

# NET POWER

TRULY CLEAN, CHEAPER ENERGY



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# AGENDA

- ④ NET POWER ALLAM CYCLE INTRODUCTION
- ④ NET POWER 50MW TEST PLANT AND PROCESS DIAGRAM OVERVIEW
- ④ ATLAS COPCO GAS TURBINE DRIVEN INTEGRALLY GEARED SCO2 COMPRESSOR
  - TECHNICAL CHALLENGES OVERVIEW
- ④ NEXT STEPS

# NET POWER'S ALLAM CYCLE ADVANTAGE

USING THE ALLAM CYCLE TO MEET  
THE WORLD'S CLIMATE TARGETS  
WITHOUT PAYING MORE FOR  
ELECTRICITY.

USING THE ALLAM CYCLE, NET POWER

- ④ PRODUCES **ELECTRICITY FROM NATURAL GAS**
- ④ DEMONSTRATES **SUPERIOR TOTAL ECONOMIC ADVANTAGE** TO EXISTING NATURAL GAS POWER PLANTS
- ④ **CAPTURES OR ELIMINATES SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF THE CARBON AND NON-CARBON ATMOSPHERIC EMISSIONS** WITHOUT ANY ADDITIONAL COST
- ④ **DOES NOT REQUIRE WATER** (AT A SMALL REDUCTION IN EFFICIENCY)
- ④ CAN USE **INEXPENSIVE FUELS** SUCH AS ACID GAS, SOUR GAS, ASSOCIATED GAS, AND PRODUCED GAS
- ④ PRODUCES **VALUABLE GASES**, INCLUDING CO<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub> AND AR

