership: national & multinational petroleum companies / associations
  - Currently 28 companies, 14 associations
- UN Observer status
- Secretariat based in London
- Focus on key global issues:
  - Global Climate Change
  - Biodiversity
  - Social Responsibility
  - Oil Spill Preparedness & Response
  - Fuels and vehicles
  - Health

# Climate Change Working Group (CCWG)



Established in 1988 its mission is to:

To provide reliable and timely information, issues analysis, education and involvement in international processes related to global climate change

# IPIECA Work on Carbon Dioxide Capture and Geological Storage



#### 2003:

IPIECA CCS Workshop and Summary Report

#### 2004:

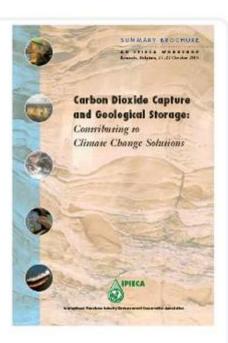
 Contribution to Preparation of the IPCC Special Report on CCS

#### 2005:

CCS Side-event at COP MOP-1, Montreal

#### 2006:

- Petroleum Industry Roundtable: Policy and Regulatory Development
- Presentations at SBSTA CCS Workshop
- API / IPIECA Petroleum Industry Guidelines for CCS Emission Reduction Projects



A copy of the IPIECA CCS summary report available online through IPIECA website <a href="https://www.ipieca.org">www.ipieca.org</a>

#### This Session



- Carbon Dioxide Capture and Geological Storage: Contributing to Climate Change Solutions
  - Luke Warren, IPIECA
- API / IPIECA Guidelines on Monitoring and Reporting Emission Reductions from CCS projects
  - Frede Cappelen, Statoil
- Policy and Regulatory Frameworks for CCS
  - Arthur Lee, Chevron



# Carbon Dioxide Capture and Geological Storage: Contributing to Climate Change Solutions

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#### The Development-Climate Challenge

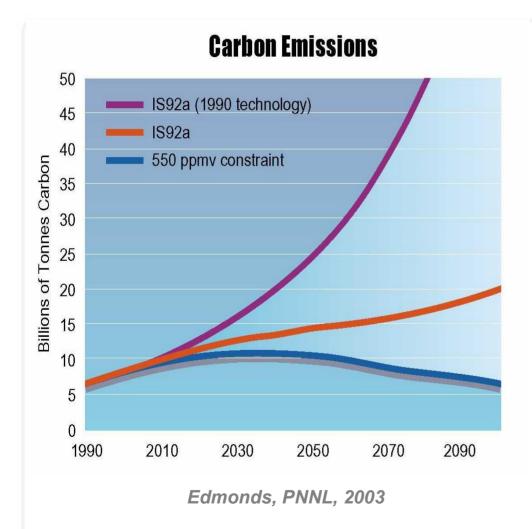


- By 2030 energy use forecast to grow by 60%
  - Fossil fuels projected to remain dominant energy source
  - Meeting demand requires technology development & investment
- Affordable energy is a key factor to achieve economic & social development
  - 1.6 billion currently lack access to electricity
- Climate
  - Concerns over impacts of increased GHG emissions

Improved technology will be needed to meet the development-climate challenge.

## Role of Technology in Providing for Energy Demand and Stabilizing CO<sub>2</sub> Concentration





#### Future CO<sub>2</sub> emissions:

No improvement in technology No attempt to mitigate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

### Scenario for future CO<sub>2</sub> emissions:

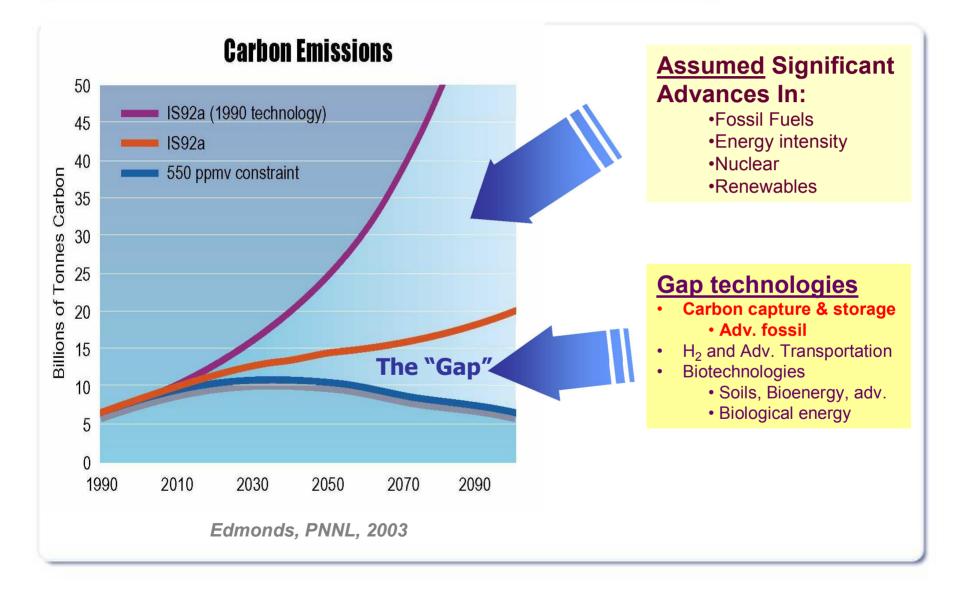
No attempt to mitigate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
Growth in developing countries

## Emissions leading 550 ppm CO<sub>2</sub>

Assumed stabilization level

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# What is Carbon Dioxide Capture and Geological Storage?



