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CANMET Pressurized Entrained Flow Gasifier

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About CETC-Ottawa

- A key research arm of Natural Resources Canada
- One of Canada's premier organizations in the field of energy, science and technology
- Offers world-class laboratory facilities and an accomplished, energetic workforce









FBC/Gasification Focus

Fluidized Bed Combustion

- Oxy-fuel circulating fluidized bed combustion
- CO₂ looping cycles with lime-based sorbents
- Sulphation, sorbent re-activation

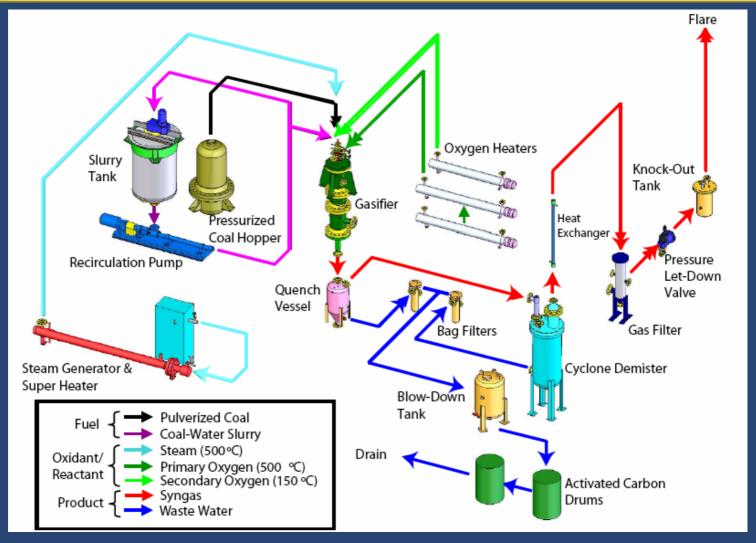
Gasification

- Entrained flow gasification
- Fluidized bed gasification





CETC-O Entrained Flow Gasifier







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Specifications

Max. operating pressure: 1.5 MPa

• Max. operating temperature: 1600°C

Gasifier internal diameter: 127 mm

Gasifier height: 1524 mm

• Feedstock size: 50-75 μm

Dry coal feed rate: 10-20 kg/h

Max. steam flow rate: 60 kg/h

• Slurry feed rate: 20-40 kg/h

Solid/water ratio in slurry: up to 65%







Gasification Mission

Clean Energy Products for Canadians:

- Develop clean energy technologies to improve the environmental and economic well-being of Canadians
- To achieve sustainable energy sources for Canada and the international community
- Work together with private and other public sector partners







Gasification R&D Focus

Research Efforts:

- Enabling gasification technology in Canada
- Developing advanced, polygeneration gasification plants with integrated CO₂ capture

Barriers:

- Higher cost of gasification processes and lower availability than for conventional units
- Perceived process risk
- Lack of operating experience in gasifying Canadian fuels





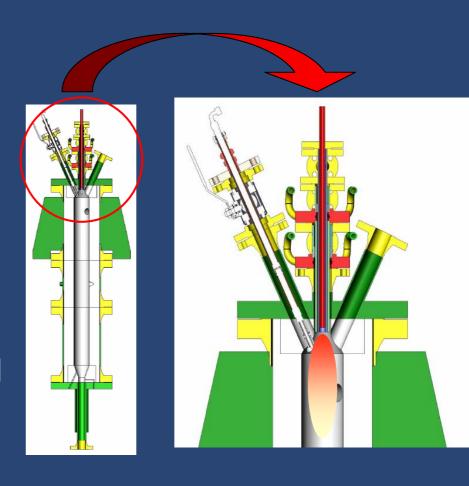
Potential Feedstocks

Solids:

- Coal
- Petroleum coke
- Biomass
- Wastes

Liquids:

- Refinery resid
- Oils sands bitumen
- Spent lubrication oil
- Black liquor
- Hazardous wastes









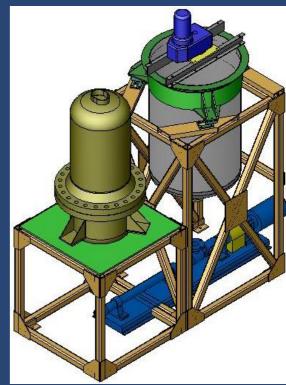
Solids Feed Vessels

Dry Hopper:

- Higher gasification temperatures
- Higher heating value of the product gas
- Feed rate 20 kg/h @1500 kPa, 20°C

Slurry Tank:

