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Improving Methane Emission Detection and Quantification with a Holistic Top-down Approach Audrey Mascarenhas, Questor Technology Inc.



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# **The Magnitude?**

Methane's GWP is 86 times worse that CO<sub>2</sub>

- 40% of methane emissions are unaccounted for
- The oil & gas industry globally flares over 14.5 billion cubic feet per day<sup>1</sup> of associated gas
  - Satellite imagery shows that over 1Gt CO<sub>2</sub>e annually comes from non-routine flaring<sup>2</sup>
- Over 79 million Tonnes of methane is emitted, from routine flaring<sup>3</sup> (> 2 billion Tonnes of  $CO_2e$ )
- Global Gas Flaring Tracker Report, GGFR, The World Bank, July 2020
- 2.
- Kayrros flaring report IEA 2022 Global Methane Tracker report, 3.



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# **The Elephant In The Room**

- Assumption that a flare is 98% efficient
- Non-routine flaring and venting ignored
- Maintenance, equipment failure and well unloading emissions not accounted for



 Emission factors incorrect – top down bottom up discrepancy



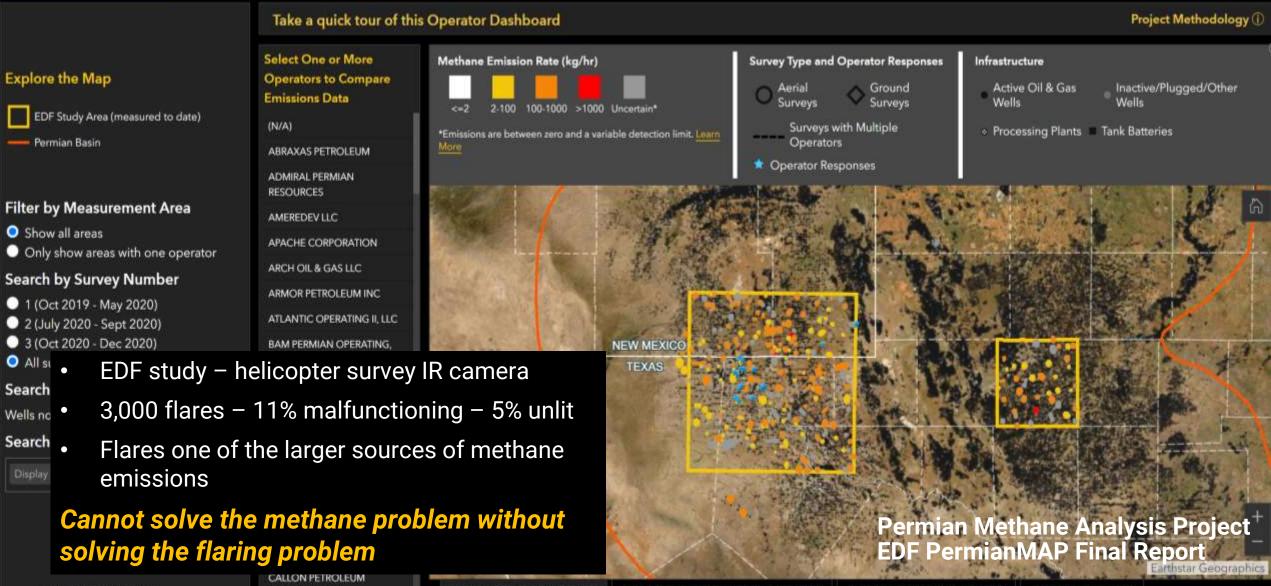
#### **3X HIGHER**

Over the course of the project, aircraft measurements have revealed Permian emissions are 2-3 times higher than what the Environmental Protection Agency estimates in their inventory of greenhouse gas emissions. I knew we would find a lot of pollution, but I had no idea flaring emissions would be this bad.

