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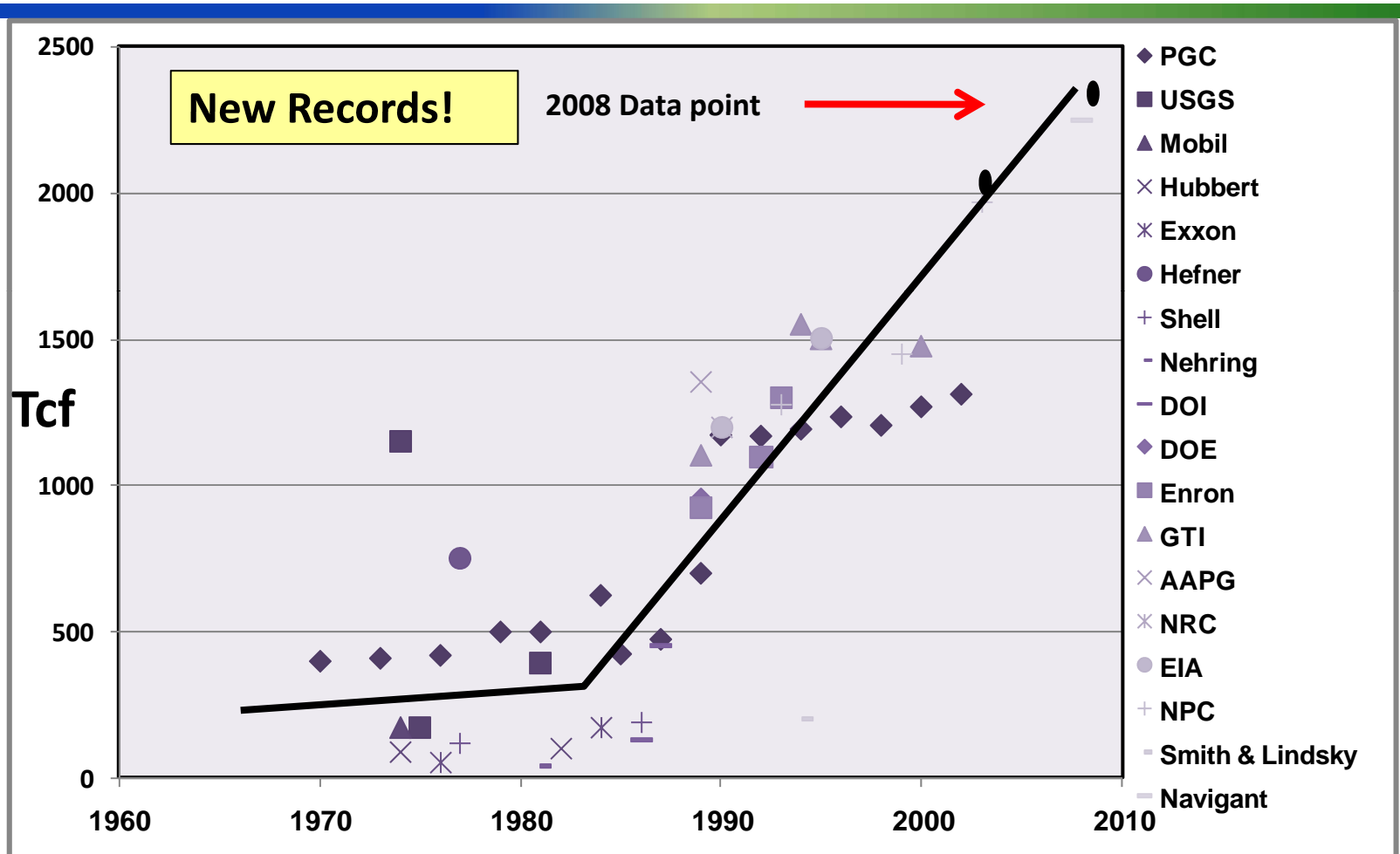
Natural Gas and Carbon Capture and Sequestration

