The Power of VAM

technology application update

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WestVAMP by April 2008 - in full operation since over 1 year









- 250 000 Nm3/h (150 000 scfm) of ventilation air with
- <u>0.9% CH4</u> concentration (VAM + drainage gas) generating
- High pressure, superheated steam (60 bar, 460°C)driving a
- <u>Conventional 6 MWe power plant steam turbine</u>

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Reported to in first year of operation have generated <u>220 000 t CO2e from reducing VAM</u> emissions and an <u>additional 30 000 t CO2e from replacing energy</u> (with more CO2 efficient energy source)

WestVAMP by April 2008 - in full operation since over 1 year





Officially opened on 14 September 2007 by the Premier of NSW.

The Project is partly Government funded by the AGO (Australian Greenhouse Office)

Honorable awards

- for WestVAMP

- Aug 2007; Highly Commended in Excellence Awards 2007 of NSW **Minerals** Council Sept 2007; WestVAMP received the Excellence in Energy Award 2007 by
- the Australian Institute of Energy







NSW / ACT Branches

Excellence in Energy Award 2007

Winner

"Energy and the Environment"

BHP Billiton - Illawarra Coal "WestVAMP"

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US VAM Project at CONSOL Energy, USA







Windsor mine, West Liberty site, West Virginia CONSOL Energy, USA

Simulating various concentrations of VAM by injecting high concentration (35-50%) Abandoned Mine Gas into ...

- > 50 000 m3/h (30 000 scfm) of fresh air
- > Unmanned operation since May 2007

Rebuilt in April 2008 for improved availability, presently being re-started

The Project is partly Government funded by the US EPA and the US DOE

VAM to Thermal Energy - for District Heating / cooling







Next steps



- Based on experience in VAM application now prepared to roll out installations on broad basis
- Mostly Abatement or VAM to Thermal EnergyLarge number of prospects mainly in China, but also in
- Australia, Europe and in the Americas
- Plan to start production in China within a year
- When ready to release info on progress, will do so via M2M.

Calculations of CERs





For calculation of amount to CERs, consider; Vocsidizer cleaning efficiency and availability

conversion rate of CH4 into CO2e.

The formula will be:

[Cleaning Efficiency] x [Hours of availability] x [Volume flow of ventilation air] x [VAM concentration] x [(CH4 weight) x Global Warming factor – (CO2 weight)]

which comes to:

 $0.97 \times [8760 \times 0.97] \times [Flow of ventilation air] \times [VAM concentration] \times [0.71 \times (21 - 2.75)]$

Examples:

250 000 Nm3/h @ 0.9 % VAM comes to 240 000 tonnes of CO2e 125 000 Nm3/h @ 0,9 % VAM comes to 120 000 t CO2e 125 000 Nm3/h @ 0,3 % VAM comes to 40 000 t CO2e

	0.3	0.6	0.9
125 000	40	80	120
250 000	80	160	240
500 000	160	320	480
1 000 000	320	640	960

Thousand tons of CO2e per year

IN ADDITION at energy recovery :

If carbon based energy is replaced, the effect on Global Warming is ~20% better.



The aim of all efforts to reduce GHG emissions

is now to **break the trend** of increasing global warming,

which is melting the ice of the Arctic.

