

# AEP, Climate and Carbon Capture and Storage



Mountaineer Plant - New Haven, WV



Northeastern Plant - Oologah, OK

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## AEP Company Overview



Coal/Lignite  
67%



Nat.  
Gas/Oil  
24%



Nuclear  
6%



Pumped Storage/  
Hydro/Wind  
3%

AEP's Generation Fleet  
36,672 MW Capacity



5.1 million customers in 11 states  
Industry-leading size and scale of assets:

Asset	Size	Industry Rank
Domestic Generation	~ 38,300 MW	# 2
Transmission	~ 39,000 miles	# 1
Distribution	~ 208,000 miles	# 1



## AEP's Climate Strategy



**AEP must be a leader in addressing climate change**

- **Being proactive and engaged in the development of climate policy**
  - International Emissions Trading Association (IETA)
  - Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI)
  - Pew Center on Global Climate Change
  - e8
  - Global Roundtable on Climate Change
- **Investing in science/technology R&D**
  - FutureGen Alliance
  - US DOE research on carbon capture and sequestration at our Mountaineer Plant
  - EPRI – combustion technologies
  - MIT Energy Laboratory
  - B&W – Oxy-Coal
- **Taking voluntary, proactive action now, making real reductions and setting policy precedents thru CCX**
  - Chicago Climate Exchange (CCX)
  - EPA Climate Leaders and SF-6 Program
  - Asia-Pacific Partnership
  - DOE 1605B- voluntary reporting of GHGs Program
  - Business Roundtable Climate Resolve
  - Numerous forestry activities
- **Investing in longer term technology solutions--new generation and carbon capture and storage (e.g., IGCC, Ultra-supercritical PC)**

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## AEP's Climate Position

- A certain and consistent national policy for reasonable carbon controls should include the following principles:
  - Comprehensiveness
  - Cost-effectiveness
  - Realistic emission control objectives
  - Monitoring, verification and adjustment mechanisms
  - **Technology development & deployment**
- Inclusion of adjustment provision if largest emitters in developing world do not take action



**A reliable & reasonably-priced electric supply is necessary to support the economic well-being of the areas we serve**

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## AEP Supports Recent Bingaman-Specter CO<sub>2</sub> Bill

"Low Carbon Economy Act of 2007"

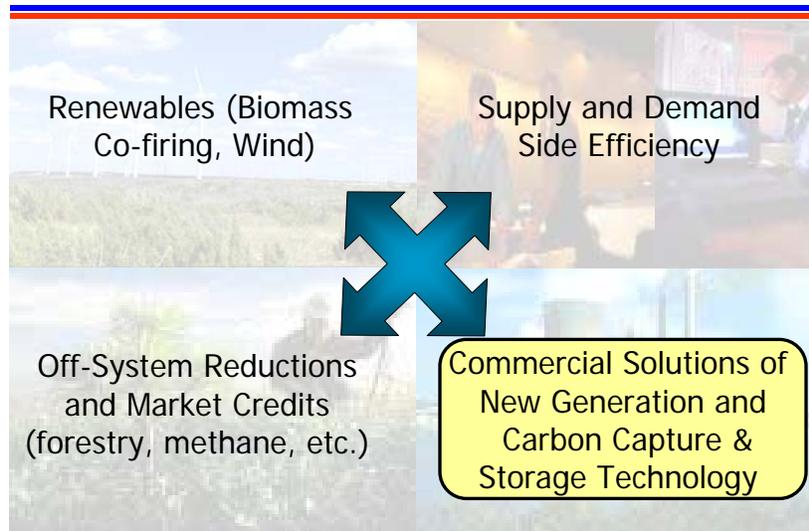
- Economy wide cap-and-trade program to limit Greenhouse Gas Emissions
  - Caps and Dates
    - 2006 Levels by 2020
    - 1990 levels by 2030
  - Industry Sectors "Regulated" under bill
    - Natural Gas and Petroleum regulated "upstream"
    - Coal regulated "downstream" at the power plant level
  - Allocations to Electricity Generators
    - Only fossil-fired electric generators receive allowances
  - Safety Valve (TAP)
  - Bonus Allowances for Carbon Capture and Sequestration
  - Early Reduction Credits and Offsets Included
  - Congressional Review of International Action



AEP Supports Reasonable Legislation on GHG

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## AEP's Long-Term GHG Reduction Portfolio



AEP is investing in a portfolio of GHG reduction alternatives

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## A Portfolio Approach: AEP Long-Term CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction Commitment

### Existing Programs

- Existing plant efficiency improvements
- Renewable Energy
  - 800 MWs of Wind
  - 300 MWs of Hydro
- Domestic Offsets
  - Forestry – 0.35MM tons/yr @ \$500K/year
  - Over 63MM trees planted through 2006
  - 1.2MM tons of carbon sequestered
- International Offsets
  - Forestry projects have resulted in 1MM tons of carbon sequestered through 2006
- Chicago Climate Exchange