David Lyon Senior Scientist Environmental Defense Fund

## Satellites, Airplanes, Drones, Sensors, Handhelds....





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METHANE EMISSION EVENTS

MEASUREMENT COUNTS BY OPERATOR

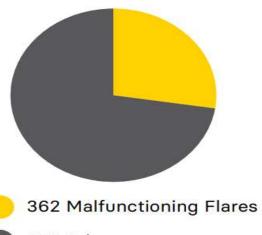
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PERATOR COMPARATIVE LISTS

#### **FLARING INSIGHTS**



### 1,320 Emission sources detected



958 Other sources (Tanks, vents, valves)

## 50%

of super emitters come from midstream operations.

> Super emitters are sites that produce a disproportionate amount of methane pollution, releasing 10 kilograms of methane an hour or more.





Mobile laboratory measurements indicate low-producing "marginal wells" are responsible for half of the Permian Basin's well pad emissions. More than 75% of these are owned by major corporations.

# **Sources Of Methane Emissions**



Oil and Gas production, Gas processing, Oil processing, Refining and Petrochemical, Pipelines and Utility distribution

- Tank vapours, Valves, Pneumatics and Compressor seals
- Process units dehydration, amine, etc.
- Well unloading, Flow backs, well testing and workovers
- Compressor, Facility and Pipeline maintenance
- Truck, Rail and Ship loading
- Emergency Shut Downs ESD's, PSV's
- Abandoned and Suspended wells

Well drilling, completions and production - Europe Loading - Canada Jambi Merang - Indonesia EUROPE Zero flaring and venting Zohr H<sub>2</sub>S- Egypt compressor site - US Dehy - US **Routine and Non-Routine** 

# From Well to Wheel



- Emission profiles are different at each stage of the oil and gas value chain
- Wellsite is different from a oil battery which is different from a compressor station
- We cannot lump them all together and use emission factors thinking our job is done.
- Proactive approach along the whole value chain recognizing the uniqueness of each stage and designing to reduce the fugitives, flaring and venting





# **Zero Flaring And Venting Facilities**





# One unit can handle multiple streams of varying pressure

#### **Non-Routine and Maintenance**

- Maintenance pipeline, engines,
- Pipeline blowdowns and pigging
- Soft starts
- Equipment failure

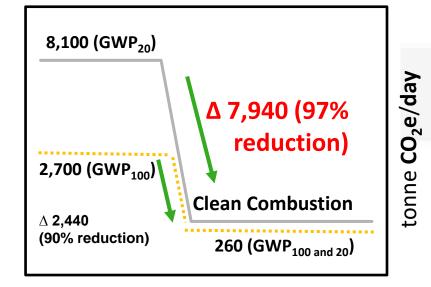
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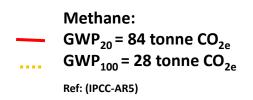
Dehy Still Column, Tank, Amine, Process Units, PSV's, etc.



## **Pipeline Maintenance Operations**

## Questor unit eliminating the venting of 5MMSCF/D Methane







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PIPELINE BLOWDOWN – COLLEGE STATION, TX. 5MMSCF/D

## **Advantages Of Enclosed Clean Combustion**





#### **HEAT EASILY TRANSFERRED**

Power Generation ✓ Directly with an internal heating coil ✓ Slip stream of flue gas

### POWER, PROCESS OR WATER EVAPORATION

Opportunity to utilize the Heat;



✓ Process heat
✓ Break the oil/water emulsion
✓ Produced water evaporation
✓ Power generation

Post combustion gas capture for Carbon Capture, Utilization or Storage (CCUS)

