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Waste Heat Utilization for the Energy Requirements of a Post Combustion CO₂ Capture Retrofit Study of a Cement Manufacturing Facility

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Abstract

This paper presents a preliminary investigation of utilizing waste heat available from a cement manufacturing facility for carbon dioxide (CO₂) capture and compression processes. The cement manufacturing facility considered in this study emits 600,000 - 750,000 tonnes of CO₂ annually while producing 800,000 – 1,000,000 tonnes of clinker. Determining an alternative energy source for amine regeneration will be a major deliverable and a challenging component of this study. Previously utilized methods from the power industry do not apply in this situation since cement plants do not normally produce steam. Cement manufacturing is an energy intensive process resulting in multiple high temperature exhaust gas streams.

In this study, preliminary thermodynamic investigations of the utilization of thermal energy have been performed in two gas streams including kiln flue gas and clinker cooler air exhaust. The scenarios investigated in this study include (1) direct recovery of heat using heat recovery boilers and (2) employing of duct firing to increase the temperature of the flue gas prior to heat recovery. The recovered energy can be used for the amine regeneration process. The use of duct burning subsequently produced excess heat which exceeded the energy need for amine regeneration. However, this option can be utilized to produce medium pressure steam which can then be paired with the installation of a back pressure turbine to produce electricity.

The results obtained in this study focused solely on the thermodynamic feasibility and efficiency. To justify whether the proposed strategies are practical or not, several factors including CAPEX and OPEX, requirements for modifications to the existing plant, impacts on the existing cement kiln process, and complexity and reliability of the proposed heat recovery system need to be further considered.

Keywords: Waste heat recovery; CCS on cement; Duct firing; CO₂ emissions

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Nomenclature

CAPEX	Capital Expenditures
CCS	Carbon Capture and Storage
BOP	Balance of Plant
ID	Induced Draft
KM CDR	Kansai Mitsubishi Carbon Dioxide Removal Process
LP	Low Pressure
OPEX	Operational Expenditures
WHRU	Waste Heat Recovery Unit

1. Project Overview

As the world moves towards decarbonizing more industrial sectors, CCS will play a vital role in reducing the carbon footprints of various industries that do not have renewable alternatives. Cement manufacturing is one such industry as one third of the CO₂ emissions results from the chemical conversion of limestone, a key step in the cement manufacturing process that cannot be altered. There are currently no commercial scale CCS facilities in operation on a cement plant. The cement facility considered in this study emits 600,000 - 750,000 tonnes of CO₂ annually while producing 800,000 – 1,000,000 tonnes of clinker. The heat recovery investigations described herein are part of the pre-feasibility study work by the International CCS Knowledge Centre, aimed at retrofitting a cement production facility with a full scale, post combustion, amine-based CO₂ capture system.

Solvent based post combustion CO₂ capture process is the most mature of the CO₂ capture technologies. To date, this technology has been applied to two coal fired power stations, Unit 3 at Boundary Dam Power Station (BD3 ICCS) in Saskatchewan Canada and the Petra Nova Project in Texas, USA. This process requires energy (in the form of steam heat) for amine regeneration. The process design of the BD3 ICCS project sourced this required steam from within the power station's turbine while an auxiliary heat recovery steam generator was utilized for the Petra Nova Project. As CCS moves into other industries, sectors that may not have steam at the required regeneration temperatures and pressures readily available, novel methods for heat recovery and heat integration will have increased importance. Cement manufacturing is one such industry with a promising future for CCS installations. Cement is used to make concrete, the second most-consumed material in the world (next to water) and the world's most consumed man-made material. With annual global production of cement being more than 4 billion tonnes, the CO₂ emitted from cement production accounts for approximately 8 percent of global CO₂ emissions.

There are various emission points within the cement facility including the kiln stack, the coal mill stack, and the clinker cooler stack. The kiln flue gas accounts for most of the emissions and has been identified as the main flue gas stream to be processed.

A key challenge for this study is sourcing the regeneration energy necessary for 90% CO₂ capture. As there are no existing sources of steam within the cement facility, this energy requirement would be supplied by a purpose-built auxiliary boiler. This auxiliary boiler would however emit its own CO₂. To maximize the emission reduction potential of this project it was decided that the CO₂ emissions from the auxiliary boiler would also be captured. This adds a layer of complexity to the process design. It is important to note that although using an auxiliary boiler is not a novel concept, capturing the emissions from one has yet to be implemented in a CCS project. The design of Petra Nova did include a gas turbine with a heat recovery steam generator for sourcing the regeneration energy but did not, however, include capturing the CO₂ from the gas turbine's emissions. A schematic of the proposed CCS installation at the cement facility is depicted in Fig.1. In summary, flue gas from the kiln and auxiliary boiler would be introduced to the flue gas pre-treatment process for initial removal of various impurities such as dust, and sulfur oxides (SO_x) before being fed to the CO₂ capture and compression processes. Heat recovered from the cement facility would be utilized to increase the efficiency while lowering the operational costs of the capture and compression processes. The produced CO₂ would be delivered to off-takers for utilization or to a permanent CO₂ storage site.