#### AEP's reductions/offsets of CO<sub>2</sub>:

- 2003-2005: 31 MMT
- 2006-2010 (proj.): Additional 15 MMT

### New Program Additions (by 2011)

- 1000 MWs of Wind PPAs: 2MM tons/yr
- Domestic Offsets (methane): 2MM tons/yr
- Forestry: Tripling annual investment to increase to 0.5MM tons/yr by 2015
- Fleet Vehicle/Aviation Offsets: 0.2MM tons/yr
- Additional actions--end use and supply efficiency, and biomass: 0.2MM tons/yr

#### AEP's reductions/offsets of CO<sub>2</sub>:

- 2011+: 5 MMT/YEAR
- Longer Term—New Technology



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## AEP Wind Operations/Purchases

### Trent Mesa (2001)

- 150 MW (100 - 1.5 MW turbines)
- Abilene/Sweetwater, TX



### Southwest Mesa (1999)

- 75 MW (107 – 700kW turbines)
- McCarney, TX
- Power Purchaser



### Desert Sky (2002)

- 160 MW (107 - 1.5 MW turbines)
- Bakersfield, TX



### Summary

- Owned/Operated 385 MW
- Wind Purchases 392 MW
- Total Existing Wind: 777 MW
- New Wind by 2011: 1000 MW



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## AEP Leadership in Technology: IGCC/USC and Future Gen

### NEW ADVANCED GENERATION

- IGCC--AEP plans to build first two 600+ MW IGCC commercial-scale facilities in the US in OH and WV by the middle of next decade
- USC--AEP plans to build two of the new generation ultra-supercritical (steam temperatures greater than 1100°F) coal plants in the US—in AR and OK

**FUTUREGEN**- *First Near Zero Emissions Hydrogen/ Electric (coal-fueled IGCC with CCS)*-AEP and Alliance members



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## AEP's New Carbon Capture & Storage Initiative

In March 2007, AEP announced a major new carbon capture and storage initiative:

- **Chilled Ammonia CCS**--We will install carbon capture on two coal-fired power plants, the first commercial use of technologies to significantly reduce carbon dioxide emissions from existing plants.
  - The first carbon capture project, at the Mountaineer plant in West Virginia, is expected to complete its product validation phase in 2009
  - The second, at the Northeastern plant in Oklahoma, will begin commercial operation in 2011.
- **Oxy-Coal**--AEP will also demonstrate (10MWe) and then install **oxy-coal** CO<sub>2</sub> capture & storage project at a commercial sized coal unit (about 200 MWe)—feasibility study completed in 2008.



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## Key Issues for CCS Development in US

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- Overcoming the “Economic” Hurdle
- High Up-Front Capital Investment— Getting Adequate Financing and Recovery in Rates
- Commercial Demonstrations of CCS at Large Coal Fired Power Plants
- National standards for permitting of storage reservoirs
- Potential Institutional, Legal and Regulatory Barriers to Carbon Storage



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## Possible Solutions for CCS Development

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- Economic/Financial Incentives for CCS Commercial Deployment. Possible Examples:
  - Cap-and-trade, “reasonable” federal climate legislation,
  - Bonus Allowances in Bingaman- Specter,
  - CCS Tax Credits similar to Wind Production Tax Credits,
  - Investment Tax Credits or Cost Sharing
- Development of appropriate MMV (measurement, monitoring and verification) protocols and regulatory “clarity”.
- Establish streamlined siting and permitting process.
- Dealing with potential liability/remediation issues up-front and realistically.