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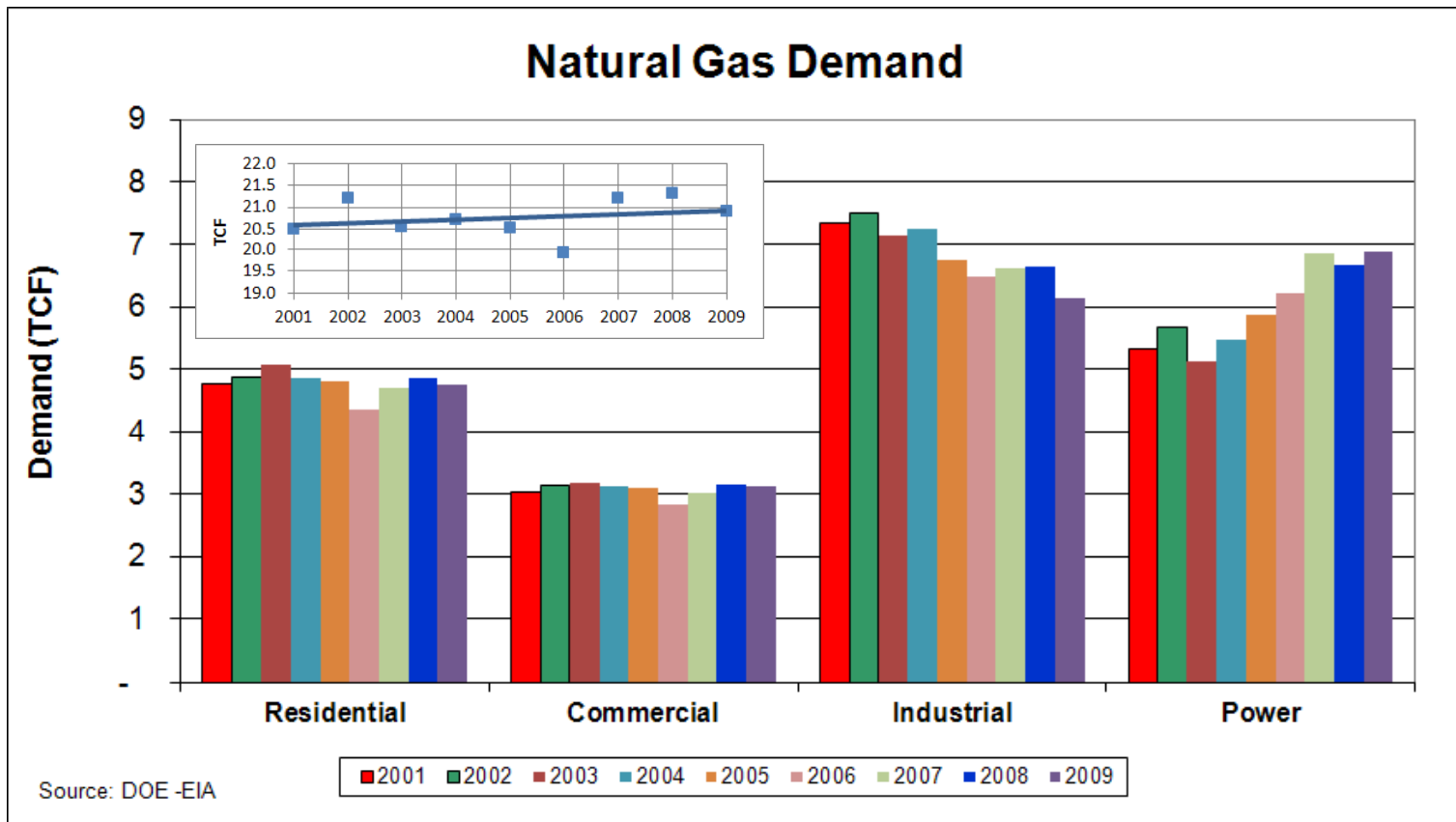
Key Issues

1. Natural gas use in power generation
2. Technical comparisons
3. Cost comparisons
4. Conclusions

U.S. Technically Recoverable Gas (Tcf)



Natural Gas Demand Trends

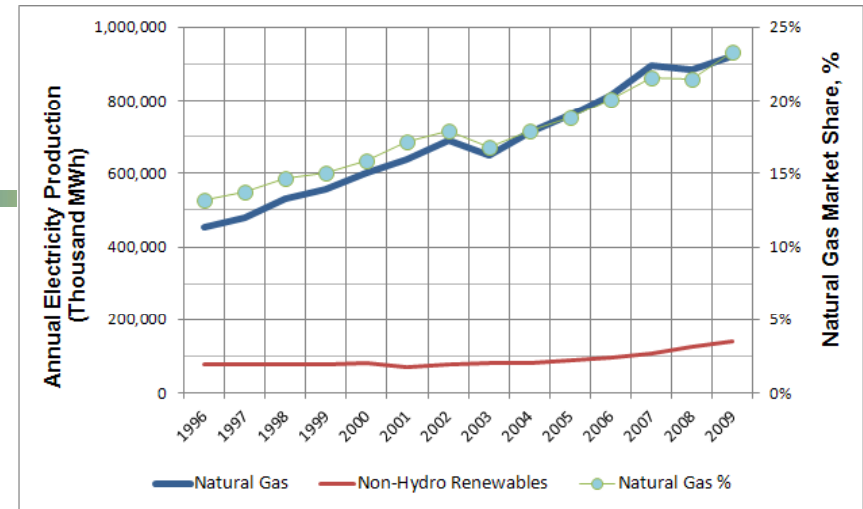


Total demand up slightly – driven by power generation.

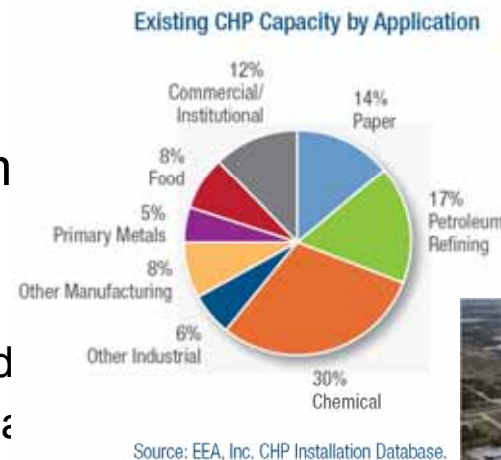
Signs of modest industrial rebound in 2010 – and continued power gen demand.

US Power Generation Market

- > Growing role for natural gas and renewables
 - High-efficiency **gas turbine combined-cycle** plants
 - > Low-carbon option with CCS
 - Complemented by **combined heat and power (CHP)** system
 - **Gas enables renewables**
 - > Fast response grid support for intermittent generators (solar, wind)
 - > Supplemental heat for solar thermal power plants
 - > Natural gas boost for bio-methane BTU content; pipeline infrastructure for delivery



US Power Production
Steady natural gas growth from 13% in 1996 to current 23% in 2009