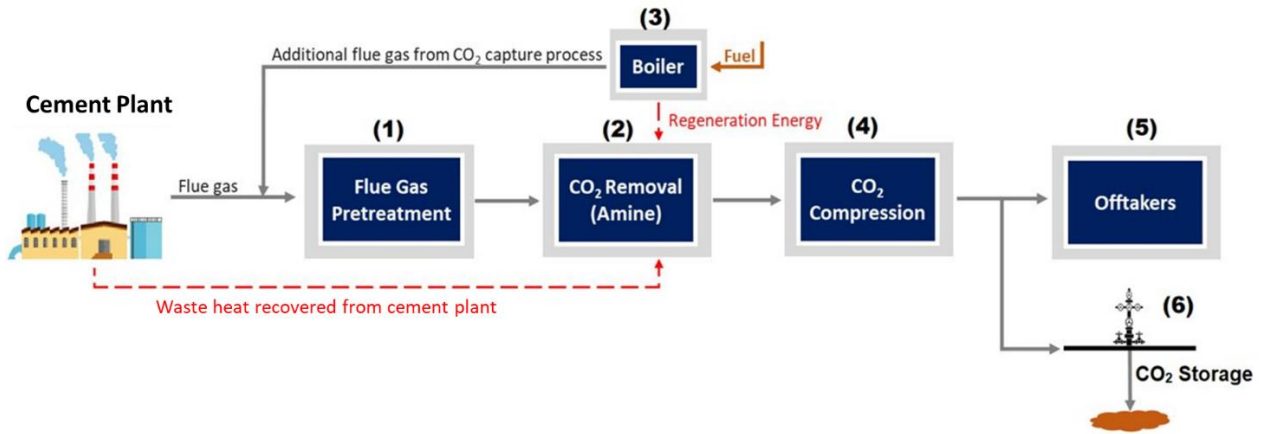


Fig. 1. A schematic of the proposed CCS installation at the cement facility

2. Process descriptions and integration of heat recovery

Utilization of waste heat for improving process efficiency and alleviating the use of the auxiliary boiler would be explored. The potential of heat recovery from the existing cement plant would be assessed. Two potential areas for heat recovery were identified: 1) the flue gas exiting the facilities pre-heater tower and 2) the clinker cooler exhaust air. Two separate waste heat recovery units (WHRU), one for each potential waste heat source, would be needed to accomplish this. The integration of the WHRU between the cement plant and the capture process is depicted in Fig. 2. Given the target of 90% to 95% capture, preliminary assessments determined that waste heat alone would not satisfy the energy requirements of the capture process. These energy requirements are vital for the CCS facility and would require a reliable source. The decision was made to include an auxiliary boiler to provide the steam to satisfy these energy requirements. The auxiliary boiler would be sized to supply the total energy requirements. This was done to ensure operational reliability for the CCS process. However, the study also explores the option of utilizing waste heat to offset the use of the auxiliary boiler. The design of the auxiliary boiler would include turndown capabilities allowing it to integrate well with the energy produced by the WHRUs. A portion of the condensate returning from the capture facility would be directed towards WHRU1 and WHRU2. Both units would function in parallel to produce low pressure (LP) steam which would be supplied to the CO₂ capture process.

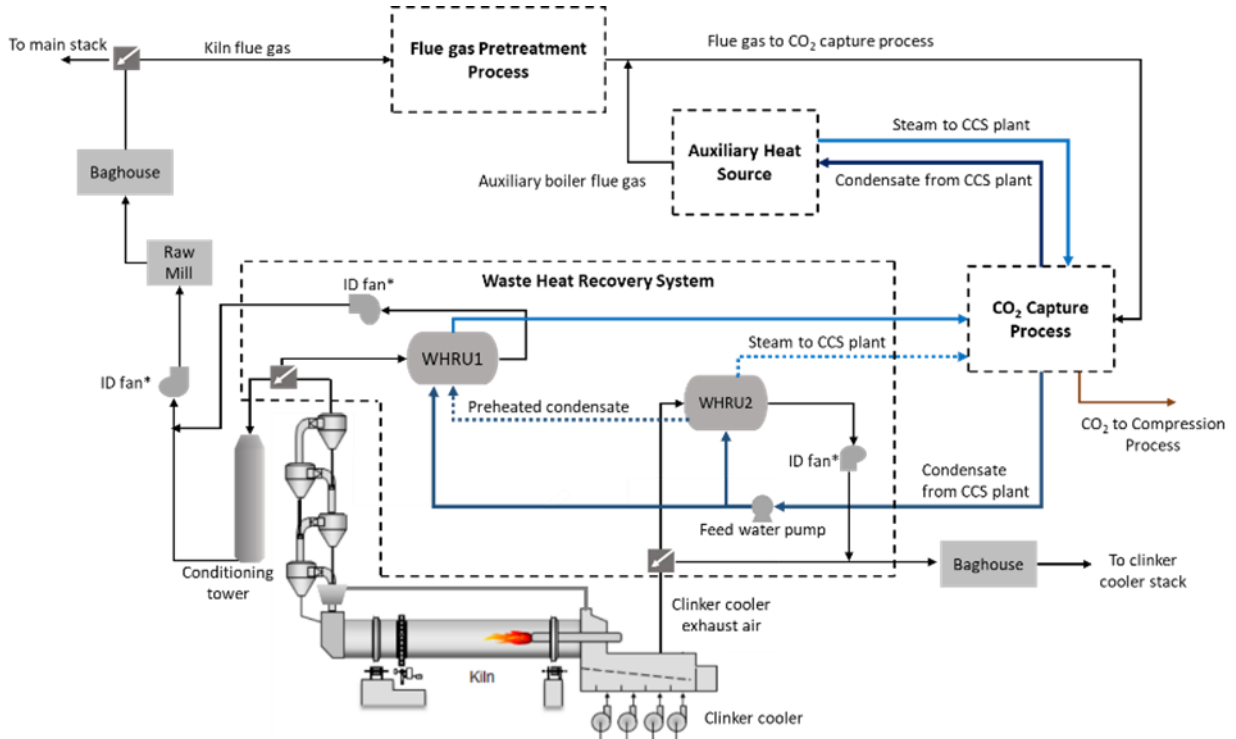


Fig. 2. Schematic of the cement manufacturing plant highlighting two possible locations (WHRU1 and WHRU2) for heat recovery

3. Energy requirements of the CO₂ capture process

The CO₂ capture process will require energy, primarily for the regeneration of the amine solvent solution within the stripper column. This energy will be supplied by LP steam fed to the reboilers of the stripper column. The thermal energy requirement varies depending on the specific amine and process configuration of each vendor. Based on a 90% capture rate of the CO₂ emitted from the kiln, approximately 70 MW_{th} will be required by the CO₂ capture process. This requirement could not be met by using recovered waste heat from within the cement plant alone. An auxiliary heat source will also be required to supplement the recovered waste heat. A summary of the energy requirements for the CCS installation is presented in Table 1. The heat duty and steam condition used in this study are assumed to avoid exposing vendor's proprietary information.