CCS is the capture of CO<sub>2</sub> from large stationary sources, its transportation to an appropriate injection site where it is pumped into underground geological formations

- Stationary sources responsible for large share of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
  - Electricity provides ~40% of global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
  - Capture of CO<sub>2</sub> from flue-gas using an amine absorbent at a cost of roughly 40 US\$/tCO<sub>2</sub>
  - Alternative methods: pre-combustion decarbonisation; combustion using oxygen instead of air or; separation using membranes, solid adsorbent cryogenics
- Captured CO<sub>2</sub> can be transported by high pressure pipelines or tankers to land-based or offshore geological sites
- Geological storage sites include depleted natural gas and oil fields, deep saline aquifers, and coal seams.

## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage Technology for a Greenhouse Gas Constrained Future



- Scope for CCS is large
  - Emissions from power production and industry = 63% of global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
  - If shift to hydrogen or electricity for transportation's energy carrier, then scope could include another 25% of global CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
  - Allows coal to continue to contribute to energy in a GHG constrained world
- CCS adds costs and consumes energy leading to
  - increased cost of energy services; electricity generation costs estimated to increase by 0.01 – 0.05 US\$ / kWh\*
  - additional depletion of energy resources
- The current cost of CCS from power plants is roughly 40-60 US\$/tCO<sub>2</sub>
- In limited cases capture costs can be modest:
  - gas processing
  - production of some chemicals



**Case dependent** 

And in some limited cases CCS is conomic:

- enhanced oil recovery
- acid gas disposal



Opportunities for early experience

## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Storage Technology for a Greenhouse Gas Constrained Future cont.



- In scenarios where atmospheric concentration stabilizes over the next century CCS can play a primary role:
  - Assumes advances in technology
  - Assumes drivers from policy measures
  - Entails massive infrastructure addition rivalling that of current global energy system
- Because of the large scale and cost, deployment of CCS, on a scale that affects global emissions would require many decades
- There are significant uncertainties in:
  - policy measures to mitigate climate change
  - how technology will improve over the long-term
  - how CCS will stack up against other GHG mitigation options in the future

A portfolio of technology initiatives advancing not only CCS, but also other technology options is appropriate in this situation

# Basis for Risk Management for an Expanded Role of Geological Storage of CO<sub>2</sub>



- Science builds on over 30 years of industry experience
  - enhanced oil recovery (EOR)
  - acid gas injection
  - CCS projects
- Safety achieved by site selection and risk management systems that make use of information from:
  - Site characterisation;
  - Operational monitoring;
  - Scientific understanding;
  - Engineering experience
- Experience provides valuable information on the management of geological storage
   But fossil fuel emissions are several orders of
  - But tossil tuel emissions are several orders of magnitude greater
  - To avoid a substantial portion of global emissions would require CCS on much larger scale

1 million tonnes of
CO<sub>2</sub> reinjected
every year

Usira formation

CO<sub>3</sub> injection well

Production wells

Industry is confident that CCS can be practiced safely and effectively and we are prepared to work with others

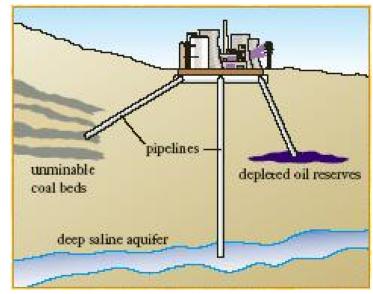
# Basis for Risk Management for an Expanded Role of Geological Storage of CO<sub>2</sub> cont.



Geologic storage will require consideration of a broader range of geological settings than have been considered for EOR

# Volume of pore-space beneath land and offshore ample in comparison to emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from fossil fuels

- How much could effectively be used is an evolving question
- Depleted oil and gas fields might accept 920 GtCO<sub>2</sub> (45% of fossil fuel CO<sub>2</sub> emission to 2050)
- Deep aquifers form a class of sites that have much greater capacity (perhaps up to 500% of emissions to 2050)



Geological storage merits aggressive development and improvement

## CO<sub>2</sub> Capture and Geological Storage – The Road Ahead



- A diverse set of initiatives by academia, governments and industry the petroleum industry in particular – are improving the performance and prospects of CCS by:
  - Accumulating commercial experience with gas injection
  - Research initiatives to find lower-cost CCS technologies and improve understanding of risks
  - An increasing number of CCS projects worldwide to improve understanding through field experience
  - Assessment of the merits of CCS and how it rates against other technology options to provide valuable information for decisions and the basis for public acceptance
- These actions will improve and better define the prospects of CCS and its contribute to a potential solution to global climate change

# Policy, Regulation and Public Perception: Opportunities and Barriers



- Effective legal and regulatory frameworks facilitate good practices without forming unintended barriers for deployment of CCS
- Expanded use of CCS would be accompanied by reduction in costs, improvement in technology, improved understanding of risks and management, and raised public awareness
- A regulatory framework that encourages good practice and incorporates evolving understanding of risk and its management could promote these improvements
- Development of a sound regulatory and legal framework that will evolve with the evolution of CCS science and technology will be valuable if CCS is to be deployed on a global scale

# Recent Developments: Accounting and Reporting of CCS Activities



# IPCC 2006 Guidelines for National GHG Inventories

- Adopted at IPCC-25, Mauritius, April 2006
- Volume 2, Chapter 5: Carbon Dioxide Transport, Injection and Geological Storage
- Provides a methodology for inclusion of CCS activities in national GHG inventories

### API / IPIECA Petroleum Industry Guidelines for Emission Reductions from Carbon Capture and Storage

Framework for assessing emission reductions associated with CCS projects