**“NET Power does not make natural gas a  
bridge—or a pier.  
It makes it a destination.”**

***-Senior DOE official***



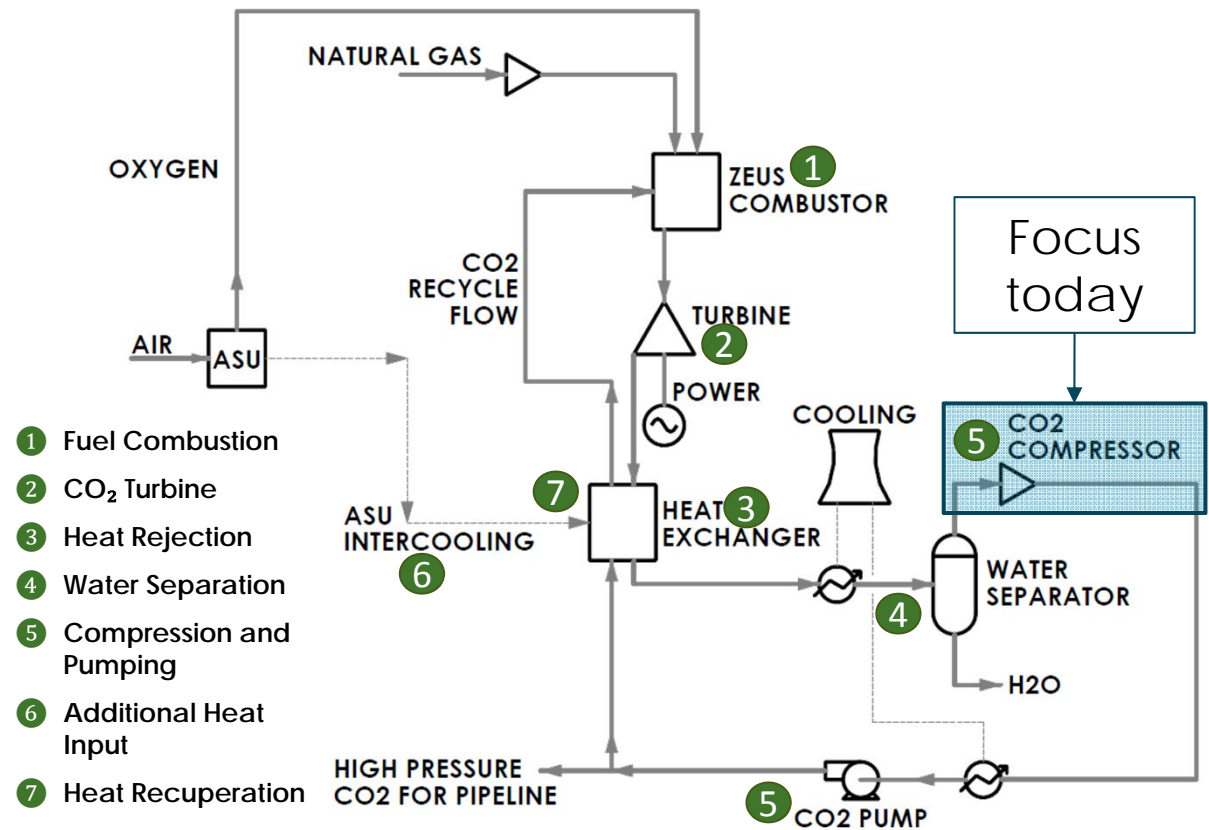
# ALLAM CYCLE NATURAL GAS PLATFORM

OXY-FUEL, SEMI-CLOSED-LOOP,  
WITH A CO<sub>2</sub> WORKING FLUID.

55 TO 59% (LHV) NET EFFICIENCY  
(CAN BE ADJUSTED DEPENDING ON  
NEEDS), WITH CAPTURE OF >97%  
OF CO<sub>2</sub>.

CO<sub>2</sub> AND WATER ARE THE ONLY  
EFFLUENTS. ASU ALSO PRODUCES  
SALEABLE BYPRODUCTS.

A NEAR-TERM SOLUTION THAT  
UTILIZES MOSTLY EXISTING  
EQUIPMENT IN A NOVEL WAY.





# INTEGRALLY GEARED COMPRESSOR SOLUTION

## Gas Turbine Driven Atlas Copco Compressor Solution

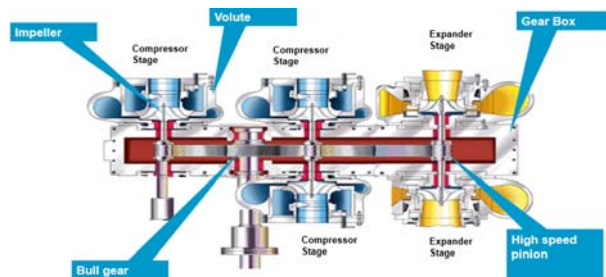
### Why integrally geared?

Comparison summary based on same process condition

	Atlas Copco Integrally Geared	Barrel Type (Single Shaft or Inline)
		
Size (L x W x H) m	2.5 x 3.5 x 3	4 x 3 x 2
Weight (tons)	12 tons	20 tons
Polytropic Efficiency %	80%	78%
Installation Cost Factor* (% of Compressor Cost)	50%	70%
Annual Compressor Maintenance Cost Factor** (% of Compressor Cost)	0.8%	1%
No. Of Impellers	4	5 (minimum)

\* Based on Real Estate, Crane Capacity and Time, Labor etc.

\*\* Based on Oil Consumption, Rotor Wear (Performance Degradation) and Replacement



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### What is different about this project?

- High speed driver
  - Almost twice normal 2-Pole driver speeds
- Compressor – Gas Turbine – Generator Train
  - Challenging Rotordynamic requirements
  - Extended Start and Stop Sequences
  - Lowest common denominator controls
- High pressure sCO<sub>2</sub>
  - Rotordynamic cross-coupling
  - Intricate Sealing Systems



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## High Speed Driver Challenges

### Pitch Line Velocity Limitations

- Physical limitations of the rate at which the loading and unloading of the tooth contact occurs
- API recommends a maximum of 150m/s, while Atlas Copco has experience for up to 185m/s