Table 1. Summary of energy requirements for the CO₂ capture process

Parameter	Units	Value
CO ₂ emissions	tonne/hr	98.0
Heat duty for solvent regeneration (assumed in this study)	GJ/ton CO ₂	3
Steam pressure	Bar abs	3
Steam temperature	°C	140
Condensate temperature	°C	130

For this study, an auxiliary boiler would be sized and designed to meet these requirements entirely as the reliability of the CCS process is dependent on meeting the energy requirements of the process on a consistent basis.

Thermodynamic modelling using Thermoflex software was completed to determine the required capacity of the auxiliary boiler. The resulting model is shown in Fig. 3.

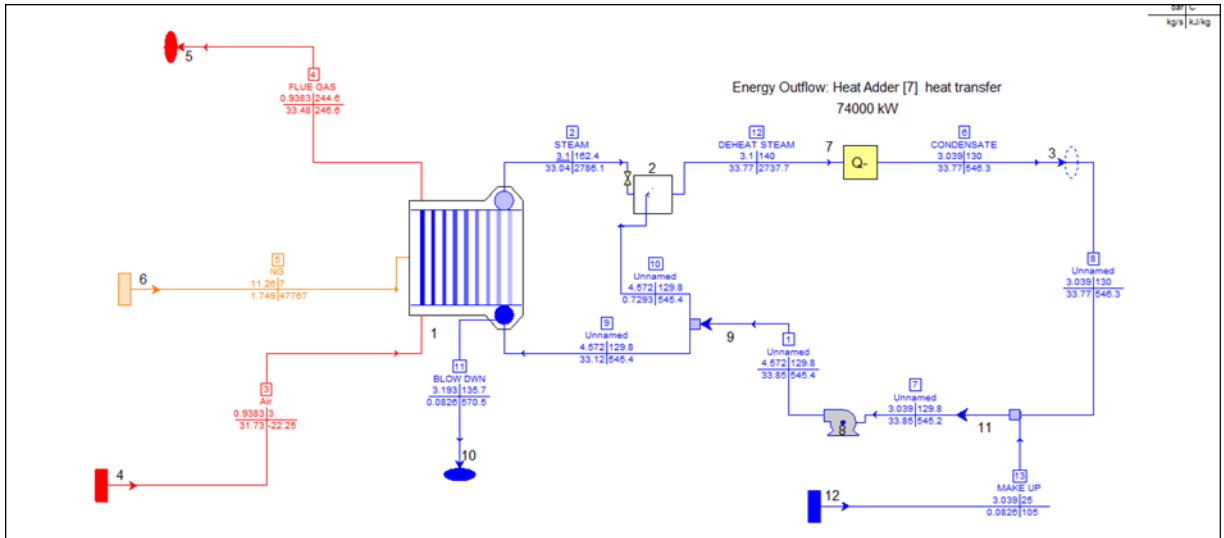


Fig. 3 The Thermoflex model used for the auxiliary boiler design

The Thermoflex Package Boiler component was used in the Thermodynamic Design mode. The inputs for this model are summarized in Table 2. The boiler was designed to produce superheated steam at 3 bar abs. Due to the minimum temperature requirement across the superheater section in the boiler, the resulting steam temperature at the outlet of the boiler is 163°C. This temperature is higher than desired. To adjust for this, a desuperheater section was utilized to lower the steam's temperature to the desired value. The reboiler condensate was used as the desuperheater water source for this. The Heat Adder equipment in Thermoflex was used to represent the amine regeneration process (i.e. the CO₂ stripper tower with its reboilers). The temperature of the condensate returning from the amine regeneration unit is 130°C and, as mentioned prior, is recycled back to the package boiler as desuperheater spray water.

Table 2. Inputs and parameters used in Thermoflex model

Input	Value
Fuel supply HHV	52,963 kJ/kg
Flue supply pressure	11.26 bar
Flue supply temperature	7 °C
Max boiler efficiency	80%
Equipment included in the boiler	Superheater Air Preheater with air exit temperature of 110 °C FD fan
Excess air	15%
Minor loss	1%
Blowdown	0.25%

4. Waste Heat Recovery from Existing Cement Plant

A cement facility has various sources of waste heat streams that can be harvested to yield useful energy. After a preliminary review two sources were identified as having the potential to provide useful energy for the CCS process:

1) the kiln flue gas stream and 2) the clinker cooler flue gas. Both waste heat sources are available on a continuous basis. If energy meeting the requirements of the capture process can be recovered from these two sources using WHRUs the use of the auxiliary boiler could be scaled back. Provided that the installation of the WHRUs is economical, the ability to turn down the auxiliary boiler could contribute to reduced fuel costs for the auxiliary boiler and also reduce its CO₂ emissions. Properties of these two sources of potential waste heat recovery are summarized in Table 3.

