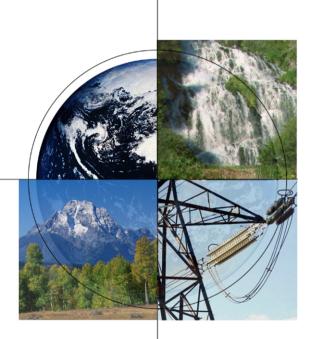
Mercury Emissions Control Technology– DOE's R&D Program



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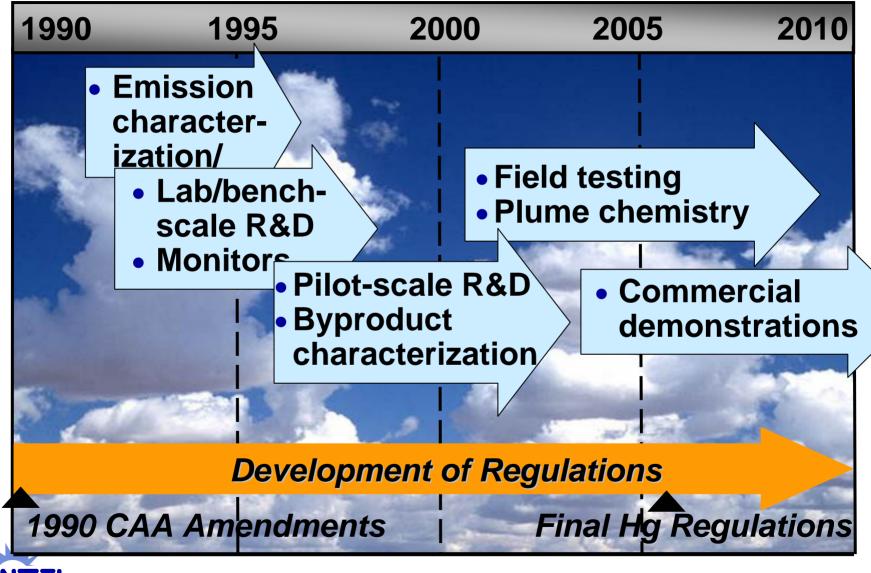
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History of DOE/NETL Mercury RD&D



DOE Mercury Control RD&D Portfolio

Boiler

- Combustion modification
- Chemistry modification

FGD Enhancements

- Oxidation catalysts
- Reagent addition
- Ultraviolet radiation
- Electro catalytic oxidation
- SCR oxidation

Coal Combustion Byproduct Characterization



Polishing Technology • MerCAP™

Plume Chemistry • Transport/ speciation

Sorbent Injection

- Activated carbon
- Amended silicates
- Halogenated AC
- Ca-based sorbents
- Chemically treated sorbents
- COHPAC/Toxecon[™]
- Thief sorbents

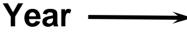
Mercury Field Testing Program Objectives

Cost

- Have technologies ready for commercial demonstration
 - by 2005 for bituminous coal
 - by 2007 for low-rank coal
- Reduce emissions 50-70%
- Reduce cost by 25-50% compared to baseline cost estimates



2000



Baseline Costs: \$50,000 - \$70,000 / Ib Hg Removed



Phase I Field Testing 2001-2003 Summary

• Activated carbon injection (ADA-ES)

- -4 power plant sites
 - 2 particulate collection systems --ESPs (3) and COHPAC (1)
 - 2 coal types PRB (1) and bituminous (3)

Scrubber enhancement (McDermott/B&W)

- -2 power plant sites
 - Both burned high-S bituminous coal
 - 1 limestone wet FGD, 1 magnesium-enhanced wet FGD



Observations From Phase I Field Tests

- Moderate to high mercury capture possible with ACI:
 - Performance depends on:
 - Particulate system FF or ESP
 - Coal rank
 - Flue gas temperature
- Scrubber enhancers show modest improvement in capture effectiveness



Observations From Phase I Field Tests

• However, further information is needed:

– General

- Performance over longer periods of operation
- By-product use and disposal
- Impacts of load variation
- Capture effectiveness with low-rank coals and coal blends

- Sorbent Injection

- Understanding of in-flight capture
- Optimize injection lance configuration
- Effectiveness of chemically modified sorbents
- Sorbent feed rate and costs
- Effectiveness with small SCA ESPs
- Impact on ESP performance and bag life
- Need for fabric filter for units equipped with ESP