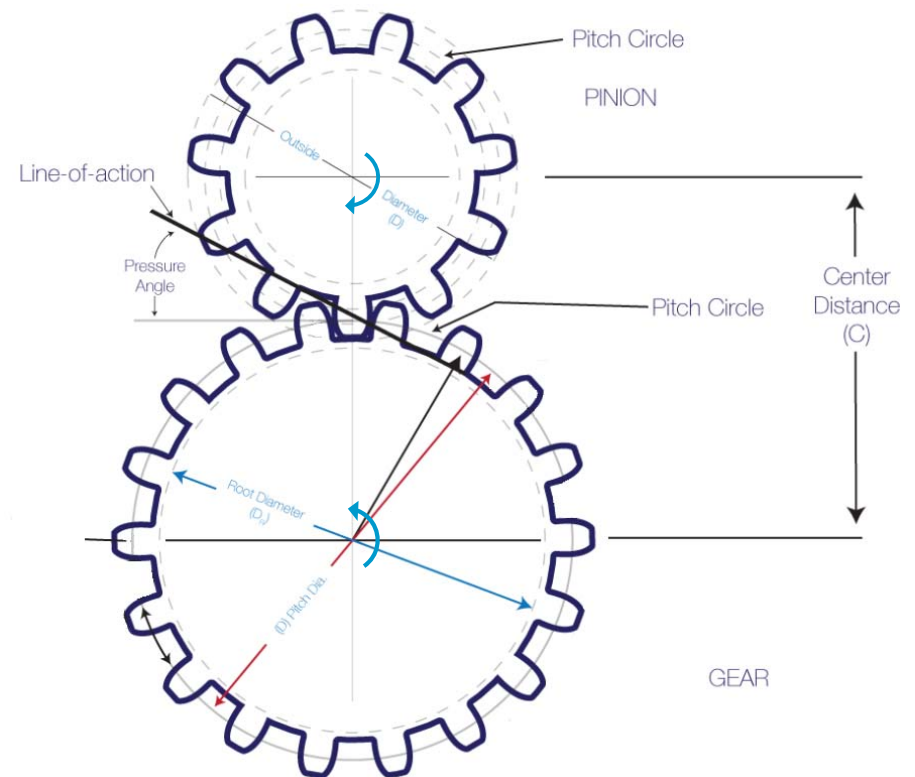
$V$ : Pitch line velocity (m/s)

$d$ : Gear pitch line diameter (m)

$n$ : Revolutions per minute

$$V(m/s) = \left(\frac{\pi * d * n}{60}\right)$$

- This therefore means depending on rotational speed there is a given maximum diametrical limit.



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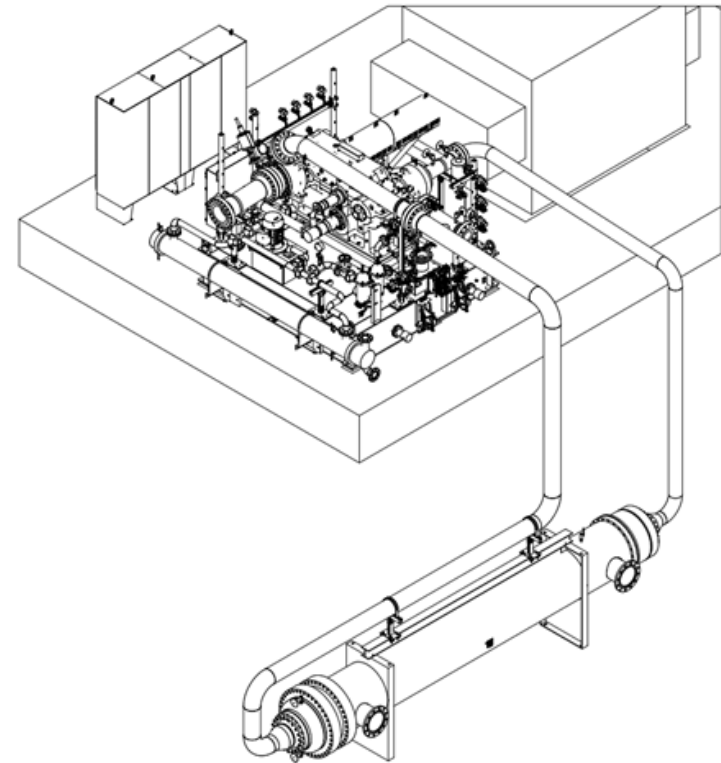
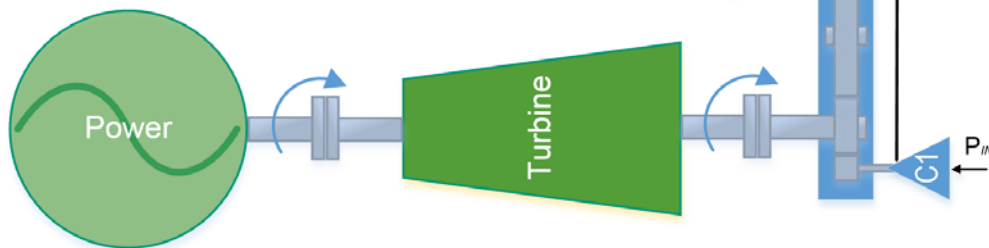
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### NET Power Test Plant sCO<sub>2</sub> Compressor