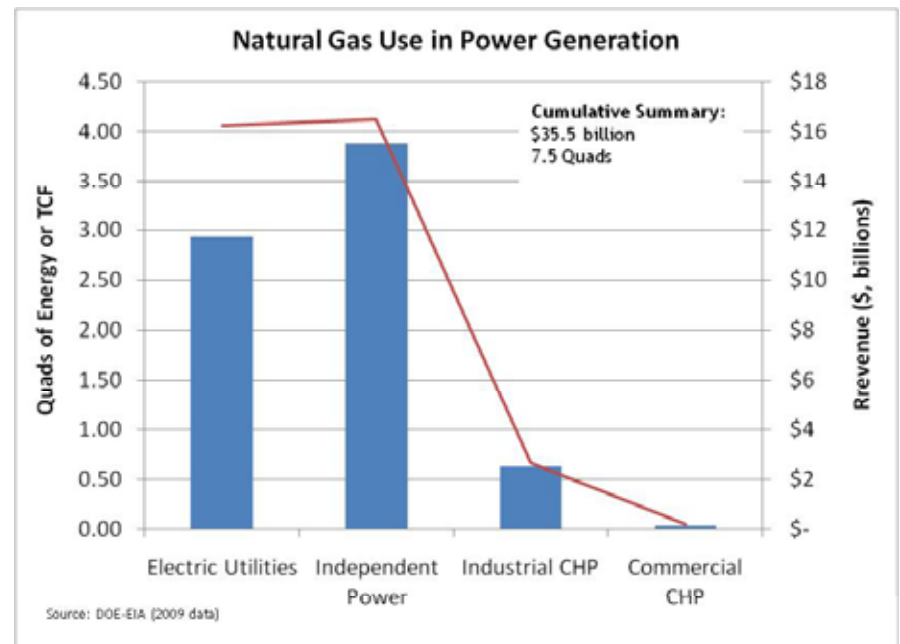
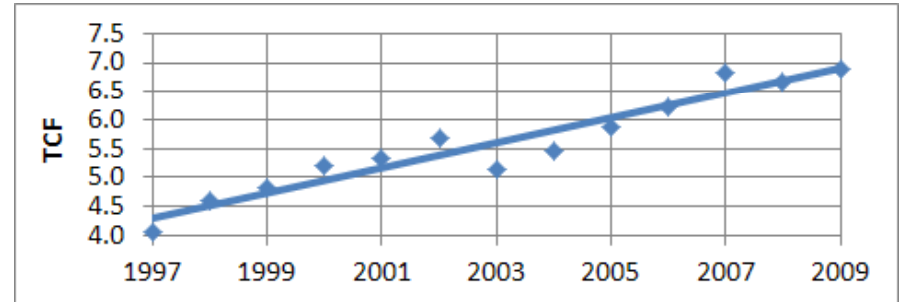
FPL Hybrid Solar Thermal and Gas Turbine Power Plant

EIA Data from 2010 Annual Energy Outlook

- > Electricity demand increases by 30% by 2035
- > Natural gas generation remains at 21%
- > Most new capacity additions use natural gas or renewables
 - 250 GW needed between now and 2035
 - Natural gas plants account for 46% of additions
 - Renewables account for 37%

Natural Gas Use in Power Generation

- > Power generation key growth market for natural gas in past decade
- > Confluence of factors likely to continue trend (possibly accelerate)
 - Aging coal plants
 - Tight coal power margins with low natural gas prices
 - Increasing pressure on various environmental emissions (NO_x, SO₂, mercury, CO₂)



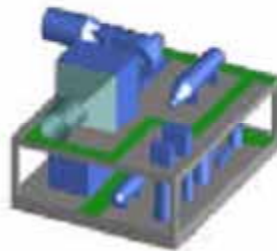
Natural Gas and CCS: The Good News and the Bad News

- > Natural gas combined cycle plants have efficiencies of over 50%, compared to around 30-35% for coal power plants
- > Natural gas, when combusted, released only 117 lb of CO₂/MMBtu, compared to 207 lb/MMBtu for coal
- > Overall effect is to lower CO₂ output/kWhr to less than half of that for coal plants
- > But...this lower the CO₂ percentage in the exhaust gas, making concentration of the CO₂ more challenging

Integral Membrane/ Absorption Process Leads to CapEx & OpEx Savings



Conventional
Amine
Scrubber
Column



Carbo-
Lock™
Membrane
Contactor

Membrane Advantages:

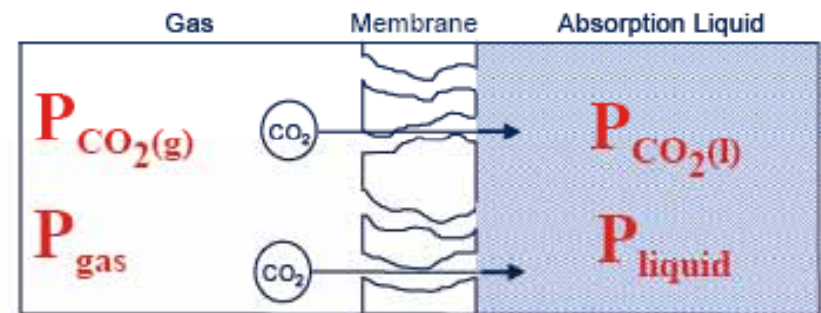
- **Capital Cost (CapEx) 35%**
- **Operating Costs (OpEx) 40%**
- Dry Equipment Weight 35%
- Operating Equipment Weight 37%
- Total Operating Weight 47%
- Footprint Requirement 40%
- Height Requirement 60%

*Data by Aker Kvaerner

Basic Principles of Carbo-Lock™ Contactor

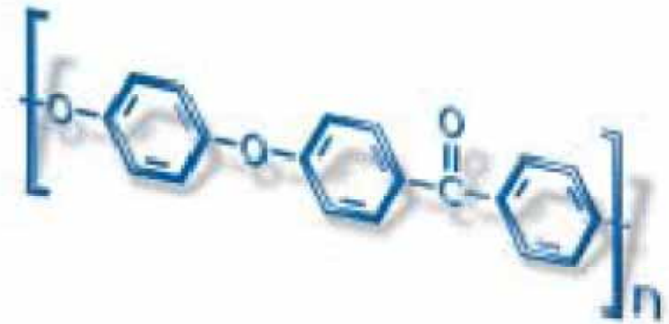
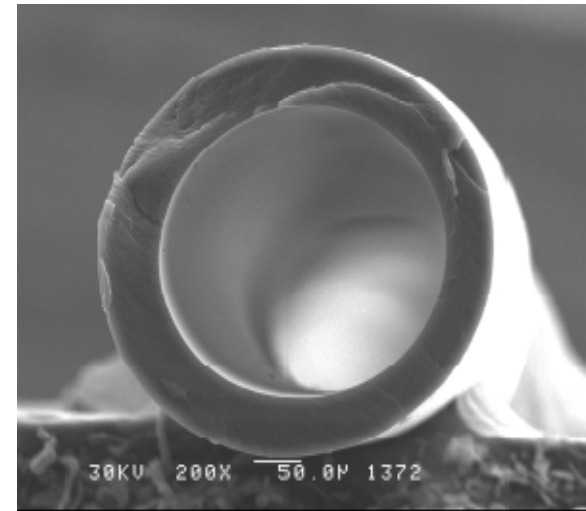
Membrane mass transfer principle