Table 3. Summary of kiln and clinker cooler flue gas properties

Property	Unit	Kiln Flue Gas	Clinker Cooler Gas
Flow	m ³ /s	218.3	112.9
Temperature	°C	400	200
Pressure	bar	0.98	0.96
Composition			
O ₂	Mole %	4.88	20.83
CO ₂	Mole %	16.11	0.03
H ₂ O	Mole %	7.90	0.57
N ₂ +Ar	Mole %	71.05	78.57
SO ₂	Mole %	0.06	0

Kiln Flue Gas

Current process operations involve hot gas (~400°C) from downstream of the kiln preheater tower to enter the kiln conditioning tower to be cooled before it is directed to the raw mill or coal mill. The coal mill does not operate when the facility uses natural gas as its primary fuel. The hot flue gas enters the top section of this vertical, cylindrical-shaped tower for cooling, to approximately 200 °C, by water injection. The gas is drawn through the conditioning tower by the kiln ID fan to feed the gas to the raw mill for drying the raw materials and conveying ground mill product to storage. The gas and raw mill product are then directed to the baghouse for particulate removal. The proposed waste heat recovery unit (WHRU1), which would recover heat from the flue gas downstream of the preheater tower, is proposed to be installed in parallel to the existing kiln conditioning tower, as depicted in Fig. 2.

Clinker Cooler Flue Gas

Clinker is cooled from 1200°C to <100°C in a clinker cooler through heat exchange with ambient air. Some of this heated ambient air is used as combustion air and is fed to the kiln and the pre-calciner. The remaining air, with an approximate temperature of 200-400°C, is directed through a baghouse to the exhaust duct. The clinker exhaust air is cooled to approximately 100°C using a heat exchanger before it enters the baghouse for particulate removal. A heat recovery unit is also proposed to be installed to utilize this heat. The heat recovery unit for clinker cooler exhaust air (WHRU2) will be installed in parallel with the clinker cooler exhaust air cooler, as depicted in Fig. 2.

The two WHRUs would be installed in a way that would allow the cement plant the ability to operate independently of the WHRUs, as these could be bypassed when not in operation. As mentioned previously the energy recovered by the waste heat sources would not satisfy the CO₂ capture plants energy requirements. The two WHRUS, when in service, would work in conjunction with the auxiliary boiler to meet the energy demands of the capture facility. The additional CO₂ emitted by the auxiliary boiler will also be captured resulting in additional energy requirements for the CO₂ capture process. Utilizing available waste heat from the facility helps to overcome this challenge. Results from the preliminary investigation into sources for the required regeneration energy are summarized in Fig. 4. This specifically highlights, the relationship between the energy required to capture 90% of the CO₂ from the kiln and the additional CO₂ generated due to the amine regeneration energy supply. Results illustrate that the energy requirement will be significantly lower if the waste heat in the existing conditioning tower and clinker cooler is recovered and used in the capture process. This justifies investigating waste heat recovery and integration methods as opposed to sourcing the energy requirement solely from an auxiliary heat source. As heat recovery units and their installation can add significant costs to a project, an economic impact assessment of this option will be completed.

This will quantify required modifications to the existing plant to accommodate this option such as the installation of dampers, waste heat recovery systems, additional ID fans, or upgrading the existing ID fan.

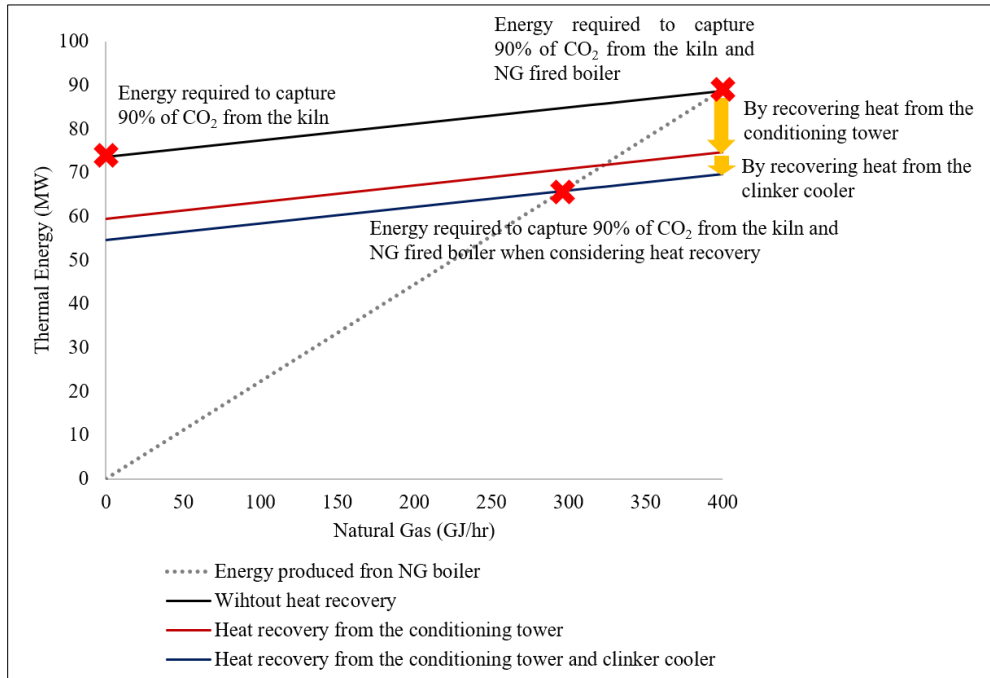


Fig. 4. Analysis of energy requirements for a CCS retrofit for the cement manufacturing facility

5. Flue Gas Duct Burner

Duct burning can be used to boost the temperature of the kiln flue gas exiting the preheater tower (upstream of the conditioning tower) before it enters the WHRU. Although the temperature of this flue gas is enough to operate directly with the WHRU, duct burning offers increased thermal efficiency, relative to supplementing the heat requirements with a gas fired auxiliary boiler. This improved efficiency is realized as most of the heat generated by the duct firing could be utilized to produce steam for the process. In the case of an auxiliary boiler additional flue gas is generated along with losses in the low grade heat exhausted from the auxiliary boiler.