#### At a Glance

Driver Power (kW)	9650
Driver Speed (1/min)	6000
Suction Volume (m <sup>3</sup> /h)	6880
Pin (bara)	27
Pout (barb)	92
Temp. In (°C)	34
Gas	sCO <sub>2</sub>
Rotor 1 (1/min)	16537
Rotor 2 (1/min)	18324



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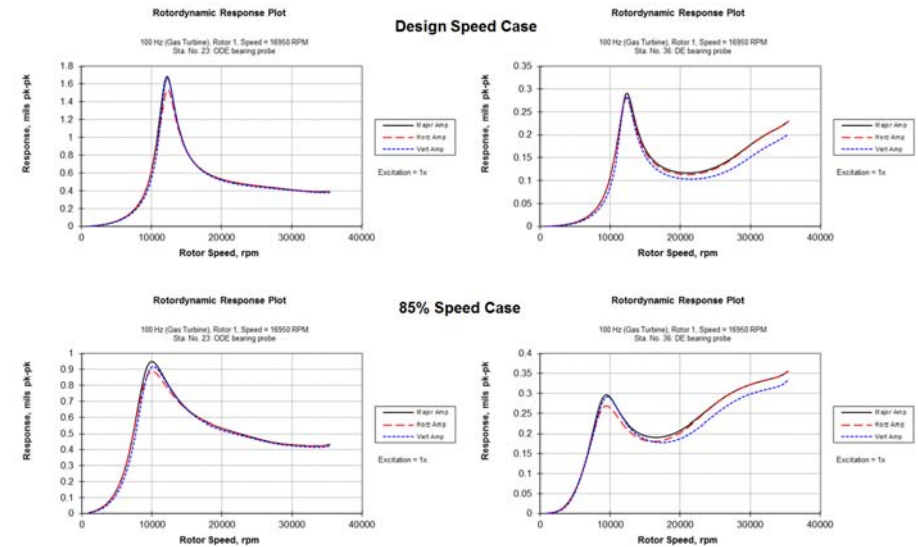
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## Compressor – Gas Turbine – Generator Train

### Challenging Rotordynamic requirements

- In this project the operational speed range of the whole train is from 85% to 100% design speed
- Lateral
  - Enough margin from the natural frequencies (critical speeds) of the rotors, and low speed gearing needs to be designed into the system
  - All operating cases were checked for changes to the rotordynamic response plots
- Torsional
  - When calculating the torsional reactions of the train this also needs to be accounted as the string accelerates under load to the design speed