- Porous, hollow fiber membrane
- Unique membrane material , PEEK
- Membrane matrix filled with gas
- Mass transfer by diffusion reaction
- Driving force: difference in partial pressures of component to be removed/absorbed ($P_{CO_2(g)} > P_{CO_2(l)}$)
- Liquid on one side, gas on the other side of the membrane
- Pressure difference between shell and tube side can be almost zero
- ($P_l \geq P_g$), i.e. the mass transfer is not pressure driven



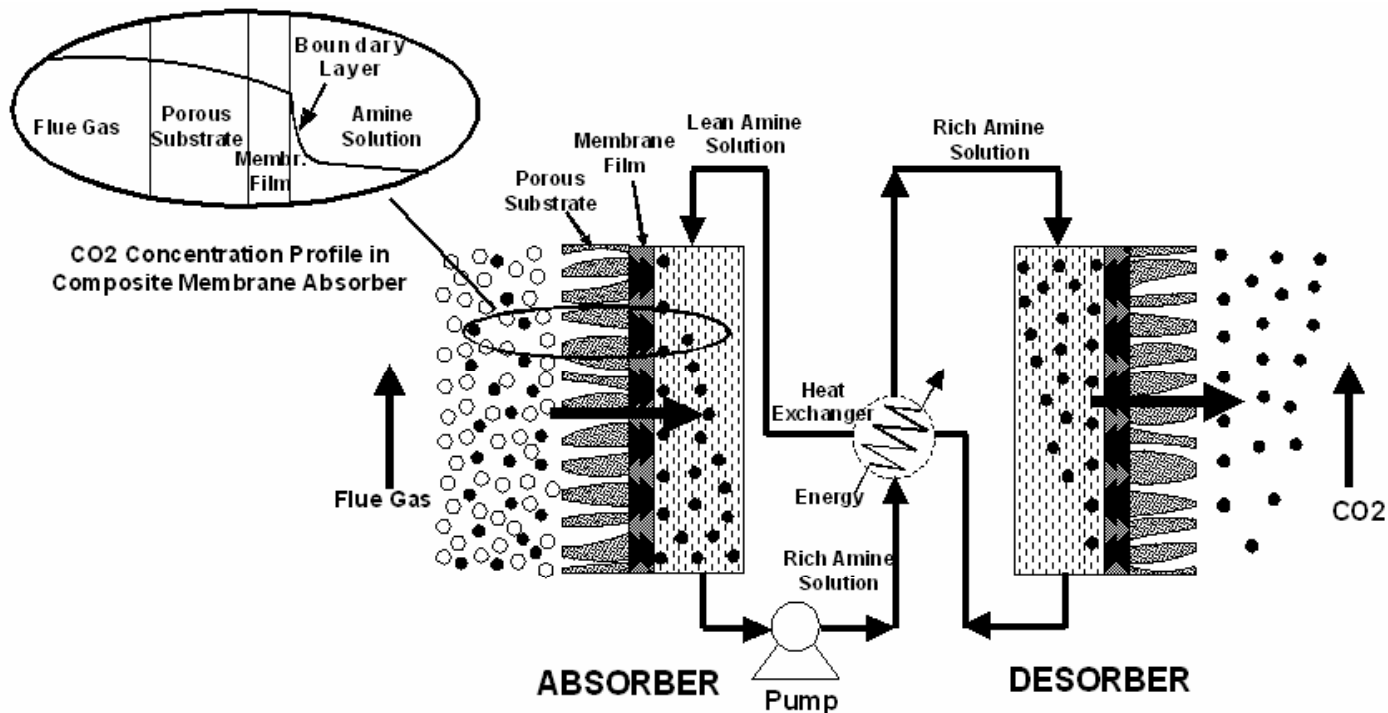
Membrane Material Properties of PEEK

- Very high heat resistance – operate to 200+ C
- High rigidity
- High dimensional stability
- Good strength
- Excellent sliding friction behavior, minimal abrasion
- Excellent chemical resistance
- Excellent hydrolytic stability
- Average pore size 5 to 50 nm
- Average porosity 40 to 70%
- 800 psi water breakthrough pressure



PEEK can operate continuously in contact with aggressive amine solvents

CO₂ Recovery with Carbo-Lock™ Process Replaces Amine Columns with Membrane Contactors