A duct burning component is intended to be used for heat recovery boilers with supplementary firing. It heats the incoming flue gases to a desired temperature by burning an appropriate amount of the connected fuel source. The amount of combustion occurring is usually limited by the amount of available oxygen in the flue gas. A duct burner can be located in two locations. It can be placed in the transition duct between the source of flue gas and the heat recovery equipment, or within the main duct after the transition section has expanded the flue gas flow cross section to the full duct size, in which case the duct burner may be upstream of all of the heat recovery equipment or may be placed among the heat exchangers.

The impact of using a duct burner to increase flue gas temperature was evaluated. The results of this investigation are presented here. Duct burning can be done using the flue gas from the kiln as it is or by also adding air to this flue gas stream to increase the oxygen content and thereby increasing the combustion capacity (and subsequently the temperature of the emerging flue gas). Two configurations were evaluated:

- (1) Flue gas duct firing for low pressure steam generation
- (2) Flue gas duct firing for medium pressure steam generation

Modelling these two cases was completed using the Thermoflex software. The Thermodynamic Design mode was used. The desired exit gas temperature was user specified to allow for sizing of the duct burner component. The inputs for this modelling are summarized in Table 4.

Table 4. Summary of parameters and inputs utilized in Thermoflex modelling of flue gas duct burning

Parameter/InputProperty	Unit	Value
User specified flue gas exit temperature	°C	800
Heat loss to surroundings as % of heat input	%	0.1
Draft loss	millibar	0.63
Minimum allowed volumetric oxygen content	%	1
Minimum required fuel supply pressure	bar	1.72
SO ₂ to SO ₃ conversion	%	0
Typical element		Horizontal HRSG
Fuel flow priority		Strong

5.1 Flue gas duct burner for low pressure steam generation

Utilizing flue gas duct burning for the generation of LP steam was investigated. In this configuration, which is illustrated in Fig. 5, flue gas from the kiln, upstream of the conditioning tower, would pass through duct firing before being introduced to the heat recovery unit. As shown in Fig. 5, the flue gas from the kiln is combined with additional preheated air. The combustion air is preheated to 180°C by using heat available in clinker cooler flue gas. The amount of heat recovery from clinker cooler flue gas for preheating combustion air is varied in this investigation from 0 to 100% of the clinker cooler flue gas mass flow. The flue gas from the kiln at a temperature of 400°C, additional preheated combustion air at 180°C, and fuel are combusted in the duct burner. This yields a resulting flue gas stream with a temperature of 800°C. This resulting flue gas is then fed to the heat recovery boiler to generate low pressure steam at 3 bar abs for the amine regeneration process. The steam condensate from the amine regeneration process is then recycled back to the heat recovery boiler by feed water pumps, and the cycle repeats. The challenge with duct firing is that the flue gas from the preheater tower contains some carryover of raw feed. The temperatures resulting from duct firing would be sufficient to calcine this raw feed material. The energy absorbed through calcination of this raw feed or the impact on the kiln process was not modelled.

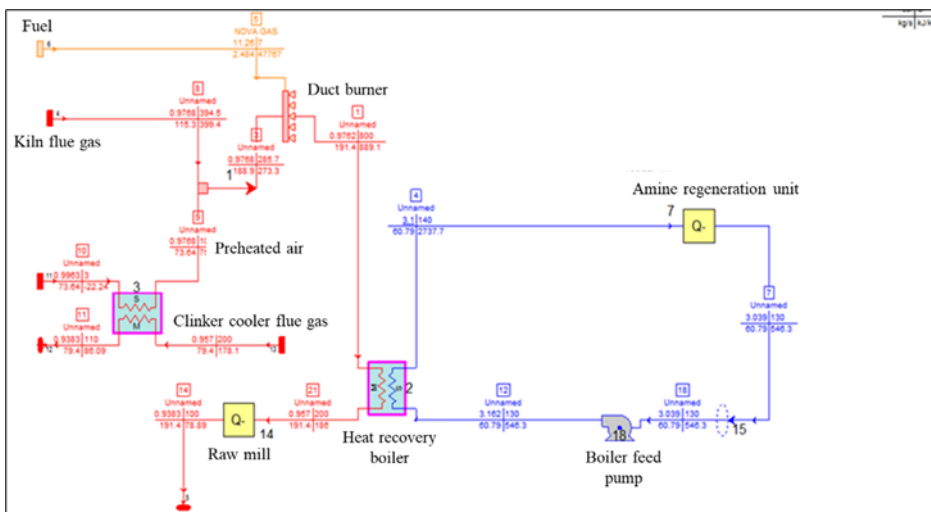


Fig. 5. Modelling a flue gas duct burner for LP steam generation

Results of this modeling are summarized in Table 5. As the percentage of heat recovered from the clinker cooler flue gas increased from 0 to 100%, the flow of the additional combustion air flow increased up to 145.8 tonnes/hr, while the fuel flow increased up to 353.7 GJ/hr. Utilizing heat recovered to preheat the additional combustion air led to a 5.5% increase in CO₂ emissions as shown in Table 5.