### Example of Rotor 1



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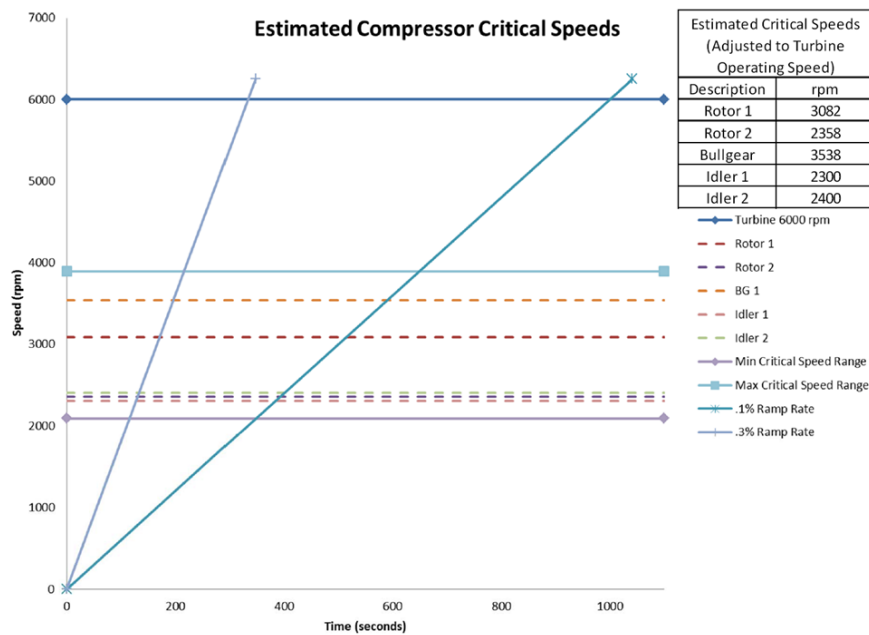
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## Compressor – Gas Turbine – Generator Train

### Preliminary Critical Speed Map



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### Lowest common denominator controls

- During execution, the start, stop and operating controls must constantly be discussed.
- Startup of a intricate train requires many holds and acceleration rates to be discussed with all parties.
  - This delicate balance between multiple parameters such as rotordynamic, aerodynamic, process and mechanical limitations is crucial to an effective solution.
- Stop protocols will also need to be organized depending on equipment hierarchies.

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## High pressure sCO<sub>2</sub>



- Rotordynamic cross coupling must be investigated
  - This is different than many other compressor projects due to the high density found in sCO<sub>2</sub>
- Seal components require special attention
  - Dry Gas Seals are sensitive to fluid and simulations should be produced to ensure the process remains stable as it moves across the seal face
  - Seal lines can be mounted with either heat tracing or seal gas heaters to ensure proper temperatures (phases) remain as intended.
  - Seal feeds and drains should be sloped to avoid liquid retention
  - Explosive decompression!

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## Conclusion

- Employing an integrally geared compressor in a sCO<sub>2</sub> application presents many challenges. The complexity of the application is only increased when operating in a Compressor – Gas Turbine – Generator train.
- Proper planning and experience helps to mitigate the risk and allows for a robust design.
- Like a well designed gear mesh, clearly defined requirements and good inter-team communication helps produce the best outcome during execution.



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# IN PLANNING FOR FIRST COMMERCIAL PROJECT

NET POWER IS READY TO ENGAGE IN DETAILED SITE PLANNING WITH POTENTIAL PROJECT PARTNERS.

COMPLETED DETAILED PRE-FEED IN 2017 FOR A 303 MWE SINGLE TRAIN SYSTEM, 120 BAR CO<sub>2</sub> CAPTURE.

TARGETING ONLINE DATE IN 2021.  
SEEKING TO ISSUE A NOTICE-TO-PROCEED IN 2018.



Plant outputs	
Electric Output	303MW
CO <sub>2</sub> Output	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>890,000 ton/year</li> <li>40 million scf/day</li> </ul>
N <sub>2</sub> Output	4.2 MM ton/year
Ar Output	70,000 ton/year
ASU O <sub>2</sub>	4,200 ton/day
Site Area	13 acres

FOAK Commercial Plant Performance*		
<b>Thermal Heat Input (MW)</b>	<b>549.1</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Turbine Shaft Power (MW)</b>	<b>453.0</b>	<b>-18%</b>
Shaft-mounted CO <sub>2</sub> compressor and generator	-47.9	-8%
<b>Gross Electrical Output (MW)</b>	<b>405.1</b>	
ASU auxiliary load	-65.1	-12%
BOP parasitics (pumps, cooling tower, etc.)	-37.5	-7%
<b>Net Electrical Output (MW)</b>	<b>302.5</b>	<b>55.1%</b>
Net Plant Efficiency (% on LHV)*	55.1%	55.1%
Net Plant Heat Rate (LHV)*	6,193	6,193

\* Efficiency optimized for US economics. For countries with high gas prices, 58.9% efficiency is achievable at higher capital cost.

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