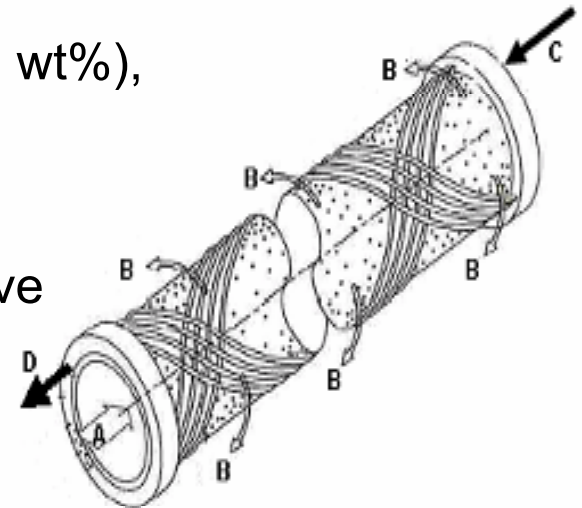


Integral Membrane Absorption Process for CO₂ Capture from Flue Gas

Essentially All CO₂ Absorbents are Compatible with Carbo-Lock™ Process

- Primary Amines MEA (25 wt%)
- Secondary Amines DEA (35 wt%), DIPA (40 wt%), DGA (40 wt%)
- Tertiary Amines TEA (40 wt%), , MDEA (40 wt%),
- Hindered Amines 2-AMP (40 wt%), 2- iPrAMP (40 wt%),
- 30 wt% 2-BAE / 3 wt% 2-MP
- Mixed Amines 40 wt% MDEA / 6 wt% MEA
- Hot Potassium Carbonate 30 wt% Inactive or active w/ DEA, AMP
- Ionic Liquids
- Cold Ammonia
- Selexol

Amine concentration in solvent (typically water)



Hollow fiber membrane contactor for purification of flue gas (A: lean solvent; B: rich solvent; C: CO₂-rich feed flue gas; D: CO₂ lean flue gas)

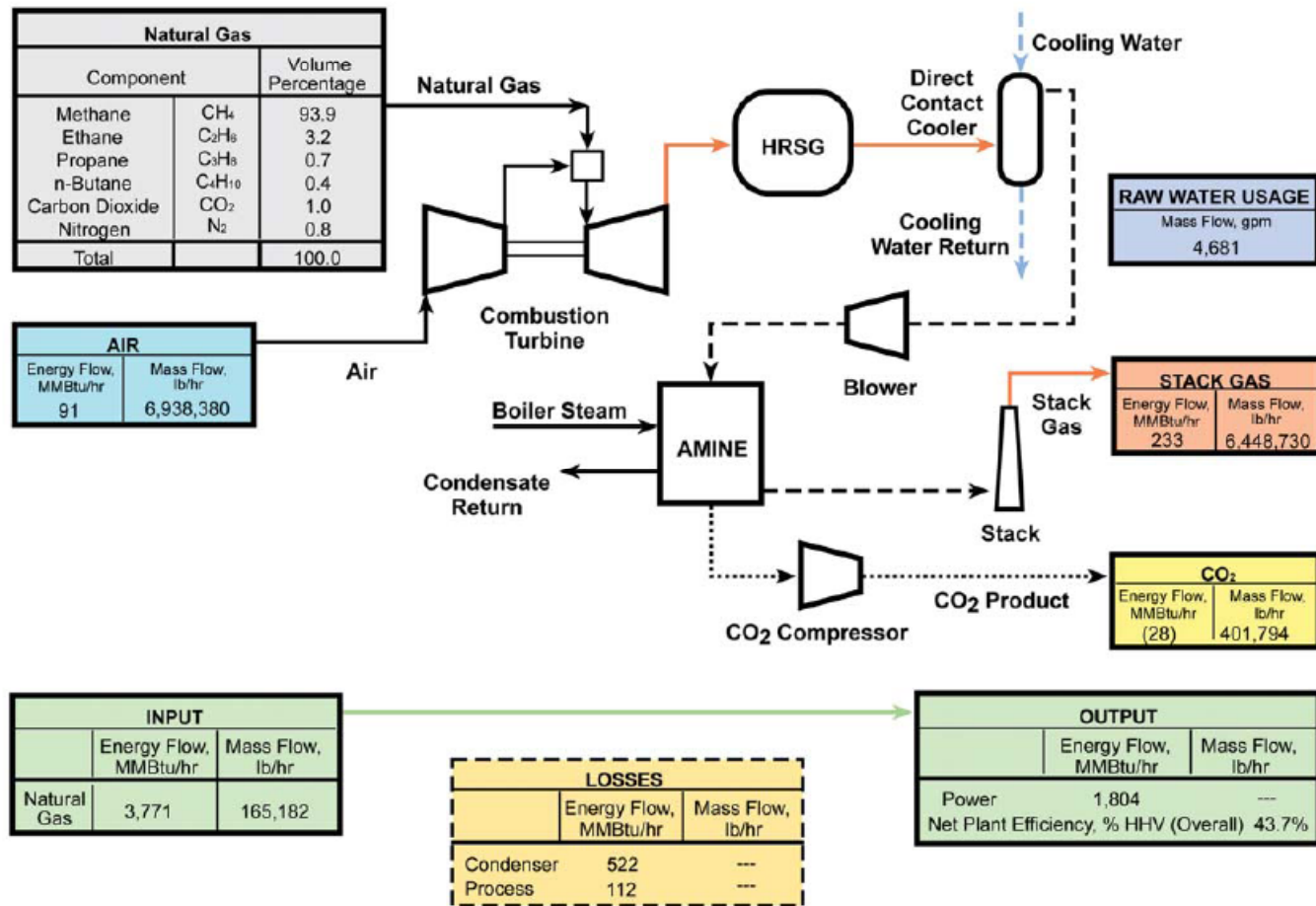
Previous Membrane Contactor Work – Natural Gas CO₂ Treatment and Dehydration