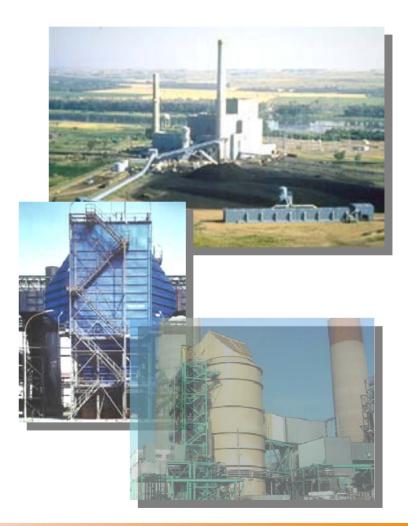
- Enhanced Scrubber Capture/Oxidation

• Hg⁺⁺ reduction/re-emission



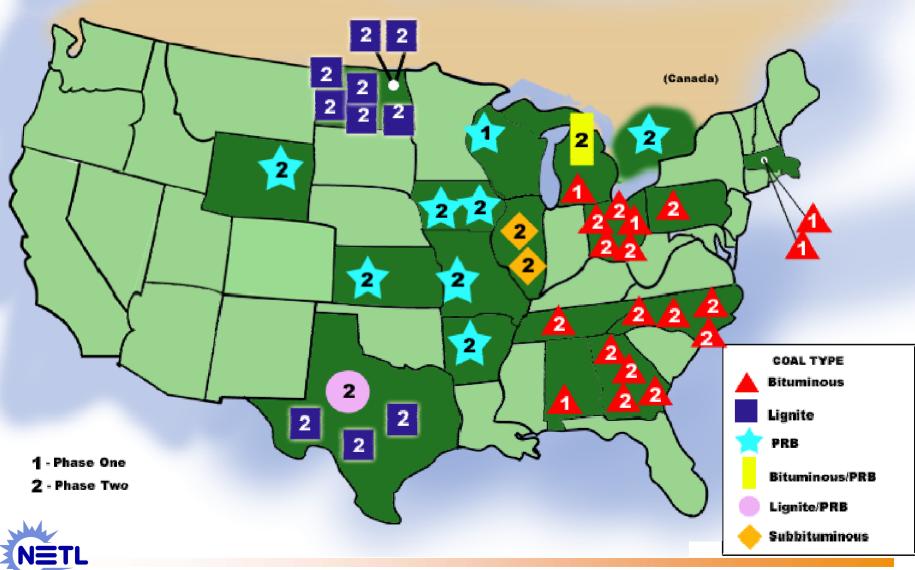
Phase II Mercury Control Field Test Projects

- Fourteen new projects selected
- Longer-term (1-6 months @ optimum conditions), large-scale field testing
- Broad range of coal-rank and air pollution control device configurations; focus on lowrank coals
- Sorbent injection & mercury oxidation control technologies





DOE/NETL Phase I and II Mercury Field Sites



Full-Scale Demonstration of Toxecon[™] Retrofit for Mercury and Multi-Pollutant Control

• Demonstrate:

- Multi-pollutant control with PRB coal
 - 90% Hg reduction
 - 70% SO₂ reduction
 - 30% NOx reduction
- Hg recovery from sorbent
- Hg CEM performance



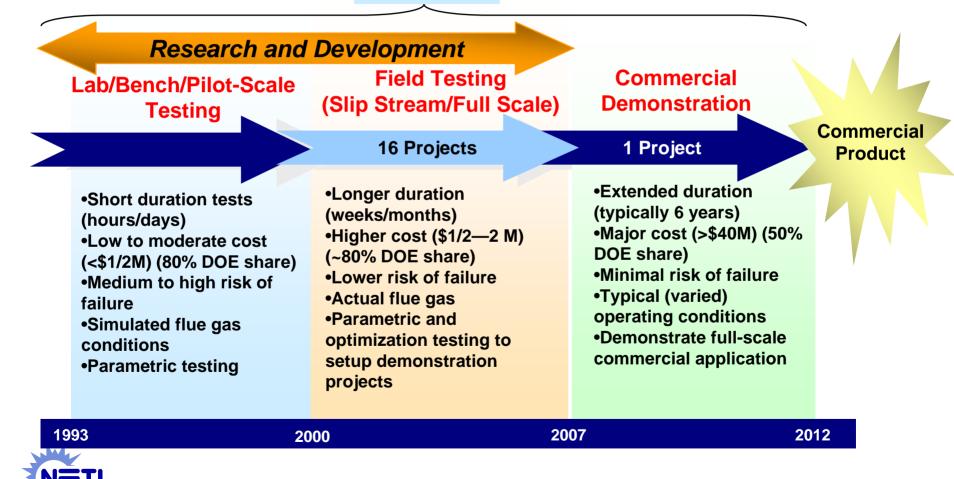
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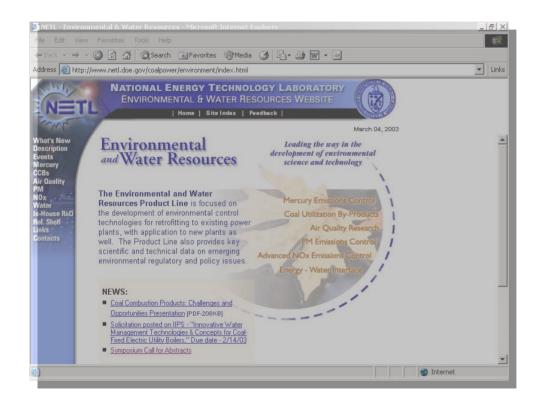
Stages of Mercury Control Technology Development



DOE Support



DOE/NETL Environmental and Water Resources (Innovations for Existing Plants Program)



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