#### Heat Recovery for Process

# **Proven Performance Certified**



NORTH DAKOTA FIELD TESTING

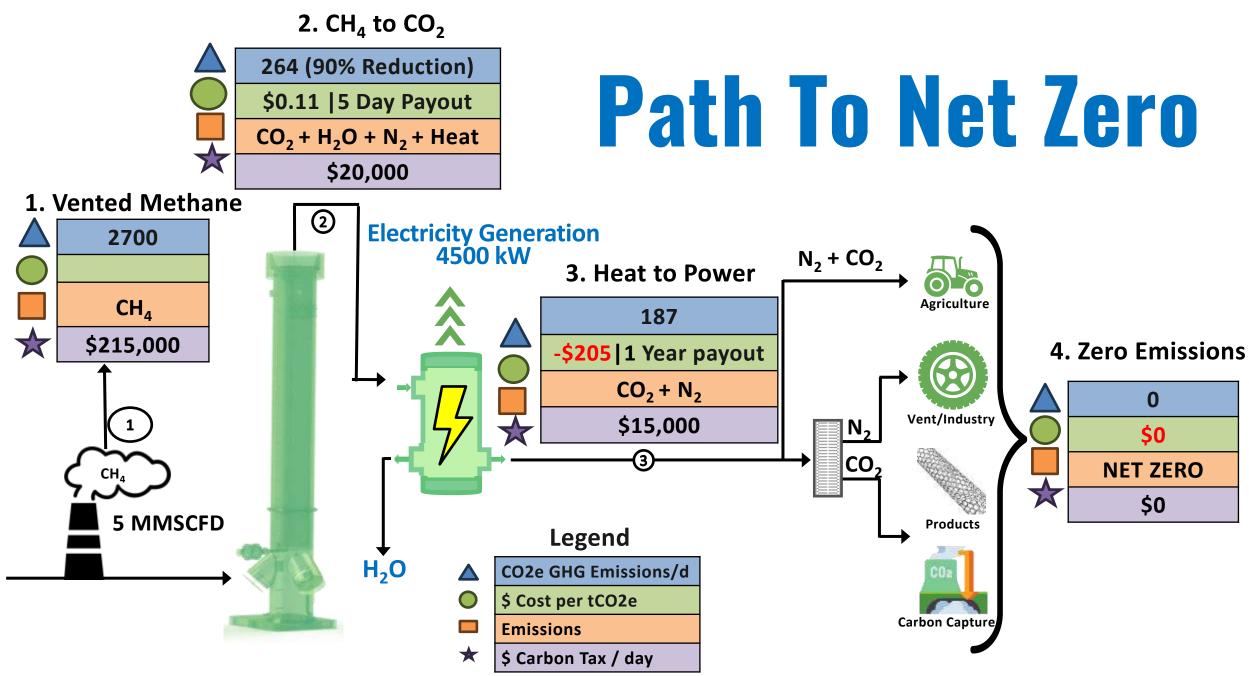




Combustor SITE 1 Q5000-17-164 (west)	Parameter	Test Result				
	VOC DRE %	Test 1 99.997%	Test 2 99.998%	Test 3 100%	Test 4 100%	Average 100%
	NOx (lb/MMBtu) CO (lb/MMBtu)	0.158	0.200	0.233	0.232	0.206
	Stack Temperature ( <sup>*</sup> F)	1125	1412	1649	1823	1502
SITE 1 Q5000-17-173 (west) SITE 2 Q5000-17-183 (east)	VOC DRE %	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	NOx (Ib/MMBtu)	0.140	0.182	0.220	0.287	0.207
	CO (lb/MMBtu)	0.049	0.008	0.002	0.011	0.018
	Stack Temperature ( <sup>°</sup> F)	1046	1348	1522	1852	1442
		Test 1	Test 2	1	-	Average
	VOC DRE %	100%	100%	VEDI	FIED	100%
	NOx (Ib/MMBtu)	0.279	0.258	VER!	FIED	0.263
	CO (Ib/MMBtu)	0.001	0.002	ISO 14034		0.001
	Stack Temperature (F)	1758	1860			1792
SITE 2 Q5000-173173 (west)	VOC DRE %	100%	100%	100%		100%
	NOx (Ib/MMBtu)	0.244	0.279	0.281		0.268
	CO (Ib/MMBtu)	0.002	0.004	0.002		0.003
	Stack Temperature (F)	1743	1763	1775		1760