Lab-, bench-
and field-scale
gas/liquid
membrane
contactor unit

- 4.5 MMscfd
- 22 gpm
- 1290 psig



DOE Cost & Performance Comparison of Fossil Power Plants

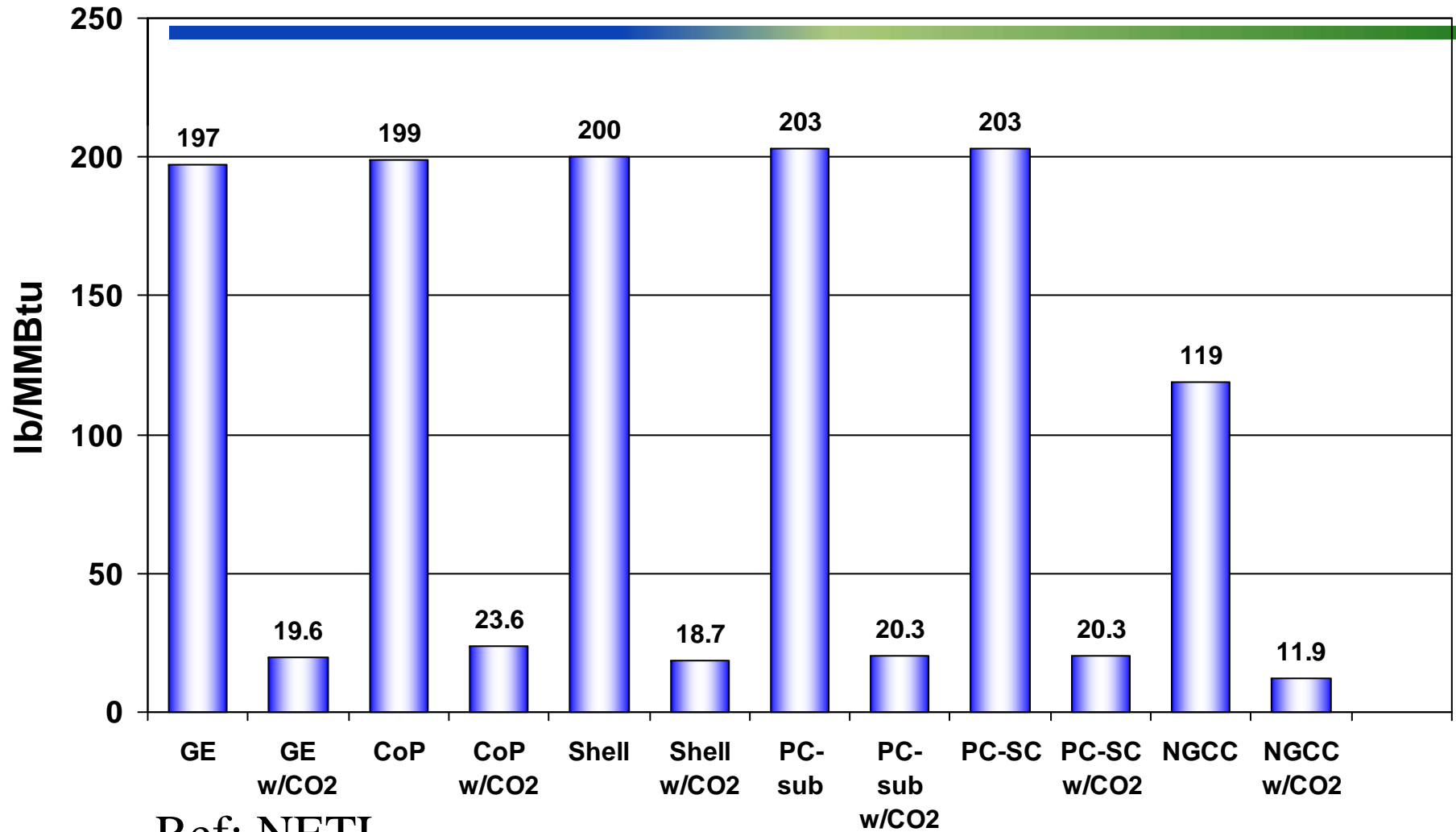


DOE/NETL-2007/1281 (2007)