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## Technical Appendix

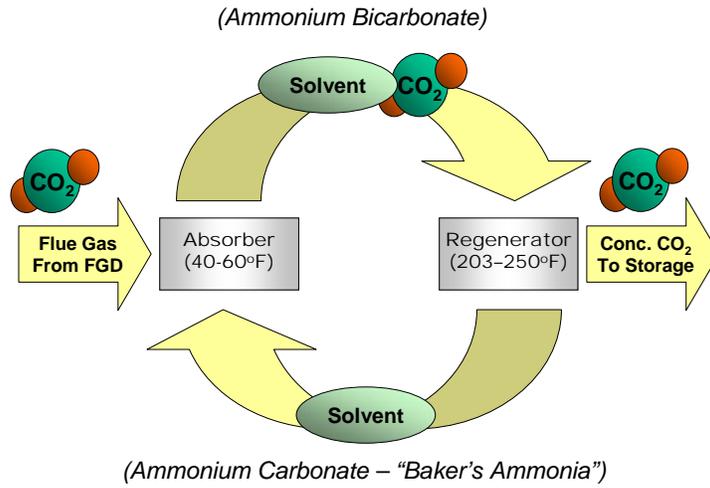
### Carbon Capture and Storage

#### CO<sub>2</sub> Capture Techniques

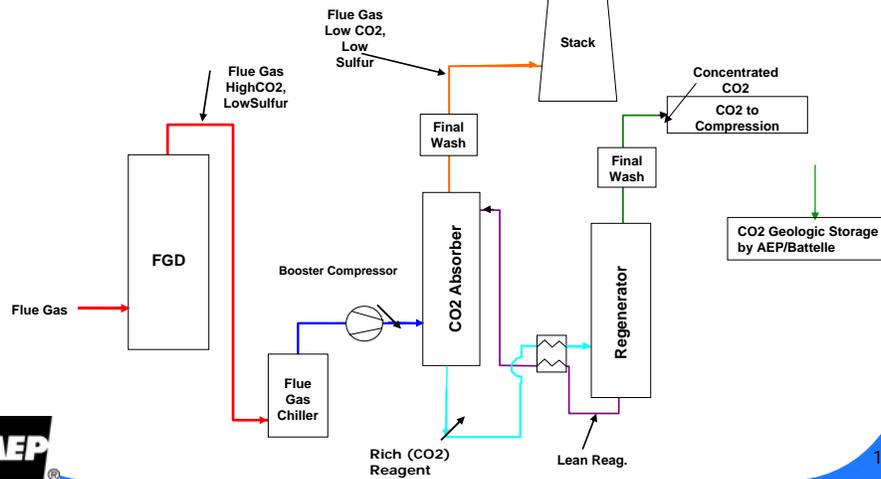
- **Post-Combustion Capture**
  - Conventional or Advanced Amines, Chilled Ammonia
  - *Key Points*
    - Amine technologies commercially available in other industrial applications
    - Relatively low CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in flue gas – More difficult to capture than other approaches
    - High parasitic demand
      - Conventional Amine – 25-30%, Chilled Ammonia target – 10-15%
    - Amines require **very** clean flue gas
- **Modified-Combustion Capture**
  - Oxy-coal
  - *Key Points*
    - Technology not yet proven at commercial scale
    - Creates stream of very high CO<sub>2</sub> concentration
    - High parasitic demand, >25%
- **Pre-Combustion Capture**
  - IGCC with Water-Gas Shift – FutureGen
  - *Key Points*
    - Most of the processes commercially available in other industrial applications
      - Have never been integrated together
    - Turbine modified for H<sub>2</sub>-based fuel, which has not yet been proven at commercial scale
    - Creates stream of very high CO<sub>2</sub> concentration
    - Parasitic demand (~20%) for CO<sub>2</sub> capture - lower than amine or oxy-coal



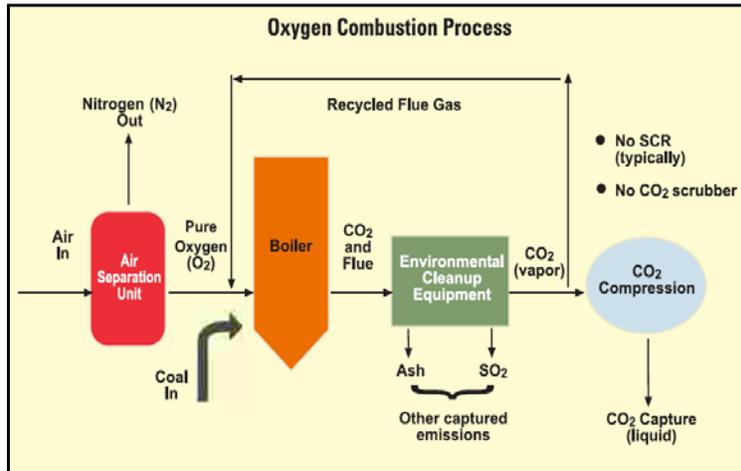
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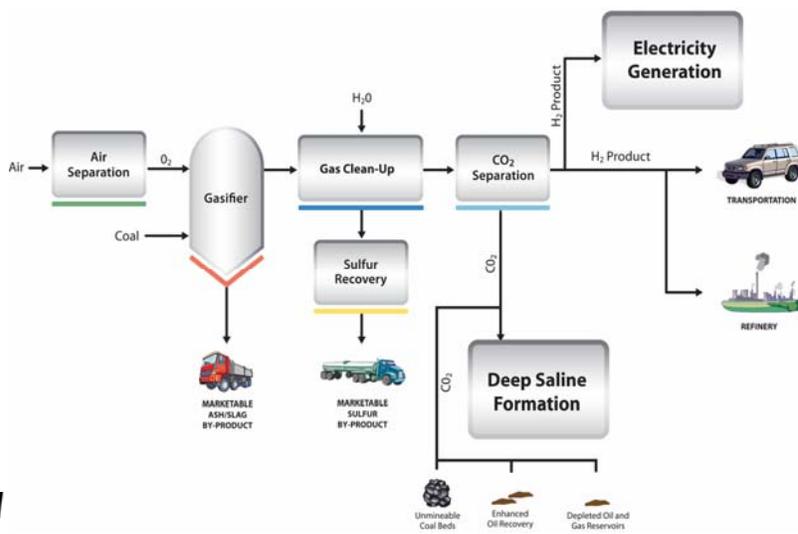
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## B&W Oxy-Coal Process *Modified Combustion Capture*



## FutureGen Water-Gas Shift Process *Pre-Combustion Capture*



## CO<sub>2</sub> Injectivity in the Mountaineer Area