		Test 1	Test 2	Test 3	Average
SITE 3 Q5000-17-123 (east)	VOC DRE %	100%	100%	100%	100%
	NOx (Ib/MMBtu)	0.178	0.173	0.202	0.184
	CO (Ib/MMBtu)	0.092	0.013	0.005	0.037
	Stack Temperature ( <sup>°</sup> F)	1737	1706	1688	1710
SITE 3 Q5000-17-164 (west)	VOC DRE %	100%	100%	100%	100%
	NOx (Ib/MMBtu)	0.205	0.198	0.204	0.202
	CO (lb/MMBtu)	0.046	0.049	0.042	0.046
	Stack Temperature (F)	1735	1754.000	1745	1745





#### Assumptions:

CH4 GWP<sub>100</sub> = 28 tCO2e; Carbon Tax: \$80/tCO2e ; Heat to power: USEPA eGrid2018 emission factors for power generation; Generation capacity of 4.5 MW; Carbon capture cost \$30/tCO2e; Cost of electricity: \$0.16/kWh (AESO average pool cost 2022); \$/tCO2e for purchase option excludes carbon credits, includes power savings; Payout time includes carbon credits

#### **Continuous Emissions Monitoring** G 6-9 February, 2024 | Goa | India **Continuous monitoring** for zero emissions using detection tech **Detection with Drones**, Satellite, Handheld and fixed monitors BTEX Questor Unit Sensors Q GAS monitor U HAP's DETECT E Pressure Flow E S Temperature VOC's M BMS Т S S I Pilot Status 0 ON Methane Predictive R ON Emissions Emissions monitoring Hydrogen **Transmitting on Sulphide Excellence Center** 30-sec intervals

Quantification of Carbon offsets for trading



#### E W S N

#### Silently sour Extensive planning hel

well workover on Calqu TTH THE RECENT GAS LEAN west of Edmonton, the

idea of sour gas makes many people very anxious. So whe it comes to a sour gas well workover, no news is good news.

In late October 2004, Nexen Canada Ltd. moved a service rig on to its sour gas wellsite facility, located on the east side of 84 Street NE just north of 16 Avenue NE, to complete maintenance on the well.

Nexen had suspended and isolated the wellsite in October 2003 following a routine inspection that identified a maintenance requirement. The workover entailed inspecting the casing, running new production tubing and sub-surface safety landing nipple and valve to ensure the continued safe operation of

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her conditions. Using ent weather conditions. knew where the H2S or O2 plume would travel." The use of the Questor Incinerator for combusting the sour gases (35 per cent H2S) vented from the well and the inclusive method that Nexen used when planning the project allowed for smooth passage of the workover with the EUB, the City of Calgary, the Municipal District of Rockyview and the many residential stakeholders.

"We used Questor because of the quality of the units. They're the most effective with almost 100 per cent efficiency in burning all the gas off. It's a proven unit," said Seredynski.

Although no sour gas was released during the workover. Compton Petroleum Suite 3100, 150-6 A Petro Canada Centre Calgary, Alberta T2P 3Y7

June 13, 2001

#### To Whom It May C

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s plant owned by Compton Petroleum. operations and applied for a permit to air quality and bad smells that any result is, H nes Creek, Albert hotos

The noise level coming from the plant is such that I can hear it while outside at night if I listen for it, but it is not at a level that would bother anything. I am unable to hear the plant while in the house. The noise might be comparable to that of a large farm tractor working the same distance away - one-kilometer.

Compton is monitoring air quality in the area on an ongoing basis.

Thank you

Nelson Ferris Hines Creck, Alberta

I live one kilometer downwind of a natural gas plant owned by Compton Petroleum. When this company wanted to expand their operations and applied for a permit to incinerate sour gas I was concerned about air quality and bad smells that may result. Not after several months of operations can say that I have never detected any smalls from the plant where I live 9

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Here's a picture of the thermal oxidizers we're using immediately south of Carlsbad, NM, in the community of Otis. These units protect air quality in the area where we recently completed a new oil well. (Yesterday's Facebook post has details). Until a pipeline is ready to capture the natural gas, we elected to take this additional measure rather than simply flaring. Depending on how much natural gas is flowing into the units at a given time, the combustion happening inside the units is brighter at the base.



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