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# Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) in Canada

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## **Canada's Approach on CCS**

- Recognizing the potential of CCS to reduce GHG emissions from the production and use of fossil fuels, while enhancing energy security, and building on our natural advantage and R&D base, Canada's strategy includes:
  - Implementing large-scale demonstration projects to prove the technology while learning-from-doing;
  - Advancing CCS globally by sharing Canadian knowledge and expertise;
  - Improving the CCS business case by reducing technology costs through research and development of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> generation technologies; and
  - Promoting innovation in Canada's clean energy technology sector.











## Support by Governments in Canada (since 2008)

- Federal (over \$580M), including:
  - Budget 2008 \$240M for SaskPower's Boundary Dam CCS project
  - Clean Energy Fund (CEF) \$150M for 2 large-scale CCS projects in Alberta
  - ecoENERGY Technology Initiative \$112M for industry-led CCS initiatives
  - ecoENERGY Innovation Initiative \$26M for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> generation technologies
- Provincial (over \$1.2B), including:
  - Alberta CCS Fund \$1.24B for 2 large-scale CCS projects in Alberta
  - Funding also provided through Alberta's Climate Change and Emissions Management Corporation (CCEMC), Saskatchewan's Go Green Fund, etc.





#### As a result, Canada has enhanced its CCS leadership

- With four large-scale projects operating / under construction
  - 1. Weyburn-Midale Project (2000)
  - SaskPower Boundary Dam (2014)
  - 3. Quest project (2015)
  - 4. Alberta Carbon Trunk Line (beginning in 2016)

Federal-Provincial investments in CCS RD&D of over \$1.8B with potentially up to \$4.5B in public-private investment in CCS initiatives







### Policy objectives that underpin our investments

- Prove the technology at commercial-scale;
- Provide a stable regulatory framework;
- Improve the CCS business case by advancing 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> generation technologies that drive down CCS costs;
- Improve public education and engagement;
- Contribute to international effort to advance CCS; and
- Profile Canadian expertise and sharing experiences.



# Our investments are already paying off

World's first commercial coal-fired power plant with CCS now a reality!

Julio Friedmann, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Clean Coal, US Department of Energy: "This project is a culmination of a dream. Projects like this show the world that this is not only a viable technology but a required technology."



Bellona President: "Finally, people cannot say that this is unproven technology. It will be much harder to reach climate targets without CCS."



IEA Executive Director: "Getting Boundary Dam up and running is a great example of how Canada is a leader in CCS... I wish the plant operator every success in showing the world that large-scale capture of CO2 from a power station is indeed not science fiction, but today's reality."







## Lessons also learned from unsuccessful projects

- Many factors must align for a viable business case, such as:
  - Market incentive to capture CO<sub>2</sub>
  - Risk sharing in commercial frameworks among multiple parties
  - Regulatory permits, legal access, public acceptance
  - Schedule slippage must be within government funding profile
- Certainty over costs, risks, and timelines requires a lot of 'front-end' work and investment
- Risk tolerance will vary between projects / proponents / marketplace conditions



# Federal government GHG regulations, including specific provisions for CCS

- Federal Government focused on an approach to GHG regulations that will reduce emissions while continuing to create jobs and encourage growth of the economy
- As of July 1, 2015, coal-fired power units which are new or have operated for 50 years must meet a regulated emissions performance standard
  - Currently, CCS is the only technology option to meet the standard if units continue to use coal
  - If CCS will be incorporated, units have until 2025 to comply





# Provinces are advancing CCS regulations with Alberta at the forefront globally

- **2009-11** Alberta overcame major policy barriers with new legislation / regulation
- **2011-12** Alberta's CCS Regulatory Framework Assessment (RFA)
- 2014:
  - Developing quantification protocol for CCS carbon offset credits.
  - International experts working group for Post Closure Stewardship Fund.



Continuing to address RFA recommendations over the next 3-4 years....



## Public engagement efforts are ongoing

- Public confidence facilitated by oil and gas / industrial experience.
- Public opinion poll in Canada (2011) showed Saskatchewan has highest awareness of CCS in country and also most comfortable
- NRCan-funded study by Pembina Institute has lessons / best practices (<u>http://www.pembina.org/pub/ccs-stakeholder-engagement</u>)
- Project proponents in Canada, like Shell, set best practices





# **International Engagement**

- <u>Multilateral mechanisms</u>
  - Carbon Sequestration Leadership Forum, IEA GHG R&D Program, etc..
- <u>Bilateral mechanisms</u>
  - Canada-U.S. (Clean Energy Dialogue, Enhanced Energy Collaboration)
  - Canada-UK Joint Statement on CCS
  - Canada also maintains bilateral CCS-related arrangements with government entities in Japan, China, South Korea, Mexico, etc.
- <u>Natural Resources Canada's collaborative CCS R&D Activities</u>
  - CanmetENERGY CO2 R&D Consortium related to oxy-fuel combustion
  - 20 years of collaboration with power generation sector in China
  - Collaborated with Foster Wheeler toward CCS demonstration in Spain

# International Engagement (cont'd)

- A variety of CCS international efforts in Canada outside of NRCan
  - Alberta is co-leading development of world's first **ISO CCS standard** as well as a quantification protocol for carbon offset credits
  - Alberta's CCEMC launched an **international \$35M Grand Challenge** to find innovative uses for carbon.
  - SaskPower CCS Global Consortium, MOUs across many countries,
    International CCS Test Centre Network member
  - Petroleum Technology Research Centre (PTRC)
    - Managed IEA GHG Weyburn-Midale CO2 Storage project (completed)
    - Aquistore Project is bringing together internationally recognized expertise
  - Carbon Management Canada collaborating with leading researchers and research groups globally (UK, Australia, etc.)



# In Summary:

- Canada has parlayed its natural CCS advantage and strong R&D foundation into a position of global leadership;
- Canada is proving CCS at scale while learning-from-doing;
- Canada is contributing to the global effort to advance CCS; and
- Going forward, focus is on strengthening the CCS business case through continued R&D, while remaining active internationally.