GTI Model Predicts Higher Plant Efficiency and Lower COE with Carbo-Lock™

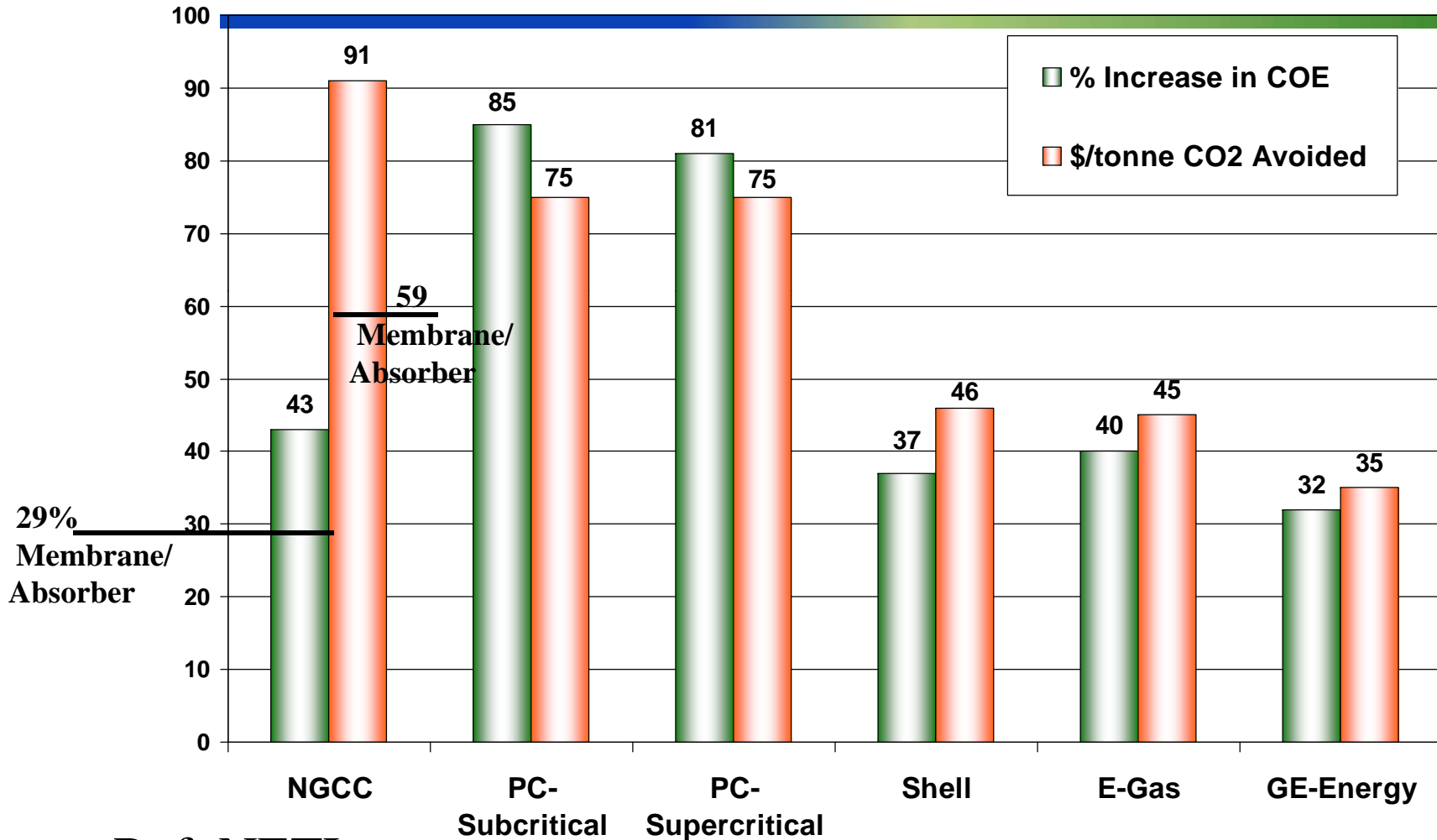
Basis	DOE		IECM
	Case 13	Case 14	Capture
CO ₂ Capture Technology	No	Conv. Column	Membrane CarboLock
Gross Power Output (kW _e)	570,200	520,900	516,840
Auxiliary Power Requirement (kW _e)	9,840	38,200	55,000
Net Power Output (kW _e)	560,360	481,890	461,900
Natural Gas Flowrate (lb/h)	165,182	165,182	148,740
Net Plant HHV Efficiency (%)	50.8	43.7	45.73
Net Plant HHV Heat Rate (Btu/kW-h)	6,719	7,813	7,461
Total Plant Cost (\$x1000)	310,710	564,628	449,800
Total Plant Cost (\$/kW)	554	1,172	974
LCOE (cents/kWh)	6.9	9.7	8.8
CO ₂ Avoided Costs (\$/tonne)	N.A.	92	59

NETL Study: CO₂ Emissions for All Cases



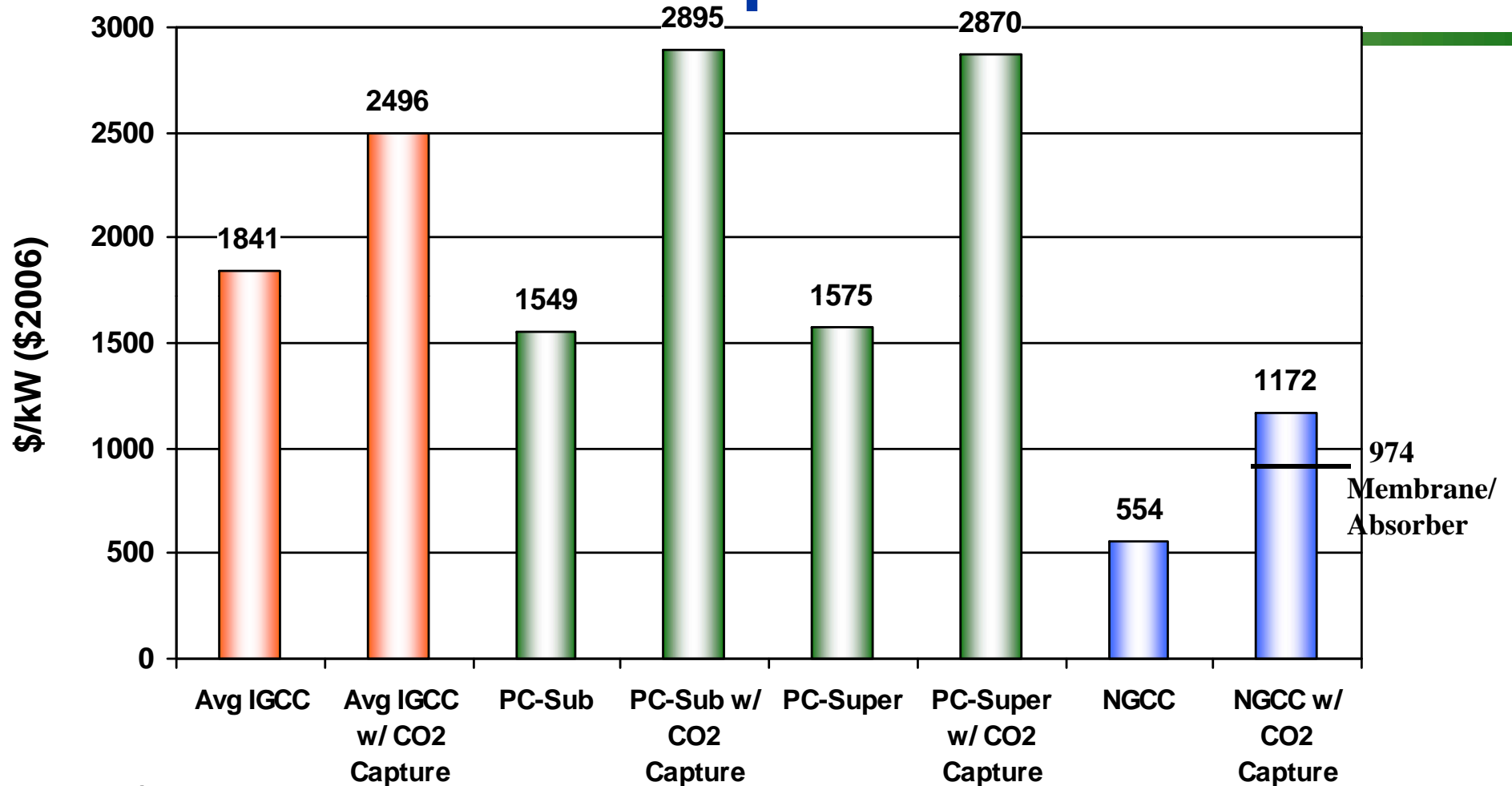
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NETL Study Modified: CO₂ Mitigation Costs