- No coal dust safety problems during crushing and drying
- Utilize wastewater
- Feed rate 40 kg/h @ 1500 kPa









Gas Supply Station

Oxygen:

- Design rate: 185 kg/hr
- Filling capacity: 3800 kg
- Delivery condition: 2240
 kPa @ up to 300°C

Nitrogen:

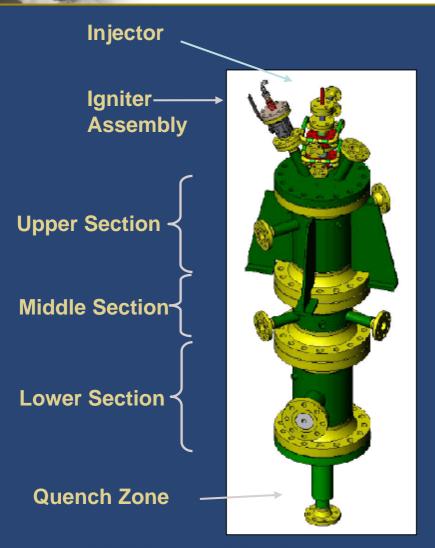
- Design rate: 160 kg/hr
- Filling capacity: 4500 kg
- Delivery condition: 2240
 kPa @ 20°C







Entrained Flow Gasifier



- High temperatures are required for achieving slagging conditions
- Refractory-lined gasifier walls minimize heat loss and attack by hot gases
- Most common mode for coal gasification. Used by Shell (dry), Texaco (slurry)
- Operating condition 1500 kPa, 1500°C





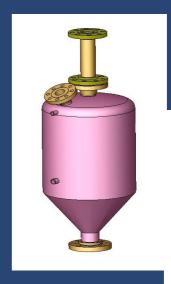
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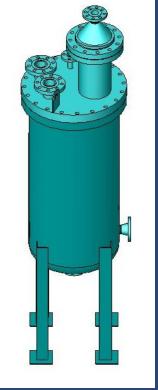
Quench Vessel:

- Removes slag
- Exit temperature < 220°C
- Cooling water 10 L/min

Venturi Scrubber:

- Combined with cyclone demister to remove particulates
- Exit temperature < 50°C
- Exit particle size < 10 microns





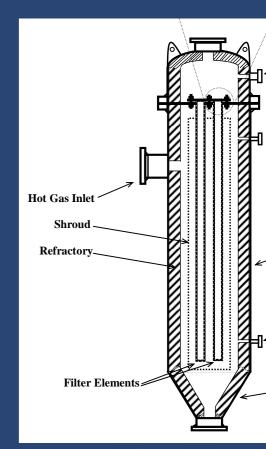
Alternative Hot Gas Cleanup

Particulate Removal:

- A particulate removal module has been constructed
- Ceramic barrier filters and metallic filters are planned to be tested at high temperature and high pressure

Alkaline Metal Capture:

- Evaluation of Canadian solid fuels and sorbents for use in the process.
- Bench-scale tests will be conducted to develop high-temperature sorbents.









Other Major Vessels

Product Gas:

Product gas cooler, gas filter, knockout tank, flare

Gasification Streams:

Oxygen heaters, steam generator, steam super heater

Waste water processing:

 High-pressure water pump, bag filters, blow-down tank, activated carbon









Current Client Needs

Boeing-Rocketdyne:

 Testing an advanced gasifier membrane wall to improve reliability and economics of gasification processes

Gas Technology Institute:

Spectroscopic system for flame radiant emission analysis

LxSix:

 Develop and debug a fibre optics-based measuring system to monitor shell temperatures of gasifier







Internal PERD&TI Projects

Environment Canada:

Establish protocol for Hg speciation in gasification

Canadian Clean Power Coalition (CCPC):

Blending studies for a variety of Canadian feedstocks

T&I Hot Gas Clean-up:

Particulate and alkali species removal

T&I Increasing Gasifier Availability:

 Develop gasifier CFD modeling and simulation for aiding in the design of injector, gasifier and refractory







Research Services

- Developing gasification, syngas treating, and hydrogen production technologies
- Testing gasification-related instrumentation
- Validating mathematical models with pilot-scale gasification tests
- Generating gasification performance data
- Performing feasibility studies for the application of gasification technologies
- Determining chemical species partitioning in effluent streams







Collaborative Accomplishments

- A variety of arrangements are available to assist industry in the application of this technology. At CETC-O, development of gasification technology is supported by contract research at both fundamental and pilot-scale levels, and by technical support of major demonstration projects
- The CETC-O gasifier has been identified as the foremost gasification research facility at the small pilot-scale



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