Table 5. Summary of results of modelling a flue gas duct burner for LP steam generation

Heat recovery from clinker cooler flue gas for combustion air preheating (%)	0	25	50	75	100
Additional combustion air flow (tonne/hr)	0	36.5	72.9	109.4	145.8
Fuel flow (GJ/hr)	236.4	266.9	295.5	324.1	352.7
CO ₂ emission (tonne/hr)	110.0	111.5	113.8	114.5	116.0

Fig. 6 illustrates the effect of increasing the amount of heat that is recovered from the clinker cooler air to be used for preheating the additional combustion air. Increasing the percent of heat recovered from 0 to 100% directly impacts the flow of the additional combustion air fed to the duct burner and both the composition and the flow of the resulting flue gas. Results also indicate that firing flue gas from the kiln without additional combustion air increases the CO₂ concentration and lowers the O₂ concentration of the resulting flue gas. The CO₂ concentration of the kiln flue gas is originally 16.11%, but with duct burning this value increases to 18%. The O₂ is reduced from 4.88% to 1%. These have a positive impact on the capture plant as the higher concentration of CO₂ in the flue gas can increase the driving force of CO₂ absorption while the lower O₂ concentration helps to lessen oxidative degradation of the amine. The addition of combustion air however has the opposite effect. The CO₂ concentration of the resulting flue gas following duct firing with additional combustion air begins to reduce while the O₂ concentration increases.

Fig. 7 illustrates the relationship between heat recovered from the clinker cooler air and duct firing to meet the energy requirement for amine regeneration with and without reclaiming energy. At 0% heat recovery from clinker cooler flue gas with duct burning, kiln flue gas heat can only provide sufficient energy for the amine regeneration process but falls short if reclaiming heat is required. Some additional air heat recovery is required to ensure sufficient thermal energy for both regeneration and reclaiming. Recovering the maximum value of heat from 100% of the clinker cooler flue gas results in usable energy that exceeds the needs of the amine regeneration process. This holds true even when considering the increase in energy requirements to capture the extra CO₂ caused from the combustion of additional air and fuel. It may be concluded that an optimum point would entail using additional air for duct firing of the kiln flue gas. However, in this study the scenario investigated entailed recovering all of the clinker cooler flue gas heat (100% recovery) and utilizing the excess energy for power production.

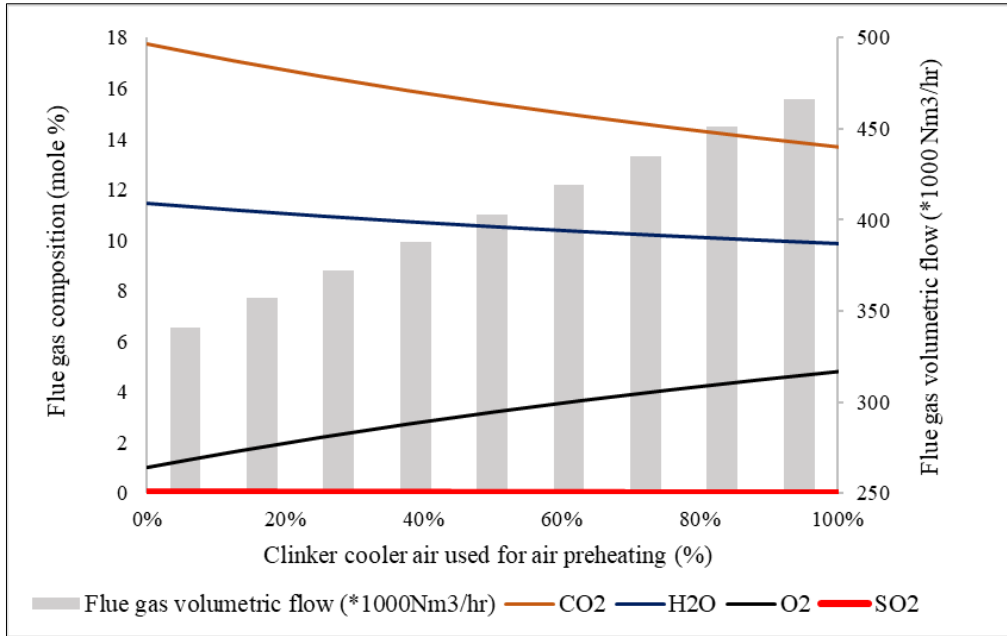


Fig. 6. Relationship between duct firing flue gas composition and volumetric flow rate with percentage of clinker cooler air used for preheating

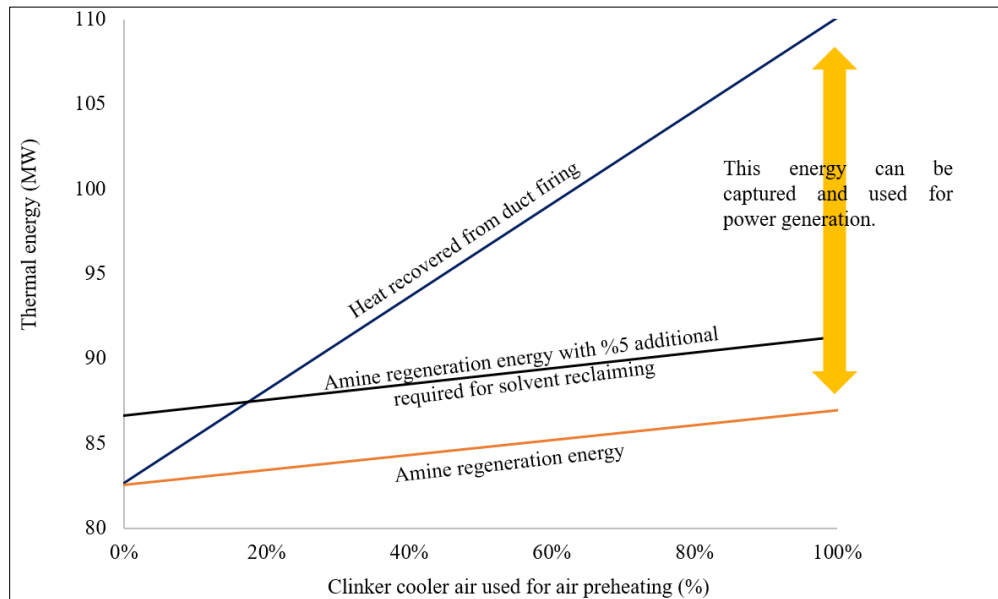


Fig. 7. Relationship between heat recovered for duct firing compared to % of clinker cooler air used for preheating to amine regeneration and reclamation energy needs

5.2 Flue gas duct firing for medium pressure steam generation

The use of flue gas duct firing for the generation of medium pressure (MP) steam was also investigated using Thermoflex. In this scenario, a back-pressure turbine with an efficiency of 85% is added to generate electricity from

the excess heat when all of the available energy in the clinker cooler flue gas is recovered and used for air preheating. The heat recovery from clinker cooler flue gas was fixed at 100% while investigating the effect of increasing the combustion air temperature by varying this temperature between 100°C and 180°C. This will change the additional combustion air flow to the duct burner which will also affect the oxygen available in the combustion process. For this model, the heat recovery boiler was set to generate MP steam. The steam pressure was varied between 30 and 50 bar abs. This generated MP steam was fed to the back-pressure turbine for electricity generation. The back-pressure turbine exhaust steam was set at 3 bar abs which was subsequently used for amine regeneration. The diagram of the Thermoflex model is shown in Fig. 8.

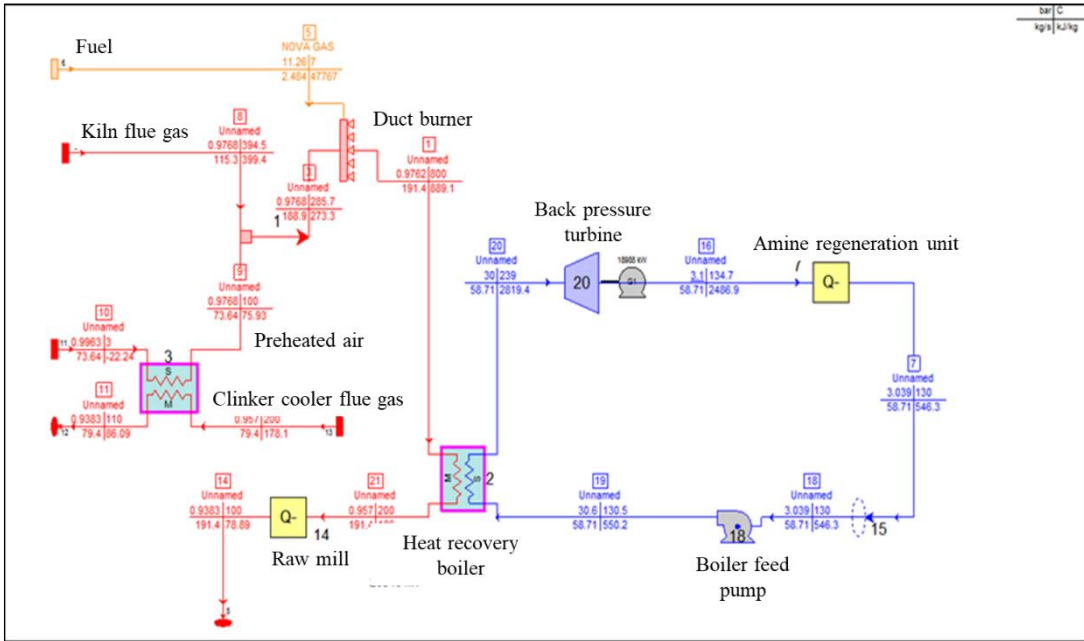


Fig. 8. Thermoflex model for MP steam generation with integration of a back pressure turbine

Results from heat integration configurations investigated in this study are summarized in Table 6. Each of the 3 cases of heat integration generates sufficient steam to supply the amine regeneration process to capture CO₂ from the existing kiln and additional CO₂ from generating thermal energy. The increase in CO₂ emission percentage was calculated based on the CO₂ emission from the existing plant (98 tonne/hr) without considering the additional CO₂ emissions resulting from the energy needed for amine regeneration. The cases investigated include:

- Case 1: Heat supply by auxiliary boiler
- Case 2: Heat supply by heat recovery from conditioning tower and clinker cooler (19 MWth) and the remaining heat supply by auxiliary boiler
- Case 3: Duct firing
 - 3.1 Duct firing of conditioning tower flue gas
 - 3.2 Duct firing of conditioning tower flue gas with air preheating to 100°C by recovering clinker cooler air to generate LP steam.
 - 3.3 Duct firing of conditioning tower flue gas with air preheating to 180°C by recovering clinker cooler air to generate LP steam.
 - 3.4 Duct firing of conditioning tower flue gas with air preheating to 100°C by recovering clinker cooler air to generate 30 bar abs steam for backpressure turbine
 - 3.5 Duct firing of conditioning tower flue gas with air preheating to 180°C by recovering clinker cooler air to generate 30 bar abs steam for backpressure turbine
 - 3.6 Duct firing of conditioning tower flue gas with air preheating to 100°C by recovering clinker cooler air to generate 50 bar abs steam for backpressure turbine

- 3.7 Duct firing of conditioning tower flue gas with air preheating to 180°C by recovering clinker cooler air to generate 50 bar abs steam for backpressure turbine

When considering the CO₂ emission from each configuration, the auxiliary boiler will increase the CO₂ emission by 20.71% compared to the CO₂ emitted from the existing kiln. If heat from the condition tower and clinker cooler are utilized and lower the energy required to be generated by the auxiliary boiler, the % CO₂ emission can be lowered to 15.36%.

When comparing all the cases, duct burning of conditioning tower flue gas (Case 3.1) has the lowest fuel requirement, and lowest CO₂ increase of 12.24% from existing kiln emission. Moreover, this configuration results in the lowest volumetric flue gas and highest CO₂ concentration which will benefit the size and cost of the flue gas duct and CCS plant. By adding additional combustion air to generate LP steam either 100°C (Case 3.2) or 180°C (Case 3.3), will increase fuel consumption, CO₂ emission, and unused LP steam.

Comparing the results, highlights differences when utilizing two combustion air temperatures. If the preheated combustion air temperature increases from 100°C to 180°C, the flow of combustion air fed to the duct firing burner is reduced as the heat available from the clinker cooler flue gas is constant. This results in lower heat generated by duct firing. Power generation from the backpressure turbine is also reduced when the air preheating temperature is increased.

However, by preheating combustion air to 100°C, it results in excess LP steam than is required for the amine regeneration process and requires more fuel consumption. The heat from the excess steam will need to be rejected before going back to the process and this will increase the total heat rejection load. Therefore, preheating combustion air to 180°C is more preferred compared to 100°C.

Considering the effects of different MP steam pressure at 180 °C preheating combustion air, when the steam pressure generated from the waste heat recovery unit increased from 30 to 50 bar abs, both cases consume the same amount of fuel. However, the electricity generated from the backpressure turbine increased from 15.7 MW to 18.6 MW and the excess low pressure steam heat reduced from 7.2 MWth to 4.4 MWth. The electrical output for this Case 3.7, of 18.6 MW, is achieved with a fuel input which is only 55 GJ/hr greater than the Case 2, which is the case that combining auxiliary boiler and heat recovery. This is an incremental heat rate of 2957 kJ/kWh and is more efficient than most combined heat and power configurations.

Table 6. Summary of modelling results comparing the effects on waste heat recovery from flue gas with duct firing and utilization of clinker cooler air for preheating

Property	Unit	Case 1 Auxiliary boiler	Case 2 Auxiliary boiler and heat recovery	Case 3.1 Duct burning	Case 3.2 Duct burning	Case 3.3 Duct burning	Case 3.4 Duct burning	Case 3.5 Duct burning	Case 3.6 Duct burning	Case 3.7 Duct burning
Heat recovery	MWth	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heat generated from auxiliary boiler	MWth	88.7	65.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heat recovery from clinker cooler for combustion air preheater	%	-	-	-	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Additional air preheating temperature	°C	-	-	-	100	180	100	180	100	180
Back pressure turbine		NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES
Steam pressure	bar abs	3	3	3	3	3	30	30	50	50
Steam temperature	°C	140	140	140	140	140	239	239	269	269
Steam flow	tonne/hr	145.7	108.1	146.2	218.8	181.2	211.4	174.7	212.1	175.3
Volumetric flow rate (*1000)	Nm ³ /hr	471	418	341	569	465	569	465	569	465
Flue gas composition										
	O ₂	mol%	7.85	8.25	1.01	6.47	4.82	6.47	4.82	6.47
	CO ₂	mol%	13.40	13.76	17.74	11.79	13.70	11.79	13.70	11.79
	H ₂ O	mol%	13.60	13.35	11.47	9.31	11.47	9.31	9.88	9.31
	SO ₂	mol%	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.04
	N ₂ +Ar	mol%	65.12	64.59	69.72	72.39	69.72	72.39	71.56	72.39
Fuel consumption	GJ/hr	401	297	237	474	352	474	352	474	352
CO ₂ emissions	tonne/hr	118.29	113.05	110	122.12	115.97	122.12	115.97	122.12	115.97
CO ₂ emission increase	%	20.71	15.36	12.24	24.61	18.34	24.61	18.34	24.61	18.34
Electricity produced by back pressure turbine	MWe	-	-	-	-	-	19	15.7	22.5	18.6
Heat available for LP steam	MWth	88.7	84.8	82.7	133.6	110.4	113.9	94.2	110.5	91.4
Heat required for amine regeneration	MWth	88.7	84.8	82.5	91.6	87	91.6	87	91.6	87
Heat from excess LP steam	MWth	0	0	0.2	42	23.4	22.3	7.2	18.9	4.4

6. Conclusion

This paper presents a preliminary investigation of waste heat recovery available at a cement facility and how the recovered heat can be used to satisfy some of the energy requirements of the CO₂ capture process. It is evident from this evaluation that both kiln flue gas and clinker cooling flue gas are sources for meaningful heat recovery. The waste heat available can be recovered directly by using flue gas heat recovery boilers. The use of duct firing to increase the temperature of the flue gas prior to heat recovery can also be implemented to increase waste heat recovery yield. The recovered energy can be used for the amine regeneration process. The use of duct burning can produce quantities of heat which exceed the energy need for amine regeneration. However, this option can be utilized to produce MP steam which can then be paired with the installation of a back pressure turbine to produce electricity (to be used in the capture plant) with the resultant MP steam before it is directed for amine regeneration. The effective heat rate or incremental heat input to duct firing for electricity generation would be better than most forms of thermal power generation and equivalent to or even better than a very efficient combined heat and power arrangement.

To justify whether the proposed strategies are feasible or not, several factors will need to be considered:

- optimization between the CAPEX of the heat recovery unit and the OPEX of fuel cost should be completed.
- the complexity of implementing and integrating heat recovery equipment with the existing facility.
- reliability of the heat integration process.
- potential changes to start up and shut down of the plant when incorporating heat recovery process; and,
- potential upsets to the existing process due to higher temperatures and calcining of product in the flue gas stream from the preheater tower.