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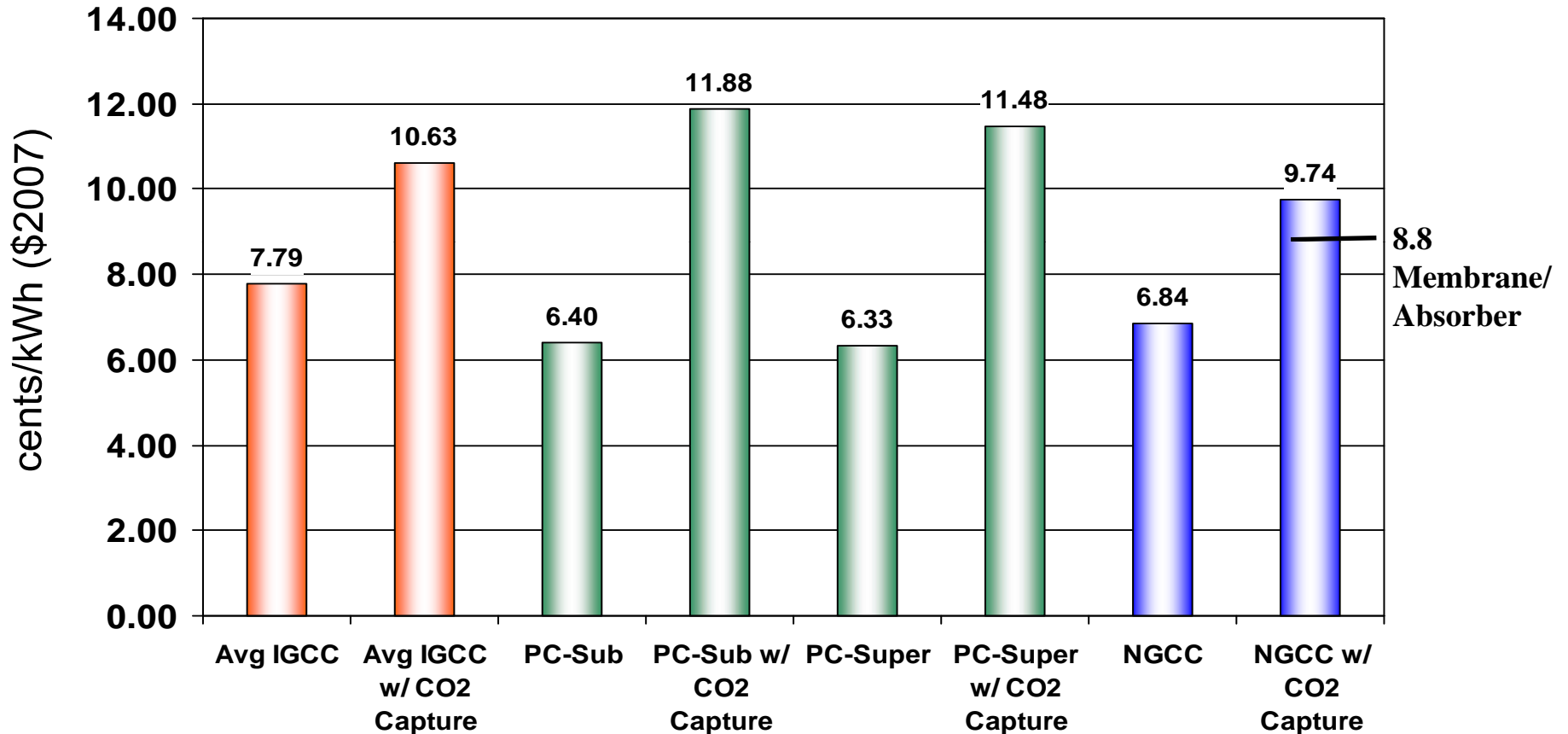
NETL Study Modified: Total Plant Cost Comparison



Ref: NETL

Total Plant Capital Cost includes contingencies and engineering fees

NETL Study Modified: Cost of Electricity Comparison



January 2007 Dollars, Coal cost \$1.80/10⁶Btu. Gas cost \$6.75/10⁶Btu

Ref: NETL Study modified with GTI Membrane Unit

Potential Opportunity – RD&D for NGCC Applications

> Phase 1 – Proposed

- > Task 1 – Lab-scale Testing of Membrane Contactor and Contactor Preparation
 - Objective: Membrane optimization and obtain basic operating parameters, prepare membranes for prototype-scale testing
- > Task 2 – Prototype-scale Field Testing of Membrane Contactor
 - Objective: Process validation and performance testing with realistic feed
- > Task 3 – Engineering and Economics
 - Objective: Engineering components, integration into NGCC power plant, economic impact of technology on COE

> Phase 2 – Future

- > Task 4 – Demonstration-scale Field Testing of Membrane Contactor
 - Objective: Scale-up testing to obtain engineering parameters for design of full-scale units

Summary

- > Natural Gas CCT with CCS and Carbo-Lock:
 - Lower first costs
 - Lower Cost of Energy with gas below \$7.00/MMBtu
 - \$/tonne of CO₂ removed costs competitive with PC plants,
 - > Slightly higher than IGCC due to lower CO₂-producing fuel
- > Other alternatives
 - Energy efficiency
 - Direct gas use
 - Renewables
